

MENZ SHED

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From the Editors desk



Hi fellow Sheddies

I must apologise to you all for not having a newsletter out for last month, but there has been so much going on in my life that I did not feel that I could give it my best shot. I do know that there has

been such a lot happening with the shed and the boys are doing a great job of getting the various projects on the way. There is the Bleachers for the Speedway, doll houses, and the ongoing windows and doors. Along with all of this is a workshop on box making with Jimu, and there is about a dozen of us involved, as you can imagine there is a lot of talking and comments along the way. The main thing that I have observed is that it has taken our skills to another level and I thank Jimu for his knowledge of these skills and for his patience in passing on some of these skills. Thanks Jimu.

End of year BBQ & Christmas shutdown:

There will be a BBQ on the 17th December to mark our end of year activities.

The shed will re-open on the 19th January 2016

On a more serious note, I have reproduced an article from the Sept newsletter about some bowls that were made and were to be raffled. These have been misplaced, and if anyone has seen them, would they please let Alan know.

The article is on page 2

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Some time ago the shed was given a NZ Matai burl by Grant Russ. Grant runs a sawmill out at Blackbyre Road, and had put aside the piece of Matai as he considered it too nice to be cut up for firewood. It got kicked around the menzshed until John Sowman decided to make some bowls for raffle prizes. Four bowls were made, one was given to Grant, and the three bowls shown were made for the Menzshed. A tool called a "bowl saver" was used to rough out the 3 bowls from the one piece of wood, hence the 3 different sizes.



HAS ANYONE SEEN THESE?



Minutes of Menz Shed Waimea Inc. Tuesday 13th October 2015 @ 4pm Menzshed Richmond Showgrounds Richmond

Present: Peter Dorman, Alan Kissell, Jimu Grimmett, Terry Garside, Ian Clark, Clary Merit, Philip Chapman

Apologies: John Rogers

Minutes:

Motion: that the minutes as circulated be taken as a true and accurate record.

Moved Alan Kissell Seconded Philip Chapman

Matters Arising from the Minutes

Lotteries Grant – Fiona has now got all the information needed, and will apply for this this month.

PHO (Primary Health Care Organisation) – Still to be applied for. Alan to send the flyer for the cost of conference.

New Members Ad - This has still to be finalized. We got some good coverage from the Mudcakes and roses and also the Blokes in Sheds tour, so Alan feels that we don't need to advertise at this time. Jimu suggested that we try to get the existing members more involved. A proposition that members are asked through the newsletter what they want from the Menz Shed. Terry Garside proposed that a questionnaire be added to the newsletter. This was agreed. It was suggested that a BBQ could be held at the end of the month for members.

Jewellery Box Workshop – The timber has been ordered, Jimu & Alan will meet on Fri morning to set a date for the workshop.

Motion: that business arising from the previous minutes as discussed is approved.

Moved Peter Dorman Seconded Terry Garside

Correspondence Inwards:

We had a letter from IHC, they are prepared to donate \$4,000 towards the toilet upgrade.

Kay Latham from Internal affairs requested that we make 15 buddy seats for some of the Nelson schools. They will provide the timber and the schools will paint them. Philip asked if we could have the logo put on them. Alan said that this was possible.

Correspondence Outwards:

Thank you letters:

TNL for free cartage.

Nelson Pine Ind. For providing MDF.

Murton Products for a jiffy lifter.

A letter was sent to Nelson Pine Ind. Requesting some MDF for the reindeer and sleigh for Richmond Mall.

Motion: That the Inward Correspondence be received and the Outward Correspondence be endorsed.

Moved Alan Kissell Seconded Terry Garside

Financial Report

Ian has provided the dashboard report.

Accounts for Payment:

Bunnings \$264.41

Blacks \$71.93

Clinton Mawson \$1550.00

Wakefield Quarry \$253.00

Alan Kissell \$100.00

Bearing & Engineering Supplies \$164.90

Simply Septic \$50.00

Alan to check what the set amount is that can be spent before taking it to the committee for approval.

Motion: That the financial report be adopted and accounts passed for payment.

Moved Ian Clark Seconded Alan Kissell

Welfare Report

Bruce, Alan and Ian have been in contact with our members and /or their partners who have recently been hospitalised. If you know any member who is ill please advise Bruce or Alan.

Coordinators Report

We have had a very busy month.

Engineering shed has been completed and signed off by Tasman District Council.

Dave Meier has been organising tools and shelving in Engineering Shed.

PD men dug out grass around engineering shed and have spread gravel.

We built and assembled shelving units for IHCs new reuse shop in Richmond and helped them get shop ready for open day. Each week we do their pickups and deliveries.

Alan Berryman fixed chairs.

Terry, Wynne and Ross work on windows or doors each Wednesday.

John Jellyman and others have been busy cleaning up our yard and woodwork shed.

Ian Erskine had a big sort out of old bits and pieces.

Bus trip to Golden Bay

A trip to Golden Bay on Sat 24th October was organised for those who were disappointed at missing out on the bus trip cancelled last month due to insufficient numbers and interest.

Seventeen people including members, partners, friends and prospective members had an awesome day in Golden Bay.

We visited the private collection and museum of Paul Sangster where we viewed his amazing collection of war and army memorabilia along with collections from hats and caps to cap guns and real guns, Toy prams and dolls, slot machines and radios, records to barber chairs. If you can name it he probably has it.

Paul and his lovely wife Gilda also put on morning tea for us and as a special treat we were able to get Paul to do his recitation of 'The Modern Man'. How anyone can memorise such an entertaining and verbose recitation is beyond this writer's imagination.



After viewing, supping and being greatly entertained we left Paul's to go and catch our lunch at the Anatoki Salmon Farm. Sitting out by the lake in the beautiful Golden Bay sunshine was an idyllic way to spend an afternoon. Once watered and fed we headed back to Nelson stopping at the Toad Hall in Motueka for a real fruit ice cream and some 'chin wag' time while we consumed them.

We arrived back at the shed at our appointed arrival time around six pm.

A great day was had by all and many thanks go to Mike Sheet our very capable bus driver .

Dave Kissell : Convener





My personal profile:

I was born in Romford, South Essex in 1948 but we moved to South Wales when my father went back to flying for the RAF in 1951. Therefore I am English by birth but Welsh by the grace of God!!!

In the 1950's I lived in a little village near Llantwit Major and in the 1960's I lived to the west of Swansea. The western edge of the South Wales "Valley's" ends at Swansea with the eastern edge of the city being a major industrial centre. I started work as a laboratory assistant in the White Rock Copper Works in the Swansea Valley and spent five years in the inspection and physical testing laboratory.

In 1970 when Ian Smith's declaration of UDI in Rhodesia had almost collapsed the UK copper industry, I left and joined the British Engine Boiler and Electrical Insurance Company Limited (we had long business cards) part of the Royal Insurance Group and promptly moved to Cardiff then on to Plymouth.

In Plymouth I made the best decision I have ever made and married the lovely Maureen then a couple of years later. We moved to Hertfordshire and I spent 5 years working in North London followed by 20 years in the City as a Client Manager. We dealt in engineering inspection and insurance, a very small and specialized market and in 2000, I was pensioned off at the tender age of 52 never having to work again.

However, I soon got bored and took up painting and decorating for 9 years until we decided in 2008 to move out to New Zealand. We have one son with his wife and two grand daughters living in Blenheim and one son living back in Hertfordshire, north of London with his wife so we go back regularly to catch up with him.

I am skilled at nothing but can turn my hand to most things with varying amounts of success.

I work on the basis of "take what life throws your way and enjoy it while you can"

From the Ed: This should have been in last months Newsletter



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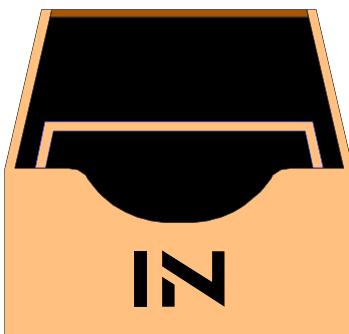
Coordinators Report

We have had a very busy month.

- * Ian Clark, Keith Jacobs, John Jellyman and Craig Robinson helped Box and pour concrete path from drive to toilet.
- * Gary Strathdee has been putting Flashings on Engineering Shed.
- * Dave Meier has been organizing tools and shelving in Engineering Shed and bending and fitting brackets as required.
- * PD men dug out grass in front of engineering shed and Murray Shaw kindly supplied a loader and levelled hard fill.
- * Dave Arnold has extended timber racks and most of the timber that was on ground at rear of shed has been put in storage racks.
- * Glen George generously allowed us to take several Ute loads of burnable rubbish out to his place.
- * We have built shelving units and clothing racks for IHC's new shop in Richmond.
- * Terry, Wynne and Ross made windows or doors each Wednesday.
- * John Sowman has turned some beautiful bowls for us to raffle.
- * Men's Community night at Bunnings.
- * Ian Clark has been working on sleigh and reindeer for Richmond Mall.

A big thanks to everyone that has been helping with these projects, however we need more of our members to get involved and help.

Upcoming projects,



1. Ladies night at Bunnings. We have to make 150 kitset for this night.
2. Build and decorate 2 playhouses as joint fundraiser with Life Education Trust
3. Repair staircase at A & P Assn.
4. Rat traps
5. Major tidy up of grounds and storerooms
6. Toilet Upgrade

MENZSHED NZ Blue Skies Conference

Kaiapoi 15 – 17 April 2016

Diversity, Collaboration and Health

This email is an update on national matters since our last newsletter (which we hope has been passed on to your members and other supporters). The next newsletter is scheduled late October/early November. If you want to include an article on your shed in the next newsletter, please send it to webmaster@menzshed.nz by 30 October.

Conference April 2016

More than 23 sheds represented by 73 Sheddies have advised they will be attending. Applications for funding have been lodged to supplement the committed support in place from sponsors. Speakers are being finalised.

If you are attending, it is time to think about those shoebox exhibition entries. A great way to showcase an activity of your shed. Discussions about what to do for the shoebox exhibition in one shed included; a musical instrument, a garden game or a puppet on a string.

More conference information attached and here <http://menzshed.org.nz/conference-2016-2/>

Lower North Island representative.

Jeff Wakelin from Fielding Shed has offered to fill the role of Lower North Island representative. His contact details are on the Fielding shed page. <http://menzshed.org.nz/feilding/>

Vacancies

We are still seeking a rep for the Upper North Island and expressions of interest to look after newsletters and other Men's Shed communications. Please shoulder-tap someone if you believe they will be suitable for the roles.

Blackwoods Protector

Sheds that are financial members of MENZSHED NZ are progressively being advised of their enrolment to receive significant discounts across the product range of safety and other equipment. Just one example of the savings:

H7F Peltor earmuffs regular price \$

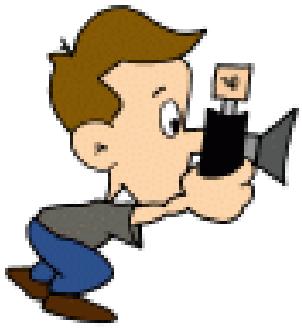
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