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SHED MEN AT WORK

In their Community
SHOULDER TO SHOULDER
NEWSLETTER OF THE NEPEAN MEN'S SHED INC.
APRIL 2016

G'day Shedders

Well, the big news this month is that the NRO have finally signed the documentation to transfer the Deeds to the Simeon Road property to the NMS...... HOORAY!!!... And the bigger news is that on Friday 15th. April, President Mike and Public Officer Ramon signed the documentation on our behalf...there is still a bureaucratic road to travel but we are on the home stretch at long last

FOOT CARE

Last month Paul James spoke to us about his recent misadventure, one which he readily acknowledges was completely preventable. Prior to Christmas he went into his shed at home **BARE FOOTED**, picked up a small piece of metal in a toe. The toe became infected, so badly infected it **HAD TO BE SURGICALLY REMOVED.** This was not the end of the story. Not long after the removal of the toe, it was found that the infection had spread down one side of his foot. This also had to be surgically removed. Paul experienced excruciating pain over a period of about 3 months and spent many days and weeks in hospital.

The moral of this painful story...your feet are no different than your sight,& hearing, they need to be **PROTECTED**. **SAFETY** doesn't stop when you leave the Men's Shed or work place. **USE YOUR PPE IN THE SHED AND AT HOME.**

OUR SUPPORTERS





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Something for seniors to do to keep those ligeing grey cells active!

1. Johnny's mother had three children. The first child was named April. The second child was named May.What was the third child's name?

2. There is a clerk at the butcher shop, he is five feet ten inches tall and he wears size 13 sneakers

.....What does he weigh?

3. Before Mt. Everest was discovered,

... What was the highest mountain in the world?

4. How much dirt is there in a hole

.....that measures two feet by three feet by four feet?

5. What word in the English languageis always spelled incorrectly?

6. Billy was born on December 28th, yet his birthday is always in the winter

.....How is this possible?

7. In Victoria, you cannot take a picture of a man with a wooden leg.

.....Why not?

BUNNINGS NORTH PENRITH BBQ's to June 2016

Team 21/4/16, 15/15/16, 16/6/16,

Team B 5/5/16, 2/6/16, 30/6/16

Team C 28/4/16, 26/5/16 & 23/6/16

Team D, 14/4/16, 12/5/16 & 9/6/16

UP-COMING EVENTS

THE SYDNEY TIMBER & WORKING WITH WOOD SHOW

This annual show is on from the 24th.-26th. June between 10am and 4pm at Sydney Olympic Park. Entry is \$14 for Shed Members.

SHED CAPS

We now have a new supply of shed caps. David has been successful in obtaining a better price than last time. They are on sale at \$12 ea. See David.

POSTMAN BOAT CRUISE 5th. APRIL

Tuesday 5th April saw 20 members of the Nepean Mens Shed along with their wives and friends make up a party of 39 set off by train for the Hawkesbury River station where we alighted to board the mail delivery boat, the "Emily Melvely", moored at the Brooklyn Wharf.

Upon departure the group was seated for morning tea and once the necessary safety instructions had been advised by the crew we sat back and enjoyed a cuppa and a delicious home made Anzac biscuits or two.

Our skipper Randall was very entertaining and informative as we passed by Dangar Island, Long Island, Milson Island. Just near this island is the remains of the HMAS Parramatta which was Australia's first ever battle ship.

We rounded Bar point where at the public wharf the mail and daily papers where delivered. Leaving Bar point wharf we then cruised by Fisherman's Point and Pumpkin in the Creek before reaching our turn around point at Marlow Creek to head back towards Brooklyn. We disembarked at the Brooklyn Wharf at around 1.20pm and with the next train heading towards home due at 2.24pm, some of us visited the local Club and or Pub for ale or coffee to kill time before boarding the train towards home. It had been a fabulous day enjoyed by all. Thanks David for arranging the trip.

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FREE STYLE BARBER SHOP

- 8. What was the Prime Minister's name
- ... In 1975?
- 9. If you were running a race,

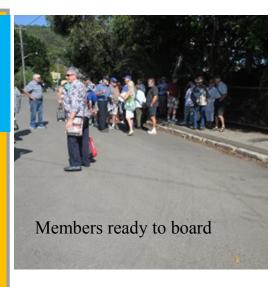
....and you passed the person in 2nd place, what place would you be in now?

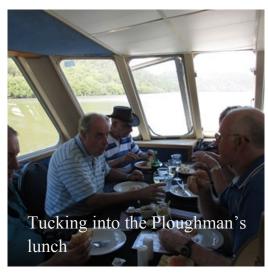
10. Which is correct to say,

... "The yolk of the egg are white" or "The yolk of the egg is white"?

11. If a farmer has 5 haystacks in one field and 4 haystacks in the other field.

.....how many haystacks would he have if he combined them all in another field?





PUG VISIT (Pyrmont, Ultimo, Glebe Men's Shed)

Members Eoin Milne and Bob Maynard joined with "Cecil's Shed" to travel to the PUG Shed to see the work they are doing on a number of ships/boats. Both agreed that it was worth the \$60 cost which included the bus hire, morning tea, lunch, boat trip and the inspection of their shed and projects.





PUG's Shed

One of PUG'S projects

SIGNING IN AT SIMEON RD.

NMS members and visitors now 'sign in' at the desk in front of the work shop office. The book at the foyer desk is for NON SHED Visitors ie "The Brush Fairies"

ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Yours truly was recently summoned to Stuart Ayres's office to be presented with a **Seniors Festival Achievement Award**. I accepted it with pride, not pride in self but pride in the men that are the Nepean Men's Shed. Whatever others perceive to be an individuals achievements, are ,in reality the result of the very hard work, commitment and support of a great team in the background, in my case the members of the Nepean Men's Shed.

Thank you.

Here are the Answers

- 1 Johnny of course
- 2 Meat.
- 3 Mt. Everest; it just wasn't discovered yet. [You're not very good at this are you?]
- 4 There is no dirt in a hole
- 5 Incorrectly
- 6 Billy lives in the Northern Hemisphere
- 7 You can 't take pictures with a wooden leg. You need a camera to take pictures.
- 8 Malcomb Turnbull[[Oh, come on ...]
- 9 You would be in 2nd. Well, you passed the person in second place, not first.
- 10 Neither, the yolk of the egg is yellow [Duh!]
- One. If he combines all of his haystacks, they all become one big one.

PROJECTS

We have just had confirmed an order to manufacture 20 'Spin Boards' for Spring Forward Family Centre in Penrith. A good little job to keep a couple of blokes busy for awhile.

SAFETY NOTE.

Members are reminded that **ALL** electrical hand tools, machinery and appliances **MUST NOT** be used if they do not have a **CUR-RENT** black and white **TEST TAG** attached. This applies to equipment brought into the shed from their home.

Additionally, any electrical hand tool, machine, appliance, light fitting or power point must not be used if it has an **OUT of SERVICE** tag or **DO NOT USE** tag attached to it. The person who attached the tag is the only person who can **LEGALLY** remove it.

FIRST AIDERS

As of the 1st April, the Shed now has 6 First Aiders, Russ Brown, and myself plus newly qualified Eoin Milne, Gordon Shearston, Gary Rumble and David Ongley. This will give us better coverage in the event of a mishap. Well done by all.

PROGRESS AT SIMEON RD.

After the school holidays we will commence the hard surfacing of the front car park. Gordon has successfully negotiated the hard surfacing of the driveway up to the south eastern corner of the building at no extra cost to NMS.

Inside the shed is slowly taking shape although a lot of sorting out still remains to be done following the emptying of the Powell St. storage.

Tony Hudson and his team have completed a couple of shadow boards for our hand tools

The electricians have just about gone as far as they can with the electrics. The next step is to call in the electrical contractor for the emergency lighting and exit signs.

Bench drills, sanders etc are now set up on a bench as is the radial arm saw. (although an electrical problem has developed since its installation)