

Addendum to Bo Hurley's presentation to the Greenville Woodworkers Guild on January 8, 2007:

During the presentation on the chair on Monday, I answered a question incorrectly, and in so doing, missed a great opportunity to pass on some very important information.

The question was "how long did it take to make the chair?" I replied, "...longer than I thought it would...a lot of hours". This answer is indefinite and misleading. The best answer is that the assembled chair on the stage looked just like the chair pieces on the bench when I arrived home from work on the Friday evening before the presentation, and the front and back glued up assemblies produced on Saturday were glued up about 6 pm on the Sunday before the Monday presentation.

So, while I worked 6 hours on Fri evening, about 12 hours on Saturday, and maybe 8 hours on Sunday, it really didn't take that long to complete the joinery, because about 180 of the photos were also taken on Fri, Saturday, and Sunday.

Thus, in a period of about 60 hours, I slept about 12-14 hours, and worked about 26-28 hours, at least 10 of which were making at least 150 photos and getting the stuff ready for the presentation, as I worked 1/2 day on Monday.

So I see the chair joinery as requiring under 20 hours. The rough cutting and shaping were maybe 10 hours, so I have maybe about 30 hours in the chair, and in 10 more it will have the knee blocks installed, have a slip seat frame made and fitted, and be rasped, scraped, sanded, and finished, so I see 40-50 hours for my first chair after 25 years.

That's not too bad, or too far off my original estimate. The second chair will be quicker, probably at 40 hours or below.