

**November
2024**

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S H E D**
Sunbury



Bird feeder was made for Paul Millett. It was made by Peter Hobbs, Dale, Andrew Tait, Barry Kelly and Faohla did the writing Millett's Roost with the new laser cutter.

Important Dates to Remember

30th. November Clearance Sale

14th December: Bunnings sausage sizzle

25th December Xmas Day: Shutdown

6th January 2025: Mens Shed Reopen

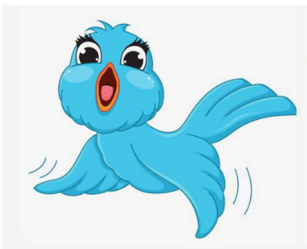
26th January Bunning sausage sizzle

19th February Victoria Police—What is Elder Abuse

19th March Metro Trains

16th April Elder Abuse Australia

5th May Metro train excursion –Metro will take us on a train trip



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



Presidents Report November 2024

We currently have two orders for products utilizing the new Laser Engraver –

Seed Libraries for four Community Garden throughout the city of Hume. Pete Hobbs has done a sterling job producing the boxes with dividers, but the addition of the laser engraved names on the lids took it to the next level. They could not fail to impress.

The second is a sizable order for the Sunbury Sporting Club at Langama Park is table caddies for menus, napkins, cutlery and condiments. These will be produced entirely by the laser cutter which is an impressive achievement by Foahala and Ken G. To borrow Barry Kellys statements, “it is wonderful to see one of our younger members and one of our older members working so closely together”.

The final delivery of the latest order for the SES has been picked up so a big thank you to all the members who so willingly worked on this project.

It is disappointing to report that not a single member volunteered to help with the Friday lunches so these will be limited to an occasional KFC contribution and perhaps an occasional BBQ.

Upcoming events include the Garage Sale 30th November, Christmas function 4th December, Bunnings Sausage Sizzle 14th December, the Shed will close from the 24th December until 5th January 2025, Bunnings Sausage Sizzle 26th January so put them in your diary.

In early 2025 we plan a number of presentations including Senior Abuse and Internet Security. We also plan a bus trip into the Shrine of Remembrance.

On behalf of the Committee we look forward to seeing you and your wives/partners at the Christmas Function.

Ian Phillips

President.

If you make a mess CLEAN IT UP. Don't wait until your wife cleans it up



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"Because they had no reservations at a busy restaurant, my elderly neighbor and his wife were told there would be a 45-minute wait for a table.

"Young man, we're both 90 years old," he told the maitre d'. "We may not have 45 minutes."

They were seated immediately."

VMASA SHED TALK

The Victorian Mens Association (VMASA) has a mates program called SHED TALK.

It is a podcast and can be listened to at your leisure. It gives very informative information.

Don't know what a PODCAST is? Well you are not alone, but thankfully there are people in the shed that can show you how o access them

Hume Mens Shed Sunbury Christmas Party 4th December 2024

Christmas

MENU

Starters

PUMPKIN SOUP

Main Dish

TRIO ROAST

PORK, TURKEY, HAM SERVED WITH ROAST
POTATO & PUMPKIN, HONEY CARROTS,
STEAMED BROCCOLI WITH A RICH GRAVY

Desserts

CHRISTMAS PLUM PUDDING SERVED WITH
BRANDY CUSTARD AND THE CHOICE OF
CREAM OR ICE-CREAM

GROUP BOOKINGS (MIN 20 PEOPLE)

3 COURSE MENU

SENIORS - \$35 You pay \$25

Hume Mens Shed Sunbury is subsidising \$10 per head

SUNBURY



SOCIAL CLUB



Condensed minutes of meeting 175 Tuesday 19th November 2024

Business arising from previous minutes

Hume Council solar Panel cleaning ongoing

Shrine Visit – interest received from Bill Lingham, Dieter, Peter Canning, Peter Hobbs, Ian Phillips, Charlie Borg, Ken Garth **to be organized in new year**

Light fixture above serving area

Magnetic Floor Sweeper **Received and working members with pace makers to take heed of warning about the magnetic force that can affect them.**

Correspondence

43 pieces of correspondence were dealt with

General Business

1/ Ratify the meal at the Sunbury Social Club (Football Club) is \$35 per head as it is a 3 course seniors meal. As it is only \$35 per head it is suggested that we subsidise \$10 per head.

Maria and Milton to be invited as guests.

3/ Elder abuse speaker/S at shed Peter to organise

4/ Cyber scams etc info sessions Peter to organise

5/ Items for sale at the shed, Members price set by section heads unless executive committee member determines otherwise;

Any member taking goods without immediate payment to be invoiced. Peter Hobbs will provide details to the treasurer.

6/ Printer Albert went to Good Guys and they have a Brother Colour Laser printer DCP-L3560CDW normally at \$589 our price \$540.

Consumables are 4 pack cartridges (one each colour) compatible \$316.20

Black cartridges does 3000 pages and colour does 2300 pages

Genuine are \$737.62

Printer to be put on next available grant

7/ Convert a garden bed to wicking bed. Spent up to \$400 to convert the bed.

8/ Quotes for jobs to be only valid for 14 days due to rapid price increases in material

9/ Honour Board to be hanged by Andrew and Barry

10/ Picture frame machine donated and to be picked up by Andrew and Barry

11/ Laser machine requires a proper flu. \$180 was authorised by Albert

Meeting Closed 11am

A SHORT STORY OF FOAHAL AND THE LASER CUTTER

Hello to all non-existent sane and/or young folk at the Hume Men's Shed. My name's Foahala (silent "o"), and I'm here to share an article regarding a new piece of tech we've recently acquired. Despite my perfectly ordinary and not at all deranged personality, some brave folk have tasked me with learning how our new toy works. If nothing else, I can tell you it's a solid machine to survive this long despite my best efforts to gain enlightenment of its mystical powers: the MW-J750 Laser Cutter.

I'm not great at these show and tells, so I will keep things simple (mostly) by going over basic operations and answering some general questions people have asked me about the laser and how it works.

To operate the laser, we start by creating our design in a CAD (computer-aided design) program called LightBurn. This program provides tools for cutting and engraving, such as typing text in various styles/fonts, drawing lines, circles, and squares, or tracing an image. Once the design is created, we send it to the laser for final adjustments, start it up, and jump behind the nearest piece of solid cover. If everything goes well, it won't explode and should look quite nice (hopefully).

Keep in mind this is a flat 2D platform with a cutting width/height of 700/500mm on a table that can be raised or lowered to a depth of 160-180mm (rough estimate) with or without the honeycomb panel. You could engrave rather girthy (heh) material in it.

Yes, it can cut through wood. From experimenting, I estimate it's capable of cutting through at least 20mm of soft wood such as pine/plywood and 10mm of hard wood. The laser can pass over cuts multiple times if

needed. The material doesn't need to be flat and clean, but a flat and clean surface makes for cleaner cuts and engravings. Different materials, different burns—it's mostly a matter of trial and error if you want to be precise.

It's a fine piece of machinery that allows for great accuracy in a format that can be repeated any number of times. Keep it in mind while working on your own projects. It can make your life a lot easier and add some real character to your work. Templates, artwork, text, cuts, engravings—if you can print it with black ink, the laser can burn it onto material just as nicely.

Finally, if any of this sounds like a pain in the ass or is confusing, I'm more than happy to answer questions and help with projects.

Thanks,



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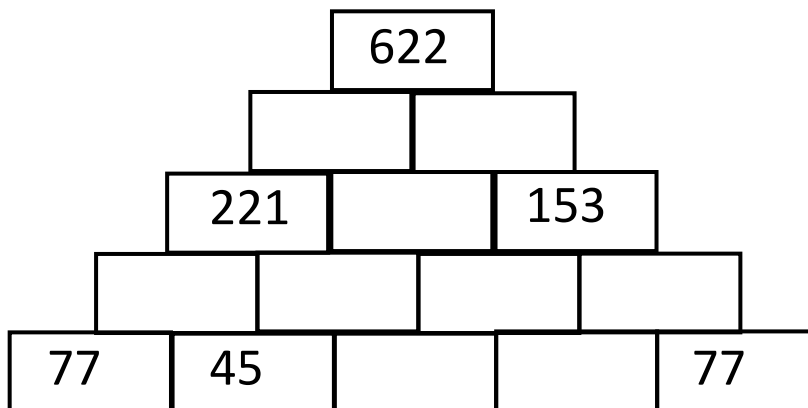
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Magic Pyramid

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Birthday's for the month of November

Christopher Hogan

Geoffrey Foletta

Liam McGovern

Peter Hobbs

Mark Jackson

Robert Neilson

Lachian Dodd

Ross Paragreen



New Sheddy for the month of November

No New Members For The Month of November

Who is Who at the Shed

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Woodwork Coordinator	Barry Kelly
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IT Equipment register	Dale Wilkes
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Garden Area	Barry Burbridge
Metal Fabrication...(Fitting & turning)	Trevor Dunn

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