

U3A DIY GROUP - Progress Report – 30th October 2024

We've had very successful year and held our monthly meetings on the first Tuesday of the month. There are now 21 members and a couple on the waiting list. We get about 10 to 14 people attending meetings and meet at our house in Warlingham, in a large 18th century cart shed which resembles a smaller version of the Repair Shop barn!



DIY Group HQ



We have a good mix of skills in the group - novices, improvers and experienced DIYers so we can tackle most home DIY and repair projects. Our 'making' sessions are very popular and we've made garden obelisks, bug boxes, bird boxes and mini hazel hurdles, as well as fixing numerous household items including lamps, chair legs, vintage trolley, table top renovation, etc.



Spraying vintage trolley



Green woodworking – using a shave horse and draw knife



Mini hazel hurdle



Garden obelisks and supports



Sharpening hazel rods using shave horse



Obelisks under construction



Finished bug boxes



Making bird boxes



Bird box production



Finished bird boxes

Next year we intend running some sessions on stained glass and mosaics, as well as any aspect of house DIY, renovation and repairs, so there's always a good mix of interesting DIY, repairs and crafting projects to get involved with.

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Group Leader