

This month we purchased some excess equipment from Sunbury Secondary College which will allow us to upgrade some of our equipment and sell surplus stock to our members or other Sheds. We have the equipment, the will and skills to use it and working on more space to utilise it.



Sunbury Men's Shed Newsletter

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Shed Chatter

April 2017

Josh Bull MP acknowledges Hume Sunbury Men's Shed contribution to our community in the Sunbury Update Report



Josh Bull, MP State Member for Sunbury, Rob, Kevin, Jimmy, Harry, Barry and Andy. Men's Sheds are being recognised for the good they do for men and the community. A win win situation.

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We have a Sponsorship package which May suit you.

Member Business / Sponsorship suggestions are welcome for including on our new Membership cards

Work for the Dole project Status

As you all would have read in last month's Newsletter – Nat Perri's article on Work for the Dole Program and how we regretfully had to advise the Department of Employment that we have had to suspend/halt the program WFD Host Organisation until such time as our new Shed extension is complete.

Since the Newsletter was published and we advised the relevant job agencies and others about having to suspend/halt our involvement in the WFD program, we received several responses expressing disappointment. At the same time we received tremendous support and encouragement from many sectors, including job agencies and community groups as well as some of our previous WFD jobseekers, all hoping we can get our new Shed extension up ASAP to resume our participation in the Work for the Dole program in Sunbury



Rigging to upholstering ... never a dull moment in our Shed.

2017 Kruze 4 Kids Car Show

www.kruze4kids.com



Stalls & Vendors \$15
gates open from 7:00am.

Entrants \$10 entry from 8am

Public Entry 10am
Gold Coin Donation

Bar-Bistro from 12pm

Raffle Draw 12:45pm

Auction 1pm

Trophy Presentations After Auction



car show



Langama Park 109 Mitchells Lane Sunbury, Vic
April 14th Good Friday 2017 10am-4pm

All Vehicles Welcome

Cars, Bikes, Trucks & clubs of all classes.
Classic, Vintage, Modern, Street, Muscle, Rods Show, Race, Off Road & Exotic all welcome



Live Music, Market Stalls, Swap Meet, Food Vendors, Bar & Bistro, Raffle, Auction & more.

For The Kids
Jumping Castle
Face Painting
Animal Farm
Batman & Car
Roaming Characters



Sunbury Sheddies Helping Out



Nat, Jimmy and Frank helped out on the day contributing to the success of the Show and the **Shed** donated a table and chairs to Auction



An opportunity for old school chums to get together...Carl Mejak a friend of Allan Radclyffe, the organiser from Grain Corp, Frankie, Peter Adorna—his Mustang, Stan and Steve. Peter and Steve discovered they lived in the same street as Jimmy Moffat in Moonee Ponds. in the 60s! I lived up the road and have known them for 56



Allan Radclyffe Auctioning goods



New equipment for Shed update



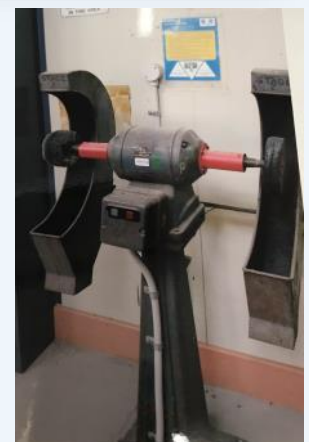
Steve, Stan, Trevor and Kevin making light work of it



Loading up the equipment was quite an ordeal but managed eagerly



Sam, Charlie and Leo, seeing their Grampa working with cranes ... see an opportunity to participate



New pieces of equipment to supplement our metal working capabilities

May Birthday Celebrations



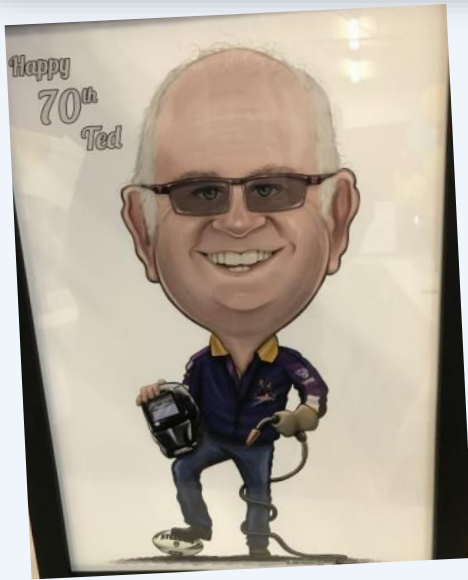
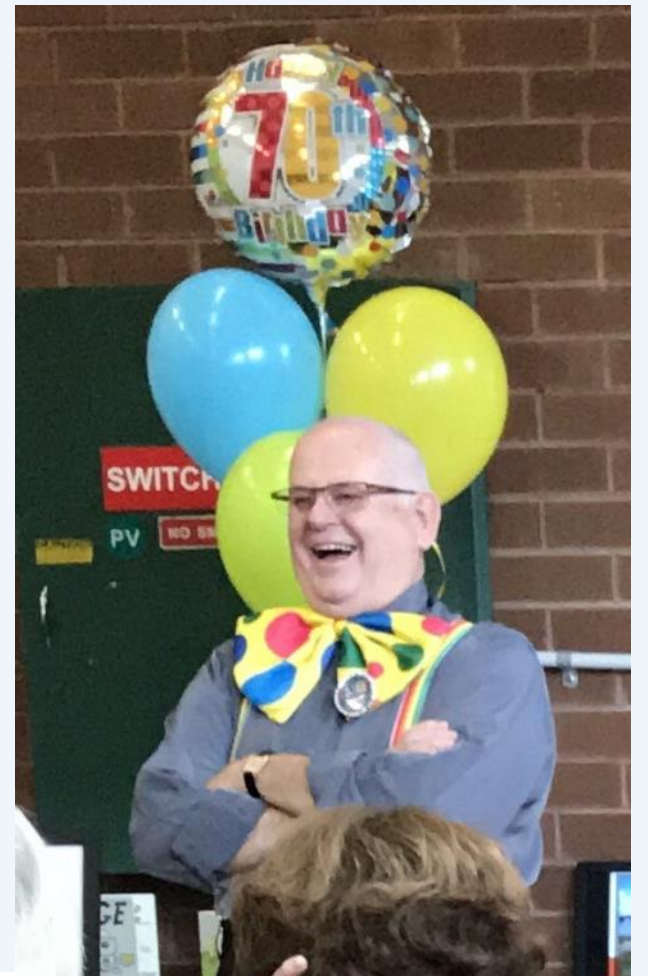
Robert Musson 1 May

Ian Baird 9 May

Gordon Monks 20 May

Peter Wilkinson 22 May

Lloyd Strong 26 May



Welcome
New Members!

Patrick Daly, Douglas Tuck



Harry, Peter Wilko, Leo, Peter Morpheau and our Jimmy ... comrades in arms

Joke Joyce



Modern times

Our Phones - Wireless

Cooking - Fireless

Cars - Keyless

Food - Fatless

Tyres - Tubeless

Shed Issues and Committee happenings

The Shed's application for a planning permit is proceeding after a number of setbacks. We now have a new Hume Council Co-ordinator, Cecelia Brady, to help us through our dealings with Council. Ms Brady arranged a meeting for us with the heads of Planning and Traffic to enable us to ascertain the best way forward with our next application for a planning permit.

Hume Sunbury Men's Shed President, Vice President and Secretary attended the meeting and are pleased to announce that the meeting went well. A number of issues were raised that we were unaware of and with the help of Cecelia Brady our next planning permit application will contain all the necessary information required by Planning and Traffic department to enable them to make an informed decision.

It has taken time, but with a positive attitude and the correct information on our next application we may be able to proceed with our much-needed expansion in the not too distant future.

Well done to those involved and thanks to Cecelia Brady for her assistance!

Sunbury Men's Shed had offered our services to the Kruze 4 Kids Car Show at the Sunbury Soccer Club and Jimmy Moffat, Nat Perri and Frank Zambello were given the jobs of selling raffle tickets. The first prize was a weekend in Echuca, plus a second and third prize. The Show was a success, weather held out and approx 400 cars, motor bikes and pick up trucks were displayed in all their glory..

Jacksons Hill submission for development. Kevin Swaffield submitted a proposal for the Hume Men's Shed to be considered as part of the development of the Jackson's Hill Precinct.

Membership subscription increase suggestion was received by the committee and was debated. It has been decided that the Committee would prefer to keep the subs as they are. Once the new extension is erected we will work on current and new sponsorships, current revenue raising activities until and unless our circumstances change where it will be reviewed as necessary. We thank all the Sheddies who regularly put in to raise revenue like the Bunnings Sausage Sizzles, community projects, SunFest dance floor assembly, sale of surplus equipment and donated goods etc.



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The Men's Shed – My Journey by Garry Pettit



I first became aware of the Men's Shed concept several years ago and was intrigued by its purpose and the valuable contribution it could make to individuals and communities.

As I started making enquiries I realised that there were lots of other men in my position. Families had grown and were making their own way in life, men had stopped working and a lot of us were pottering around in our sheds by ourselves.

The more I looked into the Men's Shed scheme and talked to people, the more I saw the need for a Shed in Sunbury. After working with Council, the Men's Shed group and Roxburgh Park Community Church our Shed was in operation in Evans Street.

As word spread, our numbers grew and through the kind support of many sponsors and donations our equipment list also grew.

I look at the Shed today and see a large group of blokes from different backgrounds with a common theme. It's somewhere to go and do things they like, socialise with other men, support each other and contribute to the community.

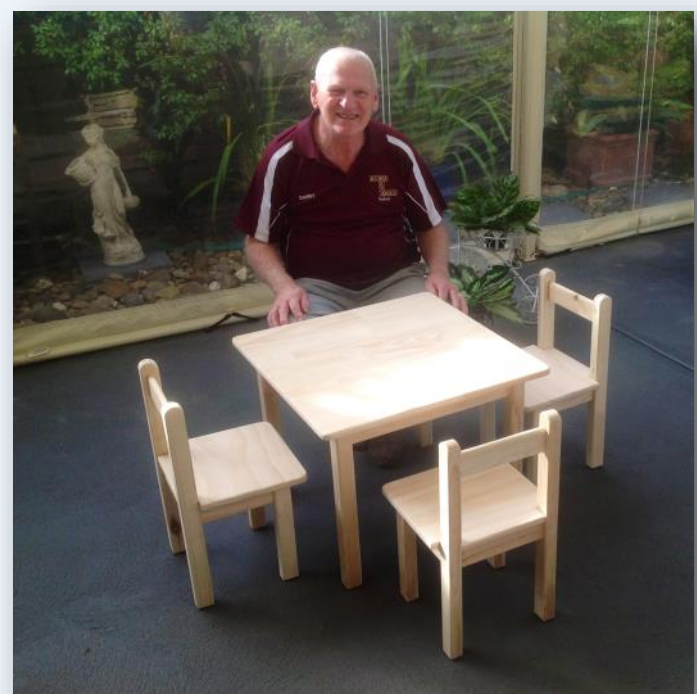
As the founding President I am proud of this achievement and the positive impact it has had on people's lives. As it turns out in one of life's curveballs I would need the support of the Shed members after experiencing a period of ill health.

The members demonstrated the tenets of the Men's Shed during my stay in hospital and my re-

covery at home. The support, shown through visits, phone calls and cards, demonstrated that I wasn't alone. The thought of going back to the Shed was an important stimulus during my recovery and gave me something to look forward to.

As I recover I am grateful for the support of the Shed members and believe even more now the important role that the Shed and its members play in individual lives and the community.

Thank you all for your kind wishes and support.



Quiz for non-Scottish members



The first thing Bob White did when joining our Shed was to organise for this device to be turned down on a wood lathe. What is it we asked? All the Scottish members knew instantly. For non Scottish people, see if you can guess what it is? Revealed next issue.



EDITORS CORNER



Read our latest HUME PRIDE Community Magazines and you will learn how vibrant our Community is. Music, Babies, Leisure, Youth, History, Dogs, Sports and sporting personalities, Food, Art, Woman's issues and Services to Women, Education, Pets, Festivals, Vegetables and the visions and issues our Councillors stand for.

Across Australia, Government, Local Councils and Businesses are realising how important Men's Sheds are in the Community to the point that they are injecting appropriate resources into them. Visit Bendigo, Tatura, Grafton, Maryborough Men's Sheds and dozens of others and it will be obvious they are put in perspective as part of Community entities.

Below is the latest Architect Designed Men's Shed in Albany



There is a new Shed in Nepean which is christened the Taj Mahal of Sheds. This shed offers 900 sq. meters of space. It has 45 members.

Here in Sunbury we have a lot of work to do. We have 120 members, very good machinery and equipment but limited space.

We are working on expanding our current Shed and have also put in a submission to the Victorian Planning Authority for a presence in the **Jackson's Hill Precinct.**



There is a vacant shed there which with a lot of work and enthusiasm which we have displayed before we could turn into an annex.

Hume Sunbury Men's Shed has been very active in the Community assisting at SunFest, one of the biggest Community Fairs in Australia, Cruze4Kids, we make crosses for the RSL, Shelves for the Salvos, Ramps for pensioners and to assist businesses cater for wheelchairs, bike racks for Kinders, a long list of Community items which can be viewed in our project book.



Take care of our Senior Men.....

As our Shed movement develops, with the help of Council, we will foster a higher profile so our Community will be more aware of our involvements as will be seen in the forthcoming HUME PRIDE Magazines.

Happy Shedding



Our Newsletters and promotional pamphlets are printed at our State Member for Sunbury, Josh Bull's office and Cartridge World Sunbury and gratefully received as a Community Service



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Men's Shed needs support

KYNETON is extremely lucky to have been one of the first towns in the world to establish a Men's Shed.

But, sadly, I fear it could become one of the first to close its doors as a result of apathy of the elected state and local government instrumentalities.

I am particularly disappointed by the Macedon Ranges Council's inability to assist the shed in finding a suitable piece of ground to establish its new premises.

This apathy comes at a time when the shire is announcing on its website that it has achieved membership of the World Health

Organisation Global Network of Age-friendly Communities.

So where is the support for the Men's Shed, which was initially established in the late 1970s as a result of retired male suicides and male depression in the community?

The shire has not contributed one penny to the shed's building fund, yet has the nerve to say that it is an age-friendly council.

Of course, the men's increasingly dire situation could easily be solved were it able to move into the old Coliban Water depot.

Our local state member, Mary-Anne Thomas, has already done a marvellous job in obtaining some \$31.5 million for Kyneton's new primary school, the new community health hub for Cobaw Health, and \$1.5 million for the Holgate Brewery.

But surely an additional \$350,000 for the Coliban Water depot would not rock the state's coffers.

This building and land would also provide garaging for the Macedon Ranges SES's new \$200,000 vehicle, assist with storage for community equipment owned by Lions and Rotary clubs, and provide meeting facilities for several community clubs.

Now is the time for the nonsense to stop and for common sense to prevail.

The Kyneton Men's Shed is far too important to this town to lose.

BRIAN WARD, Kyneton

correspondent's full name, address, email address and daytime phone number.

Legend of the Ashes

A long time ago in a colony new
 A game was played and a legend grew
 At Rupertswood a cricket match
 Was born a special prize to catch

Lady Clarke she burnt a bail
 And it became the game's Holy Grail
 The years endured and history was made
 Our heroes came from the game they played

The red ball flies
 The willow flashes
 Another page written
 The legend of the Ashes

A quest for victory the team as one
 The green caps shade the Australian sun
 A test of courage a nations pride
 The heart that beats deep inside

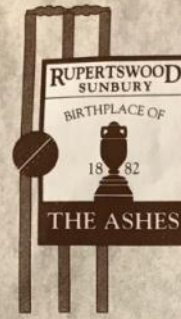
The stories tell of glories past
 That span the land and oceans vast
 Our lives enriched by those great clashes
 Battle royal legend of the Ashes

The red ball flies
 The willow flashes
 Another page written
 The legend of the Ashes

Lyrics: Dave Maxwell



Tributes



Commemoration Chairman Bill Muir

Today's St George Bank *Origin of The Ashes* commemorative event restores Sunbury to its rightful place in history as the *Birthplace of The Ashes*.

From today, Rupertswood, Sunbury, takes its place on the international tourism map, and with the hallowed turf of Lord's, becomes a place of pilgrimage for cricketers and cricket lovers from all parts of the world.

This historic event is the result of hard work off the field in a spirit of friendship, co-operation, and commitment.

The people of Sunbury snapped up the catch of the century when they rallied behind the efforts of my committee to create an event which would give their town its rightful place on the world stage.

The committee owes a great deal to Joy Munns, whose seven years of research has produced her landmark book *Beyond Reasonable Doubt* which spells out the historical facts behind the event we are celebrating today.

The committee has been backed by the unflagging support of the custodians of the venue, Salesian College, whose Rector and Principal Father John Papworth has been actively involved in organising the event.

The Shire of Bulla, its councillors and officers, showed its faith in our efforts with unwavering support.

The naming sponsors, St George Bank, made the event possible with the bank's generosity reinforced by other sponsors who showed their faith in the community's commitment to initiate this historic event. Our heartfelt thanks to Tourism Victoria, Westfield, Cathay Pacific, Le Meridien at Rialto, the Herald Sun, The Transport Accident Commission, and 3AW.

The event managers, Communications 2000, have achieved outstanding sponsorships and have managed the event professionally.

The Hon. Tom Reynolds MP, Minister for Sport and Racing

The St George Bank *Origin of The Ashes* commemorative match is an event of deep significance in the history of Australian cricket. But its importance goes far beyond the cricket field.

On Christmas Eve, 1882, when the Rupertswood ladies led by Janet, Lady Clarke, burnt the bail which became *The Ashes* — symbol of Anglo-Australian rivalry on the cricket field and friendship off it — Victoria Felix was Australia's premier State.

If Federation had arrived in 1882, Melbourne would have been its capital.

Congratulations to Bill Muir and all those involved in organising an event which honors a glorious past in the spirit of the glorious future we are all building for Victoria.

As Minister for Sport, Recreation and Racing, I welcome this event, which has the potential to make Sunbury a household name right around the cricketing world.



Sunday 21st May 2017



**Gisborne Steam Rally,
 Tractor Pull & Family Fun Day
 Webb Crescent New Gisborne Melway 658 D10**

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Local businesses who contribute in some way to our Shed give us welcome assistance and for our part we will acknowledge, advertise and encourage our Members to foster these businesses.



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