

ANNUAL REPORT

Hume Mens Shed (Sunbury) Inc

ABN 82 329 291 086

Certificate of Incorporation A0055387F



2025 –2026

President Ian Phillips

President's Report 2025/26



Welcome to my Presidential post for the financial year 2025-2026. I am pleased to note we have continued our well-established routine of welcoming new members, (now over 100), maintaining a welcoming place to facilitate camaraderie and an opportunity to contribute to an organization, an important component

of men's mental health. I love the slogan 'women talk face to face while men talk shoulder to shoulder' We also manufactured and repaired a significant number of varied customers jobs through the workshop with Pete Hobbs keeping track of them all, conducting fundraising and gaining significant grants from a number of sources, manning the ongoing Bunnings Sausage Sizzles and Garage Sales.

Once again Peter C has organized a number of speakers from many and varied organization including Aged Care, Centrelink, Prostate Cancer, Cyber Crime, Hearing Australia, Beyond Blue and the NDIS to name a few. Peter also organized outings to the Thales manufacturing facility in Bendigo who manufacture the Bushmaster troop carriers, the Bendigo tram workshops, the historic paper mill in Fyansford, Geelong and the Shrine, Carlton and United Breweries. Thank you Peter.

Last year we celebrated 15 years since the Hume Mens Shed Sunbury was inaugurated by our founding President Garry Pettit and his committee. It was great to have Gary's widow Janice join us for the event along with a number of dignitaries and life members.

Don't forget, if you become aware of any members who are unwell, please advise our new Welfare Officer John White ably assisted by Andrew Tait so that they may offer appropriate support.

Thanks to generous donations from Doug House we have purchased a new wood lathe with a rotating head to facilitate bowl turning and updated some critical electrical resources to future proof this area.

Don't forget, unlike many Men's Sheds, we are self-funded so need a continuous income from sale of products both manufactured and donated. Albert does excellent work on Marketplace with some larger items plus of course we conduct the Garage Sales and Bunnings Sausage Sizzles to supplement the grants received. We are all volunteers with lives outside

the Men's Shed so please don't hesitate to help if you see an opportunity to spread the workload. I know Peter C our hard-working treasurer would like to shed his other roles coordinating speakers and trips.

After 12 years on the committee Kevin Swaffield decided not to nominate for the committee to allow new blood to come onto the committee, thank you Kevin for your past participation on the committee.

As he has done for many years, Jimmy Moffat continued his role as sponsorship facilitator. Thanks Jimmy.

In closing I extend my sincere thanks to Albert and Peter C. for their sterling work over many hours per week in 'keeping the wheels turning' in the admin. area, Milton for his wisdom and input any issues requiring his expertise, Andrew Wilson for securing so many grants and my V.P. Barry and the entire committee and active members who tirelessly volunteer for fund raising. A special note of thanks to Kevin and Stephen in their maintenance and OH&S roles. I would also like to acknowledge Maria from the Hume City Council for her role liaising with our Men's Shed. Thank you all.

Ian Phillips

President 2024-2026



Celebrating 15 years

Secretary Report



This financial year we held 13 committee meetings.

Membership as at 20th June 2026 we have 94 current members and still awaiting 5 members to advise whether or not they wish to renew their membership. We also have 3 new members to be considered in the July meeting.

Andrew Boywer has taken on the responsibility of the Web page and improvement can already be seen.

Dale Wilkes continued on as assistant secretary and looks after the membership side. This includes interviewing new applicants, placing them on the data base and mail servers as well as issuing them with welcome letter and invoice.

Facebook sales on Marketplace was again popular and raised a lot of funds for the shed.

Norm Ripp continued his monthly newsletter and produced 11 editions this financial year. For 2026/27 the shed will change the newsletter to quarterly with a brief monthly update from the president and secretary.

I would like to thank Norm for doing the newsletter for the past few years.

Milton Oliver has again been a great assistant to both myself and the shed. Thank you Milton

Finally I would like to thank President Ian Phillips for his excellent leadership over the past 2 years and look forward to working with incoming president Barry Kelly.

Albert Achterberg

Secretary



New Members

Christopher Grant
John White
Robert Camilleri
Paul Lawler
Bevan Tarasinski
Peter Marczynski

Barry Sporle
Kenneth Deutscher
Daniel czy
David Cuthbert
Jagadish Gupte
John Foster

Maxwell Knight
Craig Donal

TREASURER REPORT



Peter Canning

We are in a reasonable financial position this year, as the last few years our costs continue to rise, all inputs are on the increase.

Our income is down 10% from last year and we have been able to bring our expenses down 6%, every reduction counts. But the net position is 30% down from last year.

As a note we receive ~ \$3000 in shed membership fees but it costs around \$7000 per year to open the doors, this makes it very important to contribute for machine use on your personal jobs.

Another cost to the shed is cleaning about \$3000 per year, it would help for some support in helping to keep shed clean.

We are continuing to have a supply of members apparel available for purchase as our supplier is no longer located in Sunbury but still supplies our needs.

The bank details for direct debits are as follows BSB 633 000

Account # 144135787 Please amend your BSB from 633 108 to 633 000 to these details.

We have the facilities to deal with EFTPOS payments for payments of fees and sales.

Andrew Wilson is continuing to coordinate what grant applications that have been available, although there have not many available to us this past year.

Nic Germano has been great assistance in keeping the office open every shed day.

The books are audited by Tony Maguire to ensure they are true and accurate statements of the years activities. Thanks Tony.

Peter Canning Treasurer.

Nic Germano Assistant Treasurer.



Nick Germano

Profit and loss

Hume Mens Shed (Sunbury)

For the year ending 30 June 2026, cash basis

CODE	ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
INCOME		
4-2055	Event Income	\$4,413.61
4-2050	Other	\$1.70
4-5000	Interest	-
4-5120	Interest Received	\$4,302.32
	Total Interest	\$4,302.32
4-4000	Sales Total	-
4-4055	Laser Work Sales	\$168.19
4-4040	Welding sales	\$62.73
4-4030	Metal work sales	\$200.01
4-4050	Wood work sales	\$10,142.24
	Total Sales Total	\$10,573.17
4-4500	Donations	-
4-4552	D House donation	\$10,000.00
4-4022	Drink dispenser	\$152.70
4-4521	Machine use	\$239.00
4-4515	Welding Shop	\$254.00
4-4545	Electrical Repairs	\$65.00
4-4510	Garage Sales	\$8,178.55
4-4520	Used tools	\$4,682.30
4-4530	Members Raffle	\$261.45
4-4540	used wood donations	\$1,427.00
4-4550	Donations misc.	\$3,120.20
4-4560	Lunch income	\$3,000.70
4-4570	Bunnings BBQ	\$11,415.35
4-4553	Regenerate Eng Sponsorship	\$1,350.00
	Total Donations	\$44,146.25
4-6010	Grants Total	-
4-6020	Govt Grants ; Local Hume City	\$800.00
4-6040	Federal Govt Grant (AMSA)	\$1,290.91
	Total Grants Total	\$2,090.91
4-3000	Members Fees	\$7.00
4-3010	Membership Fees	\$3,610.75
4-3020	Insurance levy	\$2,320.77
4-3030	Membership apparel sales	\$1,278.14
4-3040	Joining Fee	\$112.26
	Total Members Fees	\$7,328.92
TOTAL INCOME		\$72,856.88
GROSS PROFIT		\$72,856.88
EXPENSES		
6-3832	Donation Expense - D House Donation	\$8,594.66
6-6002	Membership Fee Refund	\$42.00
6-3905	Zeller A/c Fees	\$221.49

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CODE	ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
6-0416	AMSA (Fed Govt) Grant Expense	\$1,499.09
6-0421	Event payments	\$4,976.09
6-0419	Hume Council Grant Expense	\$616.00
6-3550	Electrical Shop Supplies	\$240.23
6-2010	Garden supplies	\$1,811.42
6-1110	Bunnings BBQ Purchase	\$1,157.04
6-3800	Canteen supplies	\$2,613.51
6-3750	Electrical Shop Supplies	\$87.03
6-4000	BBQ supplies	\$847.53
6-3500	Welding Shop supplies	\$102.39
6-3000	Steel shop supplies	\$34.55
6-3830	Donations Paid	\$1,450.00
6-3910	MasterCard fees	\$1.82
6-3760	Shipping Costs	\$80.32
6-2000	Woodworking Supplies- Wood shop	\$7,389.17
6-1000	Members Welfare	\$1,004.95
6-1050	Members Welfare-Apparel	\$1,755.45
6-1025	-Defib equipment	\$159.09
	Total Members Welfare	\$2,919.49
6-0300	Equipment and Tools	\$4,574.04
6-0570	Rent	\$500.00
6-0000	Expenses	-
6-0015	Anniversary 15 Yr expenses	\$1,743.58
6-0400	Insurance - General	\$779.73
6-0410	Insurance- Liability	\$2,642.73
	Total Expenses	\$5,166.04
6-0010	Accounting Fees	\$256.40
6-0070	Bank Charges	\$15.20
6-0500	Vehicle Expenses	\$174.71
6-0590	Repairs & Maintenance	\$2,093.43
6-0592	Skip Bin Hire	\$1,269.09
6-0595	Shed Cleaning	\$2,880.00
	Total Repairs & Maintenance	\$6,242.52
6-0670	Sundry Expenses	\$115.10
6-0720	Utilities	-
6-0725	Utilities; Phone	\$154.55
6-0723	Internet	\$1,063.27
6-0721	Electricity	\$1,545.05
	Total Utilities	\$2,762.87
6-1100	Bunnings Purchases	\$1,607.63
6-3805	Canteen supplies No GST	\$1,833.16
6-0020	Office supplies	\$436.56
6-0001	Registration	\$112.42
6-3044	IT equipment	\$513.04
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$58,993.52

Profit and loss

Hume Mens Shed (Sunbury)

For the year ending 30 June 2026, cash basis

CODE	ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
NET POSITION		
	Income	\$72,856.88
	Cost of goods sold	\$0.00
	Gross profit	\$72,856.88
	Expenses	\$58,993.52
	Other income	\$0.00
	Other expenses	\$0.00
	NET POSITION	\$13,863.36

Balance sheet

Hume Mens Shed (Sunbury)

For the year ending 30 June 2027, cash basis

ACCOUNT CODE	ACCOUNT NAME	BALANCE
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS		
1-1008	Bendigo Bank Business Debit	\$385.05
1-1220	Term Deposit Short term	\$63,294.39
1-1221	Emergency fund Term Deposit	\$32,962.00
1-1230	Bank - Mastercard	\$48.32
1-1222	Term Deposits Long Term	\$21,913.89
1-1000	Bendigo Bank Activity	\$42,495.20
1-1110	Bank - Petty cash	\$600.07
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		\$161,698.92
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
1-1510	Shed Construction Work	\$23,930.49
1-1520	Property Improvements	\$53,997.37
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		\$77,927.86
TOTAL ASSETS		\$239,626.78
LIABILITIES		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
2-1150	GST Payable	-\$210.03
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		-\$210.03
TOTAL LIABILITIES		-\$210.03
NET ASSETS		\$239,836.81
EQUITY		
3-0100	Opening Balance Equity	\$500.00
3-1000	Retained Earnings Surplus/(Accumulated Losses)	\$239,336.81
TOTAL EQUITY		\$239,836.81

2024/25 COMMITTEE



Secretary
Albert Achterberg



President
Ian Phillips



Treasurer
Peter Canning



Vice President
Barry Kelly



Assistant Secretary
Dale Wilkes



Assistant Treasurer
Nicholas Germano



Committee
Andrew



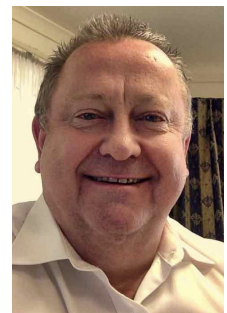
Committee
Stephen King



Committee
Past President
Kevin Swaffield



Committee
Past President
Ted Riley



Ex Officio
Milton Oliver

WOODWORKING



It's always good to start with numbers by-way-of comparison, so here are the 2025/26 statistics compared with 2024/25

Year	Job Sheets	Income	Materials Purchased
2024 – 2025	81	\$12,500	\$7,600
2025 - 2026	112	\$13,400	\$5,300

While on balance one cannot infer too much from these results, it points to our optimal income range (\$13,000 to \$14,000) and new job input of 7 to 10 per month.

Generally speaking, the operation of the woodwork section has proceeded as in previous years with active members utilising all of the available equipment on a regular basis.

This year, with Excel expertise from Dale Wilkes, we have



initiated a simple costing system which makes quoting of complex jobs so much easier. In future you may find yourself being asked "how many hours" more often: this is essential for the system to work successfully, and is definitely NOT a check on anyone's machine usage.

However, two features for the year are significant and worth noting:

1. There are far fewer of the "can you repair this ..." type of job being received than in previous years. Why this may be occurring is uncertain – the consensus is the changing demographics of our customer base. I.E. The older 'repair-type' customers are diminishing, while the younger 'build-this' customers are increasing. Proof of this is harder to find.
2. Although this is also unquantifiable, there seems to be an expectation that The Shed will provide work for members, and to some extent a certain disappointment when that cannot be fulfilled. Members should remember that constitutionally, we are not permitted to sell our services in competition with trade businesses, which would diminish their on-going income stream. Simply, this means we rely on work coming to us and members should keep a personal job(s) in their 'back pocket' for those times when there are no contract jobs available.



Finally, I would like to thank everyone who willingly and helpfully offers advice on all aspects of woodwork production to assist my role as project coordinator. Some of my questions may appear obvious, but better to appear stupid than make a bad mistake and prove it!

PETER HOBBS and BARRY KELY
Project Coordinators

Grants Report



This year we have applied for three grants over the year with one unsuccessful and two with decisions yet to be announced.

The unsuccessful grant was for funding from Aussie Broadband for the upgrade of the shed computer network.

The two grants submitted awaiting announcements are:

The Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (DFFH) grant to cover the cost of upgrading the shed security camera system. The project will replace the existing CCTV system which is reaching its EOL with a new system which will provide better camera coverage around the shed precinct offering an improved security deterrent and in the event of a break-in, more chance of identify-

ing the perpetrators. Full camera coverage within the common and workshop areas will provide the Shed Committee with better coverage for monitoring of OH&S procedures and compliance around the powered machinery within the workshops and kitchen/common area. A decision is expected in September with funding available from November 2026.

Hume City Council 2027 Community Connection Grant to cover the cleaning of the solar panels on the shed for calendar year 2027 and some funding to help cover the insurance costs paid by the shed. A decision is expected later this year.

Andrew Wilson Grants coordinator



REGENERATE ENGINEERING

PICTURES OF SOME OF THE SHED TALKS AND OUTINGS 25/26



Bendigo tour



Shrine of Remembrance tour



Brewery Tour



Centrelink Talk



Mental Health talk



Mens Health Talk



Defibrillator course



Prostate Cancer talk

Equipment Register & IT Infrastructure, Security and Access Control



Dale Wilkes

Test and Tag

Test and Tag duties for the Shed continue to be performed by Kevin Swaffield and myself together with a Team of volunteers. The Test and Tag Register contain data relating to all Shed equipment. General Data regarding non-tested assets with estimated values are also

kept for Insurance purposes, these values are to be reviewed in line with the requirements of our new Insurance Policy

As Members use their own equipment from time to time, these tools are also tested and tagged to provide an acceptable level of safety within the Shed and recorded in the Test and Tag Register.

Tools are tested on an annual cycle, when repaired or when new tools arrive in the shed, after they have been inspected by Kevin Wood.

IT Infrastructure

Andrew Wilson has come on board to provide valuable insight and experience in relations to all aspects of the IT infrastructure and is providing invaluable assistance in the improvements of the Sheds capabilities.

The IT Infrastructure in the Shed has been improved substantially; it is still comprised task dedicated PC's and Laptops. The Secretary and Treasurer's desktops have been upgraded with a dual monitor configuration employed on the Treasures desktop; there are two Laptops for general Member use both now with external monitors to improve useability. The addition of the Laser cutter has necessitated the addition of a Graphics capable desktop with a larger high-resolution monitor and the installation of specialised software. The installation of a computer aided routing capability has resulted in the adaption of a HP All in One desktop with the appropriate software, Microsoft Office 365 has also been installed on this PC to enable Guest Presenters to display information on the wall mounted LCD TV.

The Cabled Network provided for Laptops, Desktops, printers and other devices (Laser Cutter) have been upgraded to CAT6 ethernet. The Wireless network has been extended with the installation of 3 Wireless Access points. Members can access the internet wirelessly via a guest login available on request.

In simple terms the IT equipment that provides Network access, Internet Access and Wireless access has been upgraded and mounted in a new Data Cabinet Centralised storage in the form of a NAS (Network Attached Storage device). This provides a combination of Backup Capabilities and storage that can be accessed by all devices attached to the network.

Printing

The Office printer has been upgraded to an A3 capable device with the previous Printer relocated to the general Member Area both printers are accessible from all PCs.

Both are Epson Eco Tank inkjet printers which provide the most economical option for ink.

Software

Operating System- all computers are running the current version of Windows 11 and are updated on a regular basis. Installed application software is kept to a minimum for Licensing issues.

Remote Management

Team Viewer is installed on one Office Computer to provide the Secretary remote access.

Internet Access

All computers have access to the Internet.

Virus Control

Windows Defender.

Malware is scanned for on a regular basis using Super antispyware and Malware Bytes.

Audio Visual

The wall mounted TV in the lunchroom has been upgraded to a larger LCD TV and provides more capabilities.

Maintenance

The systems are maintained as required and are running well.

Security – Cameras and Alarm

The alarm system is remotely monitored as well as armed and disarmed. Some Cameras have been upgraded to provide higher resolution and a wider field of view.

Four Aces no longer maintain the system making the sourcing of technical support problematic, an alternative company has been identified and can be engaged on an ad hoc basis.

The Cameras are monitored remotely via an App.

The Access Control, Panic Buttons and Camera Systems Review.

Based on initial findings the Camera System needs to be improved as it is very old technology and does not provide sufficient coverage for the Security or OH&S requirements of the growing Shed.

A Requirements review and specification document have been created for a Grant application for this upgrade to be lodged in May 2026.

Dale Wilkes



Andrew Wilson

WELDING & FABRICATION



The last year has been quite busy sorting out materials and welding machines.

I have had no major jobs this year, just a few little jobs, for example the finishing off the tram at

Langama Park amongst quite a few smaller fabrication jobs.

We are now organising the sandblasting area to make it safer and drier – we intend to install a timber floor and roof, which is being organised by Barry Kelly.

I have put up a list for anyone interested in learning all about the safety and welding in the welding shop, to be held each Thursday afternoon between the hours of 1-3 – this will be a one on one instruction.

Otherwise I have had a good year and look forward to working together in 26/27

Ted Riley



ENGINEERING/METALWORK AND ELECTRICAL SECTION



How quickly the years fly by, another twelve months since my last report and about eighteen years connected to the Men's Shed. the members of the Electrical / Engineering section have at times been absent from the Shed at times to receive medical attention

for a number of complaints. Old age is catching up. One of our tasks at the Shed is to help members of the public to downsize their household prior to moving into aged care. We clean out the clients garage/ workshop and garden sheds of usable goods for resale at our

garage sale. We had two very successful garage sales over the past year bringing in substantial funds for the Shed. Friday prior to sale day saw the members carry all the stored goods from the container to the carpentry shed where all the goods were displayed on the benches and easily viewed by the customers. A big thanks to the many members who gave up their Saturday to participate in our grand sales, some arriving at 7.30 and staying all day. A great day was had talking to the customers and the camaraderie amongst the shed members was wonderful to see.

Cheers Trevor Dunn.



WELFARE



John White

The welfare team has been busy this year, They have sent cards to members who have reported that they were ill. Please remember to let us know if your are ill, so that we may be able to follow up.

The team is very busy trying to finalise a document that describes their function in the shed environment



Andrew Tait

OH&S



Thank you to all the Members who assisted in making the Shed a safe work place.

Over the last 12 months, 10 Members have completed the Shed OH&S induction course.

Most members have now watched the OH&S video from the AMSA. It is a requirement for all Members to watch it. It can be watched at the Shed or on U tube on your own equipment.

11 Members plus 6 Members from Riddells Creek Shed completed a Red Cross CPR update to their First Aid qualifications at the Shed.

New Yellow lines have been installed, and old lines replaced

that define walkways around the Shed. The area between these lines must be kept clear of obstructions at all times, to allow safe transit of Members with restricted or impaired vision. If ANY Member observes an obstruction between the lines, they are requested to remove it and make the area safe.

Some updates were made to the dust extraction system around the wood lathes and sanding machines to help reduce the dust from the machines.

Test and Tag was completed for all required electric equipment in the shed.

Keep Safe

Kevin Swaffield OH&S Coordinator



KITCHEN



During the past year we have been able to provide some very delicious Friday lunches to the Shedders who have been able to sit and enjoy lunch with others.

I would like to thank the shedders that pitched in to cook meals and to thank the wives of some who have meals cooked for them to bring in.

I would also like to thank all of those who have helped either cooking, washing up, loading and unloading the dishwasher or sorting out cutlery.

During the year we have also provided morning teas for several occasion but especially on the mornings

when we have had speakers in the shed. These have proved a great success.

I would also like to thank our sponsors, especially KFC for their generous donation of vouchers and Dominos for the discounts that they provide.

I am always looking for shedders who would like to cook a meal that can be shared and enjoyed by all.

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Nic Germano



THE GARDEN



Once again it has been a very challenging 12 months in the garden area with the advent of more wicking beds being converted within the existing beds. Milne Matthews with a lot of help from Ian Lupson in particular, are bringing these beds into fruition and we are consequently benefitting from the changeovers.

In conclusion, I would like to thank all persons responsible for their continued support within the garden section.

Many thanks

Barry (Bazza) Burbridge

Coordinator

The irrigation system still leaves a lot to be desired since its inception.

The biggest amount of seedlings are still acquired from Bunnings who, as we know have been very supportive and help to the mens shed over a great period of time.



CITY OF HUME



We gratefully acknowledge the support received from the City of Hume.



Australian Men's Shed Association
SHOULDER TO SHOULDER

SPONSORSHIP



Jimmy Moffat

We proudly acknowledge supporters for 2025/2026

Compassion North

Bunnings Sunbury

City Of Hume

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Regenerate Engineering

Nextra Sunbury Newsagency

Aussie Broadband

Sunbury Car Wash

Millett Family

Presidents of the Shed since inception

Garry Pettit

Ian Lupson

Dieter Jankovic

Kevin Swaffield

Mike Newman

Ted Riley

Dale Wilkes

Ian Phillips

LIFE MEMBERS



**Garry
Pettit**



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**Peter
Wilkinson**



**Kevin
Swaffield**



**John
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