

WOOD CHIPS



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President's Ramblings

Greetings Fellow Woodworkers, I hope everyone had a safe and happy, July 4th this year! The end of July is upon us and I hope everyone is staying cool and well hydrated. Our club participated in the 35th Annual South Lake County Antique Farm and Tractor Show and we had a great turnout. Thank you everyone that helped work the booth for the three days, setup plus take down, and to everyone that donated items to sell. That was a great success again this year thank you everyone that made this a success

If you donated a project or item to sell at the show please sign up for the Awards Program to receive credit.

Lake County Fair time again! August is just around the corner which brings us to Lake County Fair time. I hope to see everyone at our booth some time through the weekend. Our schedule for the fair is Thursday August 1st at 9 pm for set up, Friday the 2nd through Monday the 5th from 10 am to 10 pm to put on demonstrations and talk about our club. Then take down on Monday at 9 pm. Remember to sign in each day to get credit for the Awards Program. **WE ARE IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS TO MAN THE BOOTH! SIGN UP SHEET WILL BE AT THURSDAY'S MEETING.** We have a place that has been offered to us that we can get out of the heat if you need. Passes for the fair will be available at the next meeting.

Annual Club Picnic is coming up on Saturday, August 24th, 2019 at Noon. Same location as before, Hidden Lake Park in Merrivillie, IN. The club will be providing Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Chicken, Water and Pop. Bring a covered dish and a gift for the BINGO. So far only a handful of members have signed up for the picnic We need to turn in your name to the park office if you want to attend or you will be charged the entrance fee. To avoid this, sign up at Thursday's meeting or contact/ email John Hunter before August 15th to be included on the list.

Enjoy this weather and Don't let your tools rust!, Your President Kevin Sturgeon

SHOW AND TELL



Seth Bennett



Fred Bogwill



Jon Robbins



Jeff Snellgrove



John Hunter



Ken Woolard



Mike Schienle



Kevin & Julie Sturgeon



Mike Schienle



Frank Schmidt



Max Hernick



Don Bunce



Bill Schoech



Bob Miller

TRACTOR SHOW



Setup Crew





ITEMS FOR SALE

If you have any wood working related items that you wish to sell through the newsletter please contact John Hunter john.b.hunter@frontier.com Include a description and the price you are selling them for, also how you may be contacted.

If you are looking for a tool that another member would like to sell you can place a wanted ad in the newsletter, just contact John Hunter at john.b.hunter@frontier.com

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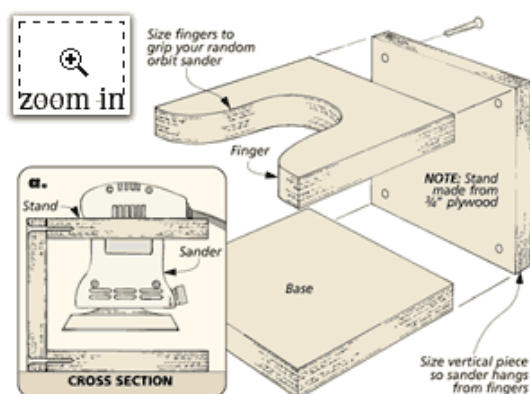
July 25th Membership Meeting at 208 South Linda Street, Hobart IN 6:00 PM
August 1st Set Up Club Booth at Lake County Fair 9 PM
August 2nd – 5th Club Booth at Lake County Fair 10 AM – 10 PM
August 19th Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM
August 22nd Membership Meeting at 208 South Linda Street, Hobart IN 7:00 PM
August 24th Club Picnic at Hidden Lake Park in Merrillville
September 16th Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM
September 26th Membership Meeting at 208 South Linda Street, Hobart IN 7:00 PM
PM Program Favorite/Least Favorite tools
October 7th Executive Board Meeting at 7 PM at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage
October 21st Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM
October 24th Membership Meeting at 208 South Linda Street, Hobart IN 7:00 PM
November 11th Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM
November 21st Membership Meeting at 208 South Linda Street, Hobart IN 7:00 PM
PM Toy Program
December 16th Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM
December 19th Membership Meeting at 208 South Linda Street, Hobart IN 6:00 PM
PM Christmas Party, Installation and Awards

Sander Stand



My random-orbit sander sees a lot of use. But I always found it annoying that I couldn't just set it down on the bench after turning it off. I would end up wasting time holding the sander while the pad stopped spinning. Finally, I decided to take the bull by the horns and find a solution.

As you can see from the drawing below, what I came up with is pretty simple but also pretty effective. It's just a stand made from scraps of plywood that I can "drop" the sander into once I turn it off.



The key to the stand is the top plate with its two "fingers" that wrap around the sander to suspend it above the base. You'll need to "custom-size" this piece to fit your particular sander. And then just make sure that the stand is tall enough to hold the sander above the base.

Now when you have your sander in hand, you'll be getting the job done, not cooling your heels.

Good Woodworking, Ted Raife
Editor, *Woodsmith*