

BAM

September-October 2014



Ken Jansen shows how his blanket pin/flint striker is used to hold a blanket.

www.bamsite.org

Contents

Editorial

5 From the Editor

Shelbyville, MO.

6 Minutes from the September meeting.

President Letter

7 President Phil Cox

Blanket Pin

8 Ken Jansen makes a blanket pin/flint striker

Horse Head

9 Ken Jansen horse head demo.

Strike This

10 September trade items, a flint striker.

Roster

R 1-12 pull out section

State Fair

12 Pictures of BAM booth.

MTS Class

13 Beginner's Class in Shelbyville

Stake Tool Stand

14 Making a stand for a Beak Horn Stake.

Homemade Anvil

15 VJ McCrackin's home-made anvil.

Classified Ads

16 Buy, Sell, Trade

Coal Map

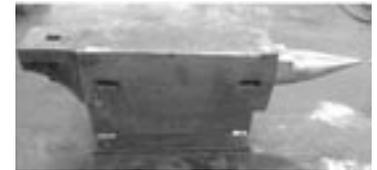
18 BAM coal locations

Scheduling

19 Upcoming Events



Dear seasons coming be safe.



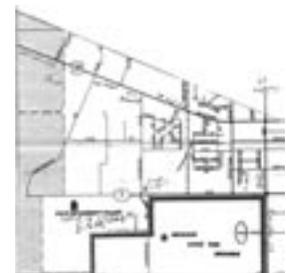
Bob Alexander anvil pg. 17



No room for ABANA this time.



COAL locations pg 18



Meeting Map pg 20

**Newsletter of the
Blacksmiths
Association
of Missouri**

Volume 29 No. 5
SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER

2014
Editor
Bob Ehrenberger

Contributing Writers

Photo Contributions

Bob Ehrenberger
Bernie Tappel
Patty Tappel
Daniel Ehrenberger
John Sherwood
Helen Arnhold
Bob Alexander
Ken Jansen

President's Message
Phil Cox

Mailing Labels
Bruce Herzog

The Newsletter of the Blacksmiths Association of Missouri is published six times a year and is mailed to members of BAM. The annual fee for regular membership is \$25/year; a portion of this amount is for a subscription to this newsletter for one year. Editorial inquiries should be addressed to: **Bob Ehrenberger 6192 Hwy 168 Shelbyville, Mo 63469 or e-mail to bameditor@centurytel.net**

BAM membership inquiries should be addressed to: **Bruce Herzog, 2212 Aileswick Dr., St. Louis, MO 63129; (314) 892-4690 or send e-mail to bjherzog@charter.net.**

Occasionally some material will be copyrighted and may not be reproduced without written consent by the author. BAM welcomes the use of any other material printed in this newsletter provided the author and this organization be given credit.

Membership Application

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____
Phone: () _____ Zip: _____
E-mail: _____

New Member Renewal ABANA member?
How did you learn a b o u t BAM? _____

Memberships are for one year from receipt of dues. Dues are \$25, which includes a subscription to the bimonthly BAM newsletter. Please make checks payable to Blacksmith Association of Missouri.

ABANA Membership Application

Primary ABANA Chapter Affiliation: _____

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____
Phone: () _____ Zip: _____

New Member Renewing Member

Includes a Subscription to the Anvil's Ring and The Hammers' Blow magazines

- Regular Member.....\$55 yr.
- Senior Citizen (Age 65+)\$50 yr.
- Full time student.....\$45 yr.
- Overseas airmail.....\$80 yr.
- Overseas surface mail\$65 yr.
- Contributory\$100 yr.
- Public library\$45 yr.

See reverse

From the Editor

By Bob Ehrenberger

We had almost ideal weather all summer. It started at conference and continued through Ned's, Phil's, and My meetings. We even had perfect weather for the MTS class at my shop the week before my meeting.

Several of our members made it to the ABANA conference and it sounded like a good one. The BAM MTS trailer was a big hit and very appreciated. The only hitch was that Ken Jansen had tire and trailer problems coming home. His truck and the MTS trailer both were damaged.

My plan to have the MTS beginner's class and the BAM meeting on consecutive weekends worked out well. Twice the bang for the buck on cleaning my shop. And yes that was the clean version of my shop, for those of you that doubt it, stop by unexpectedly some time and see what it's like when I'm working.

Ken Jansen started out the demonstrations with a flint striker - blanket pin. He followed that up with a small flint striker that he sells in a kit which includes a small flint, some char cloth, and the tin to make char cloth. Ken spent quite a bit of time talking about how he heat treats his flint strikes in oil. He then heat treated both of his pieces and a couple of strikers that some members had made for the trade item but couldn't get to spark. All the strikers sparked when Ken was done with them.

Speaking of the trade items. We had some really nice ones and several members participated in the trade for the first time.

Since the trade item next time is a tool or utensil with an animal head handle, I started my demonstration off with a simple horse head that I use on utensils and hooks. For my second demonstration I made a calla lily candle snuffer.

I want to encourage our members to give the trade item a try next time.

The horse head that I demonstrated is really easy. If you look through the old newsletters there are several demonstrations that show other animal heads that you can make. I'm sure that a dragon head or wizard head would also be acceptably.

Mike McLaughlin is busy making preparations for the 2014 conference. He is working with Steve McCarthy and they have all the dem-



Tiny my new shop dog.

onstrators locked in for the conference.

Dale Kirby has set January 10th for his meeting. I will do some of the demonstrating but would like another demonstrator to help out. If you want to help, contact me, and we can set something up. If I get more than one volunteer you won't have to watch me at all.

Here at Ehrenberger Forge I've been busy making tooling for my new fly press. There are a couple things that it is the best tool for, but I haven't come up with a killer application for it yet. I have also made a stand for the beak horn stake that I got at conference. The tool itself is pretty tough and needs some work but it is pretty nice for making tight bends and smoothing out small rings. The stand also fits my other stake tools which makes them more useful.

We also have a new dog. Daniel's dog Tiny has come to live on the

farm. She is some kind of half lab. She has a real sweet disposition, the only problem is that she doesn't understand about staying home. As a result I have gotten to meet the neighbors on both sides of us, more than once.

It was nice to see Ned at my meeting. He is doing well and on the road to recovery.

Bob Alexander has sent me a picture of the new coal bin enclosure. He ordered the coal pre-bagged this time so needed to protect the bags from damage. This makes his job a lot easier and allows us to keep him as our primary coal depot. When Bob took the job he committed to doing it for 5 years. He has been doing it for 15 so we have kind of overstayed our welcome. BAM owes Bob a big debt of gratitude for supporting our coal needs all these years.

We also have a new coal keeper. Fred Warner, Wheeling, MO.

Ken Jansen is doing another Black Friday hammer-in. We are going to concentrate on making and fixing the tools for BAM's MTS trailer. Ken said that we will also work on door pulls for our conference auction project. If you can't make the hammer-in Ken still wants you to make and send him a door pull..

I saw V. J. McCrackin at my meeting for the first time in several years. He also brought a home made anvil to show off. It is unique in that it started off as an 'I' beam. Very nice for delicate work.

Don Nichols is not providing a meal for the November meeting. He said that if you don't want to bring a sack lunch there are lots of restaurants near by.

The submission deadline for the November/December issue is November 15.

BAM MEETING FOR September 2014

Meeting by Bob Ehrenberger

Minutes by Don Anders

Demonstration by Bob Ehrenberger made a 3 heat horse head and a calla lily candle snuffer. Ken Jansen made kilt buckle/flint striker.

BAM MTS Trailer at ABANA conference a big hit. ABANA 2016 conference will be at Salt Lake City.

Some other ABANA affiliates want to borrow MTS trailer, decisions need to be made.

Seven state conference at Madison GA., does BAM want to participate?

BAM MTS trailer had some damage on the way back from ABANA conference and needs some tools refreshed. Ken Jansen is going to have a workshop black Friday to refresh tooling for MTS trailer.

The MTS trailer needs volunteers to help move the trailer and to assist teaching classes.

Phil Cox suggested that we get an anti-sway hitch for the MTS trailer.

Conference report by Mike McLaughlin, has all demonstrators lined up they will be Nathan Robertson, Don Asbee, and Elsa Fantino. Check the BAM website for updates to conference info. Volunteers needed to work the BAM conference site captains and general volunteers.

Esther Digh gave a scholarship committee report. One scholarship has been given out this year, there is still another scholarship to be awarded for this year. This scholarship needed to be applied for before the end of the year but may be used next year.

Meeting adjourned.

TRADE ITEM: FLINT STRIKER

MADE BY

Bob Ehrenberger
Chris Owen
Willy Bagley
Dan Wedemeyer
John Huff
Bernie Tappel
Matthew Burnett
Bill George
Denny Quinn
Mike Gentsch
Ally Harbit
Phil Cox
Mike Maddox
Ken Jansen
Rob Ahrens
Steve McCarthy
Daniel Wedemeyer
Kent Harbit

TRADED TO

Ken Jansen
Matthew Burnett
Bob Ehrenberger
William Bagley
Steve McCarthy
Make Maddox
Rob Ahrens
Dan Wedemeyer
Mike Gentsch
Chris Owen
Bill George
Kent Harbit
Ally Harbit
Denny Quinn
John Huff
Daniel Wedemeyer
Bernie Tappel
Phil Cox

IRON IN THE HAT

DONATED BY

Matthew Burnett
?
Matthew Burnett
Mike Maddox
John Murray
Rick Meyer
Karen Bouckaert
Phil Cox
Ester Digh
Bob Ehrenberger
Bill George
Larry Hults
Bob Ehrenberger
Ken Jansen
Dan Wedemeyer
Ned Digh
Bob Ehrenberger
John Huff
Ken Jansen
Rick Meyer
Bob Ehrenberger

WON BY

John Huff
Karl Haak
Bill George
Don Anders
Mike Gentsch
Don Anders
Phil Cox
William Bagley
John Huff
John Huff
Mike McLaughlin
Ned Digh
John Bouchillon
John Dillon
John Huff
Mark Lawson
Dan Wedemeyer
Mike McLaughlin
John Huff
Phil Cox
August

ITEM

Clamp?
MSC Book
grab bag
Flint
hand hammer
water repellent
clamps
golf balls
tape measure
leg brackets
Bees wax
band saw blade
double caliper
Demo Blanket pin
spring & misc.
welding magnet
candle snuffer
horse shoes
sml kilt buckle
roller stool
demo horse hook

Letter from the president

By Phil Cox

There has been a lot going on since I last wrote a letter. The ABANA conference was a busy place. It seemed they had a demonstrator for every interest. The weather was near perfect and the Delaware State Fair grounds was a large, very clean and neat facility.

As always Pat and his crew did a bang up job with the setup. They all know what they are doing and work very hard to provide everyone with what they need to enjoy the conference. They get there days before to make sure all is ready, then work to pack it all up while the rest of us enjoy the auction. All BAM members should be proud of Pat and his crew's hard work. Thank you Pat.

Ken Jansen also deserves our praise. Not only did he pull the teaching trailer to Delaware, he then gave up his time to watch demos to fill a need at the very busy teaching tent. The teaching tent was overwhelmed with interest. Three days of 3 sessions a day. Ken took on the task of getting students on the sign up sheet, trying to find a way to get all who want to take a class a spot. Every class was full with a wanting list. Some classes were doubled up with 20 people in an effort to get everyone a chance to learn from the great line up of instructors.

The return trip for Ken was not so pleasant. A pair of tire blow outs interrupted his trip home. The first one caused a delay and purchase of a new tire or maybe 2, but the second one sent Ken on a wild white knuckle ride thru the median coming to rest headed west on the east bound shoulder.

Several thousand dollars damage to his truck and some to the trailer. We are very glad to have Ken home with no injuries. Thanks Ken, we owe you one.

Thanks to Editor Bob for having the Sept. meeting. Bob and Ken both gave well thought out demo's. I am sure Bob will cover both later in this letter. The flint striker trade item sparked a lot of interest. Thanks Bob for a good choice on the trade item and another great meeting.

We discussed the needs of the teaching trailer. The incident on the way home caused some issues that will need to be repaired. Don Birdsall has brought to my attention the many of the tools are in need of replacement and/or repair. We may try to do this at Ken's Black Friday get together. I am working on a list and a plan of what needs to be done and a way to do it.

Until next time keep your fires hot & clean and your anvil bright. Phil

Hammer-In

BAM member: Patrick Hill, Date: November 1st, 2014, Time: 10am to 3pm
Where: Fenton's Collectibles, I-44, exit 67, near Republic MO
Contact: 417-693-2958

Fenton's Collectibles is letting the members of Knights of Pythis lodge and friends, use their parking lot and adjacent field to host a small hammer-in.

There will be 3 or 4 forges set up, a small swap meet and some hot dogs and burgers around lunchtime. John Fenton and his family will have a hot glass demonstration.

This is open to the public, hope to meet some new blacksmithing friends!
Patrick Hill

Below: Bob Alexander's new coal bin and the latest shipment of coal..



Ken Jansen Blanket Pin Demo

By Bob Ehrenberger

To make the main body which includes a striker and a loop he starts with either 5/16" or 3/8" rd. of a spring steel. For today's demo Ken used a 3/8" hay rake tine.

The first step is to section off about 1 1/2" of material using half face blows on the far edge of the anvil. This section is then flattened out to make the blade of the striker.

Next a section is drawn out to about 4" of 3/16" round. A bending fork is used to make a sharp bend at the transition between the blade and the rod.

The piece is then cut off from the main bar, leaving a knob of thicker material at the end. This knob is used to keep the pin from sliding off on the finished piece. Ken also uses this knob to affix his touch mark.

Again the bending fork is used to curve the rod into a smooth circle. The blade is hardened by heating to non magnetic and quenching in oil.

The pin is made from 3/16" rd. mild steel.

Draw a long smooth taper, then determine where to make the transition by laying it on the completed body.



Use a half face blow to create a transition to about a 1" flat section.

Curl the flat section into a loop, but don't close up until you put it over the completed body. Make sure the pin is oriented correctly before closing up. It is hard to remove and fix later.

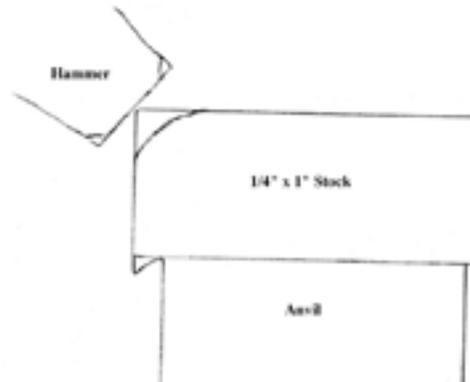
In use the pin is pushed through the blanket and then the striker blade is rotated to lock it in place. See cover photo.



Ken Jansen's 3 Heat Horse Head By Bob Ehrenberger

Ken says that when he is on a roll he can consistently make these horse heads in three heats and sometimes even in two.

To start out, hang about 1/4" of the bar over the far edge of the anvil and drive the top corner in. This rounds the mane area and creates a small point for the ear.



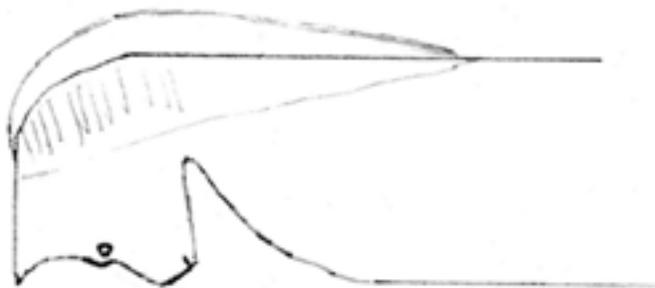
Next make a slightly angled cut, which creates the jaw line.

Trim the tip to square up the nose.

Put in vice and clean up the cut, which also tips the head back a little bit.

While still in the vice, make small cut to define the mouth.

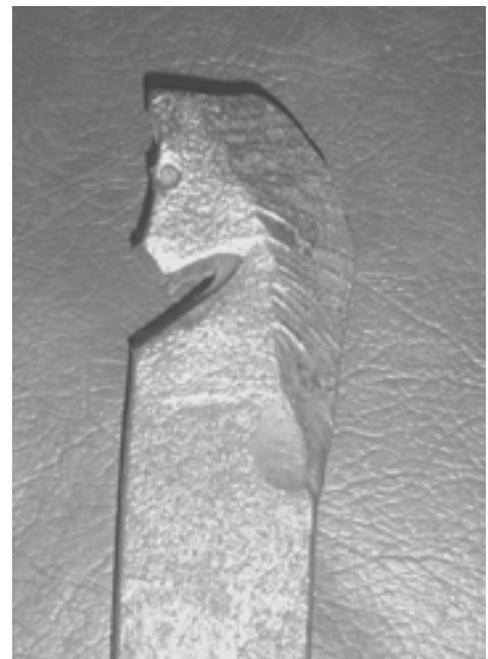
If you forge the ridge of the chest back a little here it will look better when finished.



Finally, taper back and thin the mane as if you were forging the edge on a knife.

Once the mane is thinned, use a small sharp cross pein hammer to texture it like hair.

Finally use a center punch to make an eye. Do this close enough to the edge that it bulges out a little and looks like an eye socket on the forehead.



Finished horse head.

Once you get it to this point you can make what ever you want on the other end. We were looking at making hoof picks, but you could just as easy make it into a coat hook or a key chain.

Editor's Note: Since no one got pictures of my demonstration I am reprinting the article from the Mar/Apr 2007 newsletter where I learned how to make this horse head.

September trade items



Ally Harbit



Bernie Tappel



Bill George



Bob Ehrenberger



Chris Owen



Dan Wedemeyer



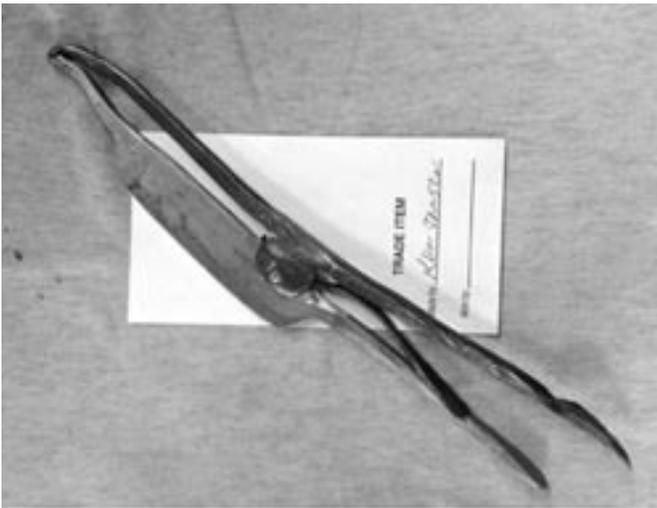
Daniel Wedemeyer



Denny Quinn



John Huff



Ken Jansen



Kent Harbit



Mike Gentsch



Mike Maddox



Rob Ahrens



Steve McCarthy



Phil Cox



Matthew Burnett



Willy Bagley

State Fair



MTS Beginner's Class

By Bob Ehrenberger

On the weekend of September 6th and 7th we held a beginner's class in my shop in Shelbyville. We had 6 students, they were Ben Collins, Brett Drake, Tim & Dawn Shields, Bryon Lillibridge, and Sento Giuffrida. I had 3 assistants, Mike Maddox, Thomas Rattlif, and Rick Meyers. We had perfect weather for the class and everyone had a good time. The class used coal forges, so we taught fire management along with basic forging skills.



Making a stand for a Beak Horn Stake

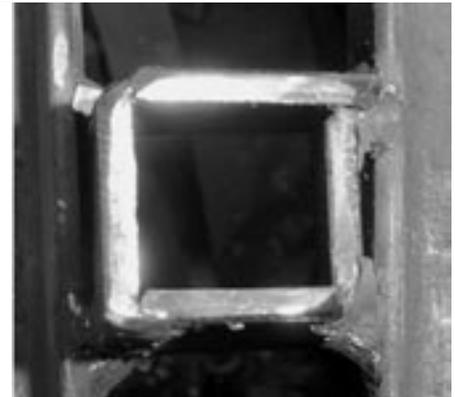
By Bob Ehrenberger

I picked up a Beak Horn Stake tool at conference this year. It was something that I had wanted for a while but had never found one at the right price until now. Anyway stake tools are only useful if you can properly support them. I have a stake plate mounted in a table, but it is much too high for this stake. I decided to make a free standing base for it.

The first step was to make a socket for the end of the stake to go into. I had a bunch of pieces of 3/16" plate left over from another project so decided to use them. I started out by laying a piece against the end of the stake and drawing a line on each side to match the taper of the end. It is kind of a truncated triangle shape. I then clamped this piece to the end and marked the next piece, this time I marked to the outside of the first piece and the stake. With the second piece clamped in place I cut a third piece that was very much like it. With 3 pieces in place I marked the fourth piece to the outside of pieces 1 and 3.



With all the pieces cut and clamped to the end of the stake, I tacked the corners and checked the alignment. When I was satisfied that it was a good fit on the end of the stake I welded the full length of each of the seams. Thus the socket was done. In the picture to the right you can see the progression of pieces going counter clockwise around the socket starting at the bottom piece.



The next step was to make a base to hold the socket. I had made a stand for my new anvil last year so I have a little bit of an idea how to proceed. The base has 2 components, a platform to hold the socket and legs to support the platform. I still have plenty of the rectangular tubing that I used for legs on my anvil stand, so that was no problem. For the platform I decided to use two pieces of channel iron 15" long each. It needs to be three legged so that it is stable so I decided to pull the channel iron in at one end to the width of the front leg and let it flair out on the opposite end. In the next picture you can see the socket tack welded to the channel iron and a brace on one end holding the space needed for the front leg.



At this point I checked the alignment by putting the stake tool on my anvil up side down and dropping the platform into place. I took measurements from the platform to the anvil to make sure the socket was square with the platform.



Once I was satisfied that the socket was square with the platform I welded it solid.

Stake tool stand continued ...

After making the anvil stand I knew that I wanted a little bit more angle on the legs for this base mainly because the beak horn is so much longer than my anvil. So I laid a leg up against my anvil stand and marked the angle I thought I wanted. I then used a bevel gauge to make all the ends of the legs the same angle. To the right I have the first two legs tacked in place.



Then with two legs tacked in place and the third held in place with a "C" clamp I checked to make sure that the tool would be level when every thing was welded in this position.

After welding the legs in place I welded feet on the ends of the legs and caps on the tops of the legs. Note I made the foot on the front leg much wider to give it some extra stability. I also welded a small brace across the ends of the channel, for additional strength.

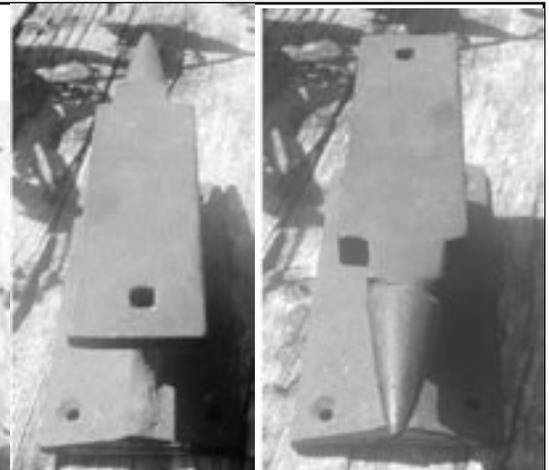
While everything is nice and clean, I painted the whole stand.

As an extra bonus all my other stakes fit the socket perfectly, which should make them more useful too.



Homemade Anvil

V. J. McCrackin brought this sweet little anvil to show me. Looking at it from the heel, it looks to me like it started out as an "I" beam. This would make someone a very usable anvil for delicate work.



Buy, Sell, Trade

Individual Classified ads

For Sale: Anvil's Ring Magazine collection Sept '73 thru Present. \$350 Bob Woodard Edwardsville, IL 618-692-6508

For Sale: Heavy duty blacksmith leg vice \$40.00 or best offer.
Robert Kimble, Auxvasse, MO PH: 573-386-5707

Commercial / Resource ads

Services:

Beverly Shear Blades Sharpened. Remove blades from shear and ship to Clay Spencer, 73 Penniston Pvt. Drive, Somerville, AL 35670 \$41 includes return postage, additional cost for deep notches or blades previously sharpened at angle.

Little Giant-- We can do repairs on any or all components of your Little Giant front assembly. Contact Roger Rice, Midwest Machine, 6414 King Road, Nebraska City, Nebraska 68410.
(402) 873-6603

Roller Blade Treadle Hammers (Clay Spencer design) for Sale or Workshops led to build hammers. Bob Alexander, e-mail to scruboak4@netzero.com, or call 636-586-5350.

Information / Education:

Tong Making Class--Weekend Course, 4 people per class - \$125 per person. Contact: Charles Comstock, Rt.1 Box 20, Deerfield, MO. 64741 (417) 927-3499, or (417)-321-2286 cell

Back issues of Jerry Hoffmann's **Blacksmith's Journal**,
Call 1-800-944-6134 for more information.

Classes offered, The Ornamental Iron Shop
Contact the instructor to register and customize your class.
John D. Thompson – Metalsmith
3923 Hwy 25; Hodges, SC 29653 864-374-3933

Classes at Pieh Tool Company, Inc. - Camp Verde, AZ
The Bill Pieh Resource for Metalwork.
Call now for more information and to enroll:
(928) 554-0700 or (888) 743-4866. www.piehtoolco.com.

Mathias Penn is offering introductory & beginning blacksmith classes. 417-683-9000 Tytheblacksmith@yahoo.com

oldschoolcrafts Blacksmith School, Joe Davis 12625 Lawrence 1175, Mt Vernon, MO 65712 phone 417-461-0387 on the web www.oldschoolcrafts.org E-Mail oldschoolcrafts@hotmail.com

David Norrie blacksmithing school in Colorado
David Norrie 303-859-0770 <http://www.forgewithintention.com>
or <http://www.davidnorrie.com>

The Upper Midwest Blacksmiths Assoc (**UMBA**) **video library**. An index list can be viewed at www.umbaonline.org
They are VHS or DVD-R Cost is \$5 each with \$2 per order shipping There is no return date, you keep the video for this price.
All videos are made at group demos, no commercial titles.

Blacksmithing E-books on CD

Now eight titles are available on CD, \$4/each, or all eight books, \$24 postpaid. More books are in production and will be available soon- order on-line at www.blacksmithingebooks.com, or check/MO to Brian Gilbert, 3404 Hartford Dr., Chattanooga, TN 37415.

Ray Clontz Tire Hammer Plans by Clay Spencer

Send check/money order for \$30 to Clay Spencer, 73 Penniston Pvt. Drive, Somerville, AL 35670-7013. Includes postage to US and Canadian addresses. Other countries e-mail clay@tirehammer.com for price. 256-558-3658. Tire Hammers for sale contact me for current price.

New England School of Metalwork

www.newenglandschoolofmetalwork.com 1-888-753-7502

Power Hammer page

I've taken some time to collect and post old info, catalogs and brochures on power hammers. The link of our NEB web page to this information is: http://www.newenglandblacksmiths.org/power_hammer_info.htm Ralph Sproul

Rochester Arc & Flame Center! Featuring Blacksmithing, Welding & Glass Blowing Over 30 classes available for all levels of interest, rocafc.com 585-349-7110

For Sale: Power Hammer instruction DVDs. \$125 per set. Clifton Ralph, 4041 W 47st, Gary, Indiana, 46408 (219)980-4437

Products:

Scrub Oak Forge: We still have the Ozark Pattern anvils, and hand hammers. For more info on the tools, contact Bob Alexander at 636-586-5350 or scruboak4@netzero.net

Heavy-Duty Fry Pan Blanks 9" diameter, tapered sides 12 or 13 gauge steel (approx. 2 pounds) no predrilled holes for the handle \$12.00 each..1-4, \$10.00 each..5-9, \$9.00 each...10+. shipping:\$5.00 plus\$1.00 each frypan Bob Tuftee 563-332-4800 6 Hollows Court LeClaire IA 52753

L Brand Forge Coke now packaged in 50 pound bags on pallets. Send your zip code for a quote on price including delivery. 1-678-360-3521 or LBrandForgeCoke@aol.com.

Chile Forge- Next generation **gas forges**
www.chileforge.com David Starr 520/360-2141

Buy, Sell, Trade, Continued

Kayne and Son Custom Hardware, 100 Daniel Ridge Road, Candler, NC 28715. (828) 667-8868 fax (828) 665-8303, e-mail: kaynehdwe@charter.net, web site: www.blacksmithsdepot.com. Offering a full line of blacksmithing equipment. We ship and accept Visa and Mastercard.

D.L. Schwartz Co. **Blacksmith and Farrier supplies.**

2188 S. US 27, Berne, IN. 46711, 1-800-955-3064

SOFA fire pots are once again available. For information contact Bob Cruishank, 1495 W. Possum Rd., Springfield, OH. 45506 Phone: (937) 323-1300 or www.creativeironforge.com or www.sofablacksmiths.com

USA Dealer for **REFFLINGHAUS ANVILS**, 77 to 1250 lb. European 2 horn with or without upsetting block & side shelf. Over 100 sizes and styles available. Guaranteed face @ HRC59 Dick Nietfeld www.blksmith.com Phone (308) 384 1088

Wanted:

Blacksmith business cards. I would like to put together a collage of Blacksmith business cards. Bring them to a meeting or mail them to me with your dues.

Bruce Herzog

2212 Aileswick

St. Louis, MO 63129

Demonstrator List

Fred Weisenborn has started a list of members available for demonstrations, fairs, historic events, and festivals, etc.

417-589-2497 e-mail: jweisenb@llion.org

Around the Anvil BAM has it's very own E-Mail news group. If you would like to participate there is a sign up link on the bamsite.org or send an E-Mail to Bernie Tappel at bamweb@embarqmail.com and he will get you signed up.

Check out back issues of BAM newsletter on www.bamsite.org. It now has a search feature to help you find old articles.

Ad Policy: Blacksmith related ads are free to BAM members. Personal ads will run for two issues. Resource ads are ongoing at my discretion. Send to bameditor@centurytel.net, or call 573-633-2010

Homemade Anvil

Bob Alexander made this anvil for a friend at JC Campbell. The main body is made from two heads that Tom Clark had cast for old style treadle hammers. You can see the slots in the sides for the key to hold the dies in place.



The heel is made from a treadle hammer anvil plate which already had the hardie hole cut in it to hold the treadle hammer dies.



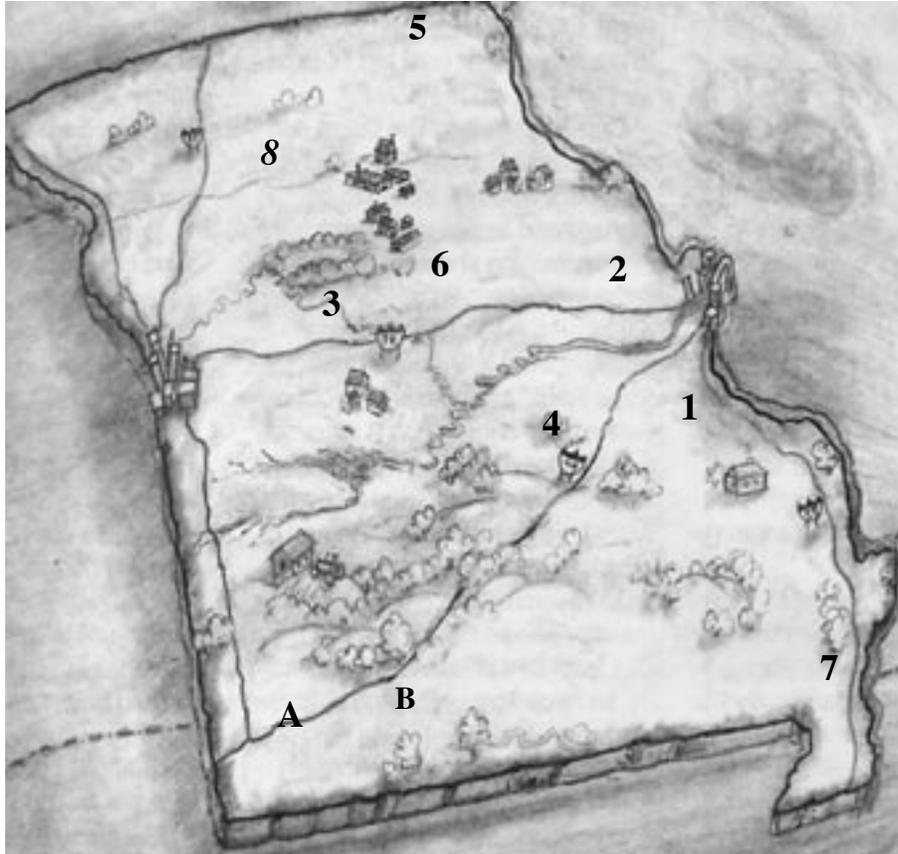
Finally Bob forged the horn from a piece of large stock and welded it on.



Need Coal ?

Check on Availability

Coal Captain: Bob Alexander



1. Bob Alexander (636) 586-6938
14009 Hardin Rd,
DeSoto, MO. 63020

5. Joe Hurley (660) 626-7824
Rt1 Box 50
Downing, MO. 63536

2. Ken Jansen, (636) 366-4353
2257 Carter Rd.,
Moscow Mill, MO. 63362

6. Paul Lankford, (573)-473-7082
25849 Audrain Co. Road 820,
Mexico, MO 65265

3. Doug Clemons, (660) 595-2257
29377 Durango Avenue
Malta Bend, MO. 65339

7. Bob Maes, (573)-866-3811
Rt. 1 Box 106 K
Millersville, MO. 63766

4. Jerry Rehagen, (573) 744-5454
390 Bozina Valley Trail,
Freeburg, MO. 65035

8. Fred Warner (660)-659-2406 cell (660)-247-1477
303 N 2nd st.
Wheeling, MO 64688

Price \$14.00 per bag BAM members, \$19.00 per bag Non-members, \$12.00 per bag at Bob Alexander's
Coal keepers earn \$3.00 a bag

A. Non BAM coal \$.40/lb check \$.35/lb cash, bring your own containers. Tim Johnson Springfield, MO 417-886-8032.
B. Matthias Penn has Oklahoma coal, 25cents/pound for any amount. Located in Ava, MO. 417-683-9000
E-mail: tytheblacksmith@yahoo.com

Upcoming Events

November 1st - Hammer-In, Fenton's Collectibles, I-44, exit 67, near Republic MO, Contact: Patrick Hill 417-693-2958 see pg 7
 November 8th - BAM meeting, Don Nichols, State Fair College Sedalia, no food, trade item: tool or utensil with an animal head handle

November 15th. - Newsletter submission deadline

December 31st. - Application deadline for 2014 Scholarship awards.

January 10th 2015, - BAM Meeting, A & K Cooperage, Higbee, MO 660-456-7561 Food will be available Trade item: letter opener.

March 2015 - BAM meeting Chris Miller, Doniphan, MO

April 30th - May 3rd 2015 -**BAM Ozark Conference**, Sedalia, MO

May/June 2015 - BAM meeting Ned Digh, Ham's Prairie, MO 573-642-9502

July 2015 - BAM meeting Matthew Burnett, Cameron MO ph: 816-575-2798

August 2015 - Missouri State Fair, Sedalia, MO contact Kent Harbit (660)-647-2349 to volunteer

August 2015 - Hamilton Steam show,

September 12th, 2015 - BAM meeting Rolla, MO Don Birdsall The trade item:Blacksmith art (every day items laying around our shops, unfinished items, mistakes, etc turned into an art object that could be displayed indoors or outside.

November 2015 - BAM meeting, Phil Cox, Hamilton, MO 816-583-4337

MTS WORKSHOPS*

Water will be available.

Beginner Workshops:

Number 1 Saturday, February 21st 2015

Number 2- Saturday, February 28th 2015

Location:

Ray Scott:
 HCR 2, Box 196
 Eminence, MO. 65466

No daytime phone number,

Evening telephone number 573-226-5541

Start time 8:00 am. Sharp.

Students should be there and ready to go at 8:00 am. Both days.

Students must wear safety glasses while instruction and workshops are being run.

Students need to bring a lunch both days.

Students should wear cotton or wool clothing, no synthetic type of clothes.

Gloves and aprons are **not** provided.

Must be a BAM Member (Insurance requirement) \$25.00 dollars for a one year membership.

Cost of each workshop is: \$30.00 dollars per student per day.

Instructors are: Ray Scott and Don Birdsall 573-364-7223

If not a member, send membership dues (\$25.00 dollars) to:

Bruce Herzog Application at front of newsletter.

Send payment for workshops to Ray Scott at the above address.

Any questions call: Ray Scott or Don Birdsall

New Members If you have a new member near you, welcome him to the group and show him the ropes.

Briney, Garrett
 5415 County Road 113
 Fulton, MO 65251
 g-briney@hotmail.com
 573-397-2719

Kilkmeyer, Ron
 28790 West Hwy C
 Slater, MO 65349
 ronklkmr@gmail.com
 660-631-5831

Morgan, Jon
 317 Danielle Court
 Jefferson City, MO 65109
 jonmo527@aol.com
 573-301-0291

Secret, Dave
 308 East Bluebird Lane
 Leaseburg, MO 65535
 midmo1090@gmail.com
 314-808-1090

Townsend, Dallin
 11848 Hwy Z
 Nelson, MO 65347
 studlydjt@gmail.com
 435-225-0053

Crawford, Brandon
 22035 Saline Creek Road
 St Mary, MO 63673
 brandonCrawford78
 @ymail.com
 573-883-0387

Lapine, Suzanne
 1855 West Timber Ridge Dr.
 Sedalia, MO 65301
 eslapine@gmail.com
 660-287-4782

Mort, Asher
 7729 Weston Place
 St. Louis, MO 63117
 andmort7@gmail.com
 314-803-1596

Shaggs, Paul
 5176 Walnut Road
 Valmeyer, IL 62295
 paul.skaggs@live.com
 309-241-4312

Wansing, Sarah
 19499 225th Road
 Marshall, MO 65340
 wansing40@gmail.com
 660-86-4960

Destefano, Mark
 15574 Cedarmill Drive
 Chesterville, MO 63017
 mkjtnymo@sbcglobal.net
 636-532-5502

Mertz, Seth
 179 Harvey Road
 Montgomery City, MO 63361
 smertz@mail.com
 573-308-6244

Nelson, Mike
 12521 Greer Road
 Houstonia, MO 65333
 remmdn@gmail.com
 660-221-8626

Smith, Lucas
 64 Groundbusters Drive
 Roach, MO 65787
 lucasrebelsmith@live.com
 573-286-4529

Evans, David
 5550 North Adrian Ave
 Kansas City, MO 64151
 daveydawg@kc.rr.com
 816-678-3197

Moore, Roger
 P.O. Box 1755
 Lebanon, MO 65536
 rmoore1@soket.net
 417-343-6615

Schery, Aric
 3418 Bedford Falls Drive
 Wentzville, MO 63385
 dsking1@gmail.com
 636-497-5002

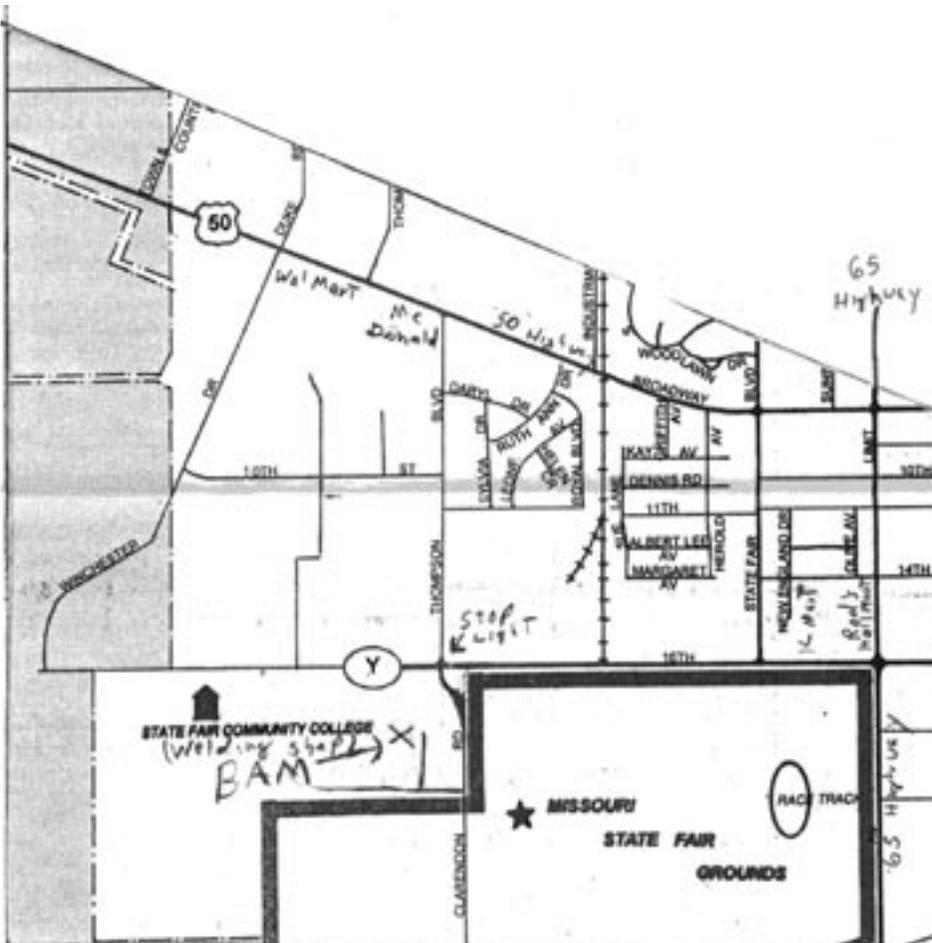
Tiethoff, Tracey
 932 Amethyst Lane
 Jefferson City, MO 65109
 traceytiethoff@gmail.com
 973-291-8041

BAM

2212 Aileswick Dr.,
St. Louis, MO 63129

Please send changes to Bruce Herzog, 2212 Aileswick Dr., St. Louis, MO 63129 or e-mail to bjherzog@charter.net

Next Meeting: November 8th Sedalia, MO



Location:

Welding Shop
State Fair Community College
Sedalia, MO

Host: Don Nichols

Trade Item:

Tool of Utensil with an animal head handle.

Food: Bring a sack lunch.

Phone: 660-826-9252

Directions: The college is on the same frontage road that goes by the West side of the Fair grounds.