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furniture making
and woodworking
skills ...

Newsletter

Open Day - Win a Short Course ...



We are busy planning our [Open Day](#) which takes place this year on **Saturday 13th July 10am-4pm**, and hope to welcome lots of visitors back.

We've invited new expert demonstrators and trade stands along, so make a date in your diary as there's plenty to see and do. We'll be keeping the website updated beforehand with information about the Open Day, so [click here](#) to take a look.

Don't forget to enter our great competition to [win a short furniture making course with Peter](#), which runs right up until Open Day on 13th July. Enter on-line by [clicking this link](#) - visitors attending the Open Day will also get a second chance to enter the competition ...

WIN A SHORT
COURSE

New Short Courses Have Been Added ...



We've refreshed our short courses, added some new dates and have designed some interesting and new projects for you. As well as our popular short courses such as [beginners](#), [veneering & laminating](#), [french polishing](#) and [wood machining](#), we've added a new 5-Day advanced [Dovetailing & Drawer Fitting course](#) coming up at

the end of July along with two new 2-Day courses in [Sharpening](#) and [Routing](#).

Our next short course dates are:-

[French Polishing & Refinishing](#) - 15th & 22nd Jun
[Wood Machining 2 or 3 Day](#) - 17th-19th Jul
[Beginners](#) - 22nd-26th Jul and also 2nd-6th Sep
[Dovetailing & Drawer Fitting](#) - 29th Jul-2nd Aug
[Veneering & Laminating](#) - 13th-16th Aug
[Chairmaking](#) - 19th-23rd Aug
[Routing](#) - 9th-10th Sep
[Modern Wood Finishing](#) - 2nd Nov

Here are just a couple of testimonials from our Beginners course

*... I just wanted to thank you for an excellent week of beginners training - the course content and structure was excellent and Peter was so enthusiastic and demonstrated his expertise so well ...
... it was a revelation to find out just what can be*

Professional Long Course

Our current [long course](#) students are back for their Summer Term and are as busy as ever working on final pieces for the end of year exhibition.



If you were thinking of joining us for the [September 2013 course](#), do get in touch as soon as you can as **we only have 2 spaces left** on this year's course. You're welcome to visit the School and have a look around at any time - call Sarah on 01684 591014 ...

The [9 month Professional Long Course](#) dates are:-
16th Sep 2013-11th Jul 2014

One of this year's students Garry Rowberry, has an article published in this month's Furniture & Cabinet Making magazine on a workshop stool project along with some tips from Peter.



Look out next month for another Long Course student project ...

In last month's magazine, there's also an interview with John Rook one of our 2012 Graduates.

achieved using decent quality sharp tools and a little thought ...

We also are designing a 5-Day advanced course to "Make a Box" which will be on-line next month; so look out for an update. To check availability or to make a short course booking, call Sarah on 01684 591014 or [email](#) for more information.

Update - What's been happening ...

Hand Tool Day

We've been very busy since the launch of the [Peter Sefton Tool Shop](#) website, sending out orders and adding lots of new products and brands. Our tool shop is unique – it's run *by* woodworkers, *for* woodworkers with secure online purchasing, next day delivery and a chance to 'try before you buy' on tools, abrasives and glues from our workshops in Worcestershire. [Do take a look](#) and don't forget that if you come on one of our courses you get a 10% discount at the Tool Shop - visit the website or call us on 01684 594683.



Peter Demonstrates ...

Last month Peter was kindly invited along to demonstrate sharpening techniques on a Tormek at a [UKWorkshop Forum](#) sharpening event and was delighted to meet so many avid woodworkers; the day was a great success. He really enjoys reading and contributing to the Forum so do [take a look](#) to pick up some hints and tips. We also cover sharpening in detail (including the Tormek) on both our 2-Day [Sharpening Course](#) and our 5-Day [Beginners Course](#).

What's Coming Up ...

Celebration of Craftsmanship & Design

This year we are delighted to be sponsoring a free prize draw at the [Celebration of Craftsmanship & Design exhibition](#) in Cheltenham where one lucky visitor will win a £500 voucher to spend with a maker of their choice from this year's exhibition. Do make sure you go along and look at the amazing furniture on display; the exhibition runs from 17th-26th Aug 2013.

Dates for your Diary ...

Saturday 13th July 2013

Open Day - Peter Sefton Furniture School
10am-4pm

17th-26th Aug 2013

Celebration of Craftsmanship & Design Exhibition
Cheltenham

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Last term, we went on some great field trips; [Freed Veneers](#), [Sykes Timber](#), [Whitmores](#) and [Whitney Saw Mills](#) to give students a feel for sourcing and selecting their own veneers and timbers. We also dropped in on [Hammer Felder](#), designer/maker [Sean Feeny](#) and went to the [Gordon Russell Museum](#), which is very local to us and a great place to visit.

Peter's Published Articles

Furniture & cabinetmaking Peter has been busy writing [articles](#) for Furniture & Cabinet Making magazine on Modern Apprenticeships [Click here to view](#)



BRITISH Woodworking Also Peter reviewed British and Canadian Chisels in the March issue of British Woodworking [click here to view](#)

