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Sharpening

Presentation by Scott Randall

Written by John Wilson

For new members, as well as those who missed the last demonstration a few years ago, Scott offered a refresher on the art of sharpening hand tools, specifically chisels, planer blades and planer knives.

First off, he showed off a handy Veritas honing guide available at Lee Valley, for around \$57.00, a tool that, as he demonstrated, was well worth his investment. The Veritas honing guide comes with a detachable setup gauge that is indispensable in setting the proper sharpening angle for chisels, and planer blades.

Scott, as most of us would do as well, starts by rough grinding the edge of his tool as necessary to remove the dings, dents and chips in the edge to true it up a bit. Then, after clamping his dull tool into the honing jig, begins the sharpening process using a medium grit emery paper spray glued on a granite slab. One helpful hint is to use a spray bottle of water to keep the paper saturated to prevent the grit from clogging up. When finished, he begins by honing the face of the tool with a 1000 grit wet stone, followed by 4000 grit, and finishes with 8000 grit. Once the face of the tool is adequately ground, he begins

with the beveled edge of the tool, repeating the same process of consecutive grits of wet stones.

When finished, he likes to put a micro-bevel on the tool for that extra sharp edge.

Scott demonstrated a great way to sharpen planer knives by cutting opposing 45 degree angled parallel slots across a piece of cabinet grade plywood, inserting his dull planer knives into these slots, and using consecutive grits of wet stones to sharpen the knives while they're conveniently held in place. Great idea Scott!

And thanks for the refresher.



Scott demonstrates his Veritas honing guide.

CMWA Meeting Recap

Sauk Rapids-Rice Middle School on May 16, 2007 at 7PM. Recap adapted from secretary's meeting minutes

Meeting Demonstration

Scott Randall gave a refresher on sharpening chisels, hand planes and planer knives.

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Pop Tabs for Ronald McDonald House

Tom Homan is collecting pop can tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. Please collect your pop tabs and bring them to a future meeting.

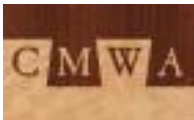


Monthly Door Prizes

Byron John won this month's door prize. It included a Scratch Awl, a Router Mat, and two Tack Cloths. Oh yeah, and a pencil.

Next Meeting

The June meeting will be held at Lake Region Timber Co. in Avon at 6:30 PM (1/2 hour earlier than normal). We will be watching actual work being done at the mill, so please bring your hearing and eye protection. See the map on page 4 for location.



Central Minnesota Woodworker's Assoc.

The CMWA is a group of men and women from around the St. Cloud Minnesota area who share a common interest in the art and business of woodworking. We meet monthly in Sauk Rapids and share information, techniques and topics of interest in the area of woodworking.

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A Passion for Boats

Richard Pawlenty and his son, Mike, crafted this 17 1/2 foot Whitehall pulling boat. From Richard's note, "The Whitehall is a classic design which originated on the east coast well over 100 years ago and later became popular in the San Francisco area." Thank you, Richard, for sharing your wonderful passion with us.



Richard and Mike launched their Whitehall, 'Amy', earlier this spring near Coronado, California.

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Next Meeting:

June 20th at 6:30PM at Lake Region Timber Co., Avon, MN. See map page 4.

Board Meeting:

June 20th at 6:00PM at Lake Region Timber Co., Avon, MN.



Projects on Display



Scott Randall displayed this mirror frame he just finished from quarter sawn oak. Scott will purchase a custom mirror to finish out the piece.



Here you can see the ebony detail that Scott included on each side of the mirror frame.

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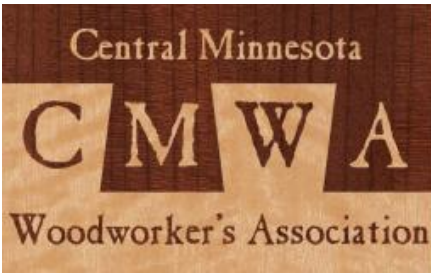
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Note: Next meeting in Avon at 6:30 PM. (See map.)

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