



Manning Men's Shed Newsletter

An activity of the Manning Senior Citizens Centre September 2022 #09

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 via email to the Shed email address or in person at the Shed on a memory stick.

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 (see note below re suspension of these sessions; 2nd & 4th for women).

Shed Committee Chairman for 2022/23

The Shed Committee for 2022/23 had its first meeting on Thursday 18th August 2022 with the meeting being chaired by Vice Chairman Brian Graham.

Subsequent to the meeting Graham Rennie agreed to take on the position of Chairman and has been appointed to that position. Our congratulations and thanks to Graham for taking on this role.

Background from Graham Rennie

For people who know me, news of me becoming Shed Chairman comes as much a surprise to me as it no doubt does to you. I see it as an honour to follow our previous Chairman Keith Hayes who has left some pretty big boots to fill.

My background is, I'm a son of an Army officer who moved around through various towns and cities on the East Coast finally landing in Gosford on the central coast of NSW. It was at school where my love of woodwork was kindled by a wonderful woodwork teacher and my concern at the accuracy of metal work was formed (my fearsome metalwork teacher would complain my work was a 1/16" out).

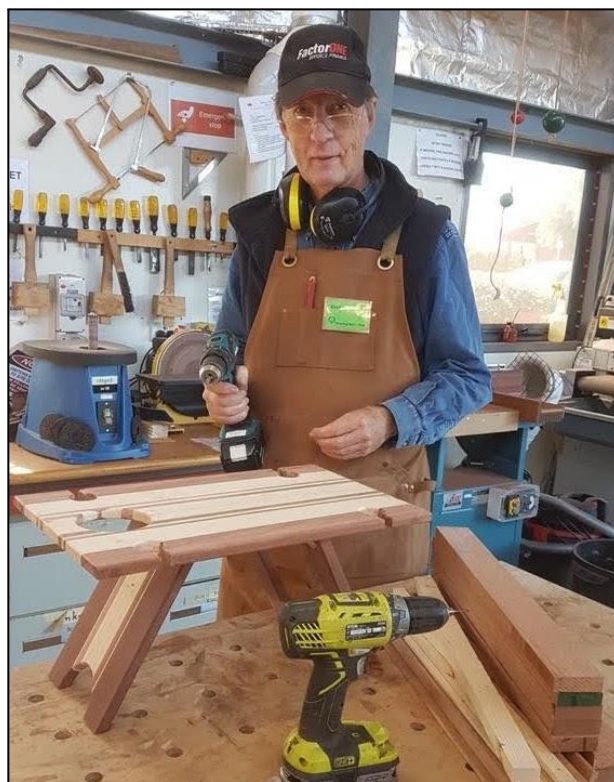
After completing my studies in Geology and Computer Science in Sydney, I hitch hiked to WA and met my wife Robyn. We now have 3 adult children and 8 grandkids who keep us on our toes.

Having worked in various roles in the mining, computing and telecommunications industries, I have retired and enjoy picking up the threads of the

woodwork I enjoyed so many years ago now under the guidance of a new woodwork teacher - Kim.

My interests include playing bridge, kayaking, tennis and live theatre.

I look forward to working with a team at the shed and not making as much firewood as I used to.



Graham Rennie at work in the Shed

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Workshop Managers: Kim Horne, Rob Craig, David Vicary **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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Shed Manager and Shed Supervisors

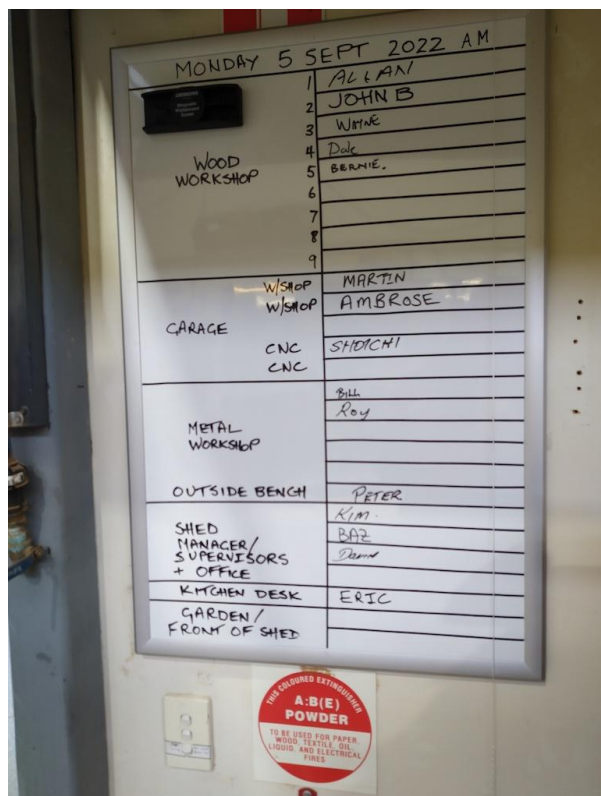
The Shed Management arrangements have been revised. There will be a single Shed Manager for the overall management of the Shed. A number of Shed Supervisors, responsible to the Shed Manager, will be rostered to manage the operation of the Shed during the daily sessions.

Kim Horne is continuing in the role of Shed Manager with David Vicary, Ken McCrackan, Rob Craig, Rob Goldfinch, and Allan Waugh taking on the role of Shed Supervisor.

The Shed Manager and Shed Supervisors will wear an additional badge to identify them.

New System for the Shed Roster

Shed Members will have received an email about a trial of a new system for managing the Shed Roster. The trial will continue until the end of September when it will be reviewed and a decision made to continue it or otherwise



The new Roster Board on the wall in the Shed

Suspension of Mens Saturday Sessions

Members should note that the Shed Committee has decided, due to lack of sufficient numbers, to suspend the Saturday sessions for Men until the end of September. This will be reflected in the weekly rosters for September.

It is not fair to the volunteer Shed Supervisors to be coming in on a Saturday when nobody turns

up. The Saturday sessions for Women have waiting lists so they will continue.

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.

August 2022 BBQ Meeting

The August 2022 BBQ Meeting was held on Friday 26th August commencing at 1.00pm. About 25 Shed Members enjoyed a traditional sausage or hamburger sizzle. Thanks to Mike Harrison who did the preparation and cooking.



Mike Harrison (left) at the BBQ

Graham Rennie introduced John Dodman representing the Rotary Club of Como and thanked him for the donation recently given to the Shed for purchase of Tools and Machines. John was later shown the recently purchased Hammer Panel Saw.



Shed Members listen to John Dodman

John Dodman spoke about their ongoing Buddy Bench project in which we had been involved. John also spoke about other projects that the Rotary Club are involved in, most notably their upcoming Car Show and Wine Dinner in October.

September 2022 BBQ Meeting

The September 2022 BBQ Meeting will be held on Friday 30th September commencing at 1.00pm.

Dinner at the Pines Restaurant

On the evening of Wednesday 17th August about 20 Shed members enjoyed a social evening out with their partners at the Bentley TAFE Pines Restaurant. The restaurant is opposite Curtin University in Hayman Drive and is a training facility for students studying certificates in the hospitality industry.



Shed Members and partners at the Pines Restaurant

We were seated at 3 large round tables and meals were served by the students who were supervised by TAFE staff. We enjoyed a three course meal with tea or coffee.

Busy Bee at the Shed

Another Busy Bee will be held at the Shed on Saturday 24th September 2022 commencing at 8.00am. Members should have received an email

about registering. A BBQ will be held after the busy bee at about 12.30pm

Como Rotary Classic Car Show

The Rotary Club of Como is holding its 11th Classic Car Show at Wesley College on Sunday 2nd October 2022 from 10.00am to 3.00pm. Entry is \$10.00 per adult person and \$2.00 for a child under 18 years of age. The Club is a major sponsor of the Shed and funds raised at this event go to the Rotary Club and to Wesley College charities.

The Rotary Club is seeking volunteers to help them on the entrance gates and the Shed will need some help with the stall we are having at the show. Let John Van Dieren know if you can help on the gates (0403 247 815) and let Rob Craig know if you can help at the stall <mmswa@mail.tidyhq.com>

Como Rotary Wine Appreciation Dinner

The Rotary Club of Como is also holding a Wine Appreciation Dinner on Friday 7th October 2022 at Southcare Central, 19 Pether Road Manning 6.00pm for a 6.30pm start. The Dinner, which is a fundraising evening of dinner and wine tasting of Howling Wolves Wines (presented by their representative, Martin van Rees), is open to friends and associates of the Rotary club.

Orders for local home delivery will be taken on the night. Try before you buy. The dinner, crackers, cheese, and wine tasting, is \$40 per head. A raffle will be drawn on the night for a select dozen of rare and unusual premium wines that wine lovers will envy. The bottles in the prize are valued between \$20 and \$130 per bottle. Raffle tickets are \$10 each or 3 tickets for \$20.

Proceeds from the evening and the wine sales will be applied to Rotary's extensive community work, both locally and internationally. Ask a Rotarian for details or come along to a Club meeting.

RSVP by Tuesday 4th October 2022 (Numbers are Limited) to Kim Larsen <sparks06@bigpond.net.au> or 0408 958 332 or Tim Davey <timothyd@plan4.net.au> or 0414 943 632

Videos on Youtube

The Shed Committee is keen to have videos of Members working on projects in the Shed on youtube - about 2 minutes in length. This will help to show the type of work that is and can be undertaken in the Shed.

The Hon Editor of the Newsletter, Eric Goddard, has been asked to take some videos but Shed Members may wish to arrange for them to be taken, especially when he is not at the Shed.

Shed Members will be asked if they wish to participate prior to any video being taken.

Bunnings Fathers Day Sausage Sizzle

Six Shed Members operated a sausage sizzle stall at the Bunnings store on Saturday 27th August 2022. This was in response to a request from Bunnings to operate the stall on their behalf for a pre Fathers Day function.

Bunnings supplied all the food, drinks, and the BBQ stall and donated a \$150 voucher to the Shed. Rob Craig organised the volunteers on behalf of the Shed.



Left to right, Ken McCrackan, Rob Craig, and Ben Gunawardena

We also set up our own stall to sell some of the items that had been made at the Shed for fundraising activities such as this. Rob was helped on the day by Ken McCrackan, Ben Gunawardena to look after the for sale items whilst John Van Dieren and Mike Harrison did the cooking with Mike Smith doing the serving.

Projects

John Paisley Picnic Tables for COSP

John Paisley has just made his 399th folding picnic table. It was one of a group of three that he made as a donation to the City of South Perth.



John Paisley making the folding picnic tables

The three tables were included in the City of South Perth's Discover South Perth Picnic Prize Pack competition which closed on Wednesday 31 August 2022. Apart from the hinges and the magnet these tables are made from offcut timber. John does some of the work at home but finishes and assembles the tables in the Shed.

The City of South Perth were celebrating the launch of their new Discover South Perth app and walking trail by offering the three picnic tables as prizes in the competition. Entry into the competition was free to anyone who took a walk through the local history walking trail or the Mindeerup Art Walk and shared a photo with the City.

George's Boxes

George Szczepanik has continued working on boxes. After refurbishing the old portable desk box last month he has recently made a couple of different types of box for his own use.

The first two boxes, in which he will keep oil stones, were made from jarrah and the top and bottom were identical with the oil stone sitting half way in the bottom.

The recess for the oil stone was cut on the CNC Router by Shoichi Nakanishi.



George Szczepanik fitting an oil stone into one of his boxes

The second set of boxes were three plain oblong boxes with lids. George, who was assisted by Zac, made them as enclosed boxes which were then cut on the Laguna Bandsaw to give a box plus lid.

The outside of the enclosed boxes were sanded before cutting and after cutting George used the flat sanding table to smooth the cut edges.

Keith "Promoted to the Bench"

Keith Hayes no longer takes the Chair at meetings but has been promoted to the "Bench". That is he has taken up the job of refurbishing the old metal frame benches that are stored in the Shed garden near the Container.

With help from a number of Shed Members the slats from the benches have been removed (the bolts were rusted tight and were removed using an angle grinder).

Keith has been sanding the slats ready for them to be repainted. Keith normally works in the garden, where numbers are not restricted, so that he does not take up a place inside the Shed. He has been working on the table at the front of the Shed or on a bench at the east side of the Shed near the Metal Workshop.



Keith Hayes sanding a slat from the bench

Mike Smith Racing Cars

Treasurer Mike Smith will not be replacing Daniel Ricciardo in the F1 racing but has instead turned his hand to making racing cars. Model cars kits that is. All 200 of them !!

Mike was asked to make model racing cars for the children at St Pius X Primary School - just down Ley Street from the Shed. The school has a long ramp on which model cars can be raced, 4 at a time.

Instead of just making a lot of cars Mike decided to make it more interesting for the children by providing racing car kits which the children had to assemble beforehand.

The event was a "roaring" success as it is estimated that nearly two thirds of the school's families turned out to be involved.



Children and their families assembling the cars

Some of the cars being tested on the ramp

Mike's Gate-leg Table Update

Last month we highlighted the work being done on Mike Harrison's Gate-leg Table. Your Hon Editor got the facts wrong though.

The main table frame was not the one stored up on the overhead shelf in Shed but another one that Mike made with fixed legs that are the same shape as the gate legs. The frame was made from the same material as the legs ie plywood not pine wood. As stated previously all the V shaped legs were made from two identical pieces cut from a plywood sheet using the CNC Router Machine

Mike was recently in the shed putting brackets onto the gate-legs ready for fitting them to the frame with hinges.



Mike Harrison shows how the Gate-legs are attached

James gets a Grip

James Turner has made up a welded mobile frame on which is mounted a large high quality Dawn vice.

Two small wheels on short pieces of square tube, which fit inside the ends of the rear cross bar, enable the frame to be moved around.



The mobile vice frame

Display Panels

Allan Waugh, with some help from John Paisley has made three sets of three folding display panels. Each panel is 1.8m high and 1.1m wide.

The panels were made for the Swancare Show Committee at Bentley Park to hang quilts and other display items at their annual show.



The three sets of panels for hanging quilts

John Paisley Again

John Paisley is always busy with a project. Having recently made some bird boxes he has now made 4 bird feeders using the same donated timber boards.

A bird feeder is essentially an open bird box without a front and back. Seeds and other goodies can be placed in a container on top of the base where it is easy for the birds to reach.



John Paisley oiling the bird feeders.

Machines and Safety

Workshop Items For Sale

The following items in the Shed are for Sale:

1. Router Table (with tools, the Router complete with the raising and lowering mechanism but not the router cutting bits)
2. The Hafco Table Saw
3. Miscellaneous Hand Power Tools

Please contact Eric Goddard at the Shed to view these items

Sherwood Band Saw Back

The small Sherwood Band Saw is now back in the Shed after being away for a while to be repaired. Shed Members please note that you must not use the saw without supervision if you have not been assessed, by a Gold Badge Shed Member, as competent to use it. Please also note that the limits for cutting curves are displayed on the side of the saw and must be complied with to avoid damaging the machine.

Arrangements for training and assessment for the Band Saw can be made by consulting with the Shed Manager or one of the Shed Supervisors.

New Panel Saw

A new Hammer Panel Saw has been installed in the Shed to replace the old Hafco Table Saw.

This saw operates differently to the old one and Shed Members are not permitted to operate it unsupervised by an authorised Gold Badge Member unless they have received training and have been assessed as competent to use it.

Group Training, conducted by Shed Manager Kim Horne, commenced recently and can be carried out immediately after morning tea on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, when Kim is at the Shed. Arrangements for training and assessment for the Panel Saw can also be made by consulting with the Shed Manager or one of the Shed Supervisors.



Kim Horne conducting training on the Hammer Panel Saw

Shoichi Has Zero Tolerance

When cutting thin strips on the saw the normal insert plate around the blade will result in the strips falling inside the machine. To prevent this from occurring it is essential that a zero tolerance (clearance) insert plate is used. Shoichi Nakanishi recently made a precision zero tolerance insert plate for the new panel saw.



Shoichi Nakanishi fitting the zero tolerance insert plate

He carefully measured up and designed the new zero tolerance insert plate which was machined on the CNC router. It was then screwed into place on the panel saw with the riving knife removed. The saw was then turned on and the blade lifted to cut the blade slot from below. The insert was then removed, turned end for end and clamped over the blade so that the slot could be lengthened to allow for the riving knife.

The zero tolerance insert is for use only with the blade set vertically. The original wider tolerance insert plate needs to be put back in place for cutting angled cuts up to 45 degrees.

A great piece of work Soichi!!

Bill Gets Shafted!

The Jointer machine has been out of service for a few weeks after the motor on it burnt out. A new larger motor was purchased but the shaft on it was bigger and the old pulley would not fit.

Peter Repton and Bill Barton used the big metalwork lathe to bore out a bigger hole in the pulley and then hand-cut a new keyway. The pulley and the keyway needed to be a tight fit on the motor drive shaft

The use of a larger motor is expected to minimise the risk of it burning out again.

The work to install and test the new motor is expected to be completed before the end of September 2022.



Bill Barton fitting the modified pulley to the new motor



If your garage is like this please do not bring your stuff to the Shed!!!!

Manning Mens Shed Coming Events

Date	Time	Day	Event
24 Sep 2022	8.30am	Saturday	Busy Bee at the Shed
22 Sep 2022	All day	Thursday	Closed for the Special Queens Day of Mourning Public Holiday
26 Sep 2022	All day	Monday	Closed for the "Queens" Birthday WA Public Holiday
30 Sep 2022	1.00pm	Friday	Shed End of Month BBQ
02 Oct 2022	10.00am	Sunday	Rotary Club of Como Classic Car Show at Wesley College
07 Oct 2022	6.00pm	Friday	Rotary Club of Como Wine Appreciation Dinner at Southcare

Manning Senior Citizens Centre Coming Events

Date	Day	Time	Event
21 Sep 2022	Wednesday	12.00pm	Luncheon followed by Free Movie "The King's Man" Spy Action
22 Sep 2022	All day	Thursday	Closed for the Special Queens Day of Mourning Public Holiday
26 Sep 2022	All day	Monday	Closed for the "Queens" Birthday WA Public Holiday
29 Sep 2022	Thursday	TBA	Bus Trip
05 Oct 2022	Wednesday	12.00pm	Luncheon followed by Bingo
12 Oct 2022	Wednesday	12.00pm	Luncheon with Guest Speaker
19 Oct 2022	Wednesday	11.00am	Manning Senior Citizens Centre Annual General Meeting
19 Oct 2022	Wednesday	12.00pm	Luncheon
01 Nov 2022	Tuesday	TBA	Melbourne Cup Sweep
02 Nov 2022	Wednesday	12.00pm	Luncheon followed by Bingo
25 Nov 2022	Thursday	TBA	Bus Trip