



THE IPSWICH MEN'S SHED INC

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"Shoulder to Shoulder"

President: Laurie Caldwell **Vice President:** Arthur Read

Junior Vice President: Dennis Sinnott

Secretary: Brian Parker **Treasurer:** Ian Weier

Registrar: Ted Wedmaier; **Executive Officer Electrical:** Darryl Edwards

Fund Raising/Purchasing: Laurie Caldwell

Committee: John Humphries; Ron Bopf; Ian Ross; Norm Toyer; Tom Parker

Patron: Kylie Stoneman; **Future Development:** Bob Edyvean

Membership fees \$35 for 1 year – **daily fees \$3 plus \$5.00 lunch**

Open Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday 8am-2pm

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President's Report for Year 2018-2019

It is with pleasure that I submit my Annual report for the period 2018-2019.

The year has been very successful and the Ipswich Men's Shed has continued to grow during the year, to set a standard for other sheds to aspire to.

I take this opportunity to thank you accepting me as your President during the past year, after being your Vice President for the preceding two years or so before that. I have enjoyed the role and have many people to thank for our successes. Firstly to all the Committee for supporting me throughout the year, to Ian Weier, Treasurer with whom I have worked closely over the year and whose guidance has always been welcomed and valuable. To Brian Parker for his never ending support, his strength and resolve and his outstanding secretarial skills; and to Terry Carter, the previous President for his friendship, guidance and assistance in helping me write, edit and publish newsletters throughout the year.

Naturally my thanks must also extend to my Vice President Arthur Read and Junior Vice President Dennis Sinnott, along with all members of the Men's Shed who have made the task for me so enjoyable and so easy over the past 12 months and more.

A special mention must be made to Tom Parker and Ian Nisbet for their outstanding efforts in the kitchen, and to John Kenneally for the high standard he has achieved in providing cupboards to the kitchen and servery and latterly to the shop-front.

My gratitude also extends to Bob Edyvean for his encouragement and support; to all the Shed Bosses who have assisted me during the year; the Garden group; Engineering group, the Wood work group and the leadership team - thank you;

This year Tom Parker, Roger Overall and Ian Weier stepped up to accept the role of property distribution officers for the shed, and together they made a difficult job seem easy. My special thanks to each of you for all your efforts in maintaining control of shed property distribution.

Since commencing as President we have increased our assets and now have an enclosed Cage at the end of shed 1 and 2 which is proving very successful as a lathe wood-turning area. My thanks to Col Marsh and Ron Bopf in particular for getting this off-the-ground. A considerable amount of electrical re-wiring has been done in the sheds during the year and the spray paint booth is now nearing completion and is already successfully being used with outstanding results.

Meanwhile, our Membership has pretty much remained on a par with last year in regards to overall numbers as we continue to offer a safe and relaxed environment for men to socialize in throughout the year. One of the additions added this year has been fortnightly quiet days on Fridays where members can meet and socialize without the sound of machinery and I take this opportunity to thank Colin James and Peter Boldeman in particular, for helping get this off-the-ground.

Additionally, some of the group have participated in exercise programs and Jamie Oliver Cooking Classes and I thank Darryl Edwards for organizing these events, both of which were well received by members.

Other successful events during the year have included the garage sale in October. The Annual Christmas Party and Awards Night at Coalstars, which was a successful social event that saw Ken Beitzel awarded "Shedder of the Year". Despite ongoing health issues, Ken has continued to visit the shed and

to offer support, encouragement and friendship to myself and others throughout the year and I thank him for that and wish him all the best for the next year ahead.

This year we have also had talks from the Cancer Society, from Dementia Australia, from Willowbank Raceway and from Jamie Oliver staff and in June we had the second successful family open day for wives and friends, with guest speakers from Helloworld Travel and a visit by the Hearing Bus.

Sadly during the year we lost member Alwyn Logan whilst a number of other members have faced their own personal battles with health issues. Ken Beitzel, Col Waters, Bob Edyvean, Ian Ross, Neil Lee and Trevor Waters were amongst those affected this year. If there is anyone I have forgotten to include, my apologies.

Regretfully Barbecue Bob Lewitz remains absent from the shed and we take this opportunity to wish him well as he struggles with his own ongoing health problems. Bob received Life Membership during the year and is proud to be a member of this elite group.

Our Contribution to the community this past year has included making Billy Carts for kids races at the Orion Shopping Centre prior to the Willowbank Winternationals. Constructing a Ring Toss game, a roller coaster carriage and Pet Sematary Crosses for a movie promotions company. Constructing trolleys, a ramp, a huge new front counter, gates for the driveway and the moving of a large display cabinet for the Salvation Army. Thanks to Ken Beitzel we have also made several hobby horses for the Queen Street Good Childcare Centre and these were well received by the children. We have continued to support the Springfield Camira Shed with tools, timber and guidance and with the advent of a new shed likely to open in the Karalee area, the Ipswich Men's Shed will no doubt continue to be called upon to assist developing sheds in the future.

In addition, over the year we have contributed \$1500 to Aussie Helpers Association for the buy a bale drought appeal. \$3000.00 to the Ipswich Hospice Care Inc, and \$500 to the Salvation Army Bundamba Christmas Welfare Fund.

During this time we received a donation of \$500.00 from the Commonwealth Bank and a grant of \$1000 from Stockland for the exercise program.

As well as receiving donations of tools and other items for the shed, including a thicknesser and a flat bed planer with bench and dust extractor from Dulux, we have also received contributions of timber. In particular, a donation of a large

amount of good, usable timber from the new Post Office distribution centre being built in Redbank and we thank John Kenneally for organizing for this to occur.

Barbeques were again a major part of our fundraising and our successful Bunning's BBQs added much needed funds to our coffers and great fellowship to the group. Thank you to everyone who supported the shed by participating in the Barbecues, particularly to those who help out on a regular basis.

Although it came to a somewhat abrupt ending during the year, we thank Kylie Stoneman for her generous support and the staff of the Booval Council Office – prior to its closure - for printing our newsletters.

We again thank all our sponsors and supporters - Coles Ipswich, Bunning's, The Salvation Army, Tools and Industrial Supplies, Jennifer Howard, Jo-Ann Miller, Shayne Neumann, Bendigo Bank, Australian Hearing, Able Australia, The Ipswich City Council, QMSA and AMSA, SwichOn, and the Commonwealth Bank of Queensland, Apprenticeships Qld, Willowbank Speedway, Bill Spencer and Dulux.

“Shedders of the Month” this year have included Graham Hawkins, Garry Spicer, Roger Overell, Ted Wedmaier, Kevin Wilkinson and Kevin Pearce. John Kenneally has been nominated but has not accepted the award, nonetheless our thanks are extended to him for all that he has done for the shed and for the improvements he has made over the past year.

Neil Lee continued his speech therapy this year with assistance from shed members. We are proud to support him in all of his personal development endeavors even if he did choose to chase horses, fall over and break his fingers during the year. Well done Neil.

In closing I again thank everyone who has assisted me this year in my role as President. My thanks also go to all the wives and partners who have supported their men's attendance.

I look forward to witnessing the future direction of the shed as the new committee propels the shed forward, in a positive and fruitful manner in the year ahead.

Thank you and best wishes to you all.

Laurie Caldwell

AGENDA AGM IPSWICH MENS SHED

Opening of meeting by President

Welcome to members

Welcome to guests

Acceptance of minutes of previous AGM

Business arising from minutes of the previous AGM (that can't be addressed in general business)

ANNUAL REPORTS

President

Treasurer

Registrar

President will now declare all positions vacant and introduces the person who will chair the meeting during the election of the incoming office bearers and members of the committee

The chairman will thank the outgoing members for their efforts and contributions for the past term

Appoint of two scrutineers (if necessary for ballot papers)

ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS

President

Vice President

Junior Vice President

Secretary

Treasurer

Registrar

Publicity Officer

Electrical safety Officer

Catering officer

Committee members (5)

Chairman will state that the new management will at a later date advise of who they wish to appoint to lead their sub committees

Chairman will welcome the new management and committee members and ask them to take their

Places at the table

Chairman will now hand the meeting to the incoming President

The President will make a short address to the members\Special Resolutions or Notices on Motion

General Business

Any changes to fee structure

Notice to Bendigo Bank of any Signatory changes

Appoint Auditor

No further business the President will close the meeting and thank the members and guests for their attendance

NEW SHED IMPROVEMENTS



SHED PROJECTS



SHED PRESENTATIONS



LOOKING BACK

So much has happened in the shed in the past year and before. Do some of these bring back memories?









Whilst it is not possible to include pictures of everyone in the shed, I have endeavoured to display a cross-section of the fun, friendship, members past and present and the enjoyment to be gained from being a shedder at the Ipswich Men's Shed.

Once again, I take this opportunity to thank all those who have supported me in my role as President and who have made the task far less onerous than it might have otherwise been. As I hand over to the new regime I take the time to wish each and every one of you all the very best for the upcoming year.

I will still be around the shed a fair bit, although not quite so much as before and have already offered my services to the new President and committee in such roles as computer work, answering correspondence and the like.

I will be away for a week or two but look forward to catching up with you all upon my return.

Thank you and very best wishes - Laurie Caldwell

