

Atlantic Woodworker's Association AWA Newsletter

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Our meetings are normally held on the 2^{nd} Tuesday of each month, starting at 7:00 – 10:00 pm. Baptist Church, 60 Hasting Drive, Dartmouth.

The November meeting has been changed due to remembrance day on the 11th. For this month only we will meet on 18th at our normal meeting spot.

NOVEMBER EVENT

Dave Seward will give a talk and demo on the making of Christmas Orninments. I am sure this event will be inspiring.



Well another month has gone by as we get closer and closer to the Christmas season and perhaps spending a little more shop time with that cold weather coming soon. This is a great opportunity for all of us to think of the less fortunate and perhaps spend a little of that shop time creating a toy (or some toys) to brighten up Christmas and give you that warm and fuzzy feeling that you made a difference in a child's Christmas.

This is also a time when we should be looking to the future, not only for future projects but to think of how we can be of service by volunteering to be a member of the AWA's board of

directors. Please give this some serious thought and speak to any of the board members as to what is involved in being on the board.

Just a reminder that our Nov. meeting will be held on the 18th and we will have a presentation on Christmas ornaments.

Our December meeting will be held at Lee Valley in conjunction with the toy presentation to the Salvation Army. Not to harp on too long about the reminders, but dues are due and if possible we would like to get all our dues in before the end of the year. (\$30.00 Regular \$40.00 Family)

Gary Dumas

Chairman

Tool Sale Exchange: the tool sale and exchange which we have held the past couple of years in November, has been moved into the New Year. A new date for this event will be announced at a later date.

Shop Safety: remember your rules of shop safety as you are making the toys for our Christmas event.



Web link: www.woodgears.ca. In this link you well see how to make wooden cogs and many other things of interest.



George Macintosh gives a talk and display on how he makes his bagpips'

It was great having George as our presenter in October. He showed the structure of the pipes and the many little pieces he has to turned for each pipe. I learned a lot on how the bagpipes work. He has been making his pipes since he was quit young. The box he made to carry his pipes I found of interest, it was made of wood from a pipe organ of a local church.



TOY DRIVE 2014

At this time of year we should all be busy in our workshops making toys for our Christmas Toy Drive. December is coming and our social meeting which will be held at Lee Valley. So be a good little elf and make some toys. I personally find it very interesting to see what creativity toys members have come up with. I know the Salvation Army is very pleased to receive these toys.

For our new members each year we are encouraged to make a toy or toys which you bring to the December meeting. We have a great show and tell before they are taken by the Salvation Army to distribute. This is a social so you can bring your wife or other. Lee Valley always hosts our December meeting.



Dues. Your membership dues for season 2014 - 2015. Dues for the season is \$30.00 and can be paid at any meeting.



Stephen Parsons used his skills to make cogs for a jig to make box joints. Have a look at the web site at the top of page.



HATT, Lewis Manning "Lew"

Age 79 of Cole Harbour, passed away on November 5th, 2014, in QEII Health Sciences Centre, Halifax. Born in Spaw Springs, Annapolis Co., he was a son of the late Lewis and Marjorie (Balsor) Hatt. He was predeceased by his son, Steven. He is survived by his wife, Lesa (MacDonald); sons, Larry (Ellen), Christopher (Crystal); six grandsons and two granddaughters. He is also survived by brothers, Cecil (Greta), Dwight, Ruben (Nancy) and sister, Gwendolyn (Merlin) Hedi. Lew retired from the Canadian Coast Guard in 1991 after many years of service. This allowed him to spend more time on his favourite leisure activities of fishing, camping and woodworking. He was very involved doing volunteer work with the Atlantic Woodworking Association. Lew has generously donated his remains to the Dalhousie Human Body Donation Program. A service will be held at a later date. In memory of Lew, donations may be made to the Heart and Stroke Foundation or to a charity of choice.



Figure 1 Lew Hatt showing his toy mad for the Salvation Army toy drive 2012



Figure 2Salvation Army receiving the toys 2012





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From our archives;

Just of interest, a few years ago during the year of wood, AWA had event at the Museum in which we directorate a tree with all the ornaments which were made by our members. This was a very fun event unfortunately I don't have any





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Stan

Good day to all, I have just sent off the contract to the folks at the wood show, so that means we are officially part of it now as most of you agreed to at the last meeting. It is now time to step up to the plate and put your name in the hat for a couple of hours (or more if you wish) at the show. If you could forward your names on to Mary Elizabeth at **me_otoole@yahoo.com** as soon as possible it will allow me to sleep much better knowing that I won't have to spend all my weekend at the show. Once again the times are:

Friday 14th noon to 9 pm / Sat. 15th 10 am until 8 pm / Sun. 16th 10am to 5 pm./

Thanks for your continued support,

Cheers, Gary