

# The Bladerunner



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**September 2019**

## President's Message



Here in Southern California, it seems as if the seasons are determined more by the calendar than the weather. That includes the social calendar, as well as the chronological one. Here we are, just gearing up for the year's hottest weather, including those horrible Santa Ana wind-borne fires. And yet, the activities of Autumn are in full swing. For example – September's meeting is days away. How can that be, in the middle of summer? The best answer is, "It just is." So much for that.

I promise you'll enjoy September's program. Our own Dave Seidler will do a much-requested presentation on joinery. I know that when I look at a piece of furniture or even a wood box, I'm always interested in checking out the joints. Some are incredibly intricate, and even beautiful. There are so many intriguing ways of putting two pieces of wood together, other than just slathering on the glue and slapping them together. On September 7<sup>th</sup>, you can learn even more about joinery by attending the Saturday workshop. It will also be led by Dave Seidler.

Have you made your trivet yet? Creating a trivet is like a musical composition titled "Variations on a Theme" – there are endless ways of designing them. I'm looking forward to seeing what you bring us.

Looking ahead to October, we're getting ready for our annual Auction. This is a major fund-raiser for the club's activities. Thanks to Brad Ormsby's pear-shaped tones and subtle (and sometimes not-so-subtle) humor, it's always a fun evening. Of course, we will need some volunteers to help make things run smoothly. If you've got a strong back, we need you to lift and carry the auction items. If your mind is stronger than your back, you can help keep track of the numbers at the cashier's table.

Fall is a great time to bring a friend to introduce them to the club. What could be better for a visitor than learning more about joinery from Dave Seidler at the September meeting, and then returning for the fun and good buys at the October auction. One of the best parts of hobbies is sharing a common interest with a friend. Which of your friends would you like to bring with you?

On the second Tuesday of each month, woodworking friends meet at the Oaks Mall Food Court for Just Coffee. This is a great chance to visit with club members in a casual, low-cost activity. Lately, there haven't been many people attending this pleasant meeting, and I'm not sure why. By 10 am, most of us want to take a break and have a cup of coffee. Why not run down to the Oaks Mall and enjoy coffee and conversation with friends? It beats cleaning up the shop, doesn't it?

And, speaking of friends, I want to thank all of the club's officers and other volunteers. All of you make my job much easier and much more fun. For those of you who haven't participated as an officer, why not think about it for next year? We need you! It is a cause that we all support, and the club needs the energy that new people bring. If the bowl of trail mix and M&Ms and good camaraderie at the Board meetings isn't enough of an enticement, what would inspire you to step up?

As Smokey Bear says, "Only YOU!"

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Deena Case-Pall  
President  
Conejo Valley Woodworkers Association

## Events Calendar

- Sept 5** -- Monthly Meeting: 7:00PM, Program: Joinery by Dave Seidler, Challenge: Wooden Trivet
- Sept 7** -- Workshop, 9:00 AM to Noon: Joinery by Dave Seidler
- Sept 10** -- Just Coffee get-together 10:00am to 11:30am Oaks Mall Food Court
- Sept 18** -- CVWA Breakfast, 8:30 am, Pickles Newbury Park, 1940 Newbury Road
- Sept 19** -- CVWA Board of Director's Meeting 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM President's home
- Sept 27** -- CVWA Breakfast 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM Denny's Camarillo
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- Oct 3** -- Monthly Meeting: 7:00PM, Annual Action
- Oct 8** -- Just Coffee get-together 10:00am to 11:30am Oaks Mall Food Court
- Oct 16** -- CVWA Breakfast, 8:30 am, Pickles Newbury Park, 1940 Newbury Road
- Oct 17** -- CVWA Board of Director's Meeting 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM President's home
- Oct 25** -- CVWA Breakfast 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM Denny's Camarillo
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- Nov 7** -- Monthly Meeting: 7:00PM, Program: Toy Drive Turn-In & Shop First Aid presented by Will Robbins; Challenge: Making a box
- Nov 12** -- Just Coffee get-together 10:00am to 11:30am Oaks Mall Food Court
- Nov 20** -- CVWA Breakfast, 8:30 am, Pickles Newbury Park, 1940 Newbury Road
- Nov 21** -- CVWA Board of Director's Meeting 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM President's home
- Nov 22** -- CVWA Breakfast 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM Denny's Camarillo
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- Dec 7** -- Holiday Party (*more information to follow*)
- Dec 10** -- Just Coffee get-together 10:00am to 11:30am Oaks Mall Food Court
- Dec 18** -- CVWA Breakfast, 8:30 am, Pickles Newbury Park, 1940 Newbury Road
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- Jan 9** -- Monthly Meeting: 7:00PM, Program: Scroll Saw demonstration by Dan Gallo
- Jan 14** -- Just Coffee get-together 10:00am to 11:30am Oaks Mall Food Court
- Jan 15** -- CVWA Breakfast, 8:30 am, Pickles Newbury Park, 1940 Newbury Road
- Jan 16** -- CVWA Board of Director's Meeting 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM President's home
- Jan 24** -- CVWA Breakfast 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM Denny's Camarillo

## Annual Picnic

41 members and their guests attended this year's event that was hosted by **Christine and Mike Gorn**. Their home was an idea venue. Plenty of shade. Thanks Mike and Christine!



Enjoying the feast!



Nice and shady!



Lots of space for all to be comfortable.

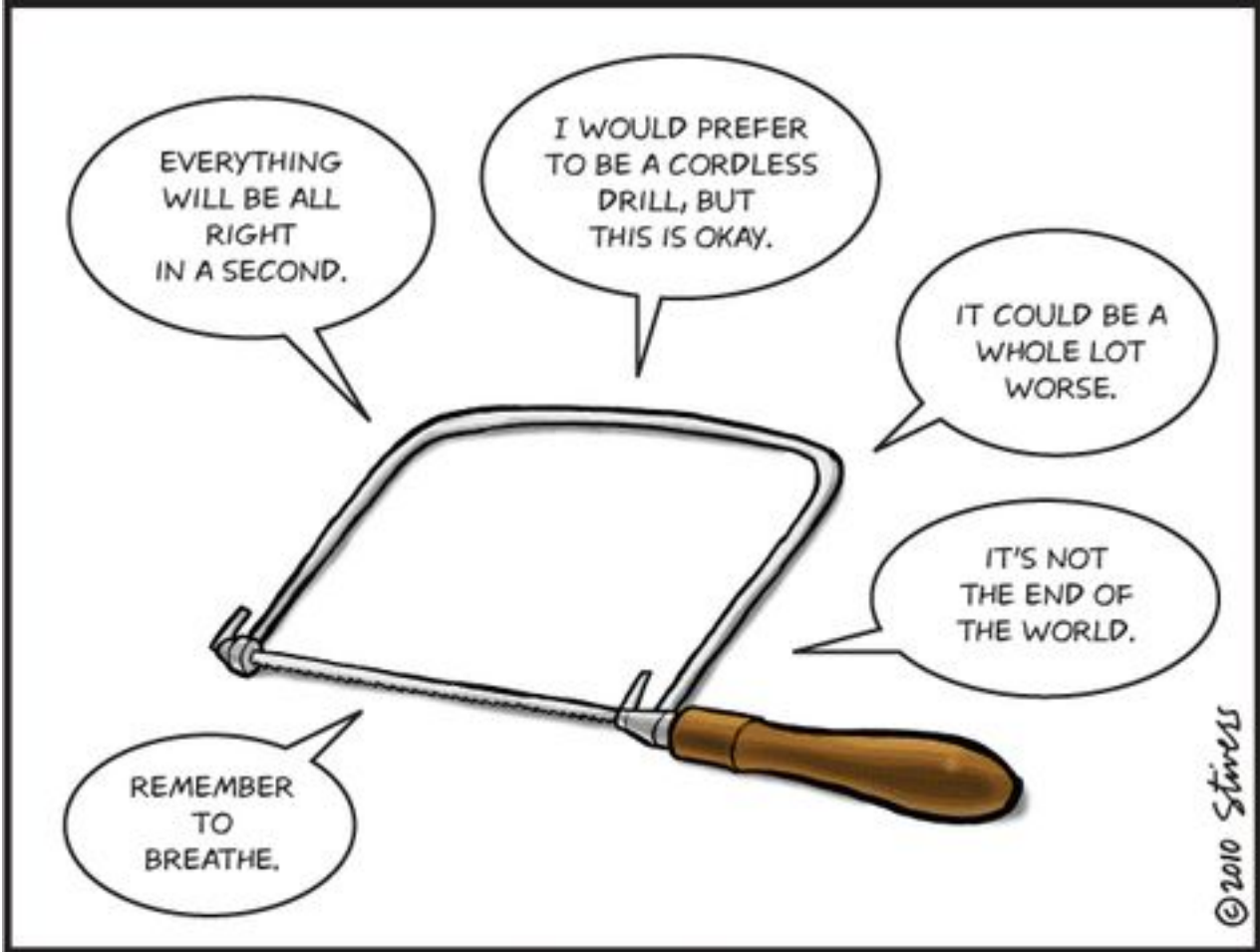


The Feast! Thanks Wood Ranch and all who contributed their own goodies!



There were many great items donated for the Silent Auction.





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## Check Out This Birdhouse

**Bill Aurand** received these photos from **Doug Laird**, a previous CVWA member and the maker of our club badges. Doug is now living up in Redding, California.

From Doug: The Elks lodge is doing an auction fund raiser for a 33 year old lady who needs a kidney transplant. I built this birdhouse to be auctioned off. Very laser intensive.....



Dr. Seuss style 3 room bird house. 40 hrs labor and 20 hrs laser. For fund raiser at lodge. Hole and room size designed for the Western Mountain Blue bird as well as others. recommend location 8-10' above ground.



September Raffle Prizes



## Board Members

### Elected Officers

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