

Hackberry Heckler
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Hackberry Men's Shed,
Carleton Place, Ontario.

***** FIELD REPORTS *****

These white step stools were built for Zion Memorial United Church to assist the young kids in their after school program. DJ



Some of the rustic barn board birdhouses delivered to



the Horticultural Society as a fundraiser for their District-2 AGM in May. (Think Calendar Girls).



We should recognise Gord and Ross for their offsite efforts in this regard.

***** PROJECTS *****



A visit to Paul S. with a few widgets in-hand and we captured this picture showing the guts of his 170+ year old clock. Having reworked the copper escapement he was then working on the bell mechanism. You'll note an ancient fix of two nails holding in one of the shafts!



For a toy boat project I wanted to engrave a small anchor. The above images shows a 1" and 1/2"

version. My brother in 'New York' created the DXF file which I pulled into F-Engrave to make an NGC file for my CNC router. He's now thinking about a 'skull and crossbones'.



Found this block at the Feed Store which might make a lovely decoration for you basement bar. You could likely purchase the hook from a hardware store and scale the rest to fit. The manufacture of these for Royal Navy galleons was one of the first production items to be automated.

The Fokker DR1 is showing a bit of progress of late with a template assembled for the horizontal stabilizer build and some parts readied for the upper port wing. The set of ribs made earlier have now been grooved for the 3/4" struts using the CNC with Jig J24040402FK and hopefully repeatable software. With six wings altogether it could be a while!



Each strut and edge also requires 3/8" grooves which can be done at the shed using a router (red handled) and yet another Jig.

Here you see it being test assembled upside-down making it easier to seat the ribs. The trailing edge on the upper wings has to be modified to fit an aileron.



Maybe once we have a prototype made you could volunteer to take on one of the others.. They get smaller the lower you go.

Fergie has been helping the **Sopwith Camel** 'retrofit' along, having now covered both tail and horizontal stabilizer with green plastic. I'd have to say they both look snazzy. He might need a bit of help with the logistics if he moves on to the wings, even a table top, should he even have the space?



The ribs on this section were made from aromatic cedar pulled from an old chest. Some of them are even stamped. The tail used steam bent window blinds for the outer rim. Even so that forward bend was a tough customer.



to a spider or the like.

***** MEMBERSHIP *****

***** OUTREACH *****



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***** TOOLS'N JIGS *****



The shelves above the Table Saw can now be used to hold Jigs and the like. You won't find this one as it's intended for the CNC machine. It holds a Fokker rib for cutting out the 3/4" strut notches. You'll notice each rib has two 1/4" alignment bolt holes and so does the jig. Once the CNC set-up is complete it becomes 'bolt down and hit GO' .. when it works!.

***** FACILITIES *****

Ross came in with a couple of old drawers a week back and Terry took on the job of finding each of them a home. It didn't take much to fit the smaller on under the jig saw but the 3" legs of the router table needed some TLC to fit the larger one. They'll no doubt make a home for something. I see this at the cottage where anything larger than a pin prick is usually home

Men's Sheds Ontario did not report in last month's Heckler, but not because there was nothing going on. Quite the opposite, your Provincial Association has been busy with behind the scenes work. Among other things we are now properly incorporated and in the process of acquiring appropriate insurance to protect the Board of Directors (your own Doug Johnson, Ray Kamm and John Peters). The next step in this saga is to invite all Sheds to become Member Sheds in the Association. That membership (among other things) will qualify a Shed for reduced rate liability insurance from Cooperators. You heard about this last fall on the All Ontario Men's Shed RoundUp and now we are close to complete. These things take time. A second program we are pioneering in Canada is called an Ambassador Program patterned on what is done in the UK. This means support for other Sheddors (besides our MSO Operations Team) to reach out to nearby communities with the good word about Shedding. One of the guys in the photograph is Mike Houle from the new Woodstock Shed using the banners and table cover from MSO at a public information session in Woodstock. The same team went to London for a similar public information

event there and a second Shedder from Don Mills went to a public presentation event in Hamilton on our behalf. On Thursday April 11 MSO Outreach Coordinator, Nick Fry from the Naismith Shed, will be presenting the Ambassador Program on a Men's Shed Canada webinar to inform other provincial associations about this program.

Yours continued interest in and support of MSO is greatly appreciated. Together we are doing great things for men in this province.

John Peters, MSO Team Leader

*** WEB ***

Build a Canoe in Six Minutes:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VcKARrO_iEc

*** MISCELLANEOUS ***

Missive from New York - I had a 9v Alkaline battery lying in a coffee mug on my bookshelf. It's been there undisturbed for maybe a year or more. It exploded like a bullet last night and I leapt out of bed to find what the noise was. I didn't remember any battery in a mug so didn't see it but eventually found the top of it lying on my desk. It was still too hot to hold. I had no clue of where it came from. After looking all over I went back to bed. A better search in the morning found a little gasket on the shelf and drawing a line from one thing through the other led me to the culprit hiding in the mug. If this had happened whilst we were away and caused a fire the whole apartment would have burned down with others maybe with it.

How can this happen? It's not lithium-iron, it's not rechargeable, it wasn't connected to anything, nothing was bridging the anodes. It wasn't wet. Could it be connected to an earthquake ???? What do I do about it?



Do with the other cell that are left in the casing? Should I throw it in a bucket of water? Seek advice from the fire department? MW

Peter E. Brought this example of a wooden bowl to our Tuesday night coffee at the Arena.

He also turned up with another example of a cork roofed bird feeder.



Each face is a bird cutout which his granddaughter coloured in for him.



Here is a birdfeeder we recently delivered to The Good Food Co. There is a second one in the works for the Granary.

The drawing is in the back of the Fokker binder.

We've a cedar shingles jig should you want to add some to your own project.

ICE DRAGON



With thanks to those who've seen fit to send in photographs and articles etc.

se non è vero, è ben trovato

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p.s. Ice Dragon photographed at Walmart. The paper eye was found as is.