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## SHED MEN AT WORK

# IN THEIR COMMUNITY SHOULDER TO SHOULDER

NEWSLETTER OF THE NEPEAN MEN'S SHED INC.
JUNE 2015

G'day shedders.

Our membership is now over fifty. For those of us who have been around since the early days, it is hard to believe that we have grown so rapidly. Most of the growth has occurred over the past 18months. Mt. Riv. is getting VERY cosy on Mondays, especially if it is raining!!! We will, from the 10th. June, be opening on Wednesdays to try and spread the load and enable those who can't participate on Mondays to take part in Shed activities.

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

The dates for the second quarter of 2015 are:

Team A 11th. July.

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

#### WEDNESDAY SHED DAYS

These are maintenance days at Simeon Rd. We will be doing ground maintenance, internal cleaning, tiling, painting as well as preliminary works to facilitate future activities to obtain the Certificate of Occupation. Usual hours, 9am to 2pm, bring your lunch. If you attend on Mondays and have paid your \$4.00 attendance money, then you will not have to contribute another \$4.00. If on the other hand this is your first attendance in the week then a contribution would be appreciated.

#### **OUR SUPPORTERS**





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## FREE STULE

BARBER SHOP
MEMORY MALL ARCADE

Sorry no funnies this month
Tooooo busy with other stuff

## 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) 2 July & 30th. July.

#### SCULPTURE WORKSHOP

On Friday 5th.June, we had our first session at South Penrith Community Centre. We were joined by some of the girls from the Tuesday Scribes (Writers group). Confusion was the order of the day, much time was devoted to ascertaining which was the "left" or "right" side of the work piece. The measuring and setting



out of the work piece was also something to behold. More pics on page 4.

#### **GUEST SPEAKERS**

#### Monday 25th.MAY

We were paid an un-planned visit by Phil Howson who spoke to us about the Ukulele and making them at the Shed. Maybe there is scope for a Ukulele band, it's got to be better that then our singing!!!!

#### **MONDAY 1st JUNE**

Paul James gave us a brief talk and demonstration on the correct use of an Epi Pen. We have a number of members who suffer from allergies and anaphylaxis and may need our assistance. Remember the rule

#### BLUE TO THE SKY, ORANGE TO THE THIGH

This talk and demo led to a plan to develop an appropriate means of making members aware of an individuals medical needs and how to respond to an anaphylactic event.

David Ongley has arranged for a supply of Royal Flying Doctor Allergy and Meds cards. Members are encouraged to fill them out and carry the cards with them at all times. It is in YOUR interests to do this so that in the unfortunate instance of an emergency the Ambo's, first aiders etc will have a head start on your treatment.

#### MEN'S SHED BLOGS

I urge members to Google "Men's Shed Blogs" it is interesting to see what other sheds are doing and you can get a look at the layout and equipment in some of those sheds.

#### GRANT APPLICATION SUCCESS

We have just been notified that we were successful with our grant application from the James N Kirby Foundation. \$12,000 to purchase plant and equipment for Simeon Rd. Among the items we can now purchase are a Defibrillator, Metal shears and press (Morrie will be pleased) Thicknesser and a ride on mower. Please no fighting over who gets to use it, you all have to share it. I guess the next application will be for a garage to store it in!!!!

#### **UP-COMING EVENTS**

#### AMSA 6th.NATIONAL CONFERENCE

Newcastle. 17th. to 20th. 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 <a href="www.dcconferences.com.au/mensshed2015/">www.dcconferences.com.au/mensshed2015/</a>

#### TAFE OUTREACH

The garden tools for the school turned pear shaped due to poor communications within TAFE Outreach. All is not lost, the tools we have will be gratefully accepted by CANA FARM at Kingswood Rd. Orchard Hills. We will finish off those that haven't been completed and keep some for our own use.

#### SIMEON RD.

A reminder to all members. Simeon Rd. is connected to a septic system so we MUST be very careful with what we put down the sink drains and toilets. We are not to use ANY ammonia or chlorine based detergents or cleaning liquids. If these products enter the treatment tank they will destroy the bacteria, this will, in turn result in an unnecessary and EXPENSIVE pump out. Paint brushes ARE NOT TO BE WASHED OUT IN THE SINKS.

A separate wash bay will be set up for cleaning paint brushes. If anyone has an un used stainless steel sink or laundry tub, please let me know.

#### **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 \$15ea. See David





Craig & Ramon 'marking out' their piece.

Progress is made.

#### THANK YOU

A big thank you to John Stalling and his band of helpers for their efforts in sorting out the electrics at Simeon Rd. It took many hours to make sense of the Distribution Boards. All is now up to date, accurate and in compliance.

John has also 'Tested and Tagged' our extension leads and will progressively work through our electric hand tools and equipment.

#### COMMONWEALTH BANK DONATION.

A recent 'phone call following the Timber and Woodworking Show has resulted in NMS being donated a large number of engineering machine tools. Including a Metal Lathe, saw, bench grinder, 12" pedestal grinder, TIG welder, Hydraulic Press, Radial arm drill, Band saw and a Pedestal drill. All are second hand but are in good condition.

#### **QUILT RAFFLE**

The winner is.....Steve Cody

Thanks to all who purchased tickets. We raised over \$500

### MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS ARE NOW DUE

A drover from a huge cattle station in the outback appeared before St.
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..1606 2 ..Sir Issac Isaacs .3 Friendship 4.. Regional Express (REX)) 5 ..The Nullarbor Links
 6.. Marble Bar 7.. False 8 ..18 9 ..9 10 ..Cyrill P Callister 11... Todd River
 12..Adelaide

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