

Atlantic Woodworker's Association **AWA** Newsletter



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February Meeting

This meeting will be back at Kent in Dartmouth our normal home for meetings. We meet at 7 pm on the 14th of February.



This meeting is our would challange is to make kitchen utensil /tool as per instructions sent out to you at an earlier date. So bring your wooden, kitchen utensils and see what everyone has come up with

A note from the chair.

AWA Membership Renewal

The AWA Executive recently conducted a review of membership policy, and established 1 April of each year as the final date to renew Association membership through payment of annual dues. Benefits of membership include: access to the members' section of the AWA website, receipt of the monthly newsletter, attendance at regular meetings and the right to vote on business at the Annual General Meeting, opportunity to participate in AWA sponsored events, presentations, tours, competitions, challenges, draws, and giveaways, and a current membership card that gives access to retail discounts. Although the membership year starts 1 January, the Association provides opportunity for membership renewal starting in October and continues to collect dues payment at each meeting until the March meeting. Members who do not renew their membership by 1 April will lose all benefits of membership.

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What Goes on at the Annual General Meeting?

Our by-laws specify that our "Society" conduct an annual general meeting (AGM) once a year within 90 days of the beginning of the year, which is why we schedule it for the March monthly meeting. The by-laws also tell us what business is to be conducted at the AGM

- 1. Review minutes of the previous AGM
- 2. Chair's annual report for the previous year
- 3. Financial report for the previous year
- 4. Election of Officers and Directors (if and as required)
- 5. Appointment of directors or others to review the accounts.

Any other business is to be treated as special business and according the rules special business requires advanced notice which must be given at least 15 days before the meeting and normally is included with the "notice of the meeting" which must also be given 15 days in advance. This year, notice for the AGM will go to the membership by



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email sometime in late February. As of the last Executive meeting (18 January) we are not expecting to conduct special business at this year's AGM.

The Chair's annual report and the financial report will be circulated to the membership along with the notice of the meeting. This will give members opportunity to examine the reports prior to the meeting where they will be asked to approve the reports by vote.

All the Directors and Officers were elected at last year's AGM, and since the Executive Members hold office for two years, we do not anticipate need for elections at the upcoming AGM.

If you're curious, according to the b-laws, the AWA Board of Directors is made up of from 4 to 15 Directors. Within the Board of Directors are 4 Officers of the Society; the Chair, Vice-chair, Treasurer and the Secretary. The 4 Officers are the only named Directors. It has been normal that Directors also hold responsibilities such management of the library and the website or be the events coordinator or membership director, but these administrative responsibilities could be held by a general member. It is more convenient for business if the responsibilities are held by Directors.

Our Board currently has 14 Directors, so if wished, we could have one more.

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Show 1: Julie An-Jager display her children's wooden blocks ar our show and tell at the January meeting.

FOR SALE

Craftsman 12 inch sliding compound miter saw with rolling stand and manual. is basically a brand new saw. I built only two small project with it my dog house and the frame for a door. I will graduate as a health counsellor in February of 2012 and I did not have the time for leisure nor woodworking. I would like to have \$500 for it, less than half of the total cost I paid for it..





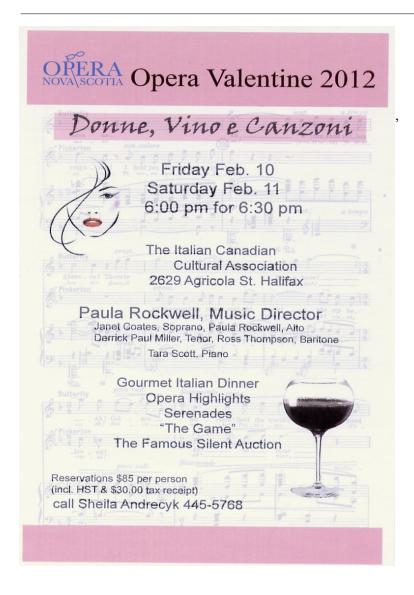


Is your workshop safe?



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Opera Valentine is a great evening out and a nice place to take your loved one. Great environment, good food and good music. You should book soon as tickets are going.