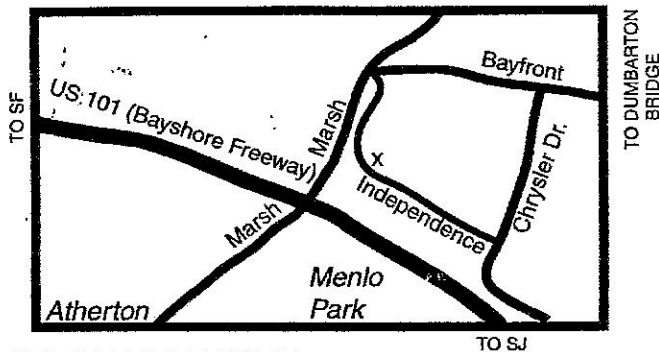


BAY AREA WOODWORKERS ASSOCIATION

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

SEPTEMBER 1999

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Take US101 South to Menlo Park. Exit at Marsh Road. Turn left over the overpass and right on Independence Drive.

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From the San Mateo Bridge, continue West on Hwy 92. Exit at US101 South (to San Jose). Proceed South on US101 to Menlo Park; exit at Marsh Road. Turn left over the overpass and right on Independence Drive.

September 16

REFRESHMENTS 7:00 PM

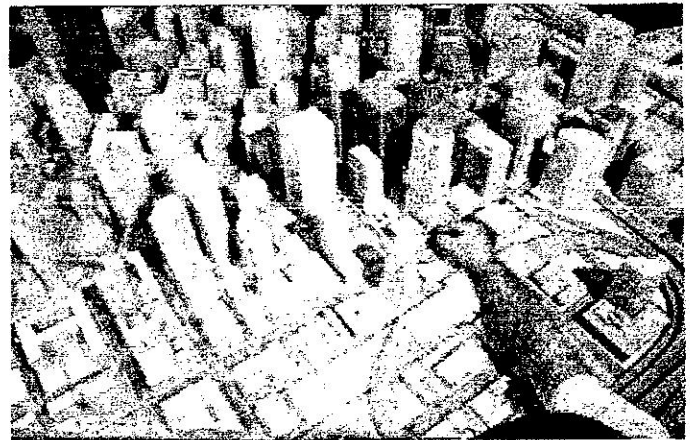
3rd Thursday

MEETING STARTS 7:30 PM

SCALE MODELS UNLIMITED

111 Independence Drive, Menlo Park

This month we visit longtime BAWA member Don Nussbaum's Scale Models Unlimited, an innovative model-making service to designers, architects, and industry (See their SF model, below). We'll see state-of-the-art tools for creating highly detailed models. Lasers! Ideas! This promises to be one of the most interesting and off-beat meetings in years.



THE AUGUST MEETING'S PRESENTATION

Connie Voos and Tony Fanning

Our August presenter **John de Marchi** designs and sells extremely clever measurement tools. He spoke to us about the principles of measurement that apply to woodworking. John showed us a collection of measuring tools and sold us many of those he designs and manufactures (in a BAWA feeding frenzy after the meeting).

All of us have measured wrong by trusting a tape

measure's hook, and have learned to "read off the one". John, when he was working mostly in wood, had that unpleasant experience with many, many pieces in a single job. This got him really serious about accurate measurement in the shop. Now that he works mostly in metal, he's even more focused on accuracy.

John started with a standard flatness plate as a base

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October BAWA Meeting Plans

Mike Bray, BAWA club president, cabinetmaker, and illustrator for *Woodwork* magazine will give a presentation on **Basic Shop Drawing**. Learn the pros and cons of drawing before you build, how to design for yourself, how to

draw, and which tools you need. A hands-on full-day seminar may follow at a later date for those who wish to develop their skills. This will probably be at CCAC in San Francisco, although we haven't told them that yet!

CLASSIFIEDS

Members, if you have woodworking tools or materials for sale, place your ad here. You know it will go to a good home.

Tools for Sale: • Grizzly 6" jointer w/mobile base, \$350/obo. Delta 8" Homeshop table saw & 4" jointer, \$300/obo. Stanley #97 plane, excellent condition, make offer. 650/992-2093 (email Lee1339@aol.com). • Lots of tools, especially a 4' variable speed wood lathe and vacuum pump for veneering! Call Arnie, 415/282-1704.

Hardwood: Japanese White Oak 1-3/4", \$10/BF; Black Oak, 1/2" surfaced, 3' to 7' long, \$1/BF; Phillipine Mahogany, 3/4" x 10-1/2" x 9' (10 pieces), \$70 lot; English Walnut 2 1/2" x 20" x 54" slab with nice pattern, \$70; Thailand Teak plywood, 1/4" and 1/2" thick, make offer; Sycamore, quartersawn, 2" and 4" thick, some spalted \$5-7/BF. 510/797-9046.

Classes: Planemaking, Hand-cut Dovetails, Marquetry. Classes being planned now for December and February. Call Arnie, 415/282-1704.

Next newsletter/classified ads issue DEADLINE:

September 30, 1999

LAST MEETING

Connie Voos and Tony Fanning

The August BAWA meeting was held at EcoTimber International in Berkeley, where we were graciously hosted by President Aaron Maizlish. He explained how EcoTimber supplies architects, woodworkers, and designers with exotic woods from sources certified as sustainably managed for the long term. We couldn't take our eyes off of several prime examples of exotic woods, and the recovered woods looked good too. Many thanks to Aaron for having us!

Guests: Guest and new BAWA member Guy Marsden, a professional woodworker who teams with his wife, has already offered to give a BAWA presentation in the next few months! That's moving fast.

President Mike Bray reviewed the First Annual Joint Woodworking Picnic and thanked Linda Salter for her efforts putting it together. Next year we'll start earlier and let others help (see page 3). Mike also started the annual appeal for BAWA volunteers for the November Northern California Woodworking Show (see page 3).

Arnie Champagne recommended attending a College of the Redwoods appearance of Frank Klaus October 16. In one of those strange coincidences, Librarian Rodney Finlay had just added a Frank Klaus plate joinery tape to our video library; and Webmaster Jim Voos gave us an amusing Frank Klaus anecdote.

We will start having simple Silent Auctions at BAWA meetings starting with the September meeting. The goal is to raise a little extra funds for the BAWA treasury. You can help by donating items for the silent auction each month (see page 3).

Jay Perrine told us about a local man with a portable bandmill (and several thousand pieces of timber) who'd like to demo milling for us. Jay will keep us posted on this opportunity--unfortunately the timing wasn't good for the month of September.

Show & Tell: Don Naples returned from his trip to Italy with some exquisitely detailed boxes demonstrating magnificent--and mass-produced--inlay workmanship. Arnie Champagne showed another handmade plane and a hand grinder, which was sold; showed some examples of handcut dovetails in box; and showed one of his jigs and a technique for gluing up veneers into larger irregular pieces. Arnie also donated this month's door prize, a large redwood timber he recovered from a larger piece of driftwood; Anne Glynn won the drawing.

John de Marchi presented the August program on measurement and standards, and sold us a bundle of his clever tools (see page 1).

One of John de Marchi's interchangeable-head scribes.

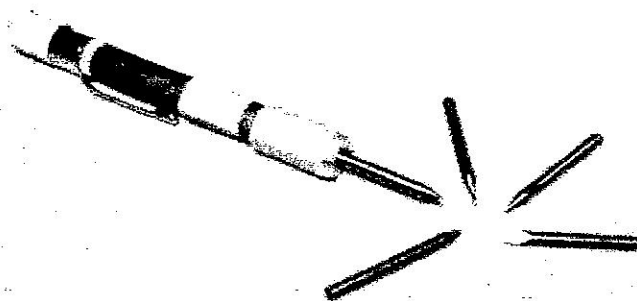


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WOODWORKING SHOW *Mike Bray*

November will be upon us quickly, and on November 5th, 6th and 7th BAWA will be at the **North-ern California Woodworking Show** in San Mateo.

BAWA has a double booth again. Last year we had great success even though we had very little in our booth. We did have a computer for collecting mailing list entries, and our workbench-in-use drew heavy interest. If we add a good display selection of our work, we could have our best year ever.

BAWA has always had a strong presence at the show, and a large portion of our membership was recruited through the show. Manning the booth is a great way to help the club, to meet your fellow members, and to make new friends from the show attendees.

Please let me know (Mike Bray, 510/595-8168) this month if you have a project we can display, so we can organize the display booth in advance. We also need volunteers to staff the booth. One or two-hour shifts work well. All booth staffers get into the show for free. And one of you gets a Darby Dan sandwich (you know who you are!).

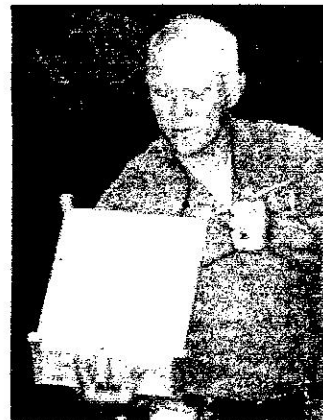
Volunteer for the Show

Call 510/595-8168

AUGUST PICNIC *Mike Bray*

The **First Annual Joint Woodworking Picnic** was a lot of fun and I can hardly wait until next year's. We had light attendance but a great deal of food. I declare it a success! Linda Salter put an immense amount of her time and energy into organizing the event and getting 2 x 4 Contest and door prizes donated from various companies. Next year we will spread the load a little and have a group organize everything, and give Linda a much deserved rest.

The Picnic's 2 x 4 Contest Winners



South Bay Woodworker Ken Horner won the 2 x 4 Contest with his bar stool. Arnie Champagne's letter box took second prize.

SILENT AUCTIONS TO PUMP UP BAWA TREASURY

Robbie Fanning

To raise extra money for the BAWA newsletter and other BAWA functions we are starting a silent auction before BAWA meetings.

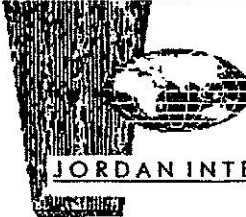
YOU CAN HELP! Please donate tools, raw wood, wood items, books, magazines, videos, or anything else that another member might want to buy.

Bring items to the meeting and give them either to Jeff Preston, who has volunteered to run the silent auction, or to the co-treasurers, Tony and Robbie Fanning.

How the silent auction works, for each item:

A sheet with the name of the item will be posted on a viewing table. Members can bid and re-bid on the item. The first person will write his or her name and bid. A second person can top the last bid. The bids will close 5 minutes after the break starts and winning bids will be announced at the end of the break.

Proceeds will go to the BAWA treasury.



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If you haven't joined yet, and there's no date on the label, it means that you must join now, otherwise **THIS IS YOUR LAST NEWSLETTER!**

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AUGUST PRESENTATION (cont.)

for all accurate measurement. In the absence of one, he suggests using the top of a table saw. For high accuracy, John showed us sets of accurately machined (Johansen) spacing blocks which can be combined for thickness and length measurements. He showed similar machined angle blocks.

John recommended good quality inexpensive dial micrometers and electronic calipers with a floating zero setting. The latter are particularly convenient for automatic metric/British conversions.

But the star tools of the presentation were those John himself designs and makes. These included a bevel guage with pivot holes in different locations for different situations; a variety of little brass stops that turn the steel ruler of an adjustable miter guage into a truly accurate tool; combination squares of various sizes that are more like brass and steel jewelry; and beautiful pen-form scribes that have interchangeable carbide steel tips.

John de Marchi showed us how to get the accurate measurements crucial to our work, but the real treat was fighting other BAWA members for John's tools!

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