



Crosscut

Newsletter of the Witwatersrand Woodworkers' Association
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◀ Woodoc 10 raffle prizes

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Next General Club Meeting on Wednesday, the 12th February 2014 from 18h00 at WWA clubhouse at the Living Link Hall. A talk on wooden planes by Paul Roberts. (If you attended the Pretoria Club's show last year, you may have seen some wooden planes made by Paul.)

Next Turner's monthly meeting is on Monday, the 3rd February 2014 at 18h00 at the WWA clubhouse at the Living Link Hall. John Speedy will talk on copy turning without a copy lathe. **Wood of the Month:** Black locust (as was cut down outside the meeting hall last year) and Japanese Pagoda. **Don't forget to bring your project items from last month to show – a wooden mallet or meat tenderiser.**

News

January 2014 Meeting – George Durovich from Woodoc spoke and answered questions on the application of their products. As a South African developed product, George believes Woodoc is uniquely suited for our conditions. He also introduced their new line of water-based varnishes, that they believe addresses the issues found in some of their competitor's products.



Hobby-X 2014 at the Dome, Randburg. This will take place from the 6th to 9th March. The WWA will be taking part together with the Pretoria club. Two Nova lathes will be made available by Hardware Centre and the club's Jet Mini will also be running. An additional spot for router demos will be made available. If you would like to take part, please complete the schedule that will be available at the next meeting.



Display table at Hardware Center Demo day. ▶

Pens by Frans Joubert on show at the toymaker's braai ▼



Please Note:

Toymakers. The toymakers meet on the first and third Mondays of every month, at 09h00 till 12h00 at the new clubhouse. Contact Eddie Marchio on 011-678-8062 or [rm22 AT mweb.co.za](mailto:rm22@mweb.co.za) for more information.

Wednesday Workshop. The Wednesday evening workshops are on the first and third Wednesdays of every month at the new clubhouse, from 18h00 till 20h00. Contact Grant Mackay on 082-391-9769 or [mackay.grant AT gmail.com](mailto:mackay.grant@gmail.com) or [gmackay AT worldonline.co.za](http://gmackay.worldonline.co.za) for more information.

Saturday Workshop. Ken Bullivant holds a Saturday workshop at his house in Boksburg. The location is 13 Franklin Avenue, Comet, Boksburg on the first Saturday of the month from 09:00 to 12:00. They decide on an annual project and work throughout the year making it. Individual projects are discussed and problems solved. Ken also offers private lessons too. Contact Ken on 082 809 0020 if you wish to take part.

For sale:

- For sale from the late Peter Smith:-**SAMS (S.A.Machinery) Mini lathe** on a wooden bench, in very good condition, including: Speed control, Indexing system, Nova chuck, Turning chisels, R5000-00 onco, Phone Vanessa 071 482 0826
- **Yellowwood** for sale: 22 rough planks 1.5 to 2.1 m x +/- 150mm x 30mm Contact Ruben Hector, 16 Daniel Malan Drive, Florida Park, 011 472 2734 or 083 650 2734

Club Notices:

Home Handyman Kitchen Gadget Competition

A decision was taken that individuals should make their own arrangements to enter. We won't make any formal arrangement as a club.

MAKE A KITCHEN GADGET COMPETITION

See page 37 for prizes and design brief information




Competition rules

- This competition is open to all South African citizens except employees of Home Handyman Publishing, Rutherford and its associated brands and their immediate families.
- The entries must be constructed between the 30 September 2013 and 25 February 2014. No items made before this date or shop-bought items will be accepted.
- Two entries per participant allowed.
- Closing date for entries is Tuesday 25 Feb 2014 (except for entries delivered in Cape Town or Durban. To make allowances for shipment to Johannesburg, these entries must be delivered ONLY on Tuesday 18 Feb 2013 between 09h00 and 16h30).
- Prizes cannot be extended, transferred or exchanged for cash or other product.
- All entries must be accompanied by a completed entry form which is on this page or use the form on www.homehandyman.co.za or www.makita.co.za.

Delivery of entries

- Entries must be securely packaged to avoid damage in transit.
- Remember to attach the entry form with your full contact details on it. Please write "Make a Kitchen Gadget" clearly on the packaging item.
- Post to: The Home Handyman magazine, P O Box 650484, Benmore, 2010.
- Or hand deliver to:
The Home Handyman, 10 Cypress Ave, Bryanston Ext 3, Randburg, 2191 OR 87 Linksfield Road, Dowerglen, Edenvale 1609. (Hand deliveries weekdays between 8am – 5pm only) OR Rutherford/Makita/Maktec branches in Cape Town and Durban. (Deliveries ONLY accepted on Tuesday 18 Feb 2014 between 09h00 and 16h30).
- Rutherford Cape Town Branch: Cnr. Van Riebeeck and Jan Smuts, Beaconvale, Parow. Tel: 021 932 0568
- Rutherford KZN Branch: 12 Halifax Road, Pinetown, KZN. Tel: 031 717 6400

Judging

- Judging will take place at the publishers' offices in Randburg on Monday 3 March 2014 and all entries including the winning entries will be displayed at Hobby-X, Coca-Cola Dome, Randburg which is on 6 – 9 March 2014.
- The judges' decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into. Winners will be notified telephonically before the 6th March 2014 and arrangements will be made for receipt of prizes. Winning entries will be featured in the magazine.

Entry Form:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Tel No: _____

Cell: _____

Email: _____

Declaration: I hereby declare that the entry submitted for this competition is entirely my own work and that I adhered to all the rules of the competition as stipulated.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

General

- Entries and prizes can be collected at Hobby-X, ONLY on Sunday 9 March 2013 or from the address you delivered your entries to. Entries via Rutherford/Makita/Maktec branches will be returned to respective branches for your collection on Tuesday 25th March 2014 between 9h00 and 16h30 ONLY.
- By signing the entry form you agree to having your entry photographed for publication in the Home Handyman magazine.
- Whilst everything possible will be done to ensure safe handling of all entries, please note that neither the Home Handyman nor Rutherford nor any of their employees will be held responsible for damage or loss of the entries.

For further info go to www.homehandyman.co.za or contact
Tel: 011-462-5645 or Email: editorial@homehandyman.co.za

TOOLS AND HOW TO USE THEM EXPLAINED

This was forwarded by Chris van Heeswijk. (It doesn't apply to WWA members, in particular...)

Circular Saw- A portable cutting tool used to make boards too short.



Belt Sander - An electric sanding tool commonly used to convert minor touch-up jobs into major refinishing jobs.



Wire wheel - Cleans paint off bolts and then throws them somewhere under the workbench with the speed of light. Also removes fingerprints and hard-earned calluses from fingers in about the time it takes you to say, 'Oh shit'.

Drill Press - A tall upright machine useful for suddenly snatching flat metal bar stock out of your hands so that it smacks you in the chest and flings your beer across the room, denting the freshly-painted project which you had carefully set in the corner where nothing could get to it.



"Water-pump pliers" - Used to round off bolt heads. Sometimes used in the creation of blood-blisters.

Hacksaw - One of a family of cutting tools built on the Ouija board principle... It transforms human energy into a crooked, unpredictable motion, and the more you attempt to influence its course, the more dismal your future becomes.



Vise Grips - Generally used after pliers to completely round off bolt heads. If nothing else is available, they can also be used to transfer intense welding heat to the palm of your hand.

out of which you want to remove a bearing race.

Table Saw - A large stationary power tool commonly used to launch wood projectiles for testing wall integrity. Very effective for digit removal!

Hydraulic Jack - Used for lowering a vehicle to the ground after you have installed your new brake shoes, trapping the jack handle firmly under the bumper.





Band Saw - A large stationary power saw primarily used by most shops to cut large pieces into smaller pieces that more easily fit into the trash after you cut on the inside of the line instead of the outside edge.



Two-ton Engine hoist - tool for testing the maximum tensile strength of all the crap you forgot to disconnect.



Phillips Screwdriver - Normally used to stab the vacuum seals under lids or for opening old-style paper-and-tin oil cans and splashing oil on your shirt; but can also be used, as the name implies, to strip out Phillips screw heads.

Straight Screwdriver - A tool for opening paint cans.

Sometimes used to convert common slotted screws into non-removable screws and butchering your palms.

A tool used to crumple the metal surrounding that clip or bracket you needed to remove in order to replace a 50 cent part.



PVC Pipe cutter - A tool used to make plastic pipe too short.

Hammer - Originally employed as a weapon of war, the

hammer nowadays is used as a kind of divining rod to locate the most expensive parts adjacent the object we are trying to hit.

Utility knife - Used to open and slice through the contents of cardboard cartons delivered to your front door. Works particularly well on contents such as seats, vinyl records, liquids in plastic bottles, collector magazines, refund checks, and rubber or plastic parts. Especially useful for slicing work clothes, but only while in use.

Son-of-a-bitch tool - Any handy tool that you grab and throw across the garage while yelling 'Son of a b!tch' at the top of your lungs. It is also, most often, the next tool that you will need.

