

# Manning Men's Shed Inc Newsletter

An Association Incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act 2015 November 2023 #11

**Editor's Note:** This Newsletter showcases 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: 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

#### 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.

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

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 the 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.

#### **Membership Renewals**

Shed Mobile Telephone Number 0417 683 262 Shed Email: mmswa@mail.tidyhq.com

Workshop Supervisors: Kim Horne, David Vicary, Ken McCrackan, Barry Textor, Allan Waugh, Bill Barton, Graeme Hudson, Frank Ginty Shed Committee: Graham Rennie (Chairman), Mike Smith (Deputy Chairman), John Van Dieren (Treasurer), Kim Horne, Barry Textor, Ken McCrackan, Brian Graham (Committee Members) Training Manager: Allan Waugh Assets: Eric Goddard Newsletter Editor: Eric

Goddard Safety Manager: Barry Textor

Manning Senior Citizens Centre: Glenn Rogers 9450 6273

# **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

#### October 2023 End of Month BBQ

The October 2023 End of Month BBQ was held on Friday 27th October 2023 commencing at 1.00pm. About 20 Shed members attended to hear our guest speaker, RUOK? Community Ambassador, Adam Przytula, talk about issues to do with Depression.

Adam, from Perth Western Australia, is the Founder and Director of Armed For Life and is an R U OK? Community Ambassador and has been a speaker for 21 years. Adam is passionate about spreading the R U OK? message because of his experience of school. Being bullied every day of high school and struggling at home led to experiencing depression and anxiety and having a suicide plan in year 10 – which fuels his passion for helping others. Even though Adam has only been an ambassador since 2020 RUOK Day has been the busiest day of the year with Armed for Life – because the message is so closely aligned with the values and mission of the organisation he has founded.

Adam's topic is on how to notice signs that someone might be struggling in the community, how to ask 'are you ok' meaningfully and where to refer for help if required and hear how an R U OK? conversation can make a difference.



Mike Harrison cooking (left) Chairman Graham Rennie introduces Guest Speaker Adam Przytula (right)

As always, Mike Harrison cooked delicious sausages or hamburgers with a roll and salad. Thanks Mike.



Adam Przytula speaking to members (top left)

#### **November 2023 End of Month Function**

Join us for a fun evening of "Barefoot Lawn Bowls" to be held at Como Bowling and Recreation Club on Friday 24 November 2023 starting at 5.00pm.



**Barefoot Bowls** 

This function will be instead of the November EOM barbeque. A selection of platters will be provided, buy your own drinks from the bar (prices are quite reasonable). As the club is licensed, no BYO is permitted. The area allocated to our function is the alfresco area. All MMS Members (all classes of membership) and spouses/partners are invited.

Due to club facilities and available greens, the number of attendees is limited to 40. First in, best dressed. The cost of the function is \$20 per person, please pay via Tidyhq by Friday 17th November 2023. The club will provide several coaches to explain the finer points of the game.

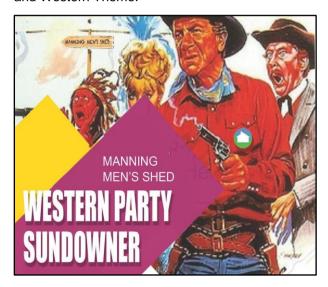
Como Bowling and Recreation Club is located at 99 Hensman Street, Manning, South Perth. We look forward to seeing some of you on the night.

#### For tickets:

https://mmswa.tidyhq.com/public/schedule/events/55871-november-barefoot-lawn-bowls-evening

#### **Shed 2023 Christmas Party Sundowner**

The Shed will hold a Christmas Party Sundowner Function at the "Old Barn", 3 Downey Drive, Manning, on Friday 15th December 2023 from 4.00pm till 7.30pm. The function will have a Country and Western Theme.



So put on your spurs and ten-gallon hats, hitch up your "horses", and join us. Drinks supplied (Beer, Wine and Soft). Please bring a Western style hamper picnic basket. A fun auction of the hampers will be held and be prepared for a culinary surprise. Funds raised will offset the costs to the Shed.

There will be a prize for best Western Outfit

Further information will be sent closer to the date.

#### **Manning Farmers Market Stall**

The Shed will have a stall at the Manning Farmers Markets on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2023. We are seeking the assistance of Shed members to help set up, operate, and pack up the stall as well make items for sale on the stall.

The Markets run from 07.30am to 12.30pm but we will need to set up before and pack up after these times. Members can volunteer for two 3-hour sessions, 7.00am to 10.00am and/or 10.00am to 1.00pm. If you can help, please enter your name onto the sheet on the table in the Shed Kitchen for the selected sessions.

You can also help by making items for sale. With Christmas coming Christmas related items, toys or other items for Christmas presents would be appropriate. Please let the Shed Supervisor know that you wish to help in making items for sale.

# **Shed Hours for the Holiday Period**

Please note that the Shed Workshops will be closed for the Christmas Break at 1.00pm on Friday 22nd December 2023.

Shed opening hours for the rest of the holiday period are currently being considered by the Shed Committee but in any case, will be subject to the availability of a Shed Supervisor. It is most likely that the Shed will be open for Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday for morning sessions only. This arrangement is planned to start on Wednesday 27th December 2023 and continue until the Committee finalises the arrangements for 2024.

Shed Members will be advised by email of the final arrangements before 22nd December 2023.

#### **Keep on Recycling**

Rob Craig is pleased to give his thanks all those Members who have supported him to recycle the small items we would normally put in the rubbish bin.

The box which he has provided for collecting items is regularly full and Rob takes it to a group who sort out the items and arrange for them to go to the appropriate place for recycling.

The cardboard box is normally on the trolley at the back of the garage next to the CNC Router Table. Its easy to find as it has a colourful label on it showing all the items you can recycle. They are mainly small items like small metal and plastic bottle lids, empty medication strips, toothpastes tubes and toothbrushes (including electric ones), batteries, tabs off drink cans, bread bag plastic tags, mobile phones, plus many other items.

Please keep up the good work.

## Keep on Refunding

We also thank Shed Members for donating plastic and glass bottles and aluminium drink cans that have the 10c recycle sign on them. Funds raised are used to offset the cost our End of Month BBQs.

Shed Member Paul Lorraine regularly comes into the Shed to count and bag these items to take them to the refund station. If you can please help Paul as each bag must have the same type of item in it and must be tagged with the number of items in it. This will speed up the refund process at the refund station.

There is a bin at the back of the Shed for the plastic bottles and another for the aluminium cans. The glass bottles should be placed in the two blue open topped plastic bins (fill the bottom one first and then stack the other one on top of it).

Please ensure that the donated item is placed in the correct bin as this will speed up the sorting process when they are bagged. Please also ensure that the lids have been removed from the plastic and glass bottles and placed into Rob Craigs box (they clog the plastic recycling machines and must not be included).

If the bins are full, please let the Shed Supervisor know so that he can arrange with Paul Lorraine to collect the items for refunding. Please do not leave bottles or cans in cardboard boxes as when it rains the cardboard collapses leaving the area in an untidy mess.

#### **Rotary Club Events**

The local Rotary Clubs are a strong supporter of the Shed and has regular fundraising activities that Shed Members may like to support.

The Mill Point Rotary Club is having a night of Rock'n Roll at the South Perth Seniors Centre (located at 53 Coode Street South Perth) on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2023 from 7.00pm to 11.00pm.

Join them for a fun night of music from a top-class band the Memphis Rockers. Tickets \$30.00 per person – pay at the door by card or cash. BYO food and drink (coffee and tea included).

#### **Projects**

#### **Planely Speaking**

John Douglas (Not a Shed Member) has been a member of the Royal Aero Club of WA for 50 years (1973 to 2023) and his colleagues at the Club commissioned the Shed to make a commemorative stand with a Gypsy Moth bi-plane on it.

The basic parts of the plane were made from jarrah timber and were cut, using a CNC Router Machine, by Barry Textor and Ken McCrackan.

The struts between the upper and lower wings and the undercarriage frame were too small to cut from timber and were made from thin steel rod by Frank Ginty and were sheathed in thin timber by Kim Horne.

Kim with help from Mark White made the wheels, using a timber-based material, on the Shed's 3D printer.



Kim Horne working on the undercarriage of the Gypsy Moth

Kim applied the lacquer to give the plane a gloss finish and made the stand with the commemorative plaque.



The finished Gipsy Moth on the stand before the commemorative plaque was added.

# John Braithwaite has the Intarsia Bug

John Braithwaite is not sick, but he has recently finished a 3D leaping orca using the Intarsia technique. Intarsia can either be inlaid into wood or applied directly onto an object, akin to marquetry. What sets Intarsia apart is its use of shaped and contoured pieces of wood rather than veneers. These wooden elements are skilfully arranged to craft intricate designs, often incorporating varying elevations to create depth.



John Braithwaite's finished leaping orca

Members of John's family liked it so much that they have asked him to make a Turtle design using the same technique.

#### Man of Letters

This is not some special award that has been bestowed on Allan Waugh, it is just what we call him for making some large wooden letters for a client's children!

The letters form the children's names and are made from pine. The client will apply a finish to them.



The children's name letters made by Allan Waugh

Allan had earlier completed the letters for Nicole and Nellie and has just completed those for Rueben. Because the lower-case r overbalances, he has used the upper-case R. Allan used the Wood Linisher and the Bobbin Sander where he had to "roll his r's" to get a smooth finish.



Allan rolling the R

# Honey, Honey

We are looking at establishing a beehive in the garden area. The hive will be the new style of hive - an Australian invention called a 'Flow Hive' - where the honey is harvested by turning a key and the honey flows out into a bottle. For details of the proposed Flow Hive 2+ please refer to the following link:

# https://www.honeyflow.com.au/collections/flow-hives

Graham Rennie has been a beekeeper for several years and has attended a course on beekeeping run by the Ag Dept - so he will be able to help and provide advice for this project.

Besides being beneficial for the garden plants, honey from the hive can be sold as a fund raiser for the shed.

Please let Graham know if you are interested in learning about beekeeping and being involved in this new activity in the Shed's Garden.

## **Machines and Safety**

# **Panel Saw Training**

A fourth session covering the "blind" cutting of slots will be held on Monday 23rd October 2023.



Kim Horne (left), and from the right Ambrose Hargan, Kerry Morgan and Ben Gunawardena, watch Wayne Mortimore cutting a blind slot.

Other Shed Members who attended the training were Eric Goddard and Julie Webster.

Band saw training will be conducted next and interested Shed members should contact the Shed Office

# My sister used to be a beekeeper.

She lived in California but was always very emotional. She decided to get into bee keeping by way of therapy, but one day her favobee died. She'd named him Alloudocius. We always called her the super sister because she looked after us, but things were never the same after her bee died. We blamed it on my Super Cali fragile sister's ex bee Alloudocius.

# I recently went to a beekeeper and purchased 7 bees. When I got home, I realized he gave me 8.

Looks like I got a freebie!

Bee Jokes courtesy of

https://upjoke.com/beekeeper-jokes

# **Manning Mens Shed Coming Events**

Date	Day	Time	Event
24 Nov 2023	Friday	4.00pm	Barefoot Bowls at Como Bowling Club \$20.00 per person
25 Nov 2023	Saturday	7.00am	Stall at Manning Farmers Market (1.00pm pack-up)
15 Dec 2023	Friday	4.00pm	Western Themed Christmas Party/Sundowner at the Shed
22 Dec 2023	Friday	1.00pm	Shed Closes for the Holiday Break
27 Dec 2023	Wednesday	8.30am	Shed Reopens for 2024 Subject to Supervisor Availability

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

Date	Day	Time	Event
06 Dec 2023	Wednesday	12.00pm	Luncheon followed by Bingo
13 Dec 2023	Wednesday	12.00pm	Christmas Lunch with Entertainment - Cost \$25.00
15 Dec 2023	Friday	12.00pm	Christmas Lunch Celebration - Cost \$25.00
15 Dec 2023	Friday	5.00pm	MSCC Closes for the Holiday Break
15 Jan 2024	Monday	8.30am	MSCC Reopens for 2024