

CONEJO VALLEY WOODWORKER'S ASSOCIATION

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MARCH MEETING

New CVWA Board

Our March meeting will be a little different than usual since this will be the transition meeting for the 1997 and 1998 officers. This meeting will begin the term of office for our new Board elected at our February meeting. This passing of the gavel will take place during the business portion of the meeting.

Special Products and Tools

Our program for March will feature Paul Burri the owner of BrandNew in Goleta. Paul will tell us about the line of products his company carries for woodworkers and educate us about how these products are used. Paul's company supplies custom designed branding irons for identifying your work, Japanese pull saws, veneers, plans for model builders, and a new turning tool called the Hardwood Scalpel. Paul is also a supplier of Gorilla Glue and will be able to tell us about its properties and use. He sells maple bench/counter tops in a variety of sizes and can show us the benefits of purchasing a prepared top vs. building one of our own. Perhaps the most exciting new item is Hollowood. This is tubular veneered plywood that is available in a variety of diameters and also comes with accessory end caps and plugs to add to the product's versatility. Hollowood surface veneer is available in a variety of domestic and exotic woods. Paul will present a variety of ideas for using the product.

In order to ensure enough time for our transition meeting and Paul's presentation we will not have our usual Show & Tell session. Members can bring their projects to the April meeting.

DUES ARE DUE AGAIN

Dues for 1998 are due at the March meeting. Renewal is \$20 (\$25 for new members to include badges). Please submit your dues as early as

possible.

Bus to American Woodworker Show March 7, 7:30 am at Redwood School

An outline of the American Woodworker show program, held from 6-8 March at the Ontario Convention Center is given on page 3 of the Bladerunner. Since many members expressed interest in attending the show, the Club hired a bus for the round trip. Members who wish to take the bus will meet at Redwood School on Saturday, March 7, at 7:30 AM. The bus will leave promptly at 8:00 AM. We plan to spend the day at the show, and the bus will leave at 6:00 PM when the show closes. We expect to return to Redwood between 7:30 and 8:00 PM. The cost for the bus is \$20.00, and the show tickets are \$9.00, with the discount coupons available at the club meeting. At this writing, about 12 seats are still available. Please contact Hal Kevern for reservation and payment.

Cabinet Shop Tour, March 14.

A tour of Steven Casey's cabinet shop is planned for March 14. Details will be presented at the meeting.

CONGRATULATIONS PRIZE WINNERS

Congratulations to the following prize winners:

Freud 6" stacked dado - Gene Strojek
Inca jig, book, & tape - Stan Wolpert
Router biscuit joiner - Dick Hunnewell
Featherboard and glue - Marlene Peters
8" circular saw blade - Brad Ormsby
Large dustpan - Don Scott

Get Well Wishes to Kurt Kirby

We were informed recently that Kurt Kirby underwent surgery. On behalf of the woodworkers

group, we extend our wishes for a speedy recovery, and hope to see you back woodworking soon.

SPECIAL THANKS TO HOWARD JOHNSON

Some of us “old timers” know that Howard was one of the founders of the Conejo Valley Woodworkers Association. It started as a small group that met at Shopsmith in Newbury Park. When the store closed, the group found a new location, Grandpa’s Workshop, to continue the interaction among those interested in woodworking. He and others extended the scope of the Club to include all types of woodworking skills and techniques. Howard served officially on the board until this year, and promised to help out in the future. Many thanks from all of us.

WELCOME VISITOR

Welcome to Bob Terrill, visitors at the February meeting. We hope that you enjoyed your.

FEBRUARY MEETING NOTES

Advanced Router Techniques

Most of the February meeting addressed using the router to make raised panel doors, and the use of different router tables.

Brad Ormsby demonstrated the router table built by Pak Park Enterprises. The router is mounted vertically under the table. He explained the construction of finger joints, and showed how to make raised panel doors. To make the doors, the rails and styles are each made with a separate bit. A template for setting the bit is used to avoid repetitious trial and error. The panel is made with another bit that cuts the panel surface to fit in the slot made by the rail- and stile-bits. Because the panel cutting bit is fairly large, a powerful router is needed to keep the bit from stalling.

Duane Nightingale demonstrated the Join-Tech router table. In this table, the router is mounted horizontally at the rear of the table. Duane also recommended separate bits for rail and stile. Because each table has a different method of mounting the router, the bits for each table configuration are different. The panel cutting bit for this table is longer and thinner than for vertical router mounting, so a less powerful router is required.

A few recommendations were made:

- **Wear eye and ear protection.**
- The panel should be about 1/8” smaller than the space provided to allow for expansion.
- Move the pieces slowly through the router
- Cut across the grain before cutting with the grain so that any tear out can be removed.
- Use good quality router bits. Bits by CMT and Jeseda were recommended.

Following the raised panel door demonstrations, Howard Johnson demonstrated the use of a laminate trimmer, and a very inexpensive router tool to cleanly trim panels glued on particleboard or plywood. The router type tool cost about \$40 to \$50 instead of several hundred dollars, but has limited uses. The main things to remember are to be sure the laminate is strongly attached to the base, and that any roughness on the base will be accentuated when the panel is cut.

There are many books on routing; some are in our library. References include the Time-Life series on woodworking, *Router Handbook* by Patrick Spielman, and *Routing and Shaping* by Nick Engler. American Woodworker published a selection of articles on routing and routing techniques called *Router Jigs-Techniques-Projects* which is currently available on newstands.

Election of Officers

The slate of nominees for board positions for 1998 was accepted by the membership. The new officers and their positions are:

President	- Stan Wolpert
Vice President	- Felix Masci
Vice President	- John Tarpley
Treasurer	- Marlene Peters
Secretary	- Scotty Miller
Director (prizes)	- Hutch Hutchinson
Director	- Ed Bianchi
Director	- Hal Kevern
Librarian	- Stephen Case-Pall
Newsletter Editor	- Ira Goldberg
Brad Ormsby	- Past President.

On behalf of the members, we thank the outgoing board for the time and effort they spent to continue developing the Club’s programs and activities, and welcome the new board, especially the new board members. We all appreciate the warmth and friendliness of the club, the opportunity to learn new woodworking techniques, and the broad range of expertise that the Club offers.

AMERICAN WOODWORKER SHOW Ontario California, March 6,7,8

The show will be held on March 6-8, 1998, at the Ontario Convention Center, located off of I-10, near Ontario International Airport.

Show Program

The show will include demonstrations, a gallery of fine woodworking projects, vendors, and seminars. General admission is \$10 to attend the exhibits and (continuous) demonstrations. A one day package that includes one admission and one seminar is \$30, and a two-day package that includes admission and two seminars is \$55. Detailed information can be obtained by calling 1-800-914-9395 or on the web at <http://americanwoodworkersshow.com>.

Some of the planned demonstrations include

Resawing	- Mark Duginske
Vacuum-Bag Veneering	- Andy Rae
Using a Chisel	- Ian Kirby
Dressing Stock	- Paul Anthony
Using a Hand Plane	- Frank Klausz
Routing Ellipses	- Ellis Valentine
Inlaying Banding	- Sandor Nagyszalanczy
Bent Lamination	- Fred Matlack
Routing Mortises	- Andy Rae

The following seminars will be presented (these are not included in the general admission):

Getting the Most from Your Router - Ernie Conover
Getting the Most from Your Tablesaw - Mark Duginske
Sharpening Secrets - Leonard Lee
Design and Build Great Furniture - Ian Kirby
Fearless Finishing - Michael Dresdner
Setting Up Shop - Sandor Nagyszalanczy

The above information was taken from the website. If you are interested in a specific demonstration or seminar, check the time through one of the contacts listed above.

Ed.

Thanks for the Video Recorder

The club thanks Don Scott for the donation of a video recorder. We hope to use it to record some of the demonstrations.

SHOPSMITH SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP

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

Library News

The library is planning to obtain an index to woodworking plans in all woodworking magazines. The index will be on CD ROM, and the information will be available for anyone who wishes to locate the source of plans for a specific topic.

ITEMS WANTED OR FOR SALE

For Sale

Bosch Random Orbit Sander, Model No. 3283DVS
- 5" hook & loop disks. \$40
Call Dick Pilling: 805-526-4402

Wanted:

Good quality 4" or 6" benchtop jointer. Needed as soon as possible.
Stephen Case-Pall: 805-491-3660 or E-Mail: case_pall@msn.com

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 wanted; Letters and "Tips"
Inputs for the newsletter are needed by the 15th of the month before the meeting.

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