Clamping problem
Posted by mamun1024 - 20 Nov 2012 12:12

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Any suggestions?

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Re: Clamping problem
Posted by cbwx34 - 20 Nov 2012 12:34

Take a look at Clay's page on Full Flat Grinds (FFG), and see if that answers your question.

wickededgeusa.com/index.php?option=com_c...eneral&Itemid=46

If not, let us know! ☺

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Re: Clamping problem
Posted by Billabong - 23 Nov 2012 01:13

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Post some pictures if you can.

I'm sure the team here will advise some workaround for you.

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Re: Clamping problem
Posted by Jet B - 23 Nov 2012 10:54

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It can take a while to get good at it, but the foam tape trick Clay shows in that link will work.

Most of my knives are Spyderco with full flat grinds and distal tapers. I have managed to clamp and sharpen them all. If you are having consistent problems still, make sure you don't have one of the older defective vice jaws. If your vice arm is bent at all, the clamping will not work properly. I had this problem and it was extremely frustrating until I realized the thing was bent.

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Re: Clamping problem
Posted by Geocyclist - 23 Nov 2012 15:44

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Would it be a good idea to put this topic on the WiKi? At least a link to Clay's video. Or make it a sub topic under Techniques and Sharpening Strategies? If Reed Knives have a topic I think FFG deserves one.

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Re: Clamping problem
Posted by cbwx34 - 24 Nov 2012 10:00

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The wiki is open to forum members... so feel free to head over and add to it! ☺

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