

Santa Cruz Woodturners

Chain Saw Saturday

September 19, 2020, in Sue Broadston's Orchard

A Photo Journal by Dwain Christensen



This was a day of trucks, masks, distancing...and bright colored saws





Raf's Faithful Horse



Marking the blank



A Pear wood half-moon...on its way to becoming a hemisphere



Roy: Spirit of Santa Cruz



Experienced hands...clean saw



Dan fires up the big fella...and gets down! Note the manly chaps!





John uses that shopmade trammel compass...and his imagination



Deep bay blank just about ready for the lathe



John and Dan read the log



Measure twice, cut once



Sue, always teaching



Except when she's putting steel to wood
in the shop or the orchard

We broke out into 3 small groups for special topics



Roy: How to put that saw to bed clean...and ready for tomorrow



Wells' filing cabinet—dull tools are dangerous. Sharp tools are a joy



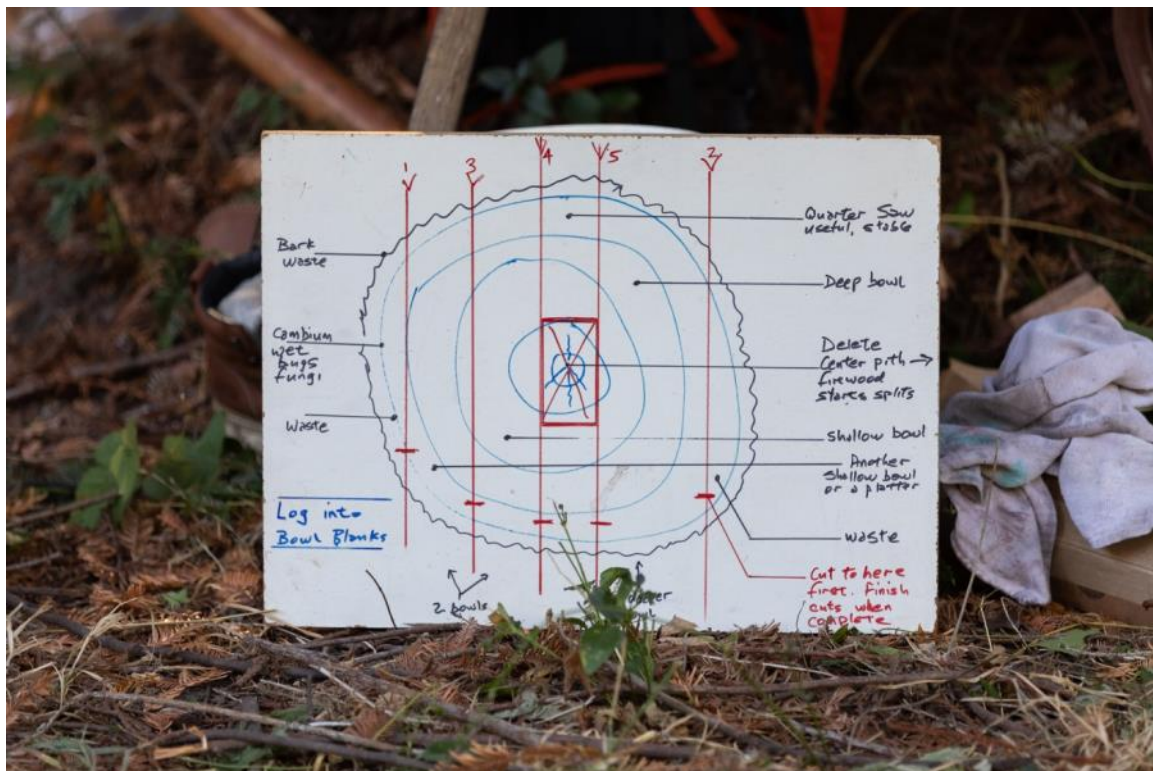
Raf and John played compare and contrast with gas powered, electric, and battery saws. Here Jim melts through the stunt log with a little fella. Note President Emeritus Sue carrying the yellow felling wedge in the traditional sawyer's pocket.



All of our Presidents were there. Here Maarten and Larry coach Wells that gravity is a force of nature. Nothing in that back pocket



Basics of cutting blanks from a log. A little easier said than done.



Some reminders:



Chaps are not sissy

Wells points out a Kevlar save

Gloves, eye and ear protection, solid shoes...please



Look for rocks in root burls. Jim knows your saw will find some anyway.



A fine day



And a thatch of Cypress ribbons

Special thanks to Dwain for his camera work. But Dwain doesn't limit himself to shutter work. This is what he did the morning after to apply what he learned:

