

# CONEJO VALLEY WOODWORKER'S ASSOCIATION

## *The Bladerunner*

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### NOVEMBER MEETING

#### **Mortise and Tenon Joinery - Club Members**

At this meeting, a variety of methods for building mortise and tenon joints will be demonstrated. Hutch Hutchinson will demonstrate the use of a tenoning jig with a table saw, Steven Case-Pall will demonstrate the use of a Leigh jig, Brad Ormsby will explain how to make a hand mortise and tenon, and demonstrate the Delta tenoning jig, and Duane Nightingale will demonstrate the use of a table saw and band saw. The use of a drill press to make mortises will also be demonstrated. If time permits, a "Hands-on" session will give members the opportunity to try one or several of the methods.

### December Meeting

#### **Jigs and Fixtures - Club Members**

The December meeting will feature members' favorite woodworking jigs and fixtures. Bring your favorites to the meeting and explain their use to the Club.

Also, bring your toys to be donated for the Christmas toy program.

### **CHRISTMAS PARTY**

This year's Christmas party will be a "pot-luck" at Stephen Case-Pall's home. It will be held on December 7 at 2:00 PM. Call Duane Nightingale, 818-706-1834, who will also coordinate the food. More details on the attached flyer

### **WELCOME VISITORS**

We welcome visitors K. Nightingale, Dave Lagree, Frances Scott, Elise Wakefield, and Jon Palo to the October meeting. We hope that you enjoyed your visit and learned something new about

woodworking.

### **CONGRATULATIONS PRIZE WINNERS**

Congratulations to all of the prize winners. Unfortunately, in absence, no one kept track of the prizes and winners, so please excuse the omission this month.

Ed.

### **OCTOBER MEETING NOTES**

Jon Palo, an expert on finishing and refinishing gave a superb presentation at the October meeting. A summary of the process that Jon described is outlined below. Bill Brandt uses the same method.

- I. Before varnishing:
  - A. Sand with the grain. (this is a general rule, even when sanding after each coat of varnish in preparation for the next coat.)
  - B. Sand with 60-, 100-, then 150-grit sandpaper until no scratches show. Generally, you need to sand only to 150- or 220-grit paper.
  - C. If staining, allow one day to dry before varnishing.
- II. Varnishing Procedure.
  - A. Brush on first coat with the grain (never across the grain) and allow to dry, typically one day.
  - B. Sand with 220 grit sandpaper to smooth out streaks, drips, and dust "mini-bumps."
  - C. Apply second coat and allow to dry, typically one day.
  - D. Repeat steps B and C
  - E. Sand with 400 grit sandpaper to flatten bumps, streaks, drips, etc.
  - F. Buff with 0000 (also called 4-0) steel wool until no shine remains.
- III. Waxing procedure: Wax with one or two coats of paste wax to get the desired sheen.

## SHOPSMITH SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP

Anyone interested in starting a special group on Shopsmith tools and techniques, call Felix Masci, 805-495-6505.

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### CHRISTMAS TOY PROJECTS

The teams in different areas that are making toys are listed below. Please contact one of the members if you are interested in working on a toy project.

Newbury Park: Ed Bianchi (805-498-8698), Howard Johnson, and Don Tanhauser. At last report, the Newbury Park team is making a lot of progress on many toy cars and trucks.

Thousand Oaks: Felix Masci (805-495-6505), Pete DeMinico, Kurt Kirby, and Bill Poleri are making rocking horses.

Thousand Oaks: Barbara Nelson (805-495-5747) and Scotty Miller.

Westlake Village: Brad Ormsby (805-495-2298), Bill Walters, Hal Kevern, Mike Markowitz, Bob Coyle, Duane Nightingale, and Stan Wolpert.

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### LETTERS

The Bladerunner does not get many letters, but if you have a question, concern, or special interest, please send a copy to the editor so that it can be published. See the note at the end of the newsletter for information on sending your letter:

#### Are there any woodworkers out there?

My name is Bill Walters. I am retired, have a very nice shop in my two-car garage, and spend a bit of time woodworking. I joined the club in June, with the hope of meeting others that enjoy woodworking. I am interested in meeting a few "guys" that would like to get together once-in-a-while for coffee, would like to go window shopping or even shop at Home Depot, Do-It-Center, Harbor Freight, or any other place to look at tools or wood. I would even be interested in visiting the Woodcraft store in Santa Ana, or the Woodworkers Store in San Diego. I am particularly interested in attending

the Woodworking Show in Costa Mesa in November. If there are members in the Club that are interested in having the social interaction that I am suggesting, I would be interested in talking to you. Maybe we could work together on some projects. I am mainly interested in making furniture, but would be willing to try other types of woodworking. My home phone number is 805-374-8255. I am home almost all of the time.

Bill Walters.

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### ITEMS WANTED OR FOR SALE

#### For Sale

#### Jig Saw, Router Table, Chain Saw:

Craftsman table model jig saw	\$20.00
Craftsman Router Table with wings	\$20.00
Wen 16" electric chain saw	\$22.00

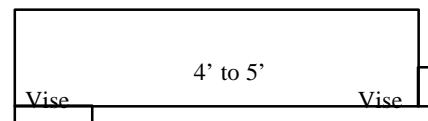
Contact Stephen Case-Pall, 805-491-3660.

Radial Arm Saw: Craftsman 10" radial arm saw, Sears best, with a 40" x 27" worktable. Develops a max. 3HP. Includes 4 Swivel Casters. Like new, was used very little. Paid \$628. Will take \$300 (firm). Contact Duane Nightingale, 818-706-1834

Radial Arm Saw: Craftsman 10" radial arm saw with 44" x 28" work table, carbide blade, manual, adjustment tools, and three-drawers and tool cabinet in the base. Includes manual and adjustment tools. Excellent condition. \$200. Contact Ira Goldberg, 805-495-7580.

#### Wanted:

Workbench: Traditional workbench with two wooden vises. Prefer 4' to 5' length, but larger is OK.



### What is the Origin of 0000?

The question of the origin of grading steel wool by numbers, 4, 3, 2, 1, 0, 00, 000, 0000, was posed several times at club meetings. Does anyone know the origin of this grading system? There are no prizes for the answer, but you'll make a few people sleep better.

**COMING EVENTS****Woodworking Show:**

The Woodworking show will be held in Costa Mesa, Orange County Fairgrounds, from November 21-23. For more information or a brochure describing the free seminars and half-day classes, call 800-826-8257.

**THE OLDEST JIGSAW**

The first jigsaw was made by replacing the needle on a sewing machine with a saw blade. According to *Wood Products*, and *CWB* magazines, "... to recognize this milestone in power tool technology, Bosch is searching for the oldest jigsaw in the country. Because the development of the jigsaw represents a proud moment at Bosch, the unit will be put on permanent display in an historic exhibit at [Bosch] headquarters in Chicago."

**SUPPLIERS**

Please inquire to the vendor for details on their products and discounts. Please bring your CVWA membership card to receive your discount. If you are planning to buy a tool for someone for Christmas, check out our suppliers.

- Conejo Hardwoods** 31275 LaBaya Drive  
Westlake Vill., CA 91362  
818-889-0487
- Discount Book Outlet** 255 Easy Street, Unit E  
Simi Valley, CA 93063  
805-582-2665
- Eisenbrand Hardwoods** 4100 Spencer Street  
Torrance, CA 90503  
310-543-3576
- H&M** 19 Aviator Street (Near 101 and Central)  
Camarillo, CA 93010-8314  
805-987-3877
- Hardwood Specialties** 7801 Canoga Ave. #8  
Canoga Park, CA 91304  
818-703-6472
- Higgins Hardwoods** 524 Pacific  
Oxnard CA 93030

**Integrity Wood Products**

7838 Alabama Ave.  
Canoga Park, CA 91304  
Phone: 818-704-7490;  
FAX: 818-704-8912

**Junior's Tools**

813 E. Ventura Blvd.  
Oxnard, CA 93030  
Phone: 805-278-0937;  
Fax: 805-278-3919

**Mayan Hardwoods**

3130 Paseo Mercado #101  
Oxnard, CA 90303  
Phone: 800-937-8890;

**M&M Hardwoods**

5433 Vineland (at Chandler)  
North Hollywood, CA  
818-766-8325

**Russell's Woodworks**

1922 American Way  
Ventura CA 93004  
805-647-7322

**Stubby Chequers**

2696 Lavery Court  
Newbury Park, CA 91320  
Phone: 800-617-7147;  
805-375-6566

**SEND US YOUR NEWSLETTER INPUTS!**

Vendors that offer discounts to club members  
Special topics, questions, or local events  
Items of interest to club members  
Items for sale or items needed

Inputs for the newsletter are needed by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month before the meeting.

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