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# **SHED MEN AT WORK**

IN THEIR COMMUNITY SHOULDER TO SHOULDER NEWSLETTER OF THE NEPEAN MEN'S SHED INC. MAY 2015

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#### **MARY THORNE**

Passed away 26th. April 2015.

The committee and members of the Nepean Men's Shed wish to extend their heart felt sympathies to member Jeff Thorne and his family following this sad loss.

G'day shedders.

As always, yet another busy month....I'm still wondering what retirement is like??? On page 3 of this issue you will find details of our raffle. This is one of the few fund raising activities we have to make a few dollars and come away not smelling of sausages......so get behind it, don't be afraid to ask for more books.

#### 2nd QUARTER BBQ'S AT VALLEY HEIGHTS

The dates for the second quarter of 2015 are:

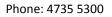
Team A 13th. June & 11th. July.

Team B 27th. June & 25th. July.

NOTE......There are no BBQ's at Bunnings Valley Heights in May.

#### OUR SUPPORTERS







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BARBER SHOP

MEMORY MALL ARCADE

#### ANOTHER BUSHELLS TEA BAG QUIZ

- 1 In what year was the first known landing in Australia by Europeans?
- 2 Who was the first Australian born Governor-General
- 3 Which First Fleet ship did James Squire arrive on?
- 4 What is Australia's largest regional airline outside of the Qantas group?
- 5 What is the name of the world's longest golf course?
- 6 What is Australia's hottest town?
- 7 Richie Benaud was a left handed batsman. True or false?
- 8 How many islands in the Keppel group in Queens land?
- 9 How many wins does Bart Cummings have at the Melbourne Cup?
- 10 Who developed the Vegemite yeast?
- 11 Alice Springs is situated on which (usually dry) river?
- 12 In what city did the Hills Hoist originate?
- 13 How many Australians have received the Victoria Cross?
- 14 Which electoral division did Sir Robert Menzies represent from 1934 to 1966?
- 15 Where was Kevin Rudd born?

## SHED CAPS & SHIRTS

Some Shed Caps are still available at \$15 ea. See Bob. If there are sufficient members wanting caps , we will order more, however the price may change . Shirts are available at \$20 ea. See David

### GUEST SPEAKER

On Monday 20th APRIL, guest speaker, Mark Blattman, from Nepean Food Services addressed our assembled members with an informative talk on the services available from his organisation for seniors in the Penrith LGA. It was an 'eye opener' for most of us. We also discovered that Morrie has lost his crown as the teller of the worst jokes.!!!!!!

### NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to Craig Hubbard, Garry Rumble, Anthony Hudson, James Coombs and Paul James.



CRAIG HUBBARD





GARRY RUMBLE

## **BUNNINGS NORTH BBQ's**

The dates for the **Bunnings North** BBQ's are;

Team C (Ron) 18th. June.16th. July & 27th. August.

Team D (David) 4th. June, 2 July, 30th. July.

**ROBERT TAM** 

## SCULPTURE WORKSHOP

Some funding has been made available to NMS to run a basic FREE Sculpture Workshop for over 65's. Classes commence on Friday 5th. June and will run for 6 weeks. A basic tool kit and PPE gear will be provided. Lunch will be provided on each day-See Ron or Jim for details.

#### Divorced Barbie Doll ....

One day a father, on his way home from work, suddenly remembers that it's his daughter's birthday.

He pulls over to a Toy Shop and asks the sales person, 'How much for one of those Barbies in the display window?'

The salesperson answers, 'Which one do you mean, Sir? We have: Work Out Barbie for \$19.95, Shopping Barbie for\$19.95, Beach Barbie for \$19.95, Disco Barbie for \$19.95, Astronaut Barbie for \$19.95, Skater Barbie for \$19.95, and Divorced Barbie for \$265.95'.

The amazed father asks: 'It's what?! Why is the Divorced Barbie \$265.95 and the others only \$19.95?'

Annoyed salesperson rolls her eyes, sighs, and answers: 'Sir..., Divorced Barbie comes with: Ken's Car, Ken's House, Ken's Boat, Ken's Furniture, Ken's Computer, one of Ken's Friends, and a key chain made with Ken's dignity '



## CARING HEARTS COMMUNITY QUILTERS

The quilting girls have said thanks to NMS, (for our help in hanging the quilts for their annual display day), by donating a beautiful quilt, valued at \$400, for us to raffle. Tickets are available at \$5.00

each. It is hoped that each member will sell at least one book of 4 tickets to help boost our funds for all the work needed at Simeon Rd. Nepean Men's Shed wish to thank the Quilters for their generous donation and their continued support. (Bob doesn't come with the quilt)

### **UP-COMING EVENTS**

### AMSA 6th.NATIONAL CONFERENCE

## Newcastle. 17<sup>th</sup>. to 20<sup>th</sup>. October 2015

Planning is well advanced. Guest speakers include The Governor General...Peter Cosgrove, Julia Gillard, Geoff Kennett and John Williamson will provide some of the entertainment. The Theme for the conference will be "INOVATION"

Check web site for details <u>www.dcconferences.com.au/</u> <u>mensshed2015/</u>

## TAFE OUTREACH

Colin Dare from TAFE OUTREACH, Wentworth Falls, has sought our assistance in providing old garden tools for a program he is running at Kingswood High School. Eventually he wants to expand the program to other local schools. So if members have 'spare' garden tools cluttering up their shed, please bring them in so we can give them a new home. No electrical stuff or lawn mowers .All items MUST be useable &/or repairable. A wheel burrow or two would be appreciated.

## SICK LIST

David Onglay is recovering following a recent hospital visit. and Ken Gibbons and Bob Bennett are still recovering from their recent ailments. It was good to see Kevin Saunders back on deck following a period of recovery.

## SIMEON RD. UP-DATE.

#### Two elder-

ly women were eating breakfast in a restaurant when Ethel noticed something funny about Mabel's ear so she said, "Mabel, do you know you've got a suppository in your left ear?'

Mabel answered, 'I have a suppository in my ear?'

She pulled it out and stared at it. Then she said, 'Ethel, I'm glad you saw this thing. Now I think I know where to find my hearing aid.'

## <u>THE SENILI-</u> TY PRAYER

Grant me the senility to forget the people I never liked anyway, the good fortune to run into the ones I do, and the eyesight to tell the difference.. All is proceeding (very very slowly). The clean-up is nearly complete, we have met with the solicitors and the legal side is on track and ground maintenance is continuing. There is a minor security issue which is being addressed and will be remedied by the end of MAY. The safety issue with the mowing of the front boundary embankment is also being addressed. Work has commenced on the establishment of a secure "Tool Room" and "First Aid Room. " ready for when work commences on the internals for the certificate of occupancy.

We are all keen to move in, unfortunately the wheels that drive the process move VERY slowly....we need to take ten very deep breaths and be patient. Consider how far we have come in the past 6 months let alone the past 41/2 years, DA approved, we have received substantial funding from the State Government to establish our Shed thanks to Stuart Ayres, the auction has been held and was a success, the inside of the building is un-recognisable from what it was when we first saw it.

### OUR 1st. BBQ @ BUNNINGS NORTH

The day started off chaotically, the staff weren't expecting us, no gas, late start but thanks to the intrepid duo of Morrie Mifsud and Denis Coomber we eventually got underway. Trade was slow but steady all day, resulting in a good return. Being our first 'Thursday BBQ' was a challenge in that we didn't have any historical data on what supplies we required, this resulted in us having to get extra snags during the day....'TWICE' Thanks to Terry for helping us out and Morrie & Denis for a great effort all day.

#### GRANTS

We have been successful in receiving a small grant from the Shed Development Program to purchase a BBQ to assist us with our fund raising..

Ramon has been busy applying for additional funding to facilitate additional works at Simeon Rd.

#### SYDNEY TIMBER & WORKING WITH WOOD SHOW

It's that time of year again, time for the one and only <u>Sydney Timber</u> and <u>Working with Wood Show</u> !!!!! When: 12, 13 and 14 June 2015

Where: <u>Hall 6</u>, <u>Sydney Showground</u> at Sydney Olympic Park Time: 10.00 am - 4.00 pm each day

Once again AMSA has been invited to take a stand.

This year myself and Gary Green will be attending the show as this year we will be running "Spanner in the Works?" FREE Health checks for patrons of the show, as well as our usual information stand.

This is a great opportunity for sheds to spruik to the public and raise awareness about our association. The show is open from 10am til 4pm.

### A drover from a B huge cattle station 8 in the outback ap- m peared before St. th Peter at the Pearly Gates.

"Have you ever done anything of particular merit?" St. Peter asked.

"Well, I can think of one thing," the drover offered.

"Once, on a trip to the back blocks of Broken Hill out in New South Wales, I came across a gang of bikers who were threatening a young sheila. I told them to leave her alone, but they wouldn't listen. So I approached the largest and most heavily tattooed bikie and smacked him in his face, kicked his bike over, ripped out his nose ring, and threw it on the ground.

I yelled, "Now, back off - or I'll kick the \*\*\*\* out of the lot of ya!"

St. Peter was impressed, "When did this happen?"

"A couple of minutes ago."

## **BARE FOOT BOWLS**

8 members attended Penrith Bowling Club on Friday 15/5/15 for a most enjoyable couple of hours. As few of us had ever played before, the activities provided plenty of amusement and frustration. The



Australian National team is SAFE.

Thanks to Jim Collier for organising the event.

## A SMALL PROJECT

Mike and Ramon were able to assist a local lady with a repair to her deck. A small job that reinforces what we are about, as expressed in our Masthead, **Men at Work in their Community.** Well done.

Mike and Ramon.

## MOTHERS' DAY BBQ @ BUNNINGS NORTH PENRITH

Two days before the event, we received a request to host the Mothers' Day BBQ at Bunnings North on Thursday evening. Fortunately it coincided with Team 'D' being on site for their fortnightly BBQ. There was a bit of a panic to obtain extra supplies and assemble another team to carry-on from 4 to 8pm., this we did successfully however the quantities of snags, bread and onions required were a bit of a mystery. We had to go off site a couple of times to restock. For the 12 hours we were operating we served about 400 portions, 200 of which were "freebees" for the shoppers. A big **THANK YOU** to Team 'D' (Bob, Paul, David, Morrie plus Dennis G, and Mike for the night shift. A special thanks to the **BARBIE QUARET MINUS ONE** for their regular renditions of "Look on the bright side of life"...certainly amused the customers. The Nepean Men's Shed thank Bunnings for their support of our fund raising activities

#### TEA BAG QUIZ ANSWERS

1..16062 ..Sir Issac Isaacs.3 Friendship4.. Regional Express (REX))5 ..The Nullarbor Links6.. Marble Bar7.. False8 ..189 ..910 ..Cyrill P Callister11... Todd River12..Adelaide

13..66 14..Kooyong, Vic. 15..Nambour, Qld.