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We are back in our normal home at Kent, Dartmouth Mic Mac Mall. This is the meeting where you bring you challange project. This will be our last meeting until September..

Message from the Chair

Our May meeting at Lee Valley was energizing. Every seat in the house was filled well before our start time. Show and Tell had many contributors who were willing to describe their efforts and proudly show their work (I noted

graham's article on Julie and her "Memory Books" in the recent Shortcuts), and it was a treat to get a preview of a few of the Wood Challenge items we'll see in June. It was also welcome having members use the same forum to come forward prepared with helpful information, such as the resourceful internet links and the templates for clever glue clamp holders. At this meeting, it was also a great treat to listen and watch Jay introduce and demonstrate a variety of planes as he described and used them to progress boards from rough. The accompanying dialogue and discussions were intriguing and instructive. Once again, our hosts at Lee Valley were generous with their time and interest for our group. It was readily apparent that thoughtful preparation and effort had gone into Jay's set up and presentation. Thanks again to Kevin and Jay, and Lee Valley for being such faithful supporters.

Don Shubaly



Speaking of our children in the workshop. As I so often mention in my\par "Gene's Burls" I love to have grandchildren with me. Here is my 11 year old making her first turned pen--I'm the proud grandfather watching.

Cheersr

Gene



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A nice report on the duck boxes by Graham;

On May 11/11 Wilf 'Woody' Woods, President - Nova Scotia Federation of Angler's and Hunters & Graham McCulloch were invited to talk to the Lewis Lake Beavers about the Wood Duck Nesting Box Program and to assist the young Beavers in the assembly of five nesting boxes. The youngsters were very excited and enthusiastic participants and handled the assembly like young professionals. Three of the atending parents and leaders chose to adopt nest boxes for themselves. (apologies for the quality of the photos as they were taken with only a cell phone camera)

Graham









Illustration 1: Jay at Lee Valley

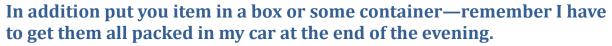


Illustration 2: Jay demo planning procedures



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Follow-Up on The ChallengeI'm asking everyone to value their items—the folks at IWK have no idea of pricing. You can hang a tag on you item or a peel and stick label for what you consider a reasonable price for IWK to charge.





Note from the Editor:

I want to let you know that there will be no newsletter during the months of July and August. However I will be able to send out information you might want the members to know. I will I will be in the UK for the next five weeks but will have my laptop with me and ocassionly will be on line. My wife and I will be doing the Offa's Dyke Walk of 177 miles as part or of our trip.

I am sorry that I won't be there for the Challenge and see what you folks have made. I hve been busy this last month building sets for an Opera "The Tenpenny Opera and The Begger's

Opera". This is to big to bring to the show and tell so a picture will have to do..



Picture 2: The Tenpenny Opera



Picture 1: The Begger's Opera

The same set was used for both Operas, you can see the fifference in the pictures. The height is 14 ft x 19 ft wide. It was performed in the Dunn Theatre this past weekend of May.

I hope that you all have a good summer and safe travels where ever you may go.

Stan



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