

The Hume Sunbury Men's Shed is happy to announce we have awarded an Honorary Membership Award to a very worthy Member...Darby Munro for his Service to the Country and his Community.



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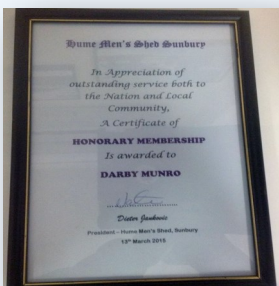
**We Salute you Darby.** The Sunbury Men's Shed is honoured to provide Darby Munro with an Honorary Membership. Darby is a pillar of our community and country. At 93 he is still baking food for the needy. He was orphaned at 10. When World War 2 broke out, at 18 Darby wanted to join the Navy but because he was not too literate an officer filled out his application forms and he was enlisted. He served on the old HMAS Shropshire Warship mostly in the Pacific and throughout the War and fortunately it never took a direct hit. They were renowned for only taking 3 hits to hit their target. One above the target for bearings, one below and the third, a king hit. After the War Darby was given a plot of land as part of a Soldier Settlement and married. His wife died and Darby farmed and raised the 3 children. That's when out of necessity he learnt to cook and is still cooking today at the Sunbury Community Kitchen. He frequently makes bread and butter pudding for the Sunbury Sheddies as well as the community. Darby was presented with a Certificate and 2 pens made by JH to commemorate his time in the Navy.

Rotary Club of Sunbury  
Family Community Kitchen

Come & have a meal with us



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# *2015/6 Shed Management and Committee*

*....what a crew...of good blokes of course.*



## **Hume Sunbury Men's Shed Management**

President, Dieter Jankovic

Secretary, John Hunter

Treasurer, Stan Rasanayagam

Vice President, Kevin Swaffield



## **Committee**

Peter Wilkinson, Ian Lupson

Mike Newman, Rod Jackson

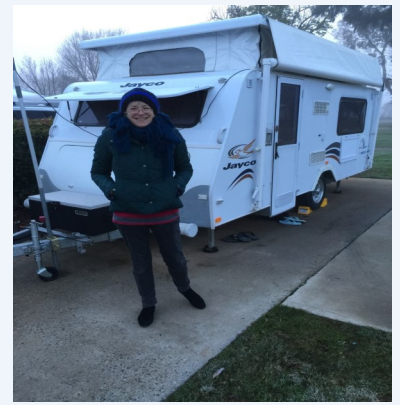
John Staines, Frank Zambello

Website: [sunburymensshed.com](http://sunburymensshed.com)



### COBRAM VMSA AGM and Conference

A group of us with our wives and some with caravans braved the cold mornings of Cobram to attend the VMSA annual Conference and AGM and to donate a cheque for \$500 to the Cobram Sheddies who are doing it tough because of drought in the area and inability to raise funds the way we can. The cheque was gratefully accepted. The conference was a success ... full house in the Italian Club Conference room. We came away with some goodwill, some tools and sundry workshop items which will no doubt come in handy.



My wife Louise in 0 degrees....



There was a great crowd of Sheddies from all over Victoria and NSW and we all had a chance to promote our sheds via a microphone around the tables. Peter Wilkinson took to the microphone and added a joke which brought the house down. We were all a little concerned that it would be politically correct, but there was no need to worry.



Peter Wilkinson and John Hunter promoting Timbercom which is looking after our Shed with its dealings .



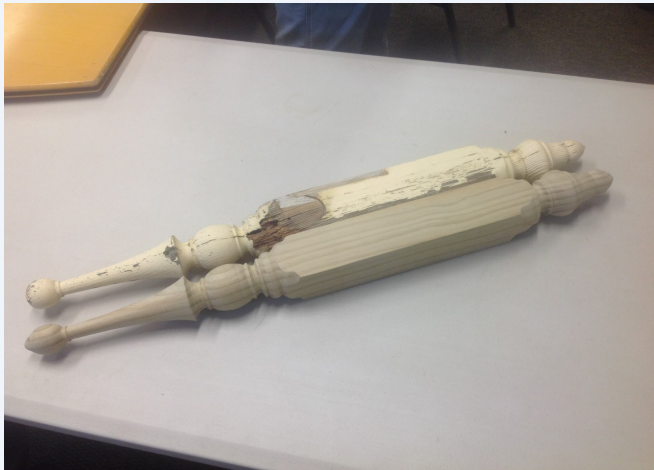
Sunbury Men's Shed  
welcomes

Ashley McEwan

Make yourself at  
home



John Staines has done a good job of making a replica turned finial from a weathered one to a new one which will last another 20 years when properly painted.



A restored toboggan. Ted Riley a master at restoration

*Restored treasures...·*



# Shed Issues and Ideas ... If you have any bring them on!

**Cobram Men's Shed :** 4 Shed Members and partners made the trip to Cobram in July (braving the zero morning temperatures) at the VMSA Conference to present a cheque for \$500 donation to the Cobram Men's Shed . It was gratefully accepted and acknowledged.

**First Aid Certificates:** We are still planning to organise First Aid courses.

**Our monthly donated Goods Auction** is a success and will be a regular feature. Keep an eye out for some bargains on the last Friday of each month.

**Shed Opening Times:** We are not yet geared up to implement longer Shed opening times but we will make this a priority for the coming new year after the elections in July.

**Shed Parking:** The Council Community Development Officer and Parking Engineer visited our site and advised us that they had an agreement with some bodies to protect the rare weeds and grass in our driveway . We are awaiting on Council to advise us who these parties are and what the restrictions comprise. Council also advise us that even if we make rearrangements to the car parking, it will not provide parking for a membership growth we are anticipating and advised us to look for a bigger shed. Our position is that we would still like to see if we can fix the current parking problem and in the process of holding talks within the community via our Councilors, Business, State and Federal Parliamentary Representatives to work out a solution. Our Men's Shed is here to stay and will only expand as even more older men in Sunbury realise our existence and what we have to offer in the way of companionship and a meaningful retirement in our latter years.

**Shed Security:** We have received a Grant from the Sunbury Rotary Club which will cover the increased security that has been needed to upgrade the cameras, install flood lighting and review the monitoring situation to prevent thieves and vandals coming into our grounds and causing havoc. Not only have goods been stolen but there has been damage to fencing and locks and other items. After all, this is our home away from home; it is not nice to be violated. We are installing professional cameras, an alert and alarm system to detect and deter break ins.

**Jimmy Moffat's Garage Mods.** Over the last month, some Sunbury Sheddies joined forces and modified Jimmy Moffat's Garage so he can work in there in a bit more comfort and his wife Sandra could open the garage door without breaking her back! This involved cutting the garage panel door in half, installing new supports, moving all the spring and hinge mechanisms, installing a remote control opener , making good all the gaps around the doors to stop the weather coming in, putting up some panels on the fixed door, painting everything and making Jim a new work bench. There were a lot of people involved so I won't name them , but they know who they are and we thank them sincerely.

**AGM 20th July.** Election forms have been delivered electronically and by post. These are also available and are pinned on the Notice board in the community room.

**Barbecue trailer** is about to be sign written by *Steve Farren of*

*Steve Farren Signs*



**Sheet metal roller.** To complete the sheet metal workshop tooling we require a sheet metal roller. Now that we will have a superior metal lathe to replace the Hercus metal lathe, the Shed will sell the old lathe and use the money to purchase a set of sheet metal rollers.....go the metal boys.

**The Shed is working on purchasing** and installing 6 metal security grilles on the windows of the local Radio Station. 3NRG

**Garage sale:** Details on Back page.

**Hume Library Computer Courses.** The Hume Library provide some excellent Computer classes for senior citizens. Pamphlets and schedules are available from the Library and we have one at the Shed.

**The Minutes of each Management and Committee Meeting held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month are posted on the Notice Board after being approved.**

*Cooking can be fun. Each Friday is feed day at the Shed and this time Nat showed his culinary skills. Thanks Nat.*



## Joke Corner



Never too late to learn to swim and it can be cheap



Who needs a Ute?



Thongs that will never be stolen

# EDITORS CORNER



We are coming to the end of the financial year which means elections for us and a new year ahead with new Management and Committee members. This may mean different ideas and directions for us

Sheddies. Woo hoo!

Anyone can put up their hand to be involved so feel free to help or join in if you want. Any help, no matter how small is gratefully appreciated and all adds up to the success of the Shed. Sometimes, the best help is provided by members' ideas and plain down to earth

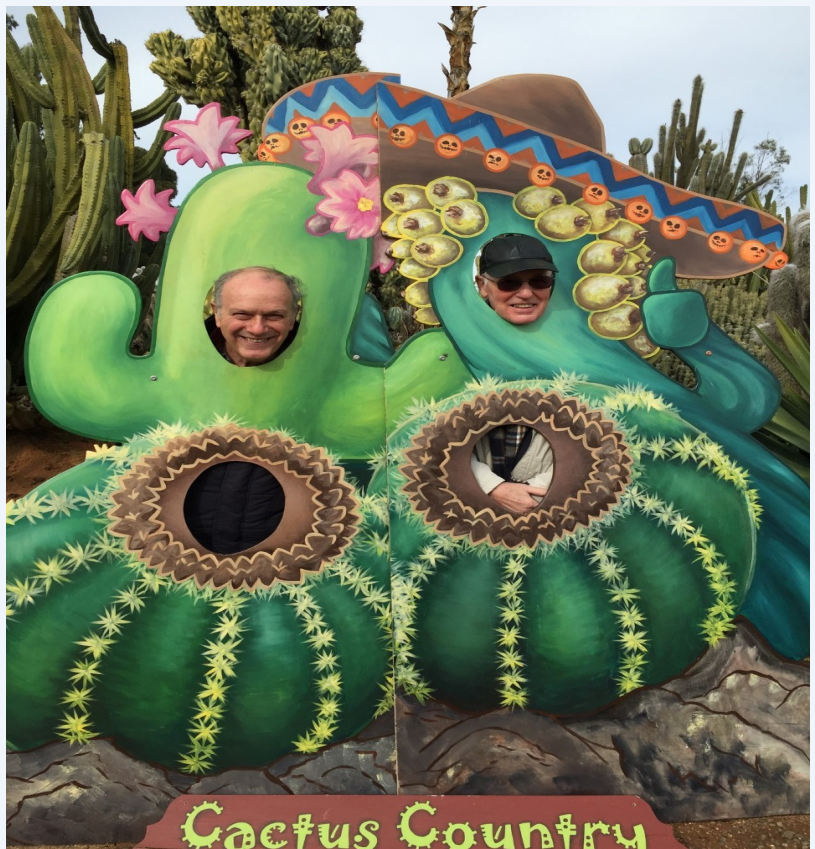
elbow grease.

We have some challenges this year as the membership is growing and we have plans for more activities and new or upgraded machinery.

Important areas of activity will be determining what we need and/or want and applying for grants to get them, determining where we are going financially so all members understand how much the Shed makes, how much we need and our plans for development.

Taking on new sponsors and looking after the ones we have will continue. We will have a new magnetic identity badge system with information we can use to receive discounts around town from participating traders.

*And let's have some FUN ...happy shedding and see you in the new Financial Year.*



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# Sunbury Men's Shed

Making friends, making a difference – together!  
158 Evans Street Sunbury (Next to the grassland)  
[www.sunburymensshed.com](http://www.sunburymensshed.com)

## *Jumbo Garage Sale*

A modern Men's Shed is an updated version of the backyard shed that has long been a part of Australian culture

If you look inside, you might see a number of men restoring furniture, or restoring bicycles for a local school. Maybe they're making Mynah bird traps or fixing lawn mowers or making a kids cubby house for Camp Quality to raffle.

We are a "Not for Profit Organisation"

You might also see a few young men working with older men learning new skills and maybe also learning something about life from the men they work with.

We welcome adult men of all ages, races, cultures, creeds and religions, retirees, working men, students, unemployed and under-employed.

The Shed is well stocked, operational and is constantly under improvement as new ideas are implemented. It is our aim to have a safe, comfortable, innovative shed which churns out community projects, serves our members well in making projects or fixing items from hobbies and homes. Visit our website for more information about us.

In order to continue to better serve the community with large projects and more projects in general, we have plans drawn up for the proposed Shed Extension which would double its current size. We have applied for a Government Grant to assist us towards the amount. At the same time we need to raise our own funds to make up any of the shortfall.

**A Jumbo Garage Sale is been run to raise funds, all proceeds going towards the Shed Extension.**

## **SATURDAY 16 JULY**

### **9.00 AM TO 1.00 PM**

### **MEN'S SHED -158 EVANS STREET**

**(NEXT TO GRASSLAND)**

**Bring your car, your trailer, your truck, something for everyone.**

Handmade wooden toys, kids tables and chairs, bird feeders, doll-houses, handmade wooden clocks, furniture, tools, chairs, nick nacks and much, much, more.

There will be something new, something old and something different.

"Everything must go".

***With every purchase, go into the draw for the chance to win a hand-crafted Wooden Pen and a Wooden Clock set made by the Men's Shed.***

***We will also be cooking up our famous Sausage Sizzle on the day.***