

WOOD CHIPS



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May Meeting: This month's club meeting is on May 23rd. at Post 54 in Hobart. Meeting starts at 7 PM.

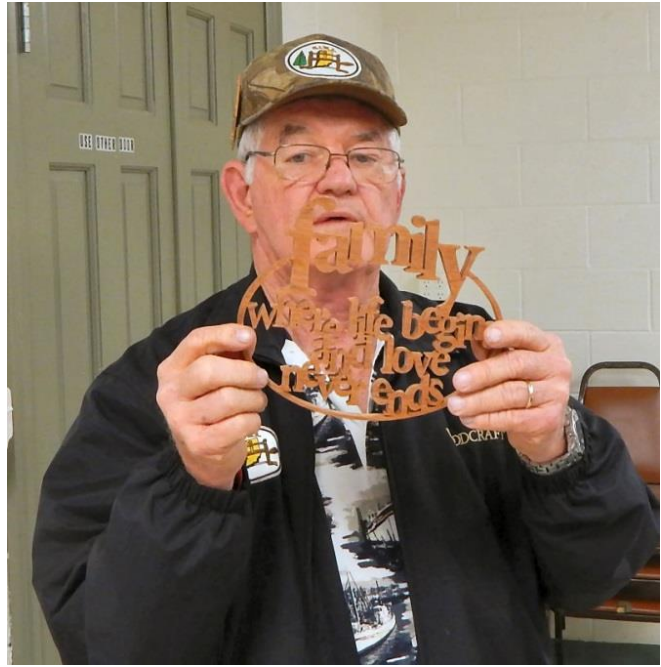
SHOW AND TELL



Daniel MacDonald



Bill Schoech



Dick Sader



Kevin Sturgeon



Jon Robbins



Rodney Foster



Elmer Phelps



Marcia Bomba



Bill Harbison



Mark Meijer

2X4 CHALLENGE



Rodney Foster



Bill Schoech



Kevin Sturgeon



Kevin Klebs

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

2019

May 23rd Membership Meeting at 208 South Linda Street, Hobart IN 7:00 PM
June 17th Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM
June 27th Membership Meeting at 208 South Linda Street, Hobart IN 7:00 PM
July 1st Executive Board Meeting 7 PM at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage
July 13th – 14th Club Booth at the Steam Show at Lake County Fair Grounds
July 15th Committees Meeting at 2949 Willowcreek Rd, Portage 7:00 PM
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 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 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 Christmas Party, Installation and Awards

Bob Flexner's Finishing Tips

<http://www.thefinishingstore.com/>

What To Do When Stain Dries Too Fast

Unlike oil stains, water-based stains and lacquer stains dry very fast. On large or complex surfaces you may have trouble getting the excess stain wiped off before it dries. If this happens, you'll be left with streaks like those shown in the accompanying picture.



If you have this situation, try to correct it by quickly wiping the surface with more of the same stain. The fresh stain will reliquify the streaks unless the stain has dried too much. Then work faster to remove the excess or work on smaller areas at a time.

If the stain dries hard, you may have to use paint stripper to get the streaks removed. Then sand lightly and restain. You don't need to sand all the color out of the wood before restaining.

To avoid the problem to begin with, divide your project into smaller sections and work on each of these separately, or get a second person to help—one applying the stain, the other wiping off

Use Wood Shavings To Remove Stripper Gunk

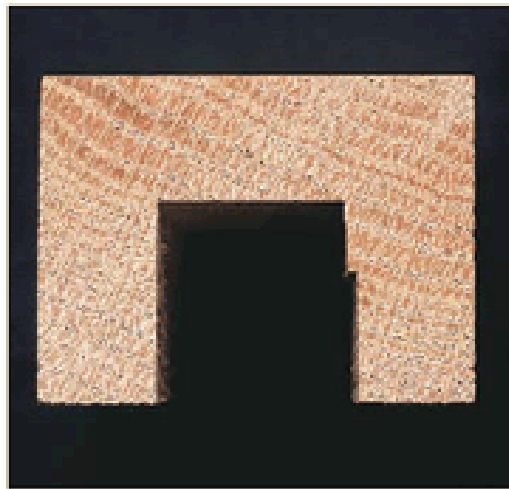
Almost all old furniture is finished with either shellac or lacquer (shellac until the 1920s, lacquer since). Both of these finishes dissolve into a messy “gunk” when paint stripper is applied. On complex surfaces, such as turnings and carvings, an easy way to remove the gunk is to wipe it off with handfuls of wood shavings from a jointer or planer.

The shavings soak up the gunk and you can remove them easily with a stiff bristle brush.

If you don't have a planer or jointer of your own, you may be able to find the shavings at a local woodworking or cabinet shop.

From Woodsmith

Perfect Grooves & Dadoes

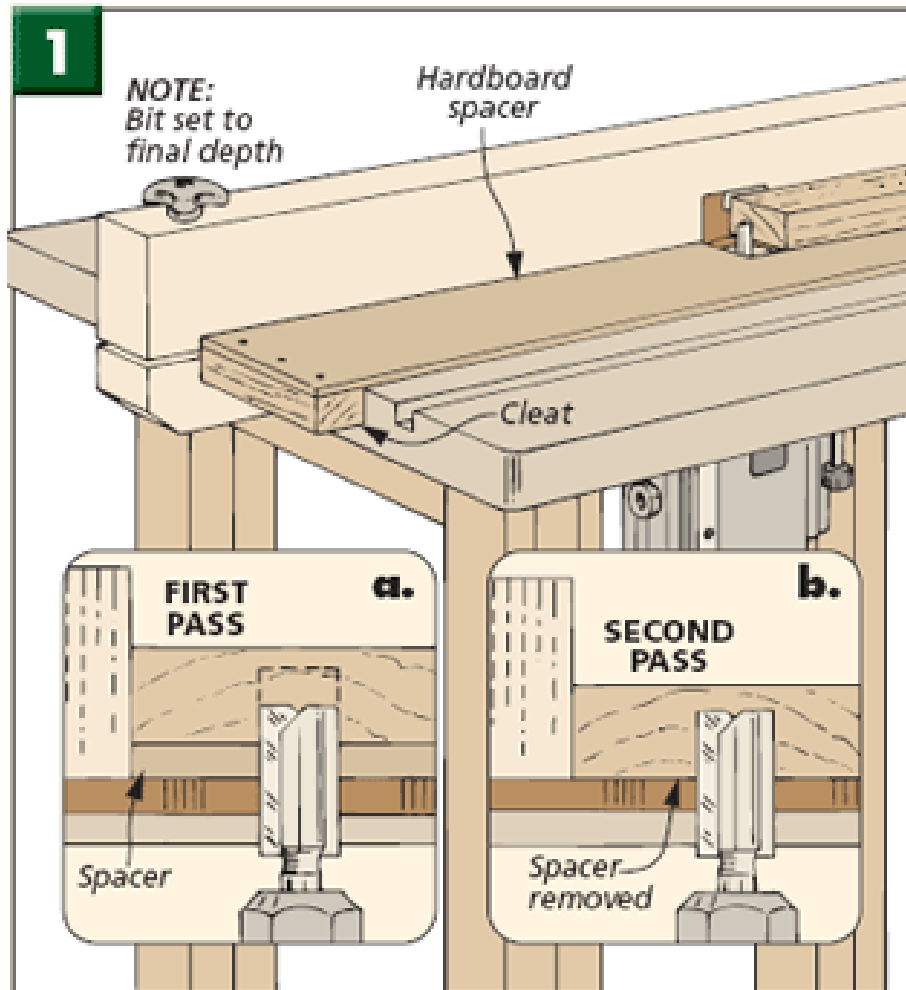


▲ *After changing the height of a bit, some routers may leave a small step.*

When routing a deep groove (or dado) on the router table, you'll get much smoother results by making a couple of shallow cuts. To do this in the conventional way, you simply raise the height of the bit between cuts. But here there's a catch. Adjusting the bit height often shifts its position enough to create a "stepped" cut (photo at right). So you end up trading a clean cut for an inaccurate groove.

But all is not lost. There's a simple trick you can use to get both a clean and accurate cut. The key is to avoid having to change the bit height between cuts. To do this, I set the bit to full height and then install a spacer over it, as shown in Figure 1. The 1/4" hardboard spacer is held in place with a cleat at each end and can be added or removed in a snap.

You make the first, shallow cut using the spacer, then slip it off for the second, full-depth cut. And the bonus is that you actually get the job done quicker.



Good woodworking,

Ted Raife
Editor, *Woodsmith*