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GCW Meeting Brief:

The August 11th GCW meeting lasted about 1½ hours. We had 30 members (includes 2 new members) and 5 guests present. The 2 new members are Ken Howard and Robert Garlick. Welcome to our GCW club Ken and Robert. Robert is now our youngest member at 11 he found out about us at the fair and is eager to get into doing woodworking. He really lucked out at this meeting, read below.

As you can tell from the last few newsletters our GCW membership is growing as the word is getting out that there is a great woodworking club in our area. People are learning about the club through our members, newspaper articles, the EDC Fair, the GCW website, and flyers at Churchill Hardware and Woodcraft. Jim Hunt our publicity chairman has been doing an excellent job getting the word out. Be sure to let Jim know we appreciate his efforts.

The topic for the meeting was a set of videos covering router table techniques shown by Gail Cone. Video topics included: trimming edgebanding on doors, using zero clearance fences to reduce chip-out, using graduated fence spacers to control material removal, using your router table as a jointer, and router bit speed considerations. The Park Community church was kind enough to allow us access to their wifi so we could access online videos. We also had 3 Show and Tells. See tool exchange section for a list of numerous tools for sale.

A meeting highlight.

Neil Knutsen had a winning raffle ticket. Instead of picking out an item for himself he instead chose the Craftsman scroll saw donated to the raffle by Jim Hunt. He then gave it to our newest member Robert Garlick (did I say he is 11) to help him get started in his woodworking endeavors. Way to go Neil, you put a real smile on this young man's face.



Robert with his scroll saw. This is sure to be just the beginning. Make room in the garage Dad.

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Announcements/news:

- 1. **Memory Box SIG Report.** Ron Sexton chairman showed a number of pictures of the SIG team working on memory box fabrication. The effort is largely being done in Steve Cabrol's shop. The team is currently made up of Ron Sexton, Steve Cabrol, Bill Meronek, and Harvey Myers. Don't forget that if any GCW member wishes to make and donate a memory box independently your donation will be welcomed. If you need material you can contact Ron as there is still a large quantity of material available for making boxes. Contact John Cassidy to donate your memory box. Phone: 916-757-6134.
- 2. New GCW year beginning: The year did go fast and here we are heading for Sept. September is the start of the 2015-2016 GCW fiscal year so dues are due. The dues are still \$20 and can be paid at the meeting or can be sent to Burt Stride. Address information is provided at the end of the newsletter.
- 3. Oct. project challenge. Reminder to create you clock for the Oct. GCW project challenge.
- **4. Reminder for toy makers:** To those who wish to participate in our annual wooden toy making effort be sure to contact Roy Carter for schedule. Phone: 530 9195019

Current GCW Sponsors:

The Paint Spot, Churchill Hardware, Woodcraft Supply, Pro Builders, and Aura Hardwoods (GCW discounts). This month the Tortilla Flats restaurant in oldtown Placerville donated a gift cert. Be sure to visit these establishments for you supplies and services and be sure to thank them for supporting our club.

Here's a special note from Churchill Hardware in Cameron Park via Jim Hunt. Jim passed on a special thank you from John Churchill for the number of members that have visited the store. John has donated considerably to our club raffle as he really believes in the GCW and its mission.

Upcoming Meetings:

Sept. 8th

Topic for the meeting has not been determined.

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Show and tell:

Ron Sexton



Ron brought in this portable tabletop easel he fabricated for his daughter. It features a drawer and folds down for compact transport. Primary wood is cedar. I bet the finish is lacquer, you think.

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Steve Peterson



Steve shows this natural edge side table he made for his recreation room. It is designed to hang on the wall. He used dark walnut stain and a polyurithane finish for durablility.

Jim Hunt

Jim showed an antique hand cranked grinder he inherited from his father in-law. Really shows how far we have come in the tool department. Jim also showed a keepsake box acquired at a box factory he visited on his trip to Italy this last month. It had a finely inlayed top and was, I believe, constructed of olive wood. Sorry Jim I didn't get pictures.

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Treasures Report:

Our treasure Burt Stride reported club balance of \$756. Includes membership dues (2 new members and 6 renewals), raffle expenses \$50, raffle income \$104.

Raffle:

-- Woodcraft \$25 Gift Cert. Jim Terrill -- Home Depot \$25 Gift Card Chuck Warfield -- Lowes \$25 Gift Card. Phil Johnson -- Tortilla Flats Restaurant Bill Meronek -- Paint Spot gift cert. J K Law (guest) -- Churchill Grab bag Steve Cabrol -- Churchill Grab bag Bill Hatwig Larry Pfost -- Churchill Grab bag

-- Craftsman Scroll Saw Robert Garlick by way of Neil Knutsen (Saw donated by

Jim Hunt)

Businesses that support GCW: Be sure to stop by Pro Builders, The Paint Spot, Churchill Hardware or Woodcraft Supply, Tortilla Flats Restaurant and please let them know how much Gold Country Woodcrafters appreciate their support.

Membership Dues:

For those members wishing to renew their membership for the 2015-2016 club year dues by check, here is the information you need. Make out a \$20 check payable to Gold Country Woodcrafters. Send to: Burt Stride, 2391 Talon Dr., Shingle Springs, 95682. Please note on the envelope ATT: Gold Country Woodcrafters.

The GCW Exchange Corner:

1. 8 Items. PerformaX Drum 16-32" Sander (\$600), Craftsman Osc. Sander w/cabinet (\$125), Jet Xacto 10" 3HP/120V Cabinet Saw(\$1400), Walker Turner 6" jointer (\$200), Jet woodworking lathe 12"x36" 3/4hp (\$800), Router table w/Bosch 1613EVS Router + bits (\$600), Delta Mortising Mach. 1/2hp w/bits (\$180), jet Vortex Dust Collector 1 ½ HP 120V Contact: Leon Abbott 530-622-3249 Note: tools have LOTS of extras not mentioned above.

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2. It is in new condition, Delta 3 HP - 2 Speed, Single phase, 220volt, Model 43-375. Numerious cutter heads, spaces, etc. \$850.00 Takes it. Contact Smokey Bennett Home 209 296 6870, Cell 209 768 2281, Cell 209 768 6559. Email rottenbear@volcano.net







3. Stationary Belt Sander, Shaper w/power feed, 6" Jointer, cutoff saw, bench grinder, various had tools and accessories. Wilton Area Call Brian at 916 801 5256

Regards and happy woodcrafting. Gail Cone GCW Pres. and Newsletter editor



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