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2024**

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S H E D**
Sunbury

SHEDDERS NEWS



Some of Milton's family

Garry Pettit, along with some other shedders approached Milton about a new mens shed in Sunbury. Since that time Milton has been invaluable. The presidents and secretaries over the years have referred difficult and legal problems to him. Milton has been a member of the shed since its inception. He has also been the ex-officio committee member of the shed representing Compassion North. It was great to see his family turned up to celebrate the award.



Our Newest Life Member

Using Shed Material and Equipment for personal use? Don't forget to make a donation

President Report

July 2024



Let me commence my first report with a big thank you to Dale for his leadership and input over the last two years. You have set the bar pretty high my friend. I would also like to thank Kevin W. and David who have 'bowed out' of the committee for their work and contribution.

Well, the AGM has been conducted with a large amount of work by Albert and Peter. As you are aware I will be sitting in the chair for the next two years and Barry Kelly will be taking over the Vice President role for the period.

A highlight of the AGM was to be able to award Milton Oliver our Patron with a Life Membership in recognition of his huge contribution in setting up the Shed and ongoing advice on policy and legal matters and it was lovely to have his family join us for the occasion. We look forward to seeing more of Milton as his current role changes next year.

A morning tea was enjoyed with a couple of generations of the Millet family to mark the official opening of Milletts Rest in recognition of their very generous donation which has allowed us to replace some aging major pieces of equipment and the purchase of new pieces with the final specifications yet to be decided. The project involved Kevin, Dale, Foahala, Peter Bloem, Steve, and Milne. Well done gentlemen, it looks terrific and will be a real asset to the Shed especially when the weather improves.

During the month four members Peter C., Ted, Ian L., and I undertook our Mental Health First Aid refresher course.

Thanks to Milne and with help of others, the wicking beds are now flourishing and productive.

Ian Phillips

President

Meeting 172

Tuesday 17th July 2024 9.30am

Correspondence

23 items of correspondence were dealt with including;

1/ AMSA Grant Approval for Mental Health Training \$800

5/ Peter Allen First Aid restock. Obtain Ashma Inhaler

19/ Bunnings Fathers Day event Thursday 29th August 5-7pm

General Business

1/ Zeller EFTPOS terminal for all our eftpos. Keep Square for emergency

2/ Thoughts about the possibility of the purchase of an office style automatic coffee machine with milk fridge.

Explore to see what is available including costs, servicing, and location

3/ Quarantine area with identification for items donated to shed.

Members to be reminded that all donations dropped off to the shed are not to be taken until sorted to ascertain whether the shed retain or available for sale.

4/ Items for Garage Sale (and Street Life stall the next day). More new items required for sale.

5/ New TV \$1830 TLC 75" from the Good Guys – inc delivery – funded from Millett Grant. Purchase authorised

6/ At the AGM a member wanted to know how much it costs the shed to run. Total cost is approximately \$15,000 comprising of Insurances, Canteen supplies, Alarm, Rent, Accounting fees, Cleaning, Phone, Internet and Electricity. Total income from member fees and insurance was \$5710.

7/ Feasibility of purchasing a laser machine. Refer emails from

Ian to take some members to investigate the laser machine and then determine location and needs etc

8/ Remind city of Hume about water leak in shed.

A little trip that Stephen King and his wife Made to the high country



Returning from a alpine high country trip I called into a couple of mens sheds, Mt Beauty shed was unfortunately closed on Monday's, but Bright United Mens Shed (BUMS) was open on the Tuesday morning.

<https://www.bumsinc.com.au>

I was met by the president (Kevin) who showed me around, it was pretty early so there were only a few guys present while I was there.

The shed was custom built by the members on council leased land (30 years) and is shared with a once a week ladies afternoon group and a U3A group who have their own container for their storage.

The shed is surprisingly large inside, has an upstairs large meeting room with a commercial grade kitchen and a full length mezzanine floor area.

Ground level has a small kitchen/tea room and a bar fridge (yes, they are licensed!) toilet's and shower etc.

The workshop main area has a car hoist and woodworking machines, under the mezzanine floor is a welding shop with mig and tig etc. and a wood turning room with four lathes, on the other side of the shed is a metal machining shop with a Bridgeport and smaller milling machine, a lathe, surface grinder, cutter grinder and drill presses.

Outside there is a forge and the U3A container.

On the mezzanine floor there are two clean rooms, the first has a 3D printer, programming etc. and the second a CNC router and laser cutter/engraver.

There are 40 odd members with approximately 40% being under 40 years old.

I would highly recommend other members call into sheds that you see on your journeys, it's always good to see what they are doing and how they operate.

**Don't think
gender
matters? Go
buy a rooster
for eggs and a
bull for milk.
You will soon
learn that God
knew what He
was doing.**

**I'M SICK OF PEOPLE
SAYING COPS NEED
MORE TRAINING**
**YOU HAD 18 YEARS TO
TRAIN YOUR CHILD NOT
TO STEAL, SHOOT, STAB,
BURN DOWN BUILDINGS,
LASER PEOPLES EYES,
FLIP CARS, BLOCK
TRAFFIC AND ATTACK
OTHER PEOPLE.**
**THE POLICE
DIDN'T FAIL YOU
YOU FAILED
YOUR CHILD.**

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"People matter - so, we'll never stop caring."

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PAGE LATELY??*

<https://sunburymensshed.com>

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Sponsorship news

Regenerate Engineering is thrilled to announce the sponsorship of Hume Mens Shed Sunbury (HMSS) for another year! Our commitment to community and efficient resource utilisation aligns with the global men's shed movement, making this partnership a natural fit. We also have obtained a \$1,200 grant from Hume council to reward HMSS for the hard work and support provided helping member Jon Fettes make an office table from the beautiful Yate timber taken from the Sunbury big build road project

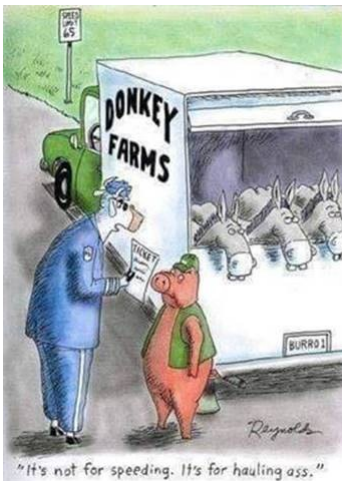
We look forward to another year of empowering the HMSS community through shared tools, camaraderie, and a collective passion for meaningful projects.

Solar Bulk buy in progress! Call or email Jon Fettes for details

Birthday's for the month of July

Kevin Swaffield
Chris Matijevic
Neal Cartledge

New Sheddy for the month of July



Nathan Careless

I got myself a seniors' GPS. Not only does it tell me how to get to my destination, it tells me why I wanted to go there.

Prime Minister Albanese visits a remote Northern Territory Aboriginal Reservation with news crews following him around as they tour the place, the Prime Minister asks the chief if there is anything they need.

Well said the chief, We have three very important needs. The first is a medical clinic but no doctor to run it.

Albo whips out his phone, dials a number talks to somebody for two minutes and then hangs up. "I've pulled some strings. Your doctor will arrive in a few days. Now what was the second problem."

"We have no way to get clean water. The local mining operation has poisoned the water our people have been drinking for dozens of years. We've been flying bottled water in, and it's terribly expensive.

Once again Albo dials a number, yells into the phone for a few minutes, and then hangs up. "The mine has been shut down, and the owner is being billed for setting up a purification plant for your people. Now what was that third problem?"

The chief looks at him and says, "We have no mobile phone reception up here!!"

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The answer to the riddle: There are nine Mustards in the family. Since each daughter shares the same brother, There are six girls, one boy, and Mr and Mrs Mustard Family

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Answer to the riddle.... Dimensions