

## When Last We Met

by Bill Ophoff

### Next Meeting:

- Tuesday, Nov. 16th

Guild President, **Phil Laliberte** called the meeting to order at 7:30. He called for newcomers to identify themselves and tell us a little about their interests and how they came to know about the Guild. In attendance for the first time were **Michael Woodstone, Roman, Ed Dueck, Allan Keith, Steve Farnlan, Ken Donnell, Sean,** and **Anna.**

Phil then thanked **Klaus Focker** for the pre-meeting demo focussing on colouring spalted wood with aniline dyes. **Paul Blatter** also asked if others were interested in giving pre-meeting demos. If you think you could fill the short time between 6:30 and 7:15 before the regular meeting please contact Paul. Paul brought to our attention his concern about the support needed by North American tool manufactures and, more particularly, his understanding of poor working conditions faced by employees of foreign tool manufacturers.

A letter was read out about **Sawdust Pete** ([www.musicalsaw.com](http://www.musicalsaw.com)) offering a free tutorial on how to play music on a handsaw.

**Steve Fairbairn** has hired a new web host for the Guild. The new web address is [www.pacificwoodworkersguild.com](http://www.pacificwoodworkersguild.com). He reports new software, more web space, and therefore potential for a larger photo gallery. He asks if the members would want a members only forum and perhaps a password controlled club directory. Contact Steve with your thoughts.

**Stuart MacKenzie** was the evening's guest speaker. He now wears the hat of Cana-



dian representative for **Kreg Tools**. Kreg manufactures a broad range of jigs and fixtures for improving speed and accuracy in production woodworking while catering to small shops as well. He demonstrated the broad line of attachments that has grown from the original pocket hole drill jig. These ranged from something using only a drill motor through self contained air cylinder clamping setups to clamp, jig, and air motor drill units.

Stuart demonstrated the preparation and assembly steps needed to make a file cabinet drawer and case in melamine covered particle board. He differentiated the two main styles of fasteners used in the Kreg system; a fine thread in hardwoods and a  
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**Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Pacific Woodworkers Guild will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 16th starting at 7:15pm. Pre-meeting demo at 6:30.

**Guest Speaker**—Art Liestman will speak on the creative process and how to develop ideas for your woodworking projects.

**Calendar Of Events**

- **November 16, 2004**—Pacific Woodworkers Guild September meeting.
- **December 21, 2004**—Pacific Woodworkers Guild December meeting.
- **January 18, 2005**—Pacific Woodworkers Guild January meeting.
- **February 15, 2005**—Pacific Woodworkers Guild February meeting.
- **March 15, 2005**—Pacific Woodworkers Guild March meeting.
- **April 19, 2005**—Pacific Woodworkers Guild April meeting.
- **May 17, 2005**—Pacific Woodworkers Guild May meeting.
- **June 21, 2005**—Pacific Woodworkers Guild June meeting.

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coarse thread used in softwoods and man-made materials. A useful tip for installing drawer glide assemblies is to score the centreline so that the screw tip is guided by the score line.

Kreg also manufactures a mitre gage with vernier adjustment made from anodized aluminium extrusions complete with flip stops, fixed stops, and a variety of lengths available. We were also told of Kreg's Custom bandsaw fence.

A strong case (no pun intended) was made for the Kreg products in the custom cabinet trade. They allow for convenient transport of pre-machined components that get assembled on the jobsite.

After the coffee break, **Kelly McClay** reported on the Guild's efforts at the Cloverdale Woodworking show. Kelly gratefully acknowledged all those who volunteered and gave special thanks to show judges **Phil, Bob, Marco, and Cliff**. He told us show attendance was up 20-25%. Thanks to *Windsor Plywood* for booth materials. Kelly asked for suggestions for next year's show as well.

Kelly and Hugh have done a great job the last two shows making the woodworking contest a great success. They

will be relinquishing the organizing role and offer their support for those who do the work next year. Remember that elections are held in February if you are interested.

During Show and Tell **Peter** showed us a piece of Strawboard made in Southern Manitoba. In addition to containing no formaldehyde it also does not swell in water. Interesting stuff. Peter then told us about a few hand tools made using the steel from old handsaws handled with veneered woods. One was a heavy version of a veneer saw he said could be used to cut in half shutters after installation. The other saw was used to trim wedges. Using a template glue up jig, Peter also made a set of strip sanders with laminated veneers.

**Steve Hansen** showed the woodturners amongst us a mesh face guard made for the chainsaw crowd. Steve said it was far superior to a lexan face shield in that it did not collect dust and obscure vision. These face guards are available at chainsaw supply houses.

The evening wrapped up with a re-auctioning attempt to make Bill's school teacher's desk go away and the monthly raffle. For all newcomers; don't forget to hang on to your raffle tickets to be eligible for the big year-end draw in June.

## Unclassifieds

- Steve Simon is looking for someone to build miniature doghouses - contact him at 604 542 3298.
- A new school is launching at Roberts Creek, Sunshine Coast, called the Inside Passage School of Woodworking [www.insidepassage.ca](http://www.insidepassage.ca) It's run by Robert Van Norman and he studied under James Krenov. Contact Robert at 604 885 9676 or [robert@insidepassage.ca](mailto:robert@insidepassage.ca) (By the way, if you have not read it, I highly recommend reading James Krenov's books. The first one is *A Cabinet Makers Notebook* and is fantastic reading for those that want to delve into the psyche of woodworking. Available at the VPL and likely at the regional libraries as well.)
- Want to learn to play your saw? Check out [www.musicalsaw.com](http://www.musicalsaw.com)
- Susan Lee Hem is looking for someone to help her setup and run a small business making custom cedar planter boxes. Contact Susan at 604 272 5248 or [slee-hem@shaw.ca](mailto:slee-hem@shaw.ca)
- Joseph Lupo 604 542 5788 has a Shopsmith (options: lathe, table saw, jointer, drill press, bandsaw) for sale, asking \$850 obo.
- *Ayden Knott Gallery* is looking for functional art to display for sale. They are located at the International Village (next to the Stadium Skytrain Station), 88 West Pender, Vancouver. Contact Vivian Zuba at 778 883 5380 for an appointment to show your wares and receive more information. You can also call Steve Hansen at 604 585 0638.

