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Fasten Down the Anvil:



This is a good way to fasten down the anvil as long as the stump doesn't split from the lag screw. The lag screw should be a minimum of 5 to 8 inches long. A lag screw works great if the stump is American Elm, Sycamore or some other non-splitting wood. Woods which readily split require that the lag screw be put in at an angle so it cuts across the grain, or a different fastening system should be used. If using a wood that splits easily, bolts instead of lag screws

going all the way through the stump are good, if the means of drilling that long of a hole is available.



Two finished bases. Anvils ready for use. The anvil on the left is a 160 lb. Peter Wright and the anvil on the right is a 215 lb. Arm and Hammer. Both of these anvils have had the edges repaired with Stoody 2110 work hardening welding rod, although now I use MG Industries 710 electrode. The Stoody is softer and is a different color than the original anvil face. The MG rod is 55-60RC as welded and is approx.

the same color as original face metal. The cost for each type of rod is about the same, both expensive.

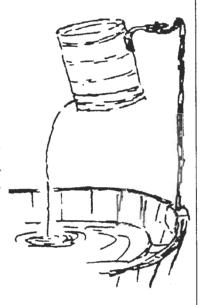
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When it is necessary to localize a heat, a tin can mounted on a rod above the edge of your slack tub can provide a steady stream of water, leaving both hands free and keeps the floor dry.



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Alan's Corner-

