



Manning Men's Shed Newsletter

An activity of the Manning Senior Citizens Centre January 2023 #01

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 via bluetooth transfer to the computer on a mobile phone.

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

Monday to Saturday: 8:30am - 12:00pm. **Monday (except 2nd Monday) and Wednesday:** 12:00pm to 4.00pm

Saturday Opening: 1st, 3rd & 5th for men sessions (will restart in January 2023); 2nd & 4th for women sessions.

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 the Shed Manager or 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 the Shed Manager or a Shed Supervisor.

Shed Members will have received a separate email providing details of the procedure to be followed for access to the Shed out of normal hours.

COVID Restrictions and Registering Attendance at the Shed

With the possibility of a substantial increase in COVID cases the Shed Committee are keeping a watch on what is happening and are flagging up the possibility of re-introducing 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 is a likely outcome.

Over the last few weeks some Members have become complacent about putting their names on the white board inside the front door. The whiteboard is provided so that the Shed Manager or Shed Supervisor can see at a glance how full the Shed is and also know who is in the Shed.

During COVID restrictions the whiteboard will be used to monitor and manage the number of people in the Shed.

Note that Shed Members attending a session must sign on 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 records the payment of the Centre's daily \$2 Attendance Fee.

Suspension of Mens Saturday Sessions

The Saturday morning sessions for Men are expected to be reviewed in January 2023 to determine if there is sufficient interest from Shed Members to restart them. The Saturday sessions for Women have waiting lists so they will continue.

If you are interested in coming to the shed regularly on a Saturday morning please contact the Shed Manager Kim Horne or email us (email address below)

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Shed Email: mmswa@mail.tidyhq.com

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

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Skills Inventory

As a group of men and women we all have skills and talents that we have developed and enjoyed over our lifetime. Many of the skills people have are often valuable to a volunteer organisation like the men's shed.

Skills like accounting, IT, HR, electrical, plumbing, training, cooking, tool making, film making, health/medical, marketing, event promotion, public speaking, administration etc. - can all be of great value to the members of the shed.

We would like to have a skills inventory of our members who would like to contribute their skills in some small way in the shed.

Please let us know if you would like to be involved and perhaps dust off those skills in the shed. In particular, we are in urgent need of a secretary to handle incoming email (this can be done on-line from home) and take minutes at the management committee meeting every couple of months.

January 2023 End of Month BBQ

There will be an End of Month BBQ meeting on Friday 27th January 2023 commencing at 1.00pm

Projects

Due to the Christmas and New Year break there were fewer sessions than is usual and this has affected the number of projects that have been worked on by Shed Members,

John Goes Fishing

Before Christmas John Braithwaite was working on an Intarsia project to make a leaping dolphin board.



John Braithwaite working on his leaping dolphin intarsia board

Intarsia is a form of wood inlaying that is similar to marquetry. The start of the practice dates from before the seventh century AD.

John obtained a pattern from the internet and used it to cut out some templates for each of the parts. These were used to mark out the shapes on the timber pieces John had selected for each part. The timber was then cut using the scroll saw. The shapes were glued onto a backing board which is painted sky blue.

Once assembled John applied clear lacquer to highlight the grain. Because each part was made from a different type of timber this resulted in a contrast between the parts.



The pouncing Dolphins glued onto the background board

(The silvery effect on the left hand side is due to the led lights causing a reflection)

George Gets a Handle on It

George Szczepanik has a table saw at home and has made some plywood push-sticks for it. The design that George has used looks a little bit like a cricket bat with a wide section, cut at one end to push the timber, and with a shaped handle at the other end.



George Szczepanik with one of his Pusher Sticks

Those Tables Again

Ambrose Hargan took a rest from chair weaving and carried out some table restoration. This small table was worked on in 2022 and needed a final wax polish.



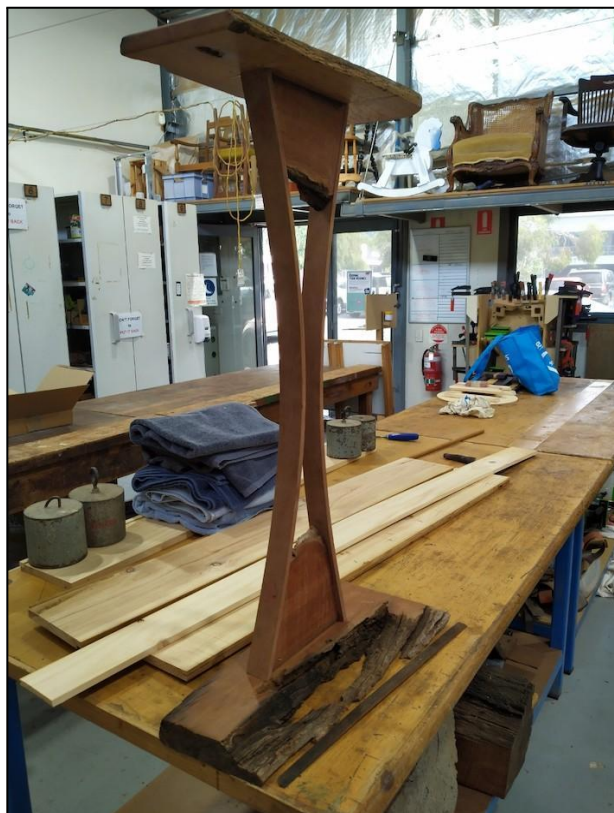
Ambrose Hargan rubbing in the wax to finish the table top

Martin Lawton also took a rest from the chairs to do some table restoration. His table was a large one with short legs. Martin got down to giving the table top a final sanding and then applied the stain before giving the table top a wax and polish finish.



Martin Lawton gets down to waxing and polishing the table

Talking about tables, Brett Goodwin has made another jarrah Wall Table.



Brett Goodwin's second Wall Table

Donated Furniture Items

In early December 2022 we received a call from someone who was moving house and had some items of furniture which they wanted to donate. We sent Barry Textor and Paul Loraine round to the house to bring the items back to the Shed.



The furniture items donated to the Shed

The items include three different types of chairs, a rocking horse, and a rocking cradle for a child. They are currently stored on the north wall shelf and will be refurbished for sale to raise funds for Shed operations.

Mike's Bench Seat

In December Mike Smith constructed a park type bench from jarrah that was destined to be used as firewood.

Over the break he has finished it and it now sits nicely in his garden.



Mike Smith's Bench

Children's Door Signs

Shoichi Nakanishi is never without some work to do and he has become our guru for the CNC Router machine.

Lately he has cut some door signs for children's doors.



Childrens Door Signs

Apart from the sign with the child's name, he has a cut second sign which has the child's hand and feet symbols cut into it.

Dave Sharpens Up

David Vicary has used the knife sharpening belt sander in the Metal Workshop to sharpen an axe brought in by a client.



David Vicary sharpening an axe

Brian Turns Out

Brian Langley was amongst the first of Shed members to start back at the Shed in early January 2023. As it turns out Brian had been turning his hand at turning some wooden plates on the wood turning lathe.



Brian Langley shows off two of his plates

Horses for Courses

In addition to the old rocking horse donated to the shed we have received a couple more from clients for restoration.

There is the big brown one which is stabled next to the Crib Room door waiting for some tender loving care.



The Big Brown Horse

A smaller white one, which Howard Smythe has been working on, is stabled on the north wall shelf.



The Little White Horse

If any Shed Member has experience grooming horses we hope you might be able to put these horses into show condition! Seriously though if you feel you can take on the job of refurbishing one of them please contact Shed Manager Kim Horne

Machines and Safety

Festool Vacuum cleaner

A new Festool CTM 26E Vacuum Cleaner has been purchased for use with orbital sanders being used in the Garage Workshop. Please ensure that it is returned to that area if it is used elsewhere.

Ryobi Battery Operated Circular Saw

This item was donated by a Tradie and is stored in the compactus unit with the other battery operated hand tools. It uses the Ryobi One+ batteries

Manning Mens Shed Coming Events

Date	Day	Time	Event
27 Jan 2023	Friday	1.00pm	End of Month BBQ
24 Feb 2023	Friday	1.00pm	End of Month BBQ

Manning Senior Citizens Centre Coming Events

Date	Day	Time	Event
25 Jan 2023	Wednesday	12.00pm	Australia Day Lunch \$25.00
01 Feb 2023	Wednesday	12.00pm	Luncheon followed by Bingo at 1.00pm
03 Feb 2023	Friday	12.00pm	Luncheon Guest Speaker
15 Feb 2023	Wednesday	12.00pm	Luncheon followed by Free Movie at 1.00pm
01 Mar 2023	Wednesday	12.00pm	Luncheon followed by Bingo at 1.00pm