

Atlantic Woodworker's Association AWA Newsletter

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Our December meeting, will be our Christmas Social, on the, 10th December starting at 6:30pm. This meeting will take place at Lee Valley in Bayers Lake.

If you would like to bring some nibbles it would be appreciated. Also you are free to invite your spouse or friend to come they would be most welcome.

This is the meeting where you bring the **toys** that you have so willingly made for this event. Once we finish playing with them they will be taken to the Salvation Army for distribution to children.

For those who did not get a toy made there will be a passing of the hat, and the contents will then go with the toys. There will also be items to bid on and the proceeds will also go to the Salvation Army.



Tool Sale

As you all know our annual tool sale took place last month with a lot of bargains to be had. Many of us spent much more than we made but it was a great time to meet with some of our members, chat and bargain for that great deal. We also had quite a few members of the public attend and capitalize on our great prices. For those of you who were busy that day or just forgot the date, be sure to earmark a date some time in Nov. for next year's bigger and better Tool Sale.



Well another year has passed and once again we will each celebrate in our own way the Christmas season. The AWA has its own way of celebrating the Christmas season ...the gift of toys for the less fortunate children of the city. We are indeed proud of our partnership with the Salvation Army that will allow us to bring a smile to a child's face on Christmas morning. Rest assured the work that you all do for these children does not go unnoticed. If you haven't finished yet, you better get cracking. It's only a short time away, and if you haven't started, fear not, there are 24 hours in each day so you really have lots of time. A special thanks to Lee Valley for allowing us once again to use their facility.

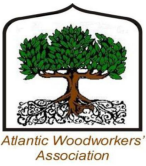
I'd like to take this opportunity to wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Wonderful New Year. Thank you for all your support.

-submitted by Garyd Dumas



Many of you may remember Garyd Dumas's story of kick back from his table saw. This piece of wood which he was cutting kicked back and split the plywood on the other side of his shop..

While you are busy in your shop making toys, make sure to avoid kick backs. Don't stand directly behind what you are cutting on your table saw.



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Twas a month before Christmas
 And Santa was scared
 There were kids on the list and no toys were prepared
 So he sent out a plea
 To woodworkers, you and me
 Get busy with toys
 for kids, girls and boys.
 The AWA heard the wail
 And said, we'll not fail
 We must make more toys
 for all girls and boys.
 They took to their tools with strength not yet seen
 and worked til dawn so as not to be mean.
 With chisels and mallets, with saws and with nails
 With hand and with power they would never fail.
 On Christmas Day there they were by tree
 so many gifts from you and from me.
 And Santa said with a tear in his eye.
 I knew they could do it, oh my, oh my.

— Gene Nurse and granddaughter

ATLANTIC WOODWORKERS' ASSOCIATION

Treasurer's Report
as at November 14, 2013

Statement of Cash, Receipts and Disbursements

Funds in Bank -- Jan. 1, 2013	4296.68
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Receipts:

2013 Dues	360.00	
Bank Interest		.28
Sale of Picnic Table	452.28	
Sale of Old Cabinet	75.00	
Sale of Old Books	60.55	
Proceeds - S. Eddy Projects	<u>187.00</u>	
	1135.19	

Disbursements:

Rent - re Picnic Tables	50.00
Rent - Meetings	300.00
New Cabinet	905.80
Prizes	75.00
Library Expenses	73.93
Registration - Joint Stocks	28.59
Administration Supplies	94.11
Expenses - S. Eddy Projects	<u>134.77</u>
	<u>1662.20</u>

Funds in Bank November 2013	3769.67
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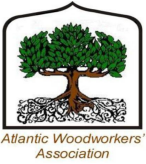


The topic of the sermon today is on building pulpits. On display today is the pulpit that Gene Nurse built. Gene here is giving it a try for height and will it work. I've seen it, good job Gene.

— Stan Salsman

“The picture is by someone helping Gene”

“In all Thy ways acknowledge Him”
 A quote right over his head.



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This website is an excellent design tool for bookcases or other types of wooden shelves. It helps you design shelves by calculating shelf sag (deflection) given type of wood, shelf load, load distribution, dimensions, and method of attachment. It also contains tips for minimizing sag.

Fine Woodworking magazine had an excellent article on this technique several years ago. It is included in the main Woodbin site.

It is well worthwhile bookmarking for reference the next time you are designing shelves or improving the appearance of existing ones.

- Doug Macintosh



FOR SALE

A complete set of FINE WOODWORKING MAGAZINES - all copies from #1 to this year. Price \$300. Contact Ted McCarthy at 902 895 4996.

Ted is a former member of the AWA, and lives in Truro.

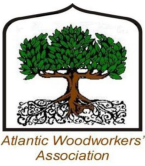
SPOUSE ALERT: A great gift idea for the fine woodworker!



AWA Christmas toy event in previous years. The Salvation Army LT. receives the toys for distribution. RT. Lew Hatt talks about one of the toys he had made for the event.

What about toys for this year?





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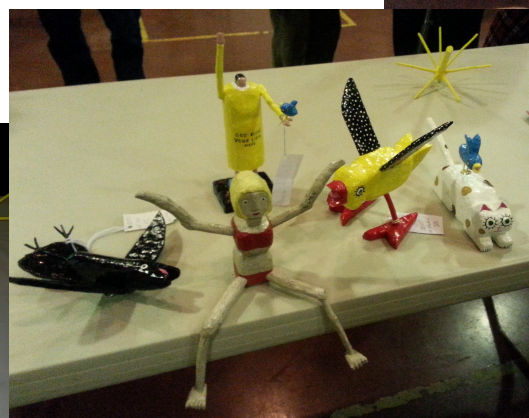
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Demo 1: Berry Colpitts giving a display of his wood carvings

At our November meeting Berry Colpitt, prison guard turned wood carver gave us a show and tell of his work. This folk art wood carvings has caught on and has provided him with his necessary income. His subtle bet of humor in his presentation showed that he enjoys his work. Who would ever have thought of looking in the woods for the right little twig to use for arms and legs.

Berry has been written up in a number of magazines and some of his work in in the museum.





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The small challenge for the November was to build a shelf or bring in a picture of one that you built but too big to bring in. Here are a couple of pictures of shelves built by some of our members.

