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“Shoulder to Shoulder”-

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Open Tuesday, Thursday 9am-3pm – Saturday 9am-2pm

JULY 2016

FINAL NEWSLETTER FOR 2015-2016 FINANCIAL YEAR

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Thank you for the opportunity to be your President in 2015-2016. I have enjoyed the role and have many people to thank for our successes. Firstly to the Committee, in particular Ian Weier, Treasurer who has been a tower of strength; to Brian Parker for his Secretary Position; and Bob Lewitz for his much appreciated fund raising and general support. Laurie has added much in his roles as newsletter editor and representative on the State Zone; to all other committee members - a big thanks. My thanks also to Bob Edyvean for his encouragement and support; to all the Shed Bosses who assisted during the year; the Garden group, Engineering group and the Wood work group - thank you; Trainers Dennis and his team and Roger, our 2 stroke Ex-pert. The Shed doesn't run without a great team and I feel we have achieved much and made a name for ourselves in the Community in 2015-2106.

We look forward with renewed enthusiasm for the upcoming year and I will welcome the new Committee after the AGM on 5th July.

There are many highlights and some lower points as we farewelled one member, Hedley Pearson and member Chris Draper's wife, Beverley.

Grants have allowed us to strengthen our range of equipment and our tenancy agreement renewed for 2 years giving us room to plan and expand. We are currently in talks with Council re an additional site and are looking at a Community Grant for Solar to cut our electricity costs.

Our Volunteers grant of \$5000 enabled us to provide laptops for members' use and training opportunities.

Our successful Bunning's BBQ's add much needed funds to our coffers and add great fellowship to the group. Our Membership continues to grow and additional days will be discussed at our first meeting of the new committee in July/August. We await further grant application outcomes which will again strengthen our members' facilities.

A recent meeting with The Salvation Army management team adds an opportunity for us to provide work to repair furniture for sale and cements our tenancy commitment with them.

Thank you to all members who have supported me, as well as the Shed, and I look forward to a great year ahead.

Regards

Terry Carter

MEET TREVOR WATERS AND THE OLD MORRIE UTE:



Born in Wondai, Trevor grew up on a farm at Proston, 50kms northwest of the South Burnett commercial centre of Kingaroy.

When he turned 17 and by now working on the farm, his father returned from a trip to Kingaroy and told Trevor that he had seen a ute in a car yard there, which he suggested, Trevor might like to buy.

The next day, being the 18th of June 1964, Trevor went to look at the vehicle. It was a secondhand 1957 Morris 1000 ute which was pastel blue in colour and was a 4 cylinder manual transmission vehicle.

Right away Trevor knew that this was the vehicle for him

and after paying a small deposit on it there and then, he set about paying it off. Whilst Trevor cannot recall what he actually paid for the vehicle, he says that the transfer fee for registration at that time was 8 pound 12 shillings and 6 pence. Probably quite a tidy sum in those days.

After proudly driving the ute home, it was soon put to work on the Proston farm. The construction of a crate for the back of the vehicle, enabled Trevor to transport pigs and calves to auction markets in the region. The proceeds of the sale of his livestock, ensured he was able to meet the half yearly instalments due on the vehicle and over time he paid it off and became its rightful owner.

But livestock was not all he carried and Trevor's father soon began to develop other uses for the vehicle, such as carrying grain and feed for the pigs and carrying Corkwood leaves which were used in the making of eye drop solutions.

In 1968 Trevor finally left the farm and commenced work at the Murgon cheese factory. Although he still travelled back to the farm when required to transport livestock to the markets, he also began to give the vehicle a good workout when he travelled from Murgon to Ipswich every third weekend to visit his girlfriend Dorothy, the woman who was later to become his first wife, prior to her untimely passing on Anzac Day 1999. (In 2004 he remarried his current wife Leone).

Obviously the travelling became a chore over time and in January 1970 Trevor packed up and moved to Ipswich, to work in the Jacaranda Milk Factory for four years, before starting work for RT Edwards as a truck driver for the next 20 years. Throughout this time his little ute was his main source of transport to and from work.

But by this time the vehicle was starting to show some signs wear and tear and in the middle of that year, Trevor set about having rust removed and the vehicle repainted. A short while later the vehicle was returned to him now sprouting new 'harvest gold' paint at a cost of approximately \$100. Try getting a vehicle painted for that price today.

In the years that followed, Trevor did all his own work on the vehicle, using both new and 2nd hand spare parts. This included rebuilding the motor a couple of times before later fitting a replacement re-built motor which he bought for \$100.

Some interesting facts that Trevor relates about the vehicle:

- When he first bought it, he ran it on Standard fuel, but this was changed to Super when unleaded fuel first came into use and later again when Super was removed from the market, he had to use unleaded fuel with a lead additive.
- Although the ute has had a couple of engines and these have been rebuilt, the mileage on the speedo has to date been around the clock more than 2 and a half times.
- Registration in 1969 was \$28.15. In 1978 it was \$65.10. In 1989 it had grown to \$211.10. By 1999 it cost \$487.00 to register the same vehicle and in 2008 it had grown to \$582.00. Just one year later in 2009 it cost Trevor \$688.25 to register the Morrie Ute. And today.....exorbitant!
- The fuel holds 22 and a half litres and on long trips Trevor was able to achieve 13 kms to the litre.

And Trevor did some long trips in the little ute. He clearly recalls trips to Stanthorpe to visit his son Mark in college (Now a computer security worker at the RBH); and to Toowoomba to visit his daughter Kathryn – (now married with 3 children). Trevor also continued with trips to Kingaroy and Proston.

One of the more recent and longer trips was to Bundaberg and Hervey Bay and then back through Wondai and Kingaroy before returning to Ipswich. He says there was a lot of interest in his little ute at rest stops for petrol and breaks and people often commented on how much they liked his vehicle.

Trevor also speaks of one time when, on the way to Proston, he only got as far as Moore. It was there that the throttle spring broke. On any modern car that would have been journeys end and a wait for a tow truck, but not so for Trevor. A piece of string tied to the throttle and held against the foot pedal soon had

him up and running to Blackbutt, where, for 80 cents, he fitted a new spring and was back on the road shortly thereafter.

In 2008 the vehicle was painted a deeper shade of blue with a hint of green combined with it. Then, not too long ago, it was repainted to its current colour. Several quotes were obtained to restore the ute to new and this time, what had previously cost \$100 dollars for a repaint and restore in 1970, was now valued at \$6,000 to \$10,000 in today's prices, not including the cost of replacement rubbers.

In due course however, Trevor managed to have the vehicle restored for a cost of \$3500 to the condition it stands at today, with new rubbers, paint, floor carpets, hood lining, seat covers and door skins and a new Tourneau-cover.

What is amazing is that Trevor still owns and runs the vehicle (known as "Herbie") to this day and there would be very few people who could ever lay claim to still owning their first motor car some 52 years later. That is quite an achievement in anyone's book.



Thank you sharing this unique story with us Trevor

BRIAN PARKER'S WHIMSICAL WORDS OF WISDOM:

"A kind message can be the difference between calm and panic. Yell positive reinforcement to yourself regularly at work".

THE INNER MAN – FAST FUN FOOD - Sandwich Bread Pizza:

Ingredients :

- 1 cup minced onions
- 1 cup minced tomato
- 1 cup minced green bell pepper
- 2-3 tbsp tomato ketchup
- salt to taste
- 2-4 brown breads (you can also use white bread)
- Oregano butter
- mozzarella cheese mayonnaise

Method: Mix all the minced vegetables together. Add tomato ketchup, salt and oregano as per your taste. Apply some butter to the brown breads. Put the mixture on the bread. Grate the mozzarella cheese as required. Also add some oregano on the top. Keep the bread slices in the oven for about 5 mins. You can serve it with mayonnaise or tomato ketchup.

'My dog used to chase people on a bike a lot. It got so bad, I finally had to take his bike away'.

PC TIPS

How to Become Safer Online

The Internet is an amazing tool, but it poses some safety risks. Before you start "surfing the net," use these tips for being a safe, smart online user:

- **Create stronger passwords.** Create passwords that aren't easy to guess, and don't share them with others.
- **Don't expose personal information.** Be aware of how much of your personal or financial data you might be sharing with strangers on social networking sites, through e-mail, and on special-interest sites.
- **Don't fall for e-mail scams.** Online criminals may use e-mail to get your personal information and steal your identity. Or an e-mail might entice you to click a link that takes you to a bogus site or downloads malware (malicious software) to your computer.
- **Know who you're doing business with.** It's quick and easy to create a Web site that looks legit, but not all Web sites are.
- **Be cautious with e-mail attachments.** Attached files may contain malware, which can damage your computer — or it may install code that can track your activities

- **Use software to avoid malware.** Several types of software products can spot and avoid viruses, spyware, and objectionable online content. Make sure you use protection.
- **Create safe e-mail aliases and usernames.** Whether you're creating an e-mail account or a user account on a social networking or special-interest site, be careful how much information you give away even in your username.
- **Find out how others might expose you.** Even if you never go online, your information is probably out there. Learn to identify your exposure and stop others from revealing personal information.

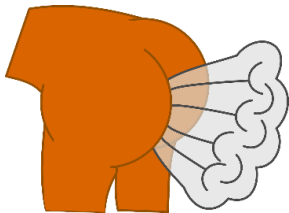


One Liners:

"I intend to live forever, or die trying."

"I'd like to help you out. Which way did you come in?"

VINDICATED AT LAST

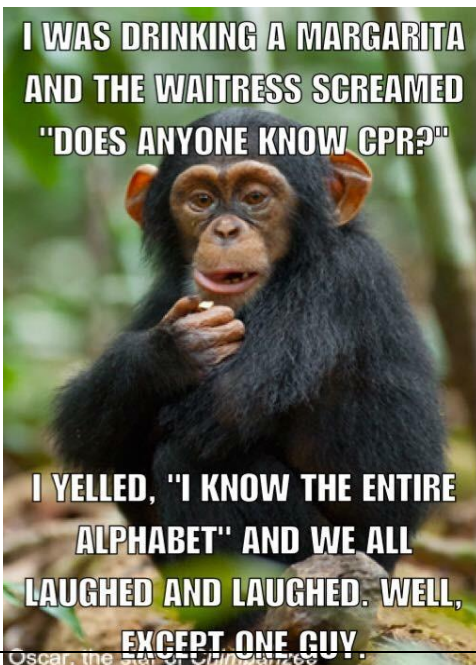


According to a new British study, passing gas may help you live longer and, in a surprise twist, smelling gas might prevent dementia.

Researchers found that when you pass wind, you're helping yourself out by lowering your risk of cancer, heart attacks and strokes.

And, the main ingredient in it is hydrogen sulphate. Researchers believe inhaling it actually causes your brain to grow stronger and protects your brain from dementia.

Thank you for this one Kev Pearce- An 85-year-old man had to do a sperm count for his physical exam. The doctor gave the man a jar and said, "Take this home and bring back a sample tomorrow." The next day, the 85-year-old man reappeared at the doctor's office and gave him the jar, which was as clean and empty as on the previous day. The doctor asked what happened, and the man explained ... "Well, doc, it's like this —



Oscar, the King of Chimpanzees

first I tried with my right hand, but nothing. Then I tried with my left hand, but still nothing. Then I asked my wife for help." She tried with her right hand, then with her left, still nothing. She tried with her mouth, first with the teeth in, then with her teeth out, still nothing. We even called up Arleen, the lady next door, and she tried too, first with both hands, then an armpit, and she even tried squeezin' it between her knees, but still nothing." The doctor was shocked. "You asked your neighbor? Good heavens!" The old man replied, "Yep, none of us could get the jar open.

Another one from Kev Pearce – This is really worth reading. I hope you enjoy it.

THE AUTHOR IS NOT KNOWN. IT WAS FOUND IN THE BILLFOLD OF COACH PAUL BEAR BRYANT, ALABAMA, AFTER HE DIED IN 1982

The Magic Bank Account

Imagine that you had won the following *PRIZE* in a contest:

Each morning your bank would deposit \$86,400 in your private account for your use. However, this prize has rules:

The set of rules:

1. Everything that you didn't spend during each day would be taken away from you.
2. You may not simply transfer money into some other account.
3. You may only spend it.
4. Each morning upon awakening, the bank opens your account with another \$86,400 for that day.
5. The bank can end the game without warning; at any time it can say, "Game Over!"

It can close the account and you will not receive a new one.

What would you personally do?

You would buy anything and everything you wanted right? Not only for yourself, but for all the people you love and care for. Even for people you don't know, because you couldn't possibly spend it all on yourself, right?

You would try to spend every penny, and use it all, because you knew it would be replenished in the morning, right?

ACTUALLY, This GAME is REAL.

Shocked ??? YES!

Each of us is already a winner of this *PRIZE*. We just can't seem to see it.

The PRIZE is *TIME*

1. Each morning we awaken to receive 86,400 seconds as a gift of life.
2. And when we go to sleep at night, any remaining time is Not credited to us.
3. What we haven't used up that day is forever lost.
4. Yesterday is forever gone.
5. Each morning the account is refilled, but the bank can dissolve your account at any time WITHOUT WARNING...

SO, what will YOU do with your 86,400 seconds?

Those seconds are worth so much more than the same amount in dollars.

Think about it and remember to enjoy every second of your life, because time races by so much quicker than you think.

So take care of yourself, be happy, love deeply and enjoy life!

Here's wishing you a wonderful and beautiful day. Start "spending"....

"DON'T COMPLAIN ABOUT GROWING OLD...!" SOME PEOPLE DON'T GET THE PRIVILEGE!

And one from Ted:

It was my first time visiting Dr. Putz for a colonoscopy. I went into his office for my very first rectal exam. His new blond nurse, Ethel, took me to an examining room. She told me to get undressed and have a seat until the doctor could see me. She said that he would only be a few minutes. After putting on the gown that she gave me I sat down. While waiting I observed there



were three items on a stand next to the exam table:

- A Tube of K-Y jelly
- A rubber glove

And a beer

When Dr. Putz finally came in I said, "Look Doc, I'm a little confused. This is my first exam. I know what the K-Y is for, and I know what the glove is for, but can you tell me what the BEER is for?" At that, Doctor Putz became noticeably annoyed and stormed over to the door. He flung the door open and yelled to his new blonde nurse: "*Damn it, Ethel! I said a BUTT light.*"



Roger looks on in shock – "Is that Terry working? Nah couldn't be, could it?"

Update on proposed trip to England and Wales in Sep/Oct 2017.



At the moment there are 4 couples who are interested in going on a 2 week trip to the U.K next year. Ideally we would like to have around 14 people, so that we can hire a 15 seat mini-bus and have the option to drop back to a 12 seater should a couple of people drop out. We plan to visit around 4 -5 U.K Men's Shed's, which would give us the opportunity to meet like-minded and similar aged people to ourselves. This trip could be combined with maybe a trip to Europe a Mediterranean Cruise, or a relocating cruise to U.S.A making for a possible round world trip.

We will also embark on some fund-raising to offset the cost of the mini-bus. If you are interested to find out more about this trip then contact Col James at the Shed or come to the next trip meeting planned for July 12th. After that date we will likely seek possible interest from other local Men's Shed's.

Helpful Hints:

- To restore finished wood furniture, steep two tea bags in hot water for 10 minutes. Let cool, then dampen a clean soft cloth with tea and wipe over wood surface. It will bring out the woods natural colour and shine.
- Use kitty litter mixed with baking soda in a pan to neutralize musty or bad odours.
- Spray WD40 on a cloth and wipe over leather shoes or leather boots, then buff with a soft clean cloth to shine and make them waterproof. If the tip of your shoe lace becomes frayed, snip off the frayed end. Then paint or dip the end of the shoe lace into clear nail polish and let it dry. Good as new.

**ROSS KERFOOT MAKES A MAJOR CONTRIBUTION TO THE SHED WITH HIS KNOWLEDGE AND ABILITY
SHOWN HERE ARE TWO MACHINES ROSS HAS MADE.
1. RIVET GUN AND 2. SEWING MACHINE FOR LEATHER WORK**



BRIAN AND SUE PARKER AT THEIR SON'S WEDDING RECENTLY

BRIAN GETS MY THUMBS UP AWARD FOR HIS OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO THE SHED THROUGH HIS MANY AND VARIED PROJECTS. HE CAN DO ANYTHING AND HAS ADDED MUCH NEEDED FUNDS TO OUR BANK ACCOUNT WELL DONE BRIAN! AND THANKS.



NEVILLE SARGOOD AND M P JENNIFER HOWARD
AT THE 60TH BIRTHDAY OF MEALS ON WHEELS RECENTLY



JEFF EDWARDS WORKS HIS MAGIC!



TED WORKS TIRELESSLY FOR OUR COMMUNITY AND
THE HOSPITAL MUSEUM



RON BOPF – BREAD BOARD SPECIALIST

COL DOES A WONDERFUL JOB FOR QUOTA



ROGER WAS THAT YOU???

ROB CREPIN MAKES A MAJOR CONTRIBUTION WITH HIS MANY PROJECTS, THANKS ROB



THANKS TO THE TEAM OF KEVIN, JOHN, ROGER AND NEVILLE FOR THEIR WORK IN 2015-6



FUND RAISER BOB



THANKS



TED AND CHRIS WELCOME TAFE STUDENTS TO THE SHED RECENTLY

THANKS TO THE TEAM IN ENGINEERING



Laurie represented the shed as the state zone northern region rep this year
Well done Laurie and all you do at the shed !



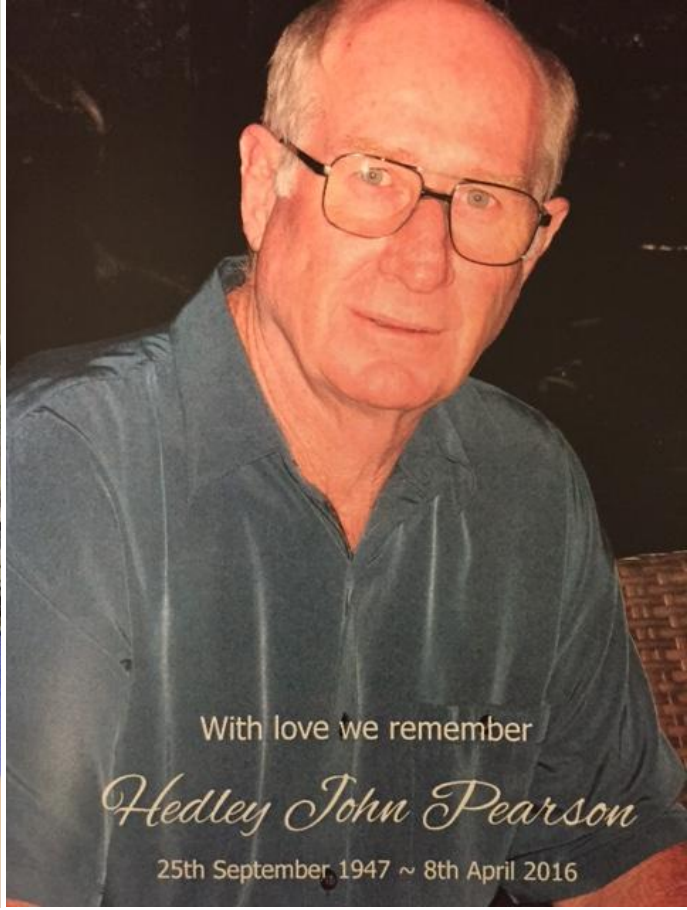


SOME OF THE MANY
IPSWICH MEN'S SHED FACES IN 2015-6

WE REMEMBER THEM IN 2016



Beverley Draper



Hedley Pearson



Ian Ross HAS 500 CROSSES TO BEAR!

BOB IN THE CAN AGAIN !



THANKS TO ALL OUR SUPPORTERS IN 2016

SALVATION ARMY

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MP JENNIFER HOWARD

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CR BRUCE CASOS

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CR KYLIE STONEMAN

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