



North County Woodworking Club

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July 2005 NEWSLETTER

Meeting Date Thursday July 21, 2005

Doors open at 6:00 pm, Meeting starts at 7:00 pm

MEETING LOCATION

Joslyn Senior Center, Auditorium, 210 Park Avenue, Escondido, Ca 92025

The Joslyn Center is off Broadway between Mission and Washington Avenues. Thomas Guide Map code 1129 J-2. Park Avenue is in the upper left corner of block J-2

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Hello everyone, it is sure good to be home. Vacations are nice, but when you are on a fishing trip in Alaska and you don't see the sun until the day you leave for home, you really appreciate sunny Southern California. Of course spending the last two fishing days sick in bed makes you wish that you were home also. Members Harry Finch and George Fall accompanied me and they brought a friend along and I can honestly say that we caught a literal ton or more of halibut and salmon.

It will be good to see all of you at the July 21st meeting. It seems like the picnic in May was so long ago. Maybe that's what happens when you turn 50 the clock starts spinning faster.

I would like to ask each of you to consider serving on the board in the future. In October of next year there will be a number of officers that will need to be replaced because they are being "term limited out" you might say, and those positions will need to be filled. There are also other Chairperson's that may

decide to step down and those positions need to be filled as well. It is always good to have new personalities and thinking step up and serve on the board.

I'm keeping this short and sweet this month, because I'm still trying to get over my vacation. Use those safety glasses and push sticks and I'll see you on the 21st.

Butch Baskins, President

This Month's Program

This month Fred will have a mystery guest for our presentation. At this point I think it's still a mystery to Fred.

Owl Boxes

By Butch Baskins

About 3 years after we moved into my house in Valley Center, we had a problem with mice that still makes me cringe. They were so bad in the kitchen that I would set a trap and before I could get to my chair in the living room the trap would snap on another one. One afternoon and evening I caught 23 mice in a 4 hour period!! My wife was really upset that they were there and wondered why I was not getting rid of them. The mounting body count did not impress her like it would a guy, she just wanted them gone.

I tried every way of getting rid of mice I could find and I still had mice. The neatest thing was this little box they ran into and got electrocuted, but those broke after the first dozen or so mice and you had to keep the metal plate they stood on really clean or it would just stun them and they would not come back to it. Cleaning that metal plate was not much fun. I hated to use poisons because of all of the hawks and bobcats and other wildlife that live in my yard.

I had read about owl boxes and found a guy out of Ramona who installed them so I called him and he put up one owl box and one kestrel box. The kestrel box

quickly became a beehive, but barn owls moved into the owl boxes!! With the USDA estimating that one barn owl eats 1,000 rodents a year my problems were over. If mommy and daddy owl each eat a thousand and an owlet (baby owl) will maybe eat half that, my mice and rats will soon be extinct, or so I thought.

Well, it just so happens that I still had mice, and now a little critter called the Norwegian roof rat, so instead of paying this guy to build and hang some more boxes at \$350.00each, I built my own.

I have hung two more up in my back yard and at night I will go out just before dark and watch them come out for the hunt and it is something to see. In the three boxes last year there were five adults and nine young the last time I counted and guess what? We may have a mouse in the house about every 6 months now compared to the horde we had at the start.

For those of you interested in owl boxes, I will have one at the July meeting along with plans and measurements.

We Currently Have 105 Members

SHOW and TELL

Do you have a project to show off? How about a favorite jig, a special technique or time saving hint to make our woodworking easier? Attendees should bring in projects and present them with a short 2-minute talk. More time can be devoted to questions about your projects at the end of the meeting. Thanks for sharing your ideas.

NCWC MEMBERSHIP !!!

The annual dues of \$20.00 is collected at the club meetings or you can mail them to Ray Brooks at the Club Post Office Box. Year 2005 dues can be paid anytime.

Remember, the longer you wait to pay your dues, the less time you have to take advantage of the great offers and discounts from our vendors.

YOUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR 2005:

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

PROGRAMS IN THE COMING MONTHS:

For August Joe Dusel volunteered to talk about European Cabinets going into various design aspects and specialized hardware.

Fred is trying to have Dale Newell do another talk in September on Wheels and Casters. This is a very good program in that one will get ideas on making mobile bases for your large power tools. Only a handful of woodworkers have shops large enough not to be interested in having their large power tools on mobile bases. When you work from in your garage, you need to have things on mobile bases. Dale will be able to show how to make bases far cheaper than purchasing them. At the last demo he did he brought lots of give away casters, etc.

Fred has confirmed with Bill Cox to give a demo on the Leigh Dove Tail Jig. We will be selling chances for a 24" Leigh jig starting probably at the August meeting. Bill, if you never have heard him speak, is very entertaining. He flat knows this jig.

Member News:

This section is for members who have news about themselves, other members, or other good stuff they would like to pass on to the rest of the membership. Information to be included in the newsletter should be E-mailed to Joe Dusel at joe@woodistry.com least 2 weeks before the scheduled meeting.

FOR SALE or PURCHASE

Anyone who has wants or disposals, send them to Ray Brooks and he will email the info to the members.

Delta 15" planer with mobile base for sale at \$450.00

Call Butch at 760-751-1227 or e-mail sawdustvc@aol.com

Ken Haines has the following for sale:

1. ROUTER TABLE / PLANER COMBO. – STANDS APPROX 35" HIGH, ADJUSTABLE FEET ON LEGS. UPPER TABLE IS 2' X 4', MELAMINE TOP, MITER CHANNEL, FULL LENGTH FENCE W/ DUST PICKUP; RYOBE RE600, 3 HP. VAR. SPEED, SOFT START ROUTER MOUNTED IN TOP.
LOWER TABLE IS MELAMINE W/ DELTA 12" PLANER W/ DUST CHUTE AND 6' INFEED/OUTFEED TABLE TO HELP REDUCE SNIPE
\$ 350.00
2. WAGNER HVLP CONVERSION SPRAY GUN, 1 QT CANNISTER, 0-60 PSI REGULATOR IN HANDLE. USED ONCE.
\$ 150.00
3. DEWALT PLATE JOINTER W/ CASE. MINIMAL USAGE.
\$125.00
4. MICROWAVE W/ TURNTABLE – USED FOR DRYING WOOD
\$ 10.00
5. FREUD ROUTER BIT SET; RAISED PANEL, MATCHED STILE AND RAIL CUTTERS AND 15 DEGREE FLAT PANEL CUTTER- 3 ½" DIA., ½" SHANK, IN WOOD CASE- NEVER USED.
\$ 125.00
6. FREUD ROUTER BIT: RAISED PANEL CUTTER, COVE PATTERN – 3 ½" DIA., ½" SHANK – NEVER USED.
\$ 50.00
7. ROUTER BIT – UNDERCUTTER – ½" SHANK, 2" DIA. – NEVER USED.
\$ 30.00
8. ROUTER BIT – RAISED PANEL BIT- COVE W/ UNDERCUTTER, ½" SHANK, 3" DIA., NEVER USED.
\$ 50.00
9. ROUTER BIT – RAISED PANEL BIT- 15 DEG. STRAIGHT W/ UNDERCUTTER, ½" SHANK, 3" DIA., NEVER USED.
\$ 50.00
10. ROUTER BIT – LOCK MITER BIT ½" SHANK, 2 ¾" DIA., NEVER USED.
\$ 30.00
11. ROUTER BIT – ¾" ROUNDOVER BIT, ½" SHANK. NEVER USED.

\$ 25.00

FOR TOOL COLLECTORS:

1954 CRAFTSMAN ½ SHEET SANDER IN CASE- COMPLETE, LOOKS BEAUTIFUL.
\$ 75.00

1958 CRAFTSMAN ¼" DRILL MOTOR IN CASE COMPLETE W/ DRILL BITS (SOME NEVER USED),
BUFFING PADS, WARRANTY CARD.
\$ 75.00

760.432.0563 and at kenhaines@cox.net

MENTOR PROGRAM

Members interested in assisting other members can participate in the Mentor Program. It is as easy as sending your name, skills, and E-mail address to Joe Dusel. Joe will place your name, skills and e-mail address on a portion of the web page devoted to the Mentor Program. Remember, your name will be "on the web" so only your E-mail address will be made available. Anyone wishing to contact you will have to E-mail with his or her contact information.

OTHER TIDBITS:

We would like to make woodworking or related articles, written by our members, available on the web site. Can you write? Do you have a special tidbit that you would willingly pass along to the membership? Please contact Joe Dusel (joe@woodistry.com) with your input. Joe will assist in editing if you provide a starting text. Pictures work too, especially if you would like to have your very own gallery page!

Refreshments:

This is a big job and Bill Carpenter has graciously agreed to chair this committee. Thanks Bill.

Programs:

Fred Gross, VP and Programs Committee Chair, is always looking for ideas from the membership as to prospective speakers, demonstrations, tours etc. If you have speaker ideas or topic desires, please see Fred at the meeting or contact him via e-mail.

The Next Board Meeting:

The next Board meeting will be held at 7:00 pm, Thursday August 4th in the Joslyn center library. The library is located just to the left of the main lobby. Members are welcome to attend any board meeting. Call any board member to confirm meeting place.

NCWC APPROVED VENDORS

Thanks to the efforts of Tom Lightner and some other club members, we have lots of great Approved Vendors for our club. They are as follows; with specifics as to the discounts available and persons to contact. Please frequent these vendors when you can. **Show your NCWC membership card and request your discount.** From time to time you may see one of their representatives at our meetings. Check the web site for the current list of vendors.

We hope to see you at the meeting. Remember that we meet on the third Thursday of each month except November and December.

To those of you who were e-mailed this notice, should you desire to have your name removed from our list or if you received this in error, please respond to Ray Brooks with your request and we'll take you off the list.

If you are not on the E-mail list and wish to save the club some money, please send me your E-mail address and we'll switch you.

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