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Our April Meeting

We, the *AWA* executive, have a really interesting meeting package done up for you in April. Our April meeting will take place on the 8th but at a new time; 6:30P.M. The reason for this is that we have a very busy schedule planned.

First off, we meet at the Habitat For Humanity Re-Store in Burnside. The Re-Store is at 133 Illsley Ave. (the old Busy Bee Location beside the CAA office) for a quick tour of their operation. We are then off to Mill Supply at 32 Troop Ave. in Burnside, just north of the new Busy Bee location for a 7:30 meeting.

The people at Mill are going to show us how best to install those various types of European hinges as well as the installation of drawer slides. Malcolm Matthews said that the cash register will be plugged in and that our *AWA* discount will apply for any purchases we wish to make. Just prior to the start of the demonstrations we will have a brief Annual General Meeting to give you all an overview of our last fiscal year. Our annual report will appear in the May Newsletter as well.

As you can see, this is going to be a busy evening so we hope to see all of you there. This will be a good time to bring a friend as well, we always welcome new members.

The March Meeting

Well, I wonder how many of you are going to start making model ships. John Green was a highly interesting guest speaker at our March meeting John brought in a couple of his scale model projects for us to ogle over. The Angie M, a lobster boat and the fishing smack, Emma C. Berry. John explained in detail, the lengths that he goes to to make these models *truly* scale. John cuts each scale deck board on a 3" table saw and uses scale pegs to "nail" them down. See more photos on page 4.



The Auction



We had a really exciting auction at our March meeting. We auctioned off most of our "rental" power tools to gget the AWA out of the rental business. The auction brought in several dollars to add to our coffers. That was as a result of our foremost (haha) auctioneer Graham McCulloch. He just kept driving up the prices and our members just kept on bidding. I do believe that they saw some antique value in the old tools.

As always, it was another great monthly meeting. It was good to see other facets of our hobby to broaden our spectrum of wood knowledge to share with others.



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A WORD FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Hi All;

The March meeting was a great success. Our presenter, John Green showed us all how we can take our own woodworking to a level of precision and accuracy a lot of us only dream about. I wish to thank Ken Miller for arranging Mr. Green's visit. Tom Patterson is on top of the new project (Heritage farm shed). I wish to thank all of you for your input on the new venture. For those of you that have volunteered to help, we will be in touch when we hear back from the farm with more details.

Another Annual General Meeting is upon us and I'm looking forward to seeing all members at this meeting.

Our April meeting promises to be a little different. Not only is it a road trip but a split venue as well. We have been invited to the Habitat for Humanity's Re-Store in Burnside at 6:30 P.M. for the first leg and then we will move down the road to Mill Supply for a demo of installing sliders in drawers and hinges in cabinets. I'm looking forward to seeing you all there.

Cecil

COMING SOON

No, this is not your monthly horoscope but I do see visions of expert woodworkers in your near future no matter what your sign.

In addition to a really interesting meeting planned at Mill Supply this month, your executive has planned another highly informative meeting for June.

The June meeting will be early this year and we will keep you posted as to the exact date. However, we will have a very special guest.

Kreg Jigs have a new (recently anyway) representative in Canada as does CMT router bits. Add to that the Triton Router line and you have a nicely rounded product line. Add Mark Eaton's name to the equation and you have an all-star cast.

Well, that's what we are trying to line up for June. We are working on a venue for a two-hour presentation from Mark so we will need an un-carpeted area with seating for an expected full membership attendance.

Mark is an independent now so he has to charge a fee (\$200) for this meeting and we are going to charge members a tentative \$5 each with the *AWA* picking up the difference.





WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

We always want to see new members and we encourage our existing members to promote the AWA among their friends.

At our March meeting we welcomed new member Harold Crawley from Falmouth, Nova Scotia. Harold, I'm sure you will find that the trip from Falmouth to our monthly meetings will be worth your while.

A SHOP TIP

If you are the owner of a Wixey Angle Gauge or other digital inclinometer, here is another way of putting the tool to work. Place the inclinometer on your bandsaw blade and then re-set the zero button. Now, place the inclinometer on the bandsaw table. The reading should be 90°. If not, the table needs adjusting. This sure beats the use of a square.

A THOUGHT

It might be interesting for all of our members to know what type of woodworking interests you most. This will help your executive in the planning of special guests for up-coming meetings. Please send me an E-mail (graham@atlanticwoodworkers.ca) indicating your specific interests. Please write 'woodworking' in the subject box.

Graham



Photo Gallery

The following is a collection of snapshots from our March meeting:

Thanks to Ted Monk for his contributions.

















SEE YOU TUESDAY 6:30 Sharp!