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# Tidewater Woodworkers Guild



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Monthly Meetings  
4th Monday/month~ 7 PM

**W**e got off to a nice start this year, bringing 13 new members into the fold; in all, 42 members are dues-paid for the year. Gene George, treasurer, will be on hand again to collect this month- and if you would, make it a check for \$15 to Tidewater Woodworkers...it sure makes it easier on the record keeping. It appears our "marketing" at the Scope WW Show last fall, and our club posting on the Fine Woodworking and other WW internet web pages have been responsible for our club growth. (This month's mail list is 178...an all time high!)

**B**ob Fred gave us a detailed step-by-step presentation in table saw alignment, and we introduced our new club tool...the flat plate- that takes the place of the saw blade in that fine tuning, and the jig set-up with the dial indicator - I apologize for overlooking the Show and Tell pieces that members brought to share. While not necessarily following Roberts Rules of Order within our club...I will hereafter try to keep the format to start out with both questions from the floor...as we tried to address with Andy Hartigan's table leg query...and S &T items.

**F**ollowing up on our mention of possible guest presenters to invite for a full

day teaching seminar, I asked VP Pat Lester to contact the "Woodbender", Lon Schleining, the Scroll Saw Pro, Roland Perry, and Graham Blackburn, furniture maker...to feel them out for a visit to our club. I took on an email note to Mr. Blackburn, and just received a reply...he was most positive to a visit - possibly in the May-June time frame...We'll follow up on that and the other invitations.

**A**nd for those of you who missed us at the January meeting, we got our little workbench enclosed and a set of sealed Video boxes (12 clear Rubbermaid © storage containers) to handle our Woodworking Video Library. We haven't figured out an alternative to a meeting-to-meeting lending period; for now- we will hope our "duty librarian" (can we have some volunteers?) might hang around for 5-10 minutes as we are wheeling the chairs out at the end of the meeting...to leave the cage unlocked for those who want to sign out or log in a video tape. In that our library listing, in its present format, is 7 pages in length- I will not try to append it to the newsletter, but will make copies to be available for members at the next meeting.

**A**nd , of course- our next meeting is

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this coming Monday -7PM, the 25th- Plywood and Plastics on Chesapeake Blvd; (another marketing tool...bring a friend). I have asked Carl Mullen, one of our original "plank-owners" - and a very skilled wood-worker, to dust off his finishing techniques presentation which we all enjoyed so much-maybe 10 years ago...and join us for the evening. Carl got the opportunity to study with a master here and there- devoured their books and methods, and practices the art of mixing dyes where a stain just won't due. I'm hoping he'll sharpen his hand scraper blade and walk us thru what you can do with a flat board with grains that change directions around a burl or knot that is worth incorporating into the workpiece. I'm sure you'll enjoy learning what you can do to improve the color and texture of wood.

**I** will incorporate a couple of "For Sale" postings here in this issue. While I can't bring in a full fledged Shopsmith Mk V...there is one for sale by the widow of member Bob Davis, who we lost this time last year. For \$1000, it comes with several little extras, as well as the standard drill press, 12" disc sander, 3" (and smaller) drum sanders, 10" table saw, 36" lathe, and

a horizontal boring machine set-up. The wood drill bits, extra sanding discs and drums, front table extension, casters, several 10" saw blades...all come with it. I told Mrs. Davis I'd field any inquiries and set up a visit from anyone interested before she goes to the newspaper or eBay. The rest of the tools she has for sale -to include Craftsman 1/4" drill, finishing sander, and scroll saw, electric wet bed tool sharpener, 1-1/2 HP router with bench top router table...a slew of router bits, hot melt glue gun, cabinet scrapers, 6" adjustable dado blade, some brand new Forstner bits, 3/8" to 7/8"... and a mess of wood dowels 1/8" to 1", and toy wheels... a router pantograph, steel out-feed roller stand, a box of assorted spring clamps...I will have all these on hand at the up and coming meeting- (with prices which are more than fair...she wants the old shop cleared out).

**T**he other listing - posting Sale includes: Craftsman scroll saw, Table Saw with 4" jointer on single stand, Delta 12-1/2" planer, Craftsman radial arm saw, B & D miter saw, two router tables and several routers, tool box, electric drills, molding

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Sure Set Saw -Chesapeake  
Blue Ridge Hardwoods-Va Beach

head for table saw, assorted nuts, bolts, screws, etc. etc....

This shop for sale is thru Rip Kirby; call at 340-0770; email ripkirb@exis.net.

**W**hile we didn't get more than a half-dozen "Interest Survey" sheets back at the last meeting- again- my fault in letting the time get away - the interests recorded were not at all skewed...but pretty much in agreement as to where interests lie: In finishing- Dyeing wood was the top choice, Power tools- Table saw and Band saw techniques were #1; not much interest recorded for lathe work, but there was a showing for general wood characteristics-species ID and uses for special purposes- outdoor, carving, furniture; there is an interest in bandsaw work...bandsaw boxes; Cabinet making and furniture repairs ... sharpening cabinet scrapers, chip and flat wood decorative carving, and in joinery...interest in dovetails and miter joints seemed to be of general interest. Gathering that kind of info is "Step One"...now we want to see if there are any in our midst that would spend an evening in front of us, teaching us the rudiments of these techniques...or- possibly offer to take in a group of 3 to 5 members to their home-shop to hold a little after-hours workshop. I'm sure there is interest in our group for such opportunities, if there are any among you willing to take us on in small learning groups.

**A** follow-up- again for those not at the January meeting: American Woodworker magazine is offering wood-working club members a special 1-year subscription rate of \$11.95. This rate is

not available to the general public- and it is one of the better WW mags; if interested Call Toll-free 1-800-666-3111; tell the operator you want the "Special Discount for Woodworking Club Members."

**A**nother flyer came to me from Harvey Shinerock in Southern Oregon...he has special woods for sale..specializing in "burls, etc." He ships anywhere in the country; 1" to 6" slabs. You can reach him (8AM-6PM PST) at 1-800-548-7064; or - itsaburl@intermetcds.com.

**A**n "oh by the way.." - if any of our new members have an email address you would share with us, we will send you these monthly news/meeting reminders by Electronic Means...saving us a little postage. We currently are able to email these "bulletins" to some 71 of our now 178 names on the roster. For those of you with older member rosters, you can make a note to modify all members with a suffix reading "@home.com" to "@cox.net". And Paul Garrity, our secretary and Sawyer (portable WoodMizer to your tree) has an brand new address: paul3798@cox.net. We're adding a couple of new names to this issue, folks that contacted us about our club:  
Steve Fesko (sales@beachwoodcrafts.com) and-  
Randy Colker (randygator1@cox.net)  
We hope both you gents can make it to our meeting.

I'm gonna sign off here...try to get this in the mail Wednesday noon to reach the folks in North Carolina and Williamsburg before the meeting; that's a lot of copying, folding and stamping -even for a rainy day! Keep it with the Grain/Pat

## Tool List...for Sale Items~

<u>ITEMS</u>	<u>ORIG VALUE (sale)</u>
Craftsman electric drill, 1/4" chuck/1/3HP w/hole saw set, assorted bits and sanding/buffing and polishing wheels available	\$ 40.00 (\$16)
Craftsman scroll saw, assorted metal and wood blades available	\$ 35.00 (\$15)
Craftsman electric orbital finishing sander, flat bed 4" x 7"	\$ 32.00 (\$14)
Craftsman 1-1/2 HP router and router table, assorted router bits available	\$ 79.00 (\$30) (bits avail at...) (\$ 3.00 HSS) (\$5.00 Carbide)
Craftsman adjustable dado blade, 6"	\$ 49.00 (\$20)
Shopsmith Electric tool sharpener; wet bed, with adjustable tool holder/clamp	\$ 69.00 (\$25)
Electric Hot Melt Glue Gun -kit, with glue sticks	\$12.00 (\$5)
Cabinet Scrapers, straight and curved, set of 3; with burnishing tool	\$4.00 (\$2 ea) tool..... (\$3)
plane/chisel sharpening jig roller bed	\$ 8.00 (\$4)
Box of 6 spring clamps, 3-sizes, with built-in pads; set	\$ 15.00 (\$7)
Sandpaper stick eraser, 7" x 1 inch square	\$ 4.00 \$1.00)
Steel adjustable roller stand, outfeed support	\$18.00 (\$8)
Forstner Bits, 3/8, 1/2, 5/8, 5/8, 3/4, 7/8 9/16" machinist steel drill bit	\$ (\$3.00 ea) \$ 5.50 (\$2)
"Ripstrate", table saw ripping guide, built in hold-downs	\$27.00 (\$10)
Wood veneer packs; birch, 5 sheets of 5" x 36" per pack	\$ 5.00 (\$2 ea)
Corner clamp/ miter vise (picture frame jig)	\$ 5.50 (\$2)
1/8" thick Plexiglass sheets, 4" x 4" and 6" x 8" sheets	\$ (1.00 for 5)
Black & Decker Router Pantograph, kit	\$16.00 (\$5.00)
Dowels, 36"-wood, assort., 1/8", 3/16", 1/4", 5/16", 3/8", 1/2", 1"	\$ .40- to \$ 2.87(.30ea)
Wood (toy) wheels, assorted 2", and others	(\$1.00 for 30)
Wood pegs, toys & games (accepted in 1/8" drill hole)	(\$1.00 for 50)