

### THE IPSWICH MEN'S SHED INC

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### "Shoulder to Shoulder"-

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### Membership fees \$35 for 1 year – daily fees \$2 plus \$3.00 lunch Open Tuesday, Thursday 9am-3pm – Saturday 9am-2pm September 2016 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

This week will see the new shade sail erected on the new concrete area and thanks to all who assisted in that work. This will provide more work areas for members to enjoy. Our Christmas party is to be held at Ipswich Knights Clubhouse on Friday, 9th December and the presentation of "Shedder of the Year" will be announced. The cost will be \$25 per head; so \$50 a couple.

The suggestion box is working well and hopefully we can get some great ideas from this new process.

Sgt Bob continues to entertain and fine us for any wrong-doings and adds some light entertainment to the day. There will be a new process in place next week for lunch and clean up volunteers as again, it falls to a few. Shed Bosses are now being sought so if you're interested, please see me.

The Huge Garage Sale on October 22 will be a day to sell some of our excess equipment and any items which members may have to sell, whilst offering the Shed a small commission.

Produce from our garden will be available and a list will be posted at smoko indicating availability so that members can choose and pick up. Wednesday 12/9 will see us entertain for breakfast The Ipswich City Rotary headed by President Paul Pisasale so please volunteer to assist with preparation and cooking on the morning. A big thank you to those members who attend Bunning's BBQ and fund raising events. It is however disappointing that it is the same members who have to back up week after week. We have to continue to fund raise to keep the shed open so please re-consider when asked to help!

Let's all work together to make the Shed a wonderful place to work and enjoy each other's company. "Shoulder to Shoulder"

Terry

### **CONTINUING THE LIFE OF IAN (WEIREY) WEIER:**

(This story of lan's life was written by him for shed members to read. It is such an interesting story that it is produced here in full for your enjoyment).

In 1960 Ian was transferred back to Brisbane where he and Autumn were married. After 12 months the couple were transferred to Rockhampton where Ian was appointed as the term deposits clerk. Eighteen months later they were on the move again, this time to the Nobby Branch where Ian as well as his work, undertook the roles of treasurer of the Nobby School of Arts and also as Auditor for some of the local clubs. The Nobby district in the 1960's grew a large portion of the maize (corn) for Kellogg's cornflakes.

After four and half years at Nobby, Ian and Autumn transferred to Brisbane where Ian was appointed Paymaster of the bank's centralized payroll section. The section also handled Staff Thrift Accounts, retired staff pensions and the accounting function for the personnel area. In 1966 the only mechanical aids available were an accounting machine for producing the pay-slips and an adding machine. All calculations were done manually. It was a very busy area as there were no breaks from the routine of fortnightly payments of salaries and overtime. June was an exceptionally busy month as around 4000 group certificates had to be typed out, signed and balanced. General pay increases also added to the daily work load.

In 1967 Ian and Autumn purchased land at Wacol on which they had a "shell" home erected. All the internal work, fences and painting was completed by them at weekends. In 1972 the Wacol house was sold and they purchased a house needing repair at Oxley. The Oxley home was renovated over the years and was sold in 1989 when they, with the help of their eldest son, erected a steel framed kit home on 40 acres of land at Walloon.

Ian remained in the payroll section of the bank until 1979 when the payroll function was computerised and transferred to Melbourne. Ian was then appointed Manager Internal Audits with two teams of 20 auditors on his staff that had the responsibility for the audit of 165 branches throughout the state.

After 8 years in audit, the audit function was computerised and Ian was transferred to Asset Finance as a Senior Leasing Officer. Two years later he was appointed as the State Costing Manager, a position from which he retired in 1995 after 41 years in the banking industry. (A huge achievement by anyone's standards).

But it had not all been plain sailing over the years. In 1989 Ian contracted Legionnaires Disease from contaminated air conditioning and was off work for some months receiving specialist medical attention. The after effects of this disease were recurring lung problems, particularly in the cooler months. This was the major reason that Ian took early retirement as his doctor had been advising him to get out of air-conditioned buildings.

With this in mind, after his retirement, Ian and Autumn purchased a run-down farm of 80 acres at Purga in 1995. Over the next 13 years they renovated the 100 year old Queenslander, developed an organic farm and a Dexter Cattle Stud, and Ian kept himself even busier by accepting the role of treasurer for the Purga Community Association and of a number of other organisations.

lan was not a person to shun hard work. When he first started work, he joined the Bank Employee's Union (it was compulsory in those days). In the late 1970's the Union's Executive took the decision (without consultation with the membership of the 11,000 strong union) to affiliate with the Queensland Trades and Labour Council. When the decision was ultimately conveyed to the members by a short article in a newsletter, there was much angst amongst the members. A disenchanted group of members was formed to an anti TLC affiliation council. Ian was part of that group and was subsequently elected as a union delegate. In 1980 he ran as State President and was elected for three consecutive terms, after which he remained on the union committee for a total of 15 years.

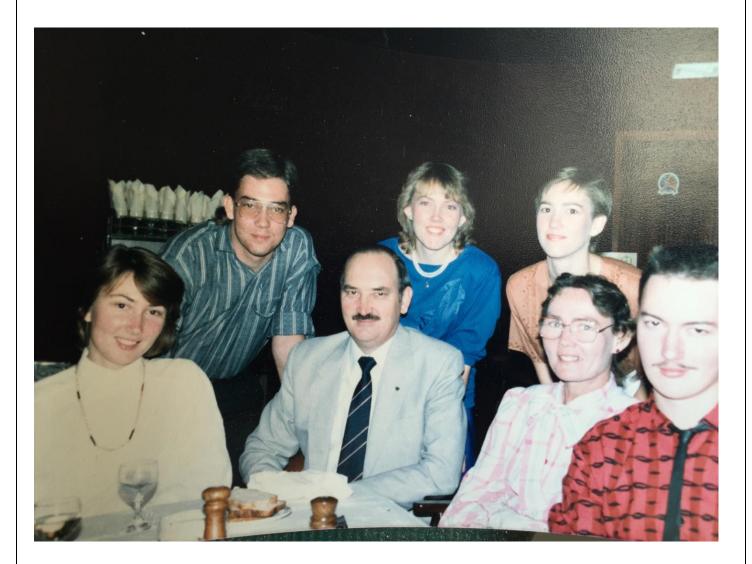
The early 1980's saw a renewal of union action and the bank employees held three well attended stop-work meetings in festival hall. Prior to the election the Liberals announced that 6 licences would be offered to foreign banks. The ABEU obtained a written agreement from the ALP opposition leader, Bill Hayden that if labor was elected NO foreign banking licences would be issued. Upon election of the Hawke labor government, Bob Hawke tore up the agreement

and issued 31 licences to foreign banks. The ABEU had run advertisements against the Fraser Government over the foreign bank issue and was not happy with the Hawke government's back-flip.

Following his retirement the FSU presented Ian with a life membership for his service and commitment to the Union over the years.

Ian and Autumn have five children and quite rightly he is proud of each and every one of them. Annette has a PHD and is a senior economist. Jennifer is a university lecturer and artist. Steve is an Electrical engineer, Sue is an Industrial chemist and company director and Paul is a business owner. Ian and Autumn's grandson Simon is also following in his mother's (Annette) financial footsteps by starting work as an economist in the Treasury in Canberra in January this year.

We wish Ian, Autumn and all of their family well and thank Ian for this interesting, enjoyable and rewarding look into his life.



## IAN AND HIS FAMILY

## **BRIAN PARKER'S WHIMSICAL WORDS OF WISDOM:**

The pace you move at has a direct relationship with the way you feel. Try moving in slow motion, you'll be calm. Boredom is the gateway to calmness.

## A LOCAL IPSWICH BOY MADE GOOD:

(Thank you lan for this information):



Doctor Clem Jones AO was born in Ipswich in 1918 and was educated at the Queensland Church of England Grammar School in Brisbane.

In 1935 he started work as a cadet surveyor with a leading town planner in Brisbane.

By 1940 he had completed a Bachelor of Science degree in mathematics and geology at the University of Queensland and had also passed the Australian Surveyors Board examinations.

In 1940 he also established his own surveying practice in Brisbane. The practice later expanded through branches in Dalby, Miles, Chinchilla, Roma, Rockhampton, Gladstone and Maryborough. He sold the business in 1955. In 1958 Clem ran unsuccessfully as the Labour Party Candidate for Lord

Mayor of Brisbane in the city council election, but was successful in 1961. He went to serve as the Lord Mayor of Brisbane until he retired in 1975.

Although he appeared to have a gifted life, it was not all plain sailing for Clem Jones and he recited how there was a period of five years when he made only 500 to 1000 pounds for the entire period. He was in desperate trouble, but he was thankful for some wonderful people who worked for him for basically nothing, including his future wife, Sylvia. Even as Lord Mayor from 1961 to 1975 he did not draw a salary.

One only needs to look at Brisbane to see the remarkable things this man achieved in his lifetime. His style was that there was nothing impossible. They said: 'No you can't do it.' He said: 'Yes, you can.' There was no such thing with Clem as 'you can't do it.'

The story of this man is quite remarkable and lan (Weier) has a small booklet which tells the story of Clem Jones in a succinct and interesting way. Please see lan if you would like to hear more about the achievements of this fascinating man.

## **KEEPING FRUIT FLY AT BAY:**



INGREDIENTS: 500mls water 1 tablespoon cloudy ammonia 4 dessertspoons white sugar 1 teaspoon vanilla. METHOD: Place in a milk bottle Put holes above liquid and hang in fruit tree

• HELPFUL HINTS: Remove stains from marble using salt and lemon.

Combine lemon juice and salt into a paste and scrub the stain. Just make sure you don't scrub too hard, and rinse well when the stain is gone.

- Set your fridge's temperature between 3°C and 5°C, and the freezer to somewhere between -15°C and -18°C. Every degree lower after that uses around 5% more energy and increases your bill.
- Never scrub marks off your car with anything abrasive. Instead, rub a dab of mayonnaise onto each spot and let it sit for 10 minutes. Then with a soft rag, remove the mayo and impurity. Wash your car as normal and it should be as good as new.



## **EASY BEEF HOTPOT:**

2 tablespoons flour.

INGREDIENTS: 1kg chuck or blade steak – cubed. 2 teaspoons paprika. 425g can crushed tomatoes.

2 medium onions, sliced. 1 clove garlic, crushed.

2 sticks celery, sliced. 2 large carrots, sliced.

1 turnip, cut into large chunks. 3 medium potatoes, cut into large chunks.

1 cup red wine or stock.

METHOD: Preheat oven to 180°C. Toss meat, flour and paprika in a plastic bag, tip into a heavy casserole dish. Add all remaining ingredients and stir to combine. Press a piece of baking paper over the ingredients and cover closely with a lid. Cook for 2 hours without lifting the lid. Check for seasoning and tenderness, returning to oven if more cooking time is required. Serve with mashed potatoes and steamed green vegetables.

Windows 10 still includes all the features included in Windows 7.

Internet Explorer has been replaced by Edge. Internet Explorer, Control Panel and other tools are still there, and it is fairly quick to change the Windows 10 interface, including a classic start bar.

Cortana and One Drive can be disabled, if the user is not comfortable with these features (registry setting).

On a laptop, Windows 10 may appear in "tablet mode" although this is easily disabled. It is designed for use with a touch screen (Windows 10 setting).

If a consumer buys a brand new PC or laptop, and this has Windows 10 pre-installed, the computer will run well. Windows 10 prefers the more current software, meaning some older software will not run.



WELL WELL - Peter shows off the wishing well that COL and he made! FOR SALE \$499 ono

## HUGE GARAGE SALE 22<sup>ND</sup> OCTOBER AT THE SHED





DENNIS AT WORK



# \$600 FOR SALE





### **IPSWICH SPECIAL SCHOOL GARDEN SEAT BY BRIAN PARKER**

### PART OF A LETTER FROM DEAN IN USA

Needless to say, my trip has been incredible. Seen so many fabulous places (mainly cities to date) and meet heaps of very friendly/warm...and ...generous people in each place where we have stayed. I haveTaken over 400 photos...and we are only ½ way through our journey !

As I write this (6.00pm on Monday night) we are on the train from New Orleans to Tucson. We left at 9.00am this morning and do not arrive at our destination till 6.00pm TOMORROW evening – a total time of 33 hours and a distance of just short of 2,000 miles ! We are on the upper deck of a two tiered carriage, and there is an observation car which we can access at any time....at full speed, the train hits 70m.p.h. + I think that translates to in excess of 100k.p.h.

I have seen freight trains – over 2miles long (in excess of 150 freight cars) – and these take priority over passenger trains. We have had to move into a siding to allow them to pass. Amtrak (our carrier) leases these lines from the freight companies, who in turn "tolerate" passenger trains – thus the tracks that cater for these "giants", are not all that comfortable for the "people movers"

I have witnessed the enormous gap between the super rich – the ordinary rich – the "middle class" and then the poor – and those suffering from / living in extreme poverty.

One of the ways to both highlight and demonstrate this, is to refer to the style/cost of housing. There are Penthouses in New York ...along the avenue near the United Nations building/precinct ..that have just been completed and are on sale now for...\$70 million dollars

DEAN



## **BOXES MADE TO ORDER-THANKS ROB AND BRIAN**



# **GET WELL SOON KEVIN!**



Rotary Club of Ipswich City Service Above Self



# IPSWICH CITY ROTARY MEETING WED 12<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 7AM



TERRY WILL WELCOME ROTARY PRESIDENT PAUL AND MEMBERS



# <u>CHRISTMAS PARTY</u> <u>9<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER</u> IPSWICH KNIGHTS CLUBHOUSE





<u>Shedder of the year to be awarded on the</u> <u>night!</u>

Suggestion box now in use!

<u>Shedder of the Month</u> <u>IAN WEIER!</u>