



# GALWAY CHAPTER NEWS

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## Change of date for JAN workshop 09

The first thing that I must say is Happy new year to you all. I am sure that it will be full of wood shavings and good cheer.

I am bringing my workshop forward by one week. It will be held on

**SATURDAY 17th JAN 10.30am.**

In my house. I hope to see everyone there. I have to practice a bit before then.

To get to my house from the Dublin Road :- Turn in to Renmore at Duggans shop. (This is Renmore Road.) Take the second turn on the

right. (This is Lough Atalia Avenue.) At the end of this road turn right. (This is Lakeshore Drive.) Then turn right again. (Lough Atalia Grove.) My house is no 15 and is at the top of this Cul de sac.

Parking is a bit scarce around my house . There is more space available at the bottom of the street than at the top. I hope that you can make it.

Next thing is.....Make a lamp for the meeting on Thursday. Alas I have not made mine yet. But I will!

George

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### Committee members

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### Membership fees were due January 1st

Ordinary membership	€48
Family membership	€52
Student membership	€10
Associate membership	€10

## Chapter Workshops 2008/2009

Date	Host	Location
Tim Lydon	Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	Knockferry Moycullen
Roger Greally	Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> November	Grange, Loughrea
Christmas party	Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Oranmore After meeting
<b>George Anderson</b>	<b>Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> Jan 2009</b>	<b>Renmore Galway</b>
PJ Murphy	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2009	Ardrahan
Juliet Harriot	<b>Saturday 8th March 2009</b>	Ardrahan
Brid and Amby O'Halloran	Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> April	Cregboy
Martin Lodge	Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> May 2009	Corofin



First place  
Kevin Walsh



Second place  
Ambrose O'Halloran

NO PHOTO HERE SORRY!

Third place  
Clare Gurley

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## Sharon fruit , kaki wood

Eat this fruit now! They are lovely! You can buy them in the main supermarkets. They are in season in the Autumn. They seldom have seeds and have a very refreshing taste.

Though persimmon trees belong to the same genus as ebony trees, persimmon tree wood has a limited use in the manufacture of objects requiring hard wood. Persimmon wood is used for paneling in traditional Korean and Japanese furniture.

In North America, the lightly colored, fine-grained wood of *D. virginiana* is used to manufacture billiard cues and shuttles (used in the textile industry). Persimmon wood was also heavily used in making the highest-quality heads of the golf clubs known as "woods," until the golf industry moved primarily to metal woods in the last years of the 20th century. Persimmon woods are still made, but in far lower numbers than in past decades. Over the last few decades persimmon wood has

become popular among bow craftsmen, especially in the making of traditional longbows.

Like some other plants of the genus *Diospyros*, older persimmon heartwood is black or dark brown in color, in stark contrast to the sapwood and younger heartwood, which is pale in color.

I think that we will put this wood on our wish list for Santa next year!

George



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**AGM  
8th JAN  
2009  
Maldron Hotel  
(Quality Hotel)  
8.00 pm**

The challenge piece is  
to make a  
**LAMP**

Hello everyone,

I have a planer thicknesser for sale if you could include in the next newsletter. It is a record RPT 260 and will plane 10 inches wide and thickness 6 inches deep. It has spare blades and is in as new condition. Contact me at 086 2560390 for more info.

Happy new year,  
M lodge

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