

# Manning Men's Shed Inc Newsletter

An activity of the Manning Senior Citizens Centre September 2023 #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 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.tidyhg.com/

Monday: am8:30am - 1:00pmShed ProjectsTuesday am:8:30 am - 1.00pmNormal SessionWednesday am:8:30 am - 1.00pmNormal SessionThursday am:8:30 am - 1.00pmWomen's GroupFriday am:8:30am - 1:00pmNormal 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 Friday pm: Shed Closed Saturday pm: Shed Closed Shed Closed

# Registering Attendance at the Shed

Shed Members 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 Workshop 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 Workshop 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.

#### **Membership Renewals**

In June 2023 Shed Members received an email advising that their 2022/2023 Membership subscription had expired and was due for renewal for 2023/2024. This email was generated by the membership management facility in Tidyhq and provided an online link through which Members could pay the renewal amount specified. Note that the amount specified is for Membership of the Manning Men's Shed only.

Due to our connection with the Manning Senior Citizens Centre (MSCC), Shed Members will also have to separately pay to the Centre their membership fee. This additional payment is necessary to ensure that Shed Members are covered by the Centre's insurance (under the present arrangements the Shed does not have its own insurance cover).

Shed Members should show the MSCC receipt to the Shed Manager (or to his designated person) so that it can be copied for Shed records. This arrangement will continue until the Shed has set up its own insurance arrangements. Please note that, following Incorporation, Shed Members can now only renew their Shed Membership online.

# **City of South Perth Tip Passes**

As Shed does not receive any Tip Passes we are requesting Shed Members living in the City of South Perth, who do not use theirs, to bring them to the Shed.

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# **August 2023 End of Month BBQ**

The August 2023 End of Month BBQ was held on Friday 25th August 2023 commencing at 1.00pm with 20 Members attending.

#### September 2023 End of Month BBQ

The September 2023 End of Month BBQ will be held on Friday 29th September 2023 commencing at 1.00pm. Costs is \$5.00 per person

# **Applying For Grants**

Now that the Shed is an incorporated association we can apply for grants in our own name. The Shed is advised regularly of grants that are available and we need a person with some high level skills to apply for some of these grants as they come up. The grants officer would be supported by the Shed Management Team.

If you are interested in helping the Shed in this important role please contact the Shed Office

# **Rotary Club of Como Car Show**

The Rotary Club of Como will be holding their 12th Classic Car Show on Saturday 1st October 2023 at Wesley College between 10.0am and 2.00pm. Entry is \$10.00 for adults and \$2.00 for children under 18 years of age.

The Shed will have a stall at the event primarily to show what the Shed does with a few items for sale. We will need some help to set up, operate, and pack up the stall and Shed Members who can assist should place their name onto the sheet provided in the Crib Room. Two Sessions are proposed 9.00am to 12.00pm and 12.00pm to 3.00pm (includes set up and pack up time)

# Celebrating 30 Years of Shedding in Australia - Arts and Crafts Birthday BBQ Event at the Shed

We hosted an Arts and Craft Birthday BBQ event, open to the public, at the Shed on Saturday 9th September 2023 between 10.00am and 3.00pm. activities included:

- Exhibition of Members work with items for sale
- Working demonstrations: woodwork, jewellery, metalwork.
- CNC names cut from template
- Antique and general furniture for sale
- old tools and bric-a-brac for sale.
- Music and poetry reading
- Welcome pack for prospective members
- BBQ, cup cakes, and tea or coffee

Our thanks to Shed Members, their wives, partners and friends, who baked over 100 cupcakes.

Special thanks to Mike Harrison who organised and cooked the sausage sizzle BBQ

About \$3000 was raised for Shed funds through the sale of items made or refurbished in the shed, and from the BBQ, cupcake and tea/coffee sales. A fantastic team effort from Shed members led by Project Leader Kim Horne.

The City of South Perth Mayor, Greg Milner, attended and commented on the good turnout from the local community.

Thanks to Shed Members Kim Horne, Eric Goddard, Rob Craig, David Vicary, Graham Rennie, Stan Mack, Allan Waugh, John Van Dieren, Brett Goodwin, Ben Gunawardena, Ken McCrackan, Peter Repton, Gwen Sputore, Gail Ware, Robyn Ball and all other Shed members who assisted on the day.



A sample of the cupcakes

Leftover cupcakes were put into the freezer and taken out to be enjoyed by Shed Members during the following weekday session



Mike Harrison cooking sausages and onions.

The area under the trees was later full of people talking and enjoying the sausage sizzle.



Brain Langley "waxing lyrical"

A special thanks to Brian Langley, our resident, bush poet, who waxed lyrical at the front of the Shed and assisted by doing a bit of spruiking.

Items for sale were placed in tables in the bus garage and on the workbenches in the Wood Workshop



Items for display in the bus garage area

Demonstrations were given by Shed Members in the Wood and Metal Workshops and other Shed Members showed people and prospective Members the Shed facilities.



Demonstrations and Discussions in the Shed



Open Day Project Leader Kim Horne (left) with Shed Chairman Graham Rennie (centre) and City of South Perth Mayor Greg Milner

David Vicary had a display of knives he had made for sale. Shed Members also helped with the sale of items and Treasurer John Van Dieren was kept busy taking cash and card payments.



David Vicary's knife display

Rob Craig set up a display of large clocks that he had made on the wall in the garage.

There were also some small Christmas trees with bangles, which the Women's Group had made, for sale .



Wooden Christmas Trees made by the Women's Group

# City of South Perth Workshops at the Shed

On behalf of the City of South Perth the Shed hosted two workshops as part of their Evolve Arts Events and Culture Winter Program for 2023.

The first workshop was held on the Saturday 19th August 2023 and attendees were helped by Shed Members to go through the process of creating a beautiful necklace and earring set. Attendees were able to choose from two different designs with each design incorporating polished timber and beads.



A full Shed at the first workshop



Kim Horne demonstrates how the beads should be arranged on the necklace to give an artistic effect.



Barry Textor explains the finer points of making earrings

The second workshop was held a week later on Saturday 26th August 2023 and attendees were helped by Shed Members to assemble pre-cut wooden caddies and add decorative finishes to them.



The caddie kits ready for the workshop



A finished caddie with a decorative finish

Kim Horne was Project Leader for the two workshops and all materials were prepared in kit form beforehand. Most importantly, the cutting of the wooden shapes used for the earrings and the caddy kits was done by Barry Textor using a CNC Router.



Kim Horne (centre) with two of the Caddy Makers

# **Projects**

#### Ben Makes a Stand

Ben Gunawardena has made a flower pot stand for his wife. He used the last of the pine slats that were donated to the Shed a while back.



Ben Gunawardena's Flower Pot Stand

# James and the "Mouses Houses"

Members may have noticed a lot of thick walled grey plastic piping stored at the Shed. These pipes are being cut into short sections and then in half. These are "houses for mouses".

We made some similar ones a while ago from white thin walled plastic. They are used for research projects related to controlling mouse plagues. Apart from the fact that the mice seemed to like gnawing the thin walled white houses they were found unsuitable to be washed after use. The thick walled grey ones will survive the conclave washing process.



The plastic pipe before cutting



The Mouses Houses ready to go

We have been asked to make 10 lots of 1000 of the houses. James Turner has taken on the job which he expects to extend over a few months. He has made a jig to fit onto a circular saw to make the long cuts needed to split the pipe into two halves.

## Mike Gets Ready For Bed

A client recently asked us to make a large bed frame to fit into the back of his van. Mike Harrison undertook the job using pine from our timber stock.



Mike Harrison working on the bed frame with the client

Still on the subject of beds, John Braithwaite has recently completed the restoration of the Babies Crib. He made some internal panels which he

covered with foam and a nice blue material. The panels were glued to the inside of the crib. Finally the outside of the Crib was lightly stained and waxed to give it a lovely finish.



John Braithwaite with the completed Crib

John has put a lot of fine woodworking skills into the refurbishment of the Crib and this shows in the completed job. Well done to John

## **Women's Group Christmas Trees**

We mentioned that the Women's Group had small Christmas Trees with bangles on sale at the recent Open Day. There are still some available for sale.



Women's Group Christmas trees for sale

# Wayne and the Dog Dinners

A client asked us to make a couple of stands for holding dog's dinner plates about 45cm off the ground.

We have made similar stands before and Wayne Mortimore has taken on the job. He has used pine boards joined together with diamond biscuits to make the sides and top. A hole was cut in the top to take the dinner bowl.



Wayne Mortimore making the dog bowl holders

# **Fish Displays**

We mentioned that we had sold the Box Gallery fish display boxes at the Open Day. Ben Gunawardena has been adding the finishing touches to the boxes before they are delivered.

Ben can be seen in the background of the above photo working on one of the boxes.

# **Machines and Safety**

## Steel Cupboard

Peter Repton and James Turner were very busy in the metal workshop building what looked like a steel dunny! However it turned out that they were building a steel storage cupboard to replace the old wooden one (made some time ago from a packing case for one of the larger machines in the metal workshop) near the south east corner of the Shed.

James welded the frame and with Peter fitted corrugated steel sheets to form the sides, back, front door, and the roof. They also fitted a lockable bolt to the front door. Shelves have been fitted on the inside left of the cupboard with the right side left as full height for longer items.

Amongst other larger tools the longer sash clamps are stored in the cupboard. The new cupboard is clearly more robust than the old wooden one and is more architecturally suited to its location!



Peter Repton (left) and James Turner with their storage cupboard

# **Dressed up Drills**

The shelf in the compactus where the battery operated drills were stored was always a bit messy. Eric Goddard has made a sloping wooden rack into which the barrels of drills can be inserted to provide a much tidier arrangement.

Eric used timber he recovered from the recent Busy Bee throw out pile.



Battery Operated Drill Storage Rack

**Stop Press:** MSCC expresses thanks to Mens Shed Members who helped at their 40th Anniversary Dinner. John Paisley, Eric Goddard, Brett Goodwin and his wife

# **Manning Mens Shed Coming Events**

Date	Day	Time	Event
29 Sep 2023	Friday	1.00pm	September End of Month BBQ
01 Oct 2023	Sunday	9.00am	Shed Stall at the Rotary Classic Car Show
27 Oct 2023	Friday	1.00pm	October End of Month BBQ

# **Manning Senior Citizens Centre Coming Events**

Date	Day	Time	Event
28 Sep 2023	Thursday	TBA	WASO Morning Melodies Bus Trip - booking essential
04 Oct 2023	Wednesday	12.00pm	Luncheon followed by Bingo
12 Oct 2023	Friday	12.00pm	Bus Trip to Patsy Durack Rose Garden \$15.00 (Bus + \$10.00 Entry). PYO Lunch at Embers Restaurant
18 Oct 2023	Wednesday	11.00am	MSSC AGM meeting then Luncheon \$10.00 booking required
25 Oct 2023	Wednesday	12.00pm	Luncheon + free Movie "Lamborghini-Man Behind the Legend"
27 Oct 2023	Friday	12.00pm	Luncheon with Guest Speaker
01 Nov 2023	Wednesday	12.00pm	Luncheon followed by Bingo
06 - 12 Nov	All Week	Daily	Seniors Week All Activities Free Trial Open to the public
07 Nov 2023	Tuesday	12.00pm	Melbourne Cup Sweep (\$1,\$2,\$5 Stakes) Luncheon \$25.00
15 Nov 2023	Wednesday	12.00	Luncheon then free move "Mrs Harris goes to Paris"