

Woodworkers of Green Valley Recreation

ENTRANCE

WOODWORKING

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WOODWORKERS OF GREEN VALLEY RECREATION

The Woodworkers of Green Valley Recreation is a club activity, operating under the auspices and directions of Green Valley Recreation. This woodshop has evolved into a well equipped and respected shop open to all members of Green Valley Recreation, at all skill levels. The modest membership dues and selection of commercial grade woodworking equipment attracts many new members each year, allowing members to work on projects of their own choosing.



HISTORY

- **The Woodworkers of Green Valley Recreation was created in 1978, occupying a small building provided by GVR at the East Center.**
- **In about 1980, The Woodshop was moved into a 985ft² room at The West Center.**
- **During the 1990's the area was expanded to about 2550ft².**
- **A second expansion in 1999 increased the total square footage to 3760ft².**
- **In 2008, the wood shop was expanded to its present footprint of approximately 5800ft².**



LEVEL OF SERVICE

- **Provide industrial grade power tools**
- **Equipment maintained in good operating conditions by wood shop members at the club's expense**
- **Worn out / damaged equipment is replaced at member expense on a planned schedule**
- **Safety monitors are required during hours of operation and promote safe operation of all equipment**



COMMUNITY SERVICE



Each year members of the Wood Shop make approximately 650 wooden toys for distribution to St Andrews Clinic (Nogales), Salvation Army and Green Valley Fire Department. After assembly, the toys are painted by a cadre of women volunteers every Thursday morning.



MEMBERSHIP / ATTENDANCE

- **Current club membership is approximately 528 members.**
 - However, “*Good Will*” also extends to all 23,000+ Green Valley residents, who often come to us for limited help in cutting a board to repairing furniture.
- **Shop attendance has increased from about 16,000 visits in 2009, to about 19,500 visits in 2019.**



REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL SPACE

The Woodworkers of Green Valley Recreation are requesting additional space be added to their present workshop at the West Social Center. Our analysis shows that the members would be best served with an addition of at least 2600ft² within the very near future.



EXPANSION ANALYSIS

INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP

An increase in membership is predicted with the retirement of “baby boomers” and Gen X retirees, plus the active recruitment of women and minorities. At present, we are operating at maximum capacity. As membership increases, potential safety hazards will also increase.

- ❑ The wood shop cannot regulate overcrowding by restricting membership or further increasing hours of operation. Presently, we are operating six days a week, with many days open twelve hours per day.**
- ❑ The best solution to reducing overcrowding, without reducing the level of service, is increasing the size of the shop.**



EXPANSION ANALYSIS OVERCROWDING



**Typical Winter Day in Wood Shop -
Insufficient Workspace**



EXPANSION ANALYSIS

MEMBER PARTICIPATION AND RETENTION



A number of members have dropped their club membership or no longer visit the shop because they feel unable to work in a safe manner, due to over crowding. There are many times lines form to use equipment.



EXPANSION ANALYSIS

MEMBER PARTICIPATION AND RETENTION

| YEAR | NEW MEMBERS | TOTAL MEMBERS | ATTENDANCE | SEASONAL ATTENDANCE AVERAGE / DAY | | | |
|------|-------------|---------------|------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|--------|-----------------|
| | | | | WINTER | % of Membership | SUMMER | % of Membership |
| 2009 | 58 | 352 | 16055 | 74 | 21 | 43 | 12 |
| 2010 | 65 | 417 | 17768 | 81 | 19 | 41 | 10 |
| 2011 | 64 | 437 | 17747 | 80 | 18 | 44 | 10 |
| 2012 | 79 | 462 | 17307 | 86 | 19 | 46 | 10 |
| 2013 | 80 | 483 | 18834 | 80 | 17 | 40 | 8 |
| 2014 | 81 | 497 | 19974 | 81 | 16 | 47 | 9 |
| 2015 | 94 | 528 | 17401 | 87 | 16 | 41 | 8 |
| 2016 | 85 | 531 | 10125** | 96 | 18 | NA | |
| 2017 | 122 | 549 | 15632 | 86 | 16 | 46 | 8 |
| 2018 | 105 | 555 | 19976 | 85 | 15 | 46 | 8 |
| 2019 | 136 | 579 | 19450 | 86 | 15 | 48 | 8 |
| 2020 | 53* | 528 * | 5976 * | 122 | 23 | NA | |

Although the total number of members has increased over the last ten years, the average daily participation rate has remained relatively constant due to insufficient room. The present wood shop can only accommodate a limited number of members at any one time

* Membership and Attendance as of 1/20/2020 **Incomplete Data



EXPANSION ANALYSIS

New Innovations

Members are requesting new innovations (ie. CNC, Laser Engraving, etc.). No available floor space exists to support any additional equipment.

New Member Orientation

Potential members are now required to complete a training and orientation program before being allowed into the shop. Because of limited space and resources this process will delay potential members from joining the club in a timely manner.

Skills Classes

Skills classes are offered to increase wood working proficiency, while making simple or complex projects



SUMMARY

The shop is presently operating with an excellent safety record. However, as membership increases, we are concerned that the resulting crowding could cause unsafe situations

We have no space for new equipment or technology

Lack of space for orientation classes for new members and skills classes for existing members



Thank you for your time