



# Joondalup Mens Shed

## Bench Press

### November 2020

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### *Presidents Report*

End of November is upon us and our plans for the new shed are well advanced. Members of the building committee and some

members have had the opportunity to visit the premises and meet with the COJ members. The mezzanine floor is erected, the social room partition and the false ceiling brackets are installed. The ducting for the air-conditioning in the social room is also installed. The refurbishment of the toilets was well underway.

The Committee has accepted the recommendation of the Shed manager to close the shed's workshop area to general public from the 25th November onwards. Mike Gull, from the COJ, visited our present shed and advised us that the City was satisfied to have the machines from the workshop relocated to the new shed, as per their commitment to facilitate our relocation. The move is scheduled to start from the 27th Nov. In the following weeks, we will be requiring a lot of volunteers to sort out the items that we will carry forward to the new site and try and get rid of the non-essentials. We request your help to accomplish this task at hand.

We have also proposed to the City for securing a quote for the erection of a storage shed, located along the western fence, to accommodate our surplus wood from the existing containers. Plans will be submitted as this newsletter is being published.

We thank John Spence who, with the help of the COO of MWSA, has forwarded an application to Lotterywest for a grant. Unfortunately, any grant

forthcoming in the future will not help us recover our financial spending that we cover towards the partial cost of Winton Road project. If we are fortunate to secure ANY grant that will be earmarked for machine replacement.

The education department has donated a lot of furniture for Winton Road and has been securely delivered to the location. Thanks to the efforts of John Spence.

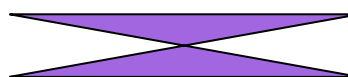
All the organizers and volunteers, who participate in the sausage Sizzles and Markets, deserve our gratitude for the time that they volunteer for the success of our attendance at these external activities. Needless to say, that it projects our good image in the community and helps towards our income, which has been severely hampered by the restrictions during Covid pandemic.

Our forthcoming plans for the annual Christmas lunch in December, as arranged by Michael Robinson, is oversubscribed. Unfortunately, all venues have attendance restrictions and we can only cater for reduced numbers.

In closing, I would personally like to acknowledge the efforts of the committee members who have gone beyond their call for the various duties performed. The contributions of all our members are also worthy of an acknowledgement. Together we have made this Shed a very viable and successful organization. Thanks to one and all.

For the forthcoming season of celebrations and festivities I take this opportunity to wish each one of you and your families a very Happy and Blessed Christmas.

Reg Luther





# Shed Activities and Projects



Several planter boxes were made for the Padbury Catholic Primary School.



Neil Winzer constructing a larger planter box that may be used for the Winton Road Shed.



This heavy rustic Jarrah bench was refurbished for a customer. Heavy it was as it took six blokes to lift it on to a trailer



The shed was given a project to refurbish some boxes for the Joondalup Library.



Vince Bertolini made five of these pull along caterpillars for the markets. All five were sold.



One little customer happy with his purchase towing his caterpillar away.



## Progress at Winton Road

Early in November the building committee visited the Winton Road property to inspect the progress of the conversion of the building. Much more would have been accomplished since then.

The pictures below show as it was at the time of the visit.



The social room showing the air con ducting and doorway in to the workshop



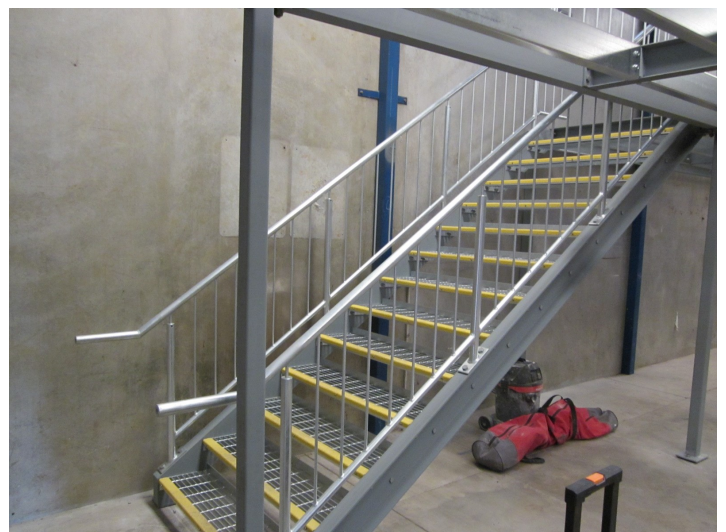
The social room showing the air con ducting and ceiling framing.



Under the mezzanine



The mezzanine



Good safe solid stairs at each end of the mezzanine.

## ***IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM SECRETARY JOHN***

The committee made the decision to close the shed for all work **other than shed projects**, as of **12 Noon Wednesday 25th November** (last Wednesday) as the Joondalup City Council are moving most of our machinery up to the new shed in Winton Rd so we must have minimal activity in the workshop area to allow them access to the machines.

**The social area will remain open** and we would ask people to talk to Graham Duffy for small jobs (like the sorting of nuts & bolts, screws and all the other small items that have to be moved) so we would ask everyone to do a little bit which will certainly help. Please do not assume that someone else will do the work and you will just come along when it is all finished - many hands make light work, and you will not be expected to do any heavy lifting, just sorting of all the stuff we have had lying around into piles for removal, and piles of stuff we need to dispose of.

**ALSO:** If anyone has any packing boxes they no longer require, then if you could bring them down they will be greatly appreciated.

These arrangements will remain in force until such time as we officially move into the new shed. At this point we do not have a date when this will occur other than we must be out by the 31st of December as that is when our lease with the Dept. of Education expires.

Guys, without doubt the next couple of months will be hectic and messy and probably frustrating, so please be patient and try to lend a hand for the benefit of everyone, I am sure it will all be worth it in the end.

Any questions - please either text / e-mail me, or call on 0412-510222 and if I don't know the answer then I will try to get one for you.

Regards

John

# Hats Off



To Shed Manager Graham Duffy and all the valued shedders mentioned below.

This is the first full report that I have given as shed manager for 2020 .

**T**he rules and responsibilities that is required of myself that comes with the position that I was voted in for . Firstly I would like to thank Ian Bruce, John Fell, Tony Magee, Brian Skinner, Ralph Haynes, Norm Jones, Roger Revell, Mel the orbital sander, Bill letch, Ross letch and Neil Winzer for all their help in doing all the projects that we have coming into the shed .Without their help and input and skills nothing would have been done . I would also like all the members to acknowledge that without John Fell and Roger and Tony Ian Bruce and Norm Lake our Wednesday BBQ would not be happening . The bbq is making some money after we take out expenditures but without these guys help there would be no lunch . October and November has had a couple of disagreements between shedders and management and supervisors that have been resolved I hope as this is not a paid position nobody who I've pushed into this job should feel that what have I put myself into frame of mind . So all I ask is could all members treat these people and all committee and president with respect that they deserve. We had one issue on Wednesday the 28th of November that hopefully won't happen again and I would like to thank the members that were concerned about my encounter with the member. As this position is not something that you thought would be your responsibility when you took the job .I just thought you get free drinks get the best parking spot and eat bacon and eggs most mornings and biscuits ,man didn't I walk into a surprise , But I actually like everything that involves this position it can be a challenge at times but without the support and friendship of all the members it makes it worthwhile.

- When do we commence cleaning up of shed?

As of now it is time to seriously start getting prepared for our move to Joondalup what my proposal is that we closed the workshop area for a week and get as many members sorting out hand tools nuts bolts timber machines that we are taking or selling .That I have a team supervisor that can be in charge of each area that can have the overall decision to say we keep or dispose of . Anything they are not sure of myself Crawford or Roger norm Jones has the final say .This means that the social area is the only accessible part of the shed available to all members unless you're in a team for cleaning no private work or shed projects to be done. But we will have to make a decision on what week we close the workshop and put a email out for volunteers to help. It is going to be a massive job but it has to be done and organized so people aren't wandering around like headless chooks doing nothing.

**Shed Manager – Graham Duffy**

A cowboy walks into a bar...

He parks his horse outside and goes in for a beer . After finishing it up he goes to leave and his horse has been stolen.

The guy walks in again, gun in the air, shoots the ceiling and shouts "you have until I finish up a second beer to

return my horse, or else I will have to do what I did in Texas, and I didn't like what I had to do in Texas."

He finishes his bottle and finds his horse right where it was. Before leaving, the bartender asks him "Excuse me sir, but what did you have to do in Texas?"

"I had to walk home"



# December Birthday Celebrations



Trevor Began

Gary De Piazzi

John Fell

Dave Fiorini

Barry Fitzsimmons

David Lockett

Milan Uskokovic

Judy Morrison

*Birthday greetings  
to you all*

## Welcome to new members

Jim Trethewey and Tad Yamamoto

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.

### ***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 joined Chris Drury as Welfare Officer. Michael's contact is [robinsonmj1950@gmail.com](mailto:robinsonmj1950@gmail.com) phone 9409 8484, Mobile 0491 036 085

Chris's contact is [chris.drury@sumphero.com](mailto:chris.drury@sumphero.com)

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

Period	Week Start	Week End	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.	Weekly Total
Week 1	10/1/2020	10/4/2020	xxxx	xxxxx	xxxxx	21	15	2	0	38
Week 2	10/5/2020	10/11/2020	30	46	33	26	21	0	0	156
Week 3	10/12/2020	10/18/2020	26	45	33	15	20	3	0	142
Week 4	10/19/2020	25'10/2020	26	34	36	24	24	0	0	144
Week 5	10/26/2020	10/30/2020	27	30	30	17	24	2	xxxx	130
<b>Total</b>			109	155	132	103	104	7	0	
Working Days		21 days								
<b>Weekly Average</b>			<b>27.25</b>	<b>38.75</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>20.6</b>	<b>20.8</b>	<b>2.3</b>	0	610

**Total for the Month 610**

Men per working day 20.05

Sat. 4th

8 Ladies

Sat. 18th

9 Ladies

Sat. 31st

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**

### A Word From Rob Morgan

Hi Gentlemen with the machinery out of action for awhile and we settle into the new premises, our market supplies/toys are running low. If you guys have the facilities at home it would be greatly appreciated helping us by making stuff. We are always looking for fresh ideas / suggestions that will sell , many thanks the market A team .



How fast was the ostrich running when it hit the tree?



"Hey guys! Let's take one more picture together before we get fired."



## *Coming Farmers Markets*

Joondalup Mens Shed



**Saturday 12th December**  
**Poynter Primary School**

# **Sausage Sizzles**

*Saturday 12th December*

*Joondalup Martial Arts Club 9.00am—12 noon*

*Saturday 26th December*

*Bunnings Joondalup*

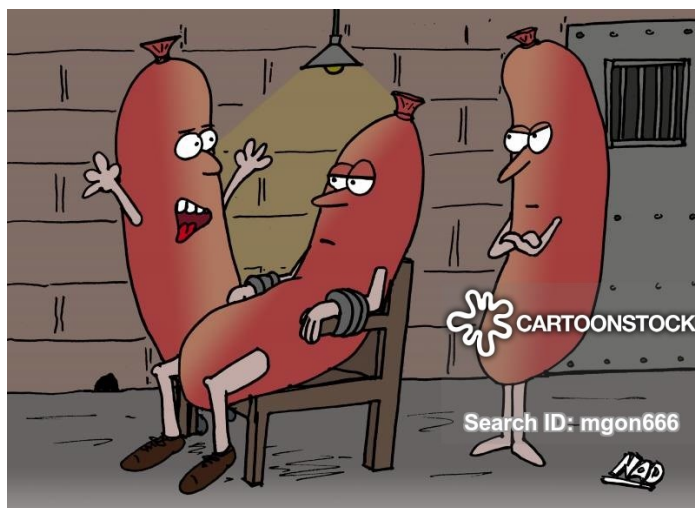
*Sunday 5th January*

*Bunnings Joondalup*

**Volunteers will be needed so chaps put your name on the list and help the shed raise funds**



Roger Revell and Jeremy Deiekauf at the Hare and Forbes sausage sizzle which ran for three days.



"I've been grilling him for hours and he hasn't even started to sizzle!"





## HobbyLink Survey

Joondalup Men's Shed members are invited to indicate which activities may interest them (in numerical order of importance).

Participation is entirely voluntary and submission of this form will be taken as you having an interest in the concept. Any number of interests can be selected.

#	Activity	Interest
1	Board Games	
2	Blacksmithing	
3	Card games	
4	CNC machines	
5	Coin collecting	
6	Computer repairs and adjustments	
7	Jigsaw puzzles	
8	Lapidary	
9	Leatherwork	
10	Metalworking projects	
11	Modelling - aircraft/railways/ships	
12	Musical instrument building	
13	Painting - art	
14	Photography	
15	Radio controlled machines	
16	Restorations - machines	
17	Robotics	
18	Sports	
19	Stamp collecting	
20	Steam engine models	
21	Wood turning	
22	Woodworking projects	
	Other - specify:	

Member's Name (printed) \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Proxy's Name (printed) \_\_\_\_\_

Proxy entries are acceptable as long as two names are entered.

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**JMS HobbyLink Overview**

One of the objectives of the Joondalup Men's Shed is to share, disseminate and preserve the skills, abilities and interests that are relevant to the community

With this in mind HobbyLink is a register of the hobbies and interests of JMS Members.

Hobbylink is an arrangement intended to foster interaction between Joondalup Men's Shed members.

The purpose of HobbyLink is to enable participating JMS members to informally link up with other members with similar interests with a view to sharing information and experiences. Participation is voluntary.

Members are to be invited to indicate their willingness to participate by completing a simple one page HobbyLink questionnaire. A member may have any number of interests.

The results of the Hobbylink survey will be collated and a spreadsheet will be made available to participating members. The spreadsheet will show:

Surname Given Name Phone Number Email address Photograph (optional)

Where possible, a volunteer from each identified group could be informally nominated to act as a contact person for that group if required.

The activities of the group could include matters relevant to that group such as:

Advice	Courses
Demonstrations	Displays
Emerging trends	Field trips
Guest speakers	Hardware
Innovations	Instruction
Meetings	Newsletters
Projects	Practical workshops
Sharing	Social events
Software	Suppliers
Video sessions	Visits

Three Aussie blokes working up on an out-back mobile phone tower: Mongrel, Coot and Bluey.

As they start their descent, Coot slips, falls off the tower and is killed instantly..

As the ambulance takes the body away, Bluey says, 'Well, bugger me, someone's gotta go and tell Coot's wife.

Mongrel says, 'OK, I'm pretty good at that sensitive stuff, I'll do it.'

Two hours later, he comes back carrying a case of beer.

Bluey says, 'Where'd you get the grog, Mongrel?

'Coot's wife gave it to me, Mongrel replies.

'That's unbelievable, you told the Missus her husband was dead and she gave you a case of beer?'

'Well, not exactly', Mongrel says. 'When she answered the door, I said "you must be Coot's widow.

'You must be mistaken she said. I'm not a widow.'

Then I said, 'I'll betcha a case of beer you are...'

Aussies are good at that sensitive stuff.