



# Joondalup Mens Shed

# Bench Press

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## Presidents Report

The first meeting of the elected committee members was an ice breaker, for all to get to know each other and familiarize with the various

positions that individuals had volunteered to serve the shed. The very essence of putting one's hand up to perform a function within an organization, that totally relies on the goodwill of the members, is a very unselfish act of service without the necessary acclamation, recognition or accolades for the duties performed voluntarily. The members all perform to their own expertise and together we achieve the success that must definitely follow.

Our building project and meetings with the COJ progresses well, but unfortunately behind schedule because of the building license by the Shire, which required certain compliance issues with the building plans. We have received advice from the structural engineers, for an enquiry from Hickey Constructions, regarding certification for engineering input on cutting a 920mm door into the tilt panel wall dividing the new social room and the corridor leading to the lunch room and toilet area. Those members who visited the premises will appreciate the changes that are being proposed. The negotiations for the terms of our lease agreement were satisfactorily discussed. The COJ and JMS are satisfied that it has been resolved for mutual benefit of both parties.

Our thanks to John Spence, General Secretary, who has secured free furniture from the Education department, for our use at Winton Road Premises. The delivery of the furniture will be FOC and be stored, for the interim, in Winton Road, courtesy COJ,. This acquisition will save us from spending

our reserve funds and portion it for other use

Our foray into organizing a transport for our members, who will be inconvenienced after our shift to Winton road premises, resulted in our discussions with Emily Hamilton ( Labor member of the Western Australian Legislative Assembly, representing Joondalup) who coordinated a meeting with the Principal of Beldon Education Support Centre, who has kindly agreed to let JMS have access to their bus on particular days. There will be a contra deal to participate in the school activities by our members in helping the school achieve some of their projects.

The committee has decided to compile an Honour Board for all our members who are deceased. Alan Greenhalgh (Our founding President and Life member) has forwarded some names from his records. We will endeavour to compile a full list and display the board in our premises, as an acknowledgement for our members who have contributed to the success and continuity of the Joondalup Men's Shed.

Our social Wednesdays Sausage Sizzles are back by popular demand and will be held on the premises as usual. The education department has also been extended the invitation to participate.

Reg Luther



# Shed Activities and Projects



## Sparks Aplenty

Michael Robinson has organized the making of six receiving cages to facilitate the collection of drink containers, a State Government recycling program that begins on 1st October. The cages will be placed in several locations, one will be located outside the paint shop for shedders to throw their containers in. So fellow shedders bring in your dead containers and help the shed to top up the coffers. The shed will receive 10 cents per container and if all goes well it is estimated that \$1000 per month is a possibility.

Rob Morgan and Mike Brennan are making the cages, the picture shows them hard at work.

## Homework

Our most valued member Albert Daly produces a lot of toys and other products. Albert can be seen regularly at his bench at the shed working happily away making toys. He also does a lot of work at his home and this picture shows him with a toy aeroplane which he made and painted and may I add *top quality*.



## The Paint Shop

Introducing Mark Smith.

Mark has put his hand up to assist with the paint shop operations. The paint shop is in need of some organization and is most important in presentation of quality for the sale of toys etc. that the shed produces for sale to the public.

Your contribution is appreciated Mark, the shed needs more blokes like you.

## Preview of Winton Road Shed



Last Tuesday week several shedders went to Winton Road to have a look at our new venue which has now been vacated by the City of Joondalup and is now ready for us to begin the birth of the new JMS. A few comments were heard of approval and prospects of opportunities when we are in possession of the premises.

## *Thank you Bunnings Joondalup*



This magnificent tool box displayed by Roger Revell was donated to the shed by Bunnings Joondalup. It has been decided to raffle the tool box to raise funds. Buy a ticket or two, you could be the lucky winner.

The shed is grateful to Bunnings not only for the donation of the tool box but also all the assistance with sausage sizzles and donations in the past years.

**TICKETS ARE NOW AVAILABLE**  
There are only 125 tickets at \$20.00 each.  
See Roger Revell to purchase yours.



On Tuesday 22nd September Michele Mason, Principal of the Beldon Education Support Centre paid a visit to the shed to introduce herself and see what activities the shed performs. Negotiations have been in progress to obtain use of their bus. See Reg's report regarding this.



# October Birthday Celebrations



**ROY ARROWSMITH  
WALLY BRANT  
STEPHEN BROOKS  
TOM BURNETT  
STEPHEN COOK  
GRAHAM DUFFY  
BRUNO GRESELE  
GIL MARNHAM  
JEFF MURRAY  
MERV PEARCE  
DON SLATER**

*Birthday greetings  
to you all*



## Caring for our fellow Members

Should you hear about any of our fellow shedders being ill, experiencing the loss of a loved one or you haven't seen them at the shed for an extended period, please inform our Welfare Officer Michael Robinson. Michael will make enquiries and visit if necessary and keep Shedders informed.

Michael Robinson has replaced Chris Drury as Welfare Officer. Chris is having a few health problems and we wish him well.

Michael's contact is [robinsonmj1950@gmail.com](mailto:robinsonmj1950@gmail.com)  
phone 9409 8484, Mobile 0491 036 085

## Welcome to new members

Michael Piontek, Graham Beresford and Michael Brennan

Welcome to the shed gentlemen we hope that you enjoy the camaraderie with the members and take part in the activities and crafts that the Joondalup Men's Shed offers.

## A look in to another Shed

Recently on invitation from a member of the Stirling Men's Shed, Rob Morgan and myself paid a visit. The shed was a sight to behold, so tidy and organized.

Rob took these pictures to share with you.



The work shop



The shop



A portable tool rack



The drill storage



A finished toy

### WOULD YOU LIKE TO BECOME A ROTTNEST GUIDE?

The Rottnest Voluntary Guides Association will be recruiting soon for people to train as guides on Rottnest Island. An information evening will be held at the Dalkeith Nedlands Bowling Club on Tuesday 17th November starting at 7.00pm.

Guiding on Rottnest is a great experience, travel to the island is free and you meet a lot of nice people.

A training course will be held in the new year 2021, It is held over ten weeks (evenings) with two weekends at the island to experience the tours and things that they do.

If you would like to find out more information please feel free to talk to myself (Merv), Rob Morgan or Andrew Simmons who would be only too pleased to give you the low down.



The total number of members  
as at July 2020

**447**

Includes 12 Associate members

### Attendance Statistics for August 2020 Compiled by Ian Mc Callum

Period	Week Start	Week End	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.	Weekly Total
Week 1	8/1/2020	8/9/2020	19	43	38	15	20	1	0	136
Week 2	8/10/2020	8/16/2020	24	39	30	16	21	0	0	130
Week 3	8/17/2020	8/23/2020	26	37	29	63	21	1	0	176
Week 4	8/24/2020	8/30/2020	23	39	31	20	24	0	0	137
Week 5	8/31/2020	xxxxxxxx	24	xxxx	xxxx	xxxx	xxxx	xxxx	xxxx	24
<b>Total</b>			116	158	128	114	86	1	0	
Working Days		21								
<b>Weekly Average</b>			<b>23.2</b>	<b>39.53</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>28.5</b>	<b>21.5</b>	<b>1</b>		603

**Total for the Month 603**

Men per day 28.72

Sat. 8th

8 Ladies

Sat. 22nd

9 Ladies

**Could members please sign in with their CORRECT name and not nicknames as a couple have started. If you wish to do this see me first  
Ian**

Hi Guys,

Very simply today, there have been 50 members fully assessed as competent and red badged.

There 8 member who have been inducted and waiting to be assessed and 5 members waiting to be inducted.

Mel Heaton has agreed to help me with assessing inducted members when I am unavailable. We've had some complaints that I have taken too much time to complete the assessments.

Regards

Crawford MacLennan

### ***Training Induction & Assessment***

If you are awaiting training induction or assessment you **MUST** make an appointment with either Brian Skinner (Skin) or Rod Herman for induction or Crawford MacLennan for assessment. These blokes do not attend the shed every day so appointments are necessary to avoid disappointment.

## Coming Farmers Markets

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Poynter Markets Saturday 3rd October  
Mosman Park Markets  
Sunday 8th November  
Stirling Markets Sunday 22nd November  
Poynter Markets Saturday 28th November

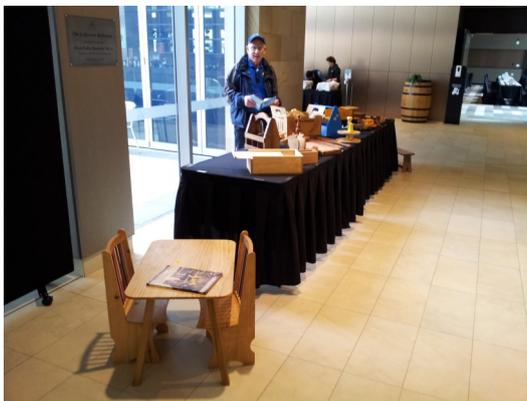
# Sausage Sizzles

## *THE SAUSAGE SIZZLES ARE ON AGAIN*

The shed has been fortunate to secure a sausage sizzle at Bunnings Joondalup  
on  
*Sunday 11th October*

Volunteers are light on for the sizzle and Roger Revell would be very pleased for more of you blokes to donate a bit of your time (shifts of only two hours) to assist with this and other sizzles in the future.

There is a list in the social room for you to put your name down.  
Come on fellers be a good shedder and volunteer and help raise funds to keep our sheds finances in the black (BFM) black finances matter.



Marketing Manager  
Rob Morgan at the stall

## Joondalup Resort

Last Fathers Day John Spence arranged for a market stall at the Joondalup Resort. The function was a Fathers day lunch held by the resort. Our stall was set up at the entrance to the Restaurant so every one entering could not pass with out noticing our presence. Sales were good and those shedders who attended also enjoyed a scrumptious lunch



## SOME IRISH HUMOUR

Paddy staggered home very late after another evening with his drinking buddy, Finney. He took off his shoes to avoid waking his wife, Kathleen.

He tiptoed as quietly as he could toward the stairs leading to their upstairs bedroom, but misjudged the bottom step. As he caught himself by grabbing the banister, his body swung around and he landed heavily on his rump. A whiskey bottle in each back pocket broke and made the landing especially painful.

Managing not to yell, Paddy sprung up, pulled down his pants, and looked in the hall mirror to see that his butt cheeks were cut and bleeding. He managed to quietly find a full box of Band-Aids and began putting a Band-Aid as best he could on each place he saw blood.

He then hid the now almost empty Band-Aid box and shuffled and stumbled his way to bed.

In the morning, Paddy woke up with searing pain in both his head and butt and Kathleen staring at him from across the room

She said, 'You were drunk again last night weren't you?'

Paddy said, 'Why would you say such a mean thing?'

'Well,' Kathleen said, 'it could be the open front door, it could be the broken glass at the bottom of the stairs, it could be the drops of blood trailing through the house, it could be your bloodshot eyes, but mostly , it's all those Band-Aids stuck on the hall mirror.'

Paddy was driving down the street in a sweat because he had an important meeting and couldn't find a parking place. Looking up to heaven he said, 'Lord take pity on me. If you find me a parking place I will go to Mass every Sunday for the rest of me life and give up me Irish Whiskey.'

Miraculously, a parking place appeared.

Paddy looked up again and said, 'Never mind, I found one.'

Paddy was in New York ..

He was patiently waiting and watching the traffic cop on a busy street crossing. The cop stopped the flow of traffic and shouted, 'Okay, pedestrians.' Then he'd allow the traffic to pass.

He'd done this several times, and Paddy still stood on the sidewalk.

After the cop had shouted, 'Pedestrians!' for the tenth time, Paddy went over to him and said, 'Is it not about time ye let the Catholics cross?'

Gallagher opened the morning newspaper and was dumbfounded to read in the obituary column that he had died. He quickly phoned his best friend, Finney.

'Did you see the paper?' asked Gallagher. 'They say I died.'

'Yes, I saw it' replied Finney. 'Where are ye callin' from?'

An Irish priest is driving down to New York and gets stopped for speeding in Connecticut .. The state trooper smells alcohol on the priest's breath and then sees an empty wine bottle on the floor of the car.

He says, 'Sir, have you been drinking?'

'Just water,' says the priest

The trooper says, 'Then why do I smell wine?'

The priest looks at the bottle and says, 'Good Lord! He's done it again.'

Walking into the bar, Mike said to Charlie the bartender, 'Pour me a stiff one - just had another fight with the little woman.'

'Oh yeah?' said Charlie, 'And how did this one end?'

'When it was over,' Mike replied, 'She came to me on her hands and knees.'

'Really,' said Charles, 'Now that's a change. What did she say?'

She said, 'Come out from under the bed, you little chicken.'