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Bob's Jottings October.

Two months from the Annual General Meeting and we've had a few changes. Not quite a smooth start but things are coming together.

Michael took on the role of Treasurer and then virtually did the job of President while I was away. His health deteriorated and he badly needed a break so he stood down to look after his health. I am sure we all thank Michael for his efforts on behalf of the members and wish him a quick and healthy recovery. Bruno has stepped into the gap as Treasurer and with the help of Arthur and Michael is settling in well. This has been a difficult start for Bruno and I would like to thank him for taking on this job.

We lost one of our popular members with the passing of Ralph Anthony. Ralph was certainly full of praise for the benefit to him of the Men's Shed. He was the top attendee at the Shed taking every chance he got to be in the shed. We'll miss the Sheriff.

Our thoughts go out to Peter Macander whose wife is battling cancer. It was good to see Gary Huxtable back in the shed after a very serious illness. He looks a lot trimmer than he used to be. I'm sure he wishes he wasn't so trim. Ralph Haynes has also had a bad run but is now looking much better. We were

sorry to hear of Brian Abbott's stroke and look forward to seeing him back in the shed. We've had news that while in Japan Kerry Sinclair spent time in hospital with a heart complaint. Will keep you posted when we get any more news. Frank Antulov broke his wrist while in Melbourne and will be a bit handicapped while it mends. As Ron requires the picnic tables that Frank makes he would appreciate some help to keep up the supply.

If I missed anyone who has not been well, I'm sorry and hope you're on the mend.

Congratulations to Albert Jacob on his election as Mayor and we look forward to working with him and the council on a permanent home for the Men's Shed. We are expected to have funding in place by March next year so require a decision on where we will be based to work towards this deadline.

Keep an eye out for events that are coming up. If you can help in any way that would be great.

Thanks again to those who help all the time. Remember that our funding comes from our members. If you haven't done anything for the shed in a while please look at where you can help.

We've been approached by the Joondalup Christmas Lunch group to supply 60 + toys for various age groups. Can you think of something you could make to suit kids up to 13+. This group makes a generous donation to us each year. If half of our members made a couple of toys we would easily fill our orders. Just look at some of the things we currently make and come up with something similar. Planes, cars, trucks, tractors ,animals, butterflies, birds, insects. Think outside the square and make something.

If you've any interesting tales to tell, Merv would appreciate getting some of those tales for the Bench Press. While we think about the Bench Press a big thank you to Mervyn in his new job as Editor. He's set a high standard for himself.

POYNTER FARMERS MARKET

Saturday 7th October saw Ron Slavin, Bernie Eagan, Patrick Hadley and Merv Pearce running a stall to sell our products at the Poynter Farmers Market. The sales brought in \$703.00. Several more markets are on the agenda for the next couple of months (see panel below) so our trepid toy makers will be busy during that time producing items for sale.



The stall at Poynter market. Patrick Hadley and Bernie Egan with Ron Slavin in the background.



Frank Antoluv with one of his childrens picnic tables. These tables are very popular, three were sold at the last Poynter Farmers Market.

Coming Market days

Mosman Craft Markets Sunday 5th November
Poynter Farmers Markets Saturday 18th November
Joondalup Night Markets Friday 24th November,
1st, 8th and 15th December.



A display of some of our items for sale.



Albert Daley Making one of his childrens chairs. Albert produces a variety of items for sale at the markets.





Melbourne Cup Lunch

Tuesday 7th November at the Shed

\$15.00 per person

Please pay Michael Robinson or Bruno Gresele by Wednesday 1st November

Menu

Chicken and Salad

Sweets

Members and Partners welcome

Byo drinks and glasses

Join in the sweeps

\$2.00, \$5.00, \$10.00 and \$20.00

Prizes for Best hat (Ladies) Best tie (Gents)







2017 Christmas Luncheon

A Christmas Luncheon will be held for members and partners on Thursday 30th November

at the

Avoca Café

Cnr. Trappers and Timberlane Drive Woodvale

The cost will be \$35.00 per head
to be paid to Michael Robinson or Bruno Gresele



by Thursday 23rd November



Entrée

Main

Sweets



Full menu details provided on payment

BYO drinks

Enter your name in the book on the Treasurers desk.

Birthday wishes to the following Shedders

September

Vince Bertolini Andy Mcfadyen

Robin Bodilly Robert O'Connor

Kevin Banham Hans Schneider

Geoff Chantler Dusan Sorger

Gordon Fitzsimmons David Urguhart

Chick Hoath Geoffrey Waters

James Jamieson Ian Prothero

Fred Englebert Jose Jorge

Malcolm Kates Edward Herold

Roy Mauby

Many Happy Returns to you all

And may you have many more

Birthdays to come.



October

Roy Arrowsmith Wally Brant

Stephen Brooks Stephen Cook

Geoffrey Day Graham Duffy

Terry Elfes Jeff Gantzer

Bruno Gresele John Holmes

Victor Kayser Gill Marnham

Jeffrey Murray Merv Pearce

Ray Pfleger Mike Russell

Max Walker



Brian Abbot has suffered a stroke after an overseas trip. It is good news to hear that Brian is on the road to recovery and will be showing up at the shed in the not too distant future.

We have had a sketchy report that Kerry Sinclair has fallen ill during an overseas trip to Japan. Wishing you a speedy recovery Kerry, hope you get home safely and hope to see you at the shed asap.

Bunnings Sausage Sizzles

Friday 24th November Friday 22nd December

at Joondalup

Volunteers are always required for these sausage sizzles. Please consider putting your hand up to volunteer. The sizzle is usually done in two hour shifts so it doesn't take much of your time and it is always good fun, you also meet a lot of interesting people.



A fine example of craftsmanship

Pictured is a display case which was made by David Urquhart for the Poynter primary school.



Three drunken guys entered a taxi after a heavy night of drinking.

Immediately realizing that the men were inebriated, he quickly thought up a plan to get rid of them.

He started the engine, turned it off again and said: "We have reached your destination".

"Alright pal, here you go," said the first guy as he gave him the money.

The second guy thanked him enthusiastically.

The third guy slapped him across the face with brute force.

"What was that for?" Yelled the surprised driver, thinking he was caught.

"Next time don't go so fast! You nearly killed us!"



Ron who could sell ice to an Eskimo attending to a customer

STIRLING MARKETS SUNDAY 22ND OCTOBER

Sunday 22nd October saw Ron Slavin, Bernie Egan, Patrick Hadley Merv Pearce and Tyron Paul at the Stirling Markets. A lot of interest was shown by the public and sales of our products were good, bringing in a total of \$560.00



Bernie setting up the stall

I'M GREAT AT MULTITASKING. I CAN LISTEN, IGNORE, AND FORGET ALL AT ONCE.

Attendance Figures for September

Period	Week Start	Week End	IN/IODACM	Tues- day	Wednes day	Thurs- day	IFriday	Satur- day	Sunday		Weekly Total
	9/1/201	9/3/201									
Week 1	7	7		0	0	0	19	1	0	8 Ladies	20
	9/4/201	9/10/20									
Week 2	7	17	20	36	48	23	22	1	0	2 Ladies	150
	9/11/20	9/17/20									
Week 3	17	17	26	50	40	24	21	1	0	5 Ladies	162
	9/18/20	9/24/20									
Week 4	17	17	25	47	39	37	13	2	0	1 Lady	163
	9/25/20	9/30/20									
Week 5	17	17	11	38	34	22	16	1	0	7 Ladies	122
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Total			82	171	161	106	91	6	0		
Weekly Average			20.5	42.75	40.25	26.5	18.2	1.2			617
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Month 617



New CCTV system for Shed

Following reports that both materials and tools were disappearing from the shed at an increasing rate the Committee agreed to purchase a CCTV system to monitor this problem and also to assist in any injury claims (OH&S).

The new system consists of a main equipment and power supply with 6 cameras each working on 180 degrees. The

system can take up to 8 cameras so we can install another 2 if required without increasing the hardware or software capabilities of the system.

ALL Cameras are recording 24 hours a day 7 days a week and don't be fooled by thinking that the camera you can see on the big screen is the only one recording – WRONG – they are ALL recording ALL the time. The recordings go back to a 3 Gig HHD and can be accessed up to 3 months after they record an image. In addition they also have the ability to zoom in on an image when required.

It is a pity that it has come to this where we have to record our own members to prevent stealing or "permanent borrowing" of equipment that is not yours to borrow.

In future, anyone caught pilfering either tools or equipment (wood etc) will have to provide answers to the police as we will not be wasting our time tracking down things, we will use the police and if found to be guilty they will be charged with stealing.

If anyone wants to borrow equipment or materials, there is now a "**Loan Book**" which is held by the Shed Manager (Rob Hansen) and which can also be accessed by any of the Shed Supervisors.

The way the system will run in future is that if anyone wants anything in the workshop areas then they must ask the Shed Supervisors and if they cannot approve it then they will take it to the Shed Manager for his approval. Do not come to the President or Secretary asking for equipment as we will refer you back to the supervisors.

The next step is to charge a **deposit of \$20 or \$50** up front for anyone who wants to borrow equipment but we hope it does not come to this.

Although much of our equipment is donated, the analogy is that so is the clothing at the Salvos or Vinnies stores and I am sure that anyone who just walk in and help themselves without paying would also be charged with theft, so why do members do it here?

In addition, there is also concern that members come in and use one of the tables to build something but if they do not finish they either leave their project spread all over that table for when they return, which may not be for a couple of days or a week, therefore preventing others from using it while they are away. In future all project equipment (other than large projects) must be taken home each night and not stored in the shed. If it is lying around on tables then it is fair to assume that other people can come and use that material for their own use.

On Thursday the 19th of October, Bob Allen, John Spence & Michael Robinson attended the WAMSA regional meeting which was held at the Mosman Park Mens' Shed and it is worth noting that not only would Mosman Park be considered one of the wealthiest sheds in WA they also have a similar membership 206 / 197 so it might be worth noting the following we saw there:







The Joondalup Men's Shed (JMS) is the local representative and a registered member of the Australian Men's Shed Association. The JMS Patron is Mr. Ian Goodenough, MBA, B.Comm and Federal Member for Moore.

Our motto is short way of saying what JMS is all about: "Blokes Building Better Communities!"

We are all about fostering better overall health and well being for all men. This has an obvious beneficial ripple effect for our members' families, the wider community and the members themselves

Members Hobby Day Tuesday 15th September



The September Bench Press featured pictures of members displays of their hobbies. Somehow I missed Patrick Hadley, so here he is showing his numismatic collection. Apologies Patrick for missing you out. in the last edition.

I always knew I'd get old. How fast it happened was a bit of a surprise, though.

Letters to the Editor

At this stage there are no letters, however in future issues of the Bench Press that opportunity will be open to all to have your say. let us know of any concerns, ideas or any items of interest. My email address is on the back page.

How is your punctuation?

Let's eat Grandma. Let's eat, Grandma. Commas save lives.

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