### Manning Men's Shed Newsletter



An activity of the Manning Senior Citizens Centre May 2023 #05

**Editor's Note:** The purpose of this Newsletter is to showcase the involvement of MMS in various shed, community, and personal projects, plus the usual members' news. While working on your projects please remember to take photos of what you are doing or have completed, and forward these to the Hon. Editor preferably using the Shed email address, in person at the Shed on a memory stick, or file transfer via bluetooth/airdrop from a mobile phone.

Please note that Shed Newsletters can also be viewed on the Shed Website: https://mmswa.tidyhq.com/

Monday: am<br/>Tuesday am:8:30am - 1:00pm<br/>8.30 am - 1.00pmShed Projects<br/>Normal SessionWednesday am:8.30 am - 1.00pm<br/>8.30 am - 1.00pmNormal Session<br/>Women's Group<br/>Normal SessionFriday am:8:30am - 1:00pm<br/>8:30am - 1.00pmNormal Session<br/>Normal SessionSaturday am:8.30am - 1.00pmMen and Women

Monday pm: 1.00pm - 4.00pm Normal Session

Tuesday pm: Shed Closed

Wednesday pm: 1.00pm - 4.00pm Shed Projects

Thursday pm: Shed Closed Shed Closed Saturday pm: Shed Closed Shed Closed

## COVID Restrictions and Registering Attendance at the Shed

With the continuing incidences of COVID cases the Shed Committee are keeping a watch on what is happening and are flagging up the possibility of reintroducing restrictions on Shed operations.

Whilst it is unlikely that the earlier booking system will be reintroduced, the strict application of limits to the number of people in the Shed could be needed.

Shed members are no longer required to put their names on the whiteboard just inside the Shed front doors but must still sign on to the attendance sheet on the lectern near the front door. This sheet provides the Senior Citizens Centre Coordinator with a list of Shed Members who have attended a session in the Shed (a.m. and/or p.m) and paid the Centre's Daily Attendance Fee.

## Minimum Number of Members in the Shed

We are required to comply with occupational health and safety requirements defined by the State Government, the City of South Perth, and the Manning Senior Citizens Centre Committee.

The minimum number of Members in the Shed at any time is two of which one must be a Shed Supervisor.

#### Out of Hours Access to the Shed

We are also required to comply with the requirements of the Manning Senior Citizens Centre Committee during out of normal hours. The maximum number of Members in the Shed during out of normal hours periods is two of which one must be a Shed Supervisor.

Shed members can only work on Shed projects during out of normal hours periods. Work on private projects during out of normal hours is not permitted.

# Saturday and Thursday Morning Sessions Changes

To avoid confusion about which sessions/days/ weeks are for Men and which are for Women the following changes have been made:

All Saturday morning sessions are now open for both Men and Women to attend.

The Women only session will now be held on Thursday morning of every week.

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Workshop Manager: Kim Horne Workshop Supervisors: David Vicary, Allan Waugh, Ken McCrackan, Barry Textor, Rob Craig Shed Committee: Graham Rennie (Chairman), Brian Graham (Deputy Chairman), To Be Advised (Secretary), Mike Smith (Treasurer), Kim Horne, Barry Textor, Ken McCrackan (Committee Members) Training Manager: Allan Waugh Assets: Eric Goddard Newsletter Editor: Eric Goddard

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#### **April 2023 End of Month BBQ**

The April 2023 End of Month BBQ Meeting was held on Friday 29th April 2023 commencing at 1.00pm. About 25 Members and Guests enjoyed sausages and hamburgers with salad. Our cooks this time were Mike Smith with help from Ben Gunawardena and Mark White

Guests at the BBQ were Geoff Baker MLA, the local Member of the Legislative Assembly, and South Perth City Councillor Mary Choy.

#### **Shed Patron Presentation**

Geoff Baker MLA, the local Member of the Legislative Assembly, is our Patron. As Geoff was at the April End of Month BBQ Shed President Graham Rennie took the opportunity to present to him a plaque commemorating his role in the Shed.



Geoff Baker MLA receives the plaque from Graham Rennie

The plaque was made and engraved by Shed Member Barry Textor using a CNC router.

#### May 2023 End of Month BBQ

The May 2023 End of Month BBQ Meeting will be held on Friday 26th May 2023 commencing at 1.00pm.

#### **Private Lives Fundraising**

We have received a donation of \$562.50 from the fundraising event that Graham Rennie set up in partnership with the Old Mill Theatre. 45 Shed Members, partners and friends plus other attendees enjoyed a very entertaining presentation of the Noël Coward play, Private Lives, on 21st April 2023.

Our thanks to George Boyd from the Old Mill Theatre for the donation and to Graham for arranging this event.

#### **Rotary Award for Kim Horne**

Shed Manager Kim Horne recently attended a Rotary Club of Como Dinner at which he was presented with a Pride of Workmanship Award by their President Veronica Lawrence.



Kim Horne (left) receives the award from Veronica Lawrence with Shed Committee Chairman Graham Rennie

#### **Projects**

#### **Busy Bee**

A Busy Bee was held at the Shed on Saturday 29th April 2023 commencing at around 8.30am. The primary purpose was to remove the white ant affected pine timber posts in the smaller racks at the back of the Shed ready for treatment and baiting of the area. We also took the opportunity to remove unwanted items from the kitchen area and generally tidy up that area.

Two of the ladies from the Ladies Group carried out the work in the kitchen whilst the heavy lifting at the back was done by the Men.

All the timber from the smaller racks was taken out to enable it to be sorted out and unwanted pieces to be placed for disposal. Although the white ants had mainly eaten the surfaces of the pine timber posts they were contaminated with sand and could not be recovered for use. The affected pine timber posts and the unwanted other timber was placed on the verge outside the fenced off storage area and was eventually disposed of. The unaffected pine timber posts stored in the taller racks were also moved off the paving and temporarily placed under the large outside workbench inside the fenced area.



Mike Smith (left), Jorge Dos Santos (centre), and John Paisley carrying out some of the "big stuff".



Eric Goddard (nearest), Dave Vicary left, and peter Hall (facing), stacking the good pine timber posts under the large bench



Allan Waugh (left), Graeme Hudson (centre) and Kim Horne with Racky (roght with back to camera) sort out the "good stuff"

The other timber was laid out in the area near the large tree at the east end of the Shed and was sorted out to remove unwanted pieces. The good pieces were then replaced on the top of the smaller racks at the back of the Shed and will be re-stacked at a later date after spraying has been completed.



Unwanted timber stacked for removal

Shed Members enjoyed a late breakfast at tea break time with egg and bacon sandwiches cooked by Barry Textor and Graham Rennie. Some of the ladies also brought in cakes which as usual did not last long.



Shed Members enjoy breakfast (cakes at the bottom left)



Graham Rennie (cooking), and Barry Textor (serving) serve up egg and bacon sandwiches.

We are looking into having a different form of racking which will allow easier storage and retrieval of the timber

#### **Horsing Around**

It seems like the horses have heard how well we look after them. Work is currently underway on three horses.

Dave Vicary is finishing off the small white rocking horse. The leather trimming on the edge of the seat was originally just pinned in place which resulted in it not being in contact with the seat edge on the curved edges. Dave removed the pins and glued the trimming in place before re-pinning it. He has also given the paintwork a touch up. To finish off Dave attached the new "mop tail" that Eric Goddard made earlier.



The Small White Horse complete with the new "mop tail" and "ready for the off".



Frank Ginty dismantling the black metal horse

Frank Ginty is refurbishing a black metal rocking horse which swings on a metal frame. Frank removed the frame from the horse and then cleaned and repainted it. He avoided any welding work as the horse is made of thin metal. The legs and body were dismantled to allow cleaning of the existing paintwork. To avoid repainting Frank is using a very fine cutting paste to bring back the shine on the black paint on the horse.



The Antique Rocking Horse before refurbishment started



The "dead and legless" Antique Rock Horse

John Braithwaite has moved on from refurbishment of the antique baby's cradle and has taken on the job of restoring the antique wooden rocking horse that was donated to the Shed. So far he has removed the wooden legs which he found were fixed to the body using large nails (3mm gauge and about 100mm long!). Like the metal rocking horse the original dapple finish will not be removed.

#### John Paisley Garden Seat



John Paisley's "new" Garden Bench

John Paisley has recycled one of the old bench frames the Shed acquired some time ago. The benches were in a very poor state with rusted frames and old timber slats. John purchased the frames and cleaned them up. Using new bolts he fitted new jarrah slats to the frames and now has a very nice garden bench at home

#### **Dolphin Puzzle**

Max Zeller has previously made a circular parquetry featuring dolphins. He has taken it a step further to use the same pattern to make a child's



Max Zeller working on the Dolphin Puzzle

#### The Cradle Still Rocks

Last Month we featured the Antique Baby's Cradle that John Braithwaite has been working to restore. In the meantime Kate Baker, one of our Women's Group, brought in a doll's cradle in need of repair.



Kate Baker's Dolls Cradle alongside the Antiques Babies Cradle

Kate and Martin Lawton worked on the dolls cradle together.

#### **Presentation Fish**

After the completion of the Box Gallery we had one fish left and this has been used to make a presentation piece. It was a combined effort by the Women's Group, Kim Horne and Barry Textor.



Barry Textor with the Presentation Fish

#### **Bernie Keeps On Trucking**

Bernie Dierks continues to work on the Model Truck and has now completed the top of the long trailer.



The Trailer before completion of the top



The Truck with the Trailer top finished

The trailer has been fitted with rear bogie wheels and a front drop down small wheeled support.



Bernie Direkds shows off the Model Truck

#### **BBQ Shelter**

The Shed has been commissioned by the Manning Senior Citizens Centre to construct a shelter for their BBQ unit.

In a joint effort, David Vicary, Bill Barton and Frank Ginty have been fitting metal roof sheet panels to the sides and doorway of the frame designed and welded by James Turner.





Bill Barton (left), David Vicary (centre) and FRank Ginty at work constructing the BBQ Shelter

#### **Machines and Safety**

#### **Bits and Pieces**

Rob Craig is collecting those smaller bits and pieces of recyclable material that the local council says you should not put in your recycle bin. Some of the items he can take can also be recycled elsewhere like the local council library but you may find it more convenient to bring them to the Shed. Rob has placed a cardboard box on the mobile shelf just inside the kitchen door. The items that can be recycled are:

Plastic Bottle Tops
Plastic Pens and Markers
Printer Cartridges
Plastic and Cardboard Bread Bag Tags
Postage Stamps
Soy Sauce Plastic Containers
Plastic Ice Cream Containers
Empty Medicine Blister Packs
Plastic Drinking Straws
Light Globes
Steel and Aluminium Bottle or Jar Tops
Aluminium Can Ring Pulls
All Types of Batteries
Old Toothbrushes and Empty Toothpaste Tubes
Corks

Plastic Cards (Please cut up)

Rob will also take small e-waste that contains a battery i.e. Mobile Phones and Shavers - please delete all info from the phone. Apple phones later than i6 are given to DVSafe - an organisation that distributes phones to victims of domestic violence.

#### Mark to the Rescue

Shed Member Mark White is our resident expert for the 3D Printer located in the Shed Office. Mark has conducted a few training sessions for Shed members interested in using the printer. Anyone interested in more training sessions should contact Mark or the Shed Manager.

The printer has been used in the past to make small items for use in the shed such as the blade throats which are inserted on the band saws. Mark has also made parts for clamps and the panel saw.

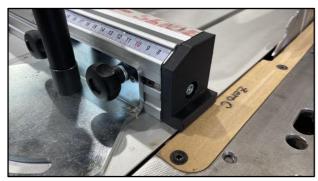
We recently had one of our plastic clamps break. Mark came to the rescue and provided a sturdy 3D printed replacement head that makes this clamp useful again.

Here is a selection of the items Mark has made.





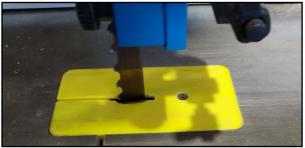
Clamp Jaws Repair and Cyclone Dust Extractor Unit



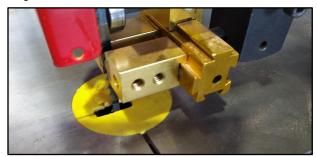
Fence End on Panel SaW



Another Fence End and some Clamp Feet



Large Band Saw Blade Throat



Small Band Saw Blade Throat

Well done. Brilliant job. Thank you Mark.

### **Manning Mens Shed Coming Events**

| Date        | Day    | Time   | Event                 |
|-------------|--------|--------|-----------------------|
| 26 May 2023 | Friday | 1.00pm | May End of Month BBQ  |
| 30 Jun 2023 | Friday | 1.00pm | June End of Month BBQ |

### **Manning Senior Citizens Centre Coming Events**

| Date        | Day       | Time    | Event  |
|-------------|-----------|---------|--|
| 17 May 2023 | Wednesday | 12.00pm | Luncheon then Free Movie "Three Thousand Years of Longing"               |
| 25 May 2023 | Thursday  | TBA     | Bus Trip   |
| 31 May 2023 | Wednesday | 10.30am | Free Scam Awareness Forum  |
| 31 May 2023 | Wednesday | 12.00pm | Luncheon   |
| 01 Jun 2023 | Thursday  | 12.00am | Winter BBQ (Inside) Mulled Wine, Good Company, Warm Atmosphere           |
| 02 Jun 2023 | Friday    | 12.00pm | WA Day Lunch with Entertainment \$25.00                                  |
| 07 Jun 2023 | Wednesday | 12.00pm | Luncheon followed by Bingo   |
| 08 Jun 2023 | Thursday  | TBA     | Bus/Train Trip to Perth Airport return (via Yagan Square)                |
| 09 Jun 2023 | Friday    | 12.00pm | Luncheon with Guest Speaker Dental Issues TBC                            |
| 10 Jun 2023 | Saturday  | ТВА     | WASO Last Night at the Proms - Royal Celebration Charles III and Camilla |
| 21 Jun 2023 | Wednesday | 12.00pm | Luncheon followed by Free Movie "Jungle Cruise"                          |