

MEN'S SHED

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"Shoulder to Shoulder"

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Greetings and welcome to the April Newsletter: So much going on right now.

BBQ's: Still being done of a regular basis and many thanks to all who support this great fund raising effort. It does however raise an interesting question

Just how many shedders does it take to run a BBQ?

Ummmm! Not sure I can answered that one, but I can probably have a guess!





Exercise class: See later in the newsletter – Darryl Edwards is planning a falls prevention and balance program with no cost to participants. Up to 12 can be accommodated. This will be very worthwhile and I encourage shedders to get involved in this excellent program.

Here are four of the exercise group already hard at work successfully practicing balancing on a chair without falling off! **Jamie Oliver:** A number of shedders are still attending the Jamie Oliver cooking classes. So far pork burgers, salmon and pasta have been successfully cooked. Well done to all who are taking the time to improve their skills and to learn new things.



Billy Cart Production: This month has seen the major production of 9 Billy-Carts in the



shed. For those who are not aware, we were recently approached by a representative of the Willowbank Raceway. They are planning now for their winter nationals. This includes a joint initiative between them and the Orion shopping centre in Springfield, whereby on the last Sunday in May, Orion will close off its Main Street for kids Billy-cart races using the carts we made for them. TV and radio will be present and the Ipswich Men's Shed will hold a stall on the day. We will be looking for volunteers to man the stall and to be part of the fun and activities. More on this as we get closer to the day.



At the Movies: Well we are not, but some of the items we have made will be. Another exciting and recent project has seen us making crosses for the newly re-released movie 'Pet Sematary'. The crosses will be part of the promotion for the movie at a local movie theatre. This has led to other promotional work being offered to us and shedders are currently in the process of building a roller coaster carriage for the promotion of the movie 'Wonder Park'. This will be in the foyer of the Orion Picture Theatre in Springfield and kids will be able to sit in the carriage and have their pictures

taken. We are also building a hoops game for the same promotions company for another movie display but I am not sure where that one fits in yet.

Hopefully this will lead to more work for the shed in due course.

Thanks to Brian and Dennis and everyone involved in ensuring this very important work is completed in a timely and efficient manner.

Pictured is our host for the movies Bridget McLean with the previously lost but now found Brad at her side. Welcome to you both at the shed.

BOXES, WOMBATS, HORNS AND TRAINS: The things

we do in the shed never cease to amaze. In the past month one of our expert craftsman Rob



has continued to dazzle us with his brilliance in making beautiful and outstanding jewellery boxes as shown here.

And while Rob has crafted jewellery boxes, our resident wood artiste Brian has sculpted mock buffalo horns for a very satisfied customer and also a lovely pull-along wombat for a nice lady and her cute little son who, we are thankful to say, really enjoyed the new toy.







Mind you, before it became a wombat it went through several transitions from a rat to a rabbit until finally Brian discovered how to make it look more like a wombat - thanks to John. Still a pretty nice job even if the lad initially enjoyed the string more than the animal.

Congratulations and thanks to everyone for your skills and generosity in making these things happen.

Train Set: Another great job done by and for Ian Blyth with a display case made for a train set featuring the famous "Flying Scotsman". So many versatile and experienced men in the shed. Well done one and all.

CARPORT EXTENSION: The carport at the shed is being extended and secured making for more working space and machinery in a shed which is never idle for long, as work continues to roll on in. Thanks to Ron and Col in particular for ensuring this task was carried out efficiently, effectively and most importantly, safely.







Mobile Log Saw: While the wood-work guys have been extremely busy, the metal shop has not been resting on its laurels. Invented by members of the shed at the behest of one member, the mobile log saw has been hand-built from the ground up and will soon be tested and put into production sawing logs into slabs.

This has been a labour of love for the engineering team in the

metal workshop and their persistence has paid off as the Log Saw has taken shape over a number of months. We salute the metal workers for a great job well done.



Now they are moving on to making a number of garden trolleys for the Salvo's.

No rest for the wicked as they say.



Guest Speaker: Tuesday the 19th of March was an interesting day when we had a guest speaker visit the shed. Charmini from Dementia Australia was very well received and she offered a very interesting insight into this insidious disease. For those wishing to know more, there are some brochures in the office and Dementia Australia can be contact on an 1800 number if needs be.

Shed items: Just to re-iterate. All items delivered to the shed shall remain the property of the shed, until it is decided that the items are not required by the shed. They then become eligible



for members to purchase or acquire. To ensure more fairness, openness and honesty for all, a new system for distributing the items to members is being trialled with the support of members through the leadership of Tom Parker and members appointed by him to assist with recording and distributing such items. Both members and the committee are backing the trial and we are hopeful of a positive outcome.

Family fun day: A reminder that the date of 11 June has now been set for the family open day at the shed for members, their wives, spouses, friends or significant others to attend the shed for morning tea, a look around, a chat with Helloworld Travel and even a hearing test if you want one. Let's make this a fun day and a success. Please pencil it onto your calendars and ask your family to come along and join us for a friendly fun day at the shed.

AGM: Another reminder that the AGM is coming in July and I for one won't be restanding for the President's position. If you are interested in the future direction of the shed, please put your thinking caps on and consider standing for a position on the executive. Nominations will open in June for all positions.

LAST NEWSLETTER FOR SOME: Please be aware that membership was due to be paid in January. We have allowed some latitude, but by the end of March we will be culling email lists and anyone who has not yet renewed their membership will no longer be receiving the newsletters. There is still a week or so to go, so if you meant to pay the membership but just 'never got round to it', please do so now before we remove you from the list.

IPSWICH MENS SHED – THE BUSY SHED! The Ipswich Men's Shed continues to go from strength to strength in serving the needs of the community, as a number of interesting and exciting projects continue to come our way, but don't forget the new Quiet Day in the Shed. Details are provides later in the newsletter. The day is open to all and is proving popular so come on down and join the fun.



The happy, smiling face of our founder Dean with one of Rob's creations.



And two special people in the shed – Tom and lan super cooks and all round great guys. Thank you both for being part of the Ipswich Men's shed and for all you do.

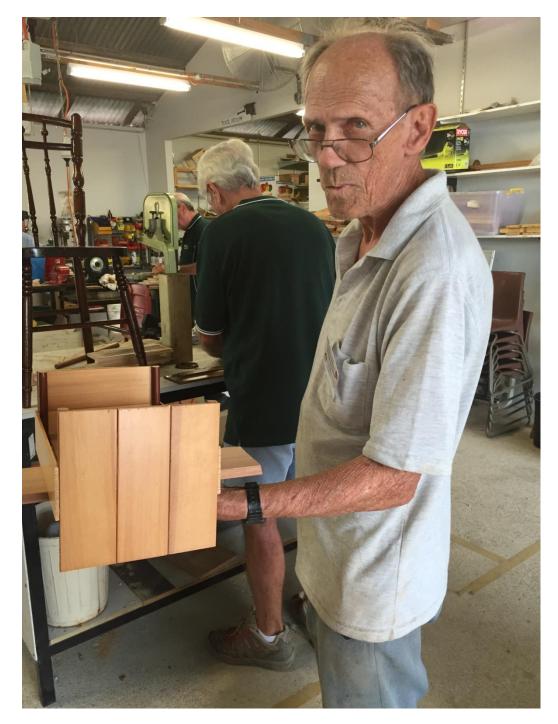


VALE ALWYN LOGAN

PAST MEMBER AND FRIEND

<u>10/10/1937-1/3/2019</u>

81 YEARS OLD



PASSED AWAY 1/03/2019

MANY MEMBERS ATTENDED HIS FUNERAL AT GOODNA

APRIL EVENTS

20^{TH-} BBQ BUNNINGS-SATURDAY

MAY EVENTS

18^{TH-} BBQ BUNNINGS-SATURDAY

JUNE EVENTS

11TH -OPEN DAY –MEMBERS AND PARTNERS 23RD-BBQ BUNNINGS-SUNDAY

JULY EVENTS

30TH -SHED AGM AND ELECTIONS

Falls Prevention & Management / Balance program for the Ipswich Men's Shed

Mr Steve Royle is proposing a 8 week, fully funded, This program only has room for 12 participants.

Proposed every Thursday at 10:30 - 12:30pm

From April 11th To May 30th

Thursday, 11/04/2019,

Thursday, 18/04/2019,

Thursday, 25/04/2019,

Thursday, 02/05/2019,

Thursday, 09/05/2019,

Thursday, 16/05/2019,

Thursday, 23/05/2019,

Thursday, 30/05/2019,

Could those members who are interested in participating in the program contact me as soon as possible, so that we can proceed with arranging a venue for the program. Thanks.

Kind Regards

Darryl

"Quiet Friday Trial"

We have now held 3 "Quiet Friday" days to date, with the first having 7 members attending and the 2nd a total of 12, including a visitor from Boonah Men's Shed. Card playing, Darts and Trivia are the main activities presently, and once we have managed to hook up a DVD player to the TV !!, we will have movies available.

Members have made the following comments :-

"Being able to communicate without shouting", unless talking to J.C !.

"Having a variety of activities available".

"No queue for the urn !.

"No peer pressure to WORK !.

All present also agree that having the day "fortnightly" works better than making it weekly. If we can maintain numbers around the 10 mark in the future then I believe we have a successful venture on our hands.



DAY 3 SAW MEMBERS ENJOY DISCUSSIONS ON FAMILY TREE AND DNA. WHILE PLAYING CARDS AND EXERCISE PROGRAM CONTINUED.

ANZAC DAY APRIL 25TH 2019 SERVICES ARRANGED BY THE SALVATION ARMY ANZAC COMMITTEE



WE WILL REMEMBER THEM!

EASTER FALLS ON 19TH APRIL-23 APRIL

BUNNINGS BBQ EASTER SATURDAY



PROPOSED NEW PROJECT FOR BRIDGET MCLEAN



SHED EXTENSION ALMOST COMPLETE



RON BOPF ENGINEERING COMPANY CONTRACTED TO COMPLETE GATES THANKS TO MANAGED SOLUTIONS

WHO RENEWED OUR DOMAIN SUBSCRIPTION (WEB)

UNTIL 11-3-2021





IPSWICH MEN'S SHED

NOTICE OF AGM

Tue JULY 30TH 2019

SALVATION ARMY HALL

10.AM