



Sheddie, Gerald Hargreaves and young
Bradley, enjoying their time together.

~~~ Sadly ~~~

Gerald passed away in his sleep last week.



Hi Fellow Sheddies

Not long now to the festive season, I will be so happy to see the end of this very wet Spring, at least now I will be able to get out and start tidying up my garden and get the lawns back to a manageable length, and do some planting.

Anyway, on with the newsletter, it has been very hectic down at the shed with all the jobs and projects that have been undertaken, every time that I make it out to the shed I find it a hive of industry with a range of jobs on the go.

I would like all of you to read the Co-ordinators report and actually see the variety jobs and projects that you shed dies achieve. And that you all should be very proud of what you have done for the community and the individuals that have asked for help. Well done from me.

We are very lucky that we have a strong core of shed dies that are out there doing it, to make sure that all the commitments are done and dusted.

I am the last person who should be talking about going out to the shed to help out with the jobs, sometimes I think that the shed takes on too much, but I am not the one who looks at who is asking and having the ability to say sorry, we cannot do it. I am sure that I would find it hard to refuse any requests.

but I am the one who can put fingers to the keyboard and ask all the shed dies who may have some spare time, to jump in their car and just go out and see if they can help with any of the jobs that need doing, this can be anything from general shed or site maintenance to helping with some of our many projects.

Christmas is arriving very quickly, and we have to do some organising of our end of year get together, this is going to be held on the 15th December at the hall we had last year.

We will keep you informed about this nearer to the time. I have been busy building a plywood top for a HO scale building I want to make, it is a Roundhouse in Junee NSW, it is still an operating railway workshop, and was built in 1943. for me to make this in HO scale, the model will be 55 inches across and will have 42 roads undercover and two throughways, I am beginning to think that I have bitten off more than I can chew, so I will just have to wait and see.

If you are interested in looking at this roundhouse, just Google Junee Roundhouse and can you can make up your own mind if I am being ridiculously ambitious, only time can tell. This is a small picture of the building. To give you some size, it is 400 feet across.

I think that's about all from me until next time, so be well and if you are at a loose end, or just want some company and a chat with the boys, come on down and have a cuppa.

Cheers

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The Menzshed held a workshop at Bunnings for Fathers Day.

David Horn, Neil Moore and Dave Meier cut out 50 kitset tool boxes at the Shed and George Inglis, Dave Meier, Graham Fittock and David Horn helped Children at Bunnings make up tool boxes for their Dads.

A very satisfying night seeing the looks on the kids faces making something for their Dads.



### Expo Photos



## Man of Our Wood

Many of you would have seen our ever diligent John 'Firewood Executive' Jellyman beavering away most days bagging up firewood and cutting up kindling wood.

If John was not taking the time to do this, the wood offcuts would be just discarded and thrown away, this labour of love or necessity has produced a steady income to the Shed and his work is very much appreciated.

Roy Tomlinson has taken the time and his expertise to make this trophy which has been presented to John in appreciation of his work.

This has again shown us that we have some great talent in our line-up of sheddies and how much it is recognised by individual members

Please ask to see this when you are next at the Shed.



## SITE SECURITY

There has been an alarming amount of people arriving on site and not entering through the front door and signing in the log book, we have had to change the rules for site entry.

Effective immediately the gates will be locked at all times. The people who have keys, this will mean that they will have to unlock the gate, drive through then lock the gate again immediately.



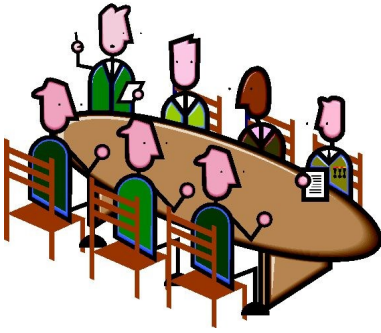
**Please do not just hook the chain over.**

**This is a requirement for Health and Safety reasons.**

**We must know who is onsite at all times.**

**Thank you for your co-operation with this.**





## **Minutes - Committee Meeting**

**Tuesday 12th September 2017 4pm - 382 Queen St, Richmond**

**Welcome:** George Inglis welcomed the Committee

Bruce and Alan have regularly been in contact with any of our members and or partners that have been ill or hospitalised. There have been a lot of cold and flu viruses going around and quite a few of our members have been sick. If you know of any member or partner that is ill or in hospital please let Bruce or Alan know.

The shed has mobility scooters available for loan should you require one. Please contact Alan.

### **Coordinators Report**

**We have a lot of new members joining up and our membership is 225, however, some of our members have not paid this years subs.**

We have enjoyed a busy month at the shed with a wide range of personal and community projects being completed as well as improvements to our shed.

General consensus of members favours the idea of keeping Mondays free for making doors and windows.

### **PROJECTS COMPLETED**

Hedgehog traps for Waimarama Sanctuary

Built display stands

Graeme has built a front desk for A & P Assn

Workshop has had a minor clean-up. Watch this space.

Andrews been in and clean-up has begun.

Fitted handrails for hospice patients

Fixed toys at Fix it Café

Fixed toys at shed

Repaired furniture

Engineers have made new fences for table saws and spindle moulder and extraction system fittings

Run 2 classes for 40 IHC men each Tuesday

Run a programme for 3 young home-school students every Thursday afternoon

6 boys from St Pauls attend shed each Monday and they are working on a totem pole

Wood turners have been making knitting needles and wig stands

Ian Erskine has been cleaning and sanding milling machine ready for painting.

4 Hobby horses for hobbyhorse show jumping for Hope school

Doors and windows

Clothing racks for St Vinnies, Stoke.

Kitset toys for Saints And Angels evening at Baptist Church 31/10/2017

We had a lot of pickups to do. Large tandem trailer load of office desks from Port Nelson, 2 Trailer and Ute loads from a garage in Spring Grove, and lots of smaller pickups.

We have had 16 scouts come in to make display boards on which they demonstrate their knots. 16 scouts come for 2 to 3 hours each Tuesday evening. Dave Meier, Graham and Alan are working with the scouts.

Dave Meier, David Horn and Neil cut out 50 kitset toolboxes for Bunnings family night.

Bunnings family night. Dave Meier, George, Graham and David Horn, attended at Bunnings and enjoyed a fun night

## SITE UPGRADE

As most of you will be aware, we have major issues with surface water, mud, dirt, flooding during inclement weather.

We have been asking various companies to see how we can fix this issue and I we are very pleased to say that Fulton Hogan have come on board and are going to provide Quarry product for the upgrade. All we need now is a friendly digger operator

This is an incredibly generous offer and it will make the Shed site a far better place for everyone, including parking for members.



This sort of donation is proof of the great work the Shed is doing in the Community and the high esteem in which we are held.

Thank you to everyone who helping us achieve this.

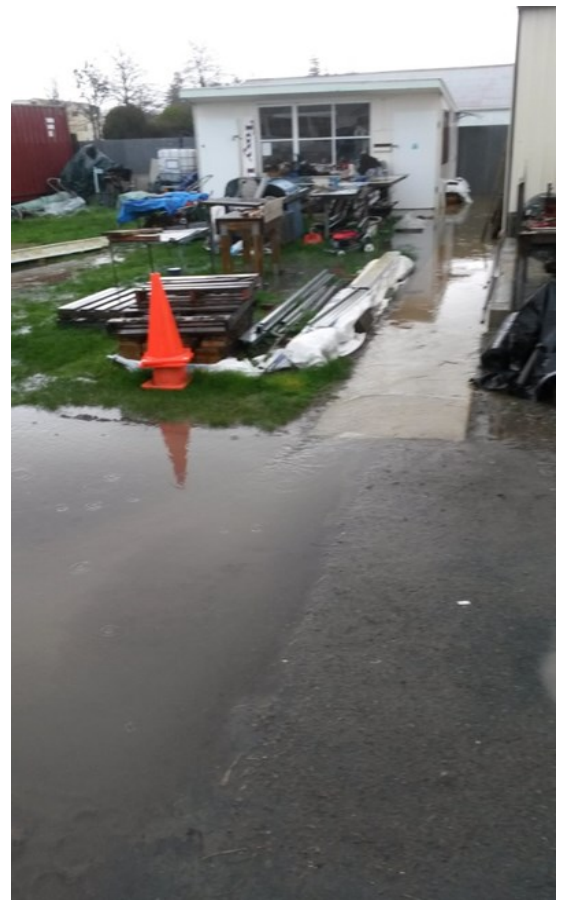
This project is going to be a significant logistical exercise for us as we have to clear the section of everything (except containers).

Once we have sorted a plan of attack with Fulton Hogan, we will probably have a large working bee to clear the section and temporarily store everything in another location while the ground rework is done.

This is going to be a fantastic new phase for the



Shed.





# MISSING TOOLS

*It has come to notice that the following tools have been removed from the Shed:*

*1) Spray gun.*



*2) Hitachi Electric Planer*

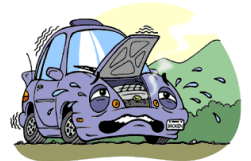


*The Airless spray gun belongs to a member, not the Shed. It was on loan.*

*Neither tool has been recorded in the book for recording the 'borrowing of tools'.*

*If anyone has inadvertently borrowed either of the tools as described, please return them to the shed as soon as possible.*

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## New Office and Reception area for Nelson A & P Association

The A&P Association are moving their offices to the Birch Hall and asked if we could make a reception counter for them. Graham Fittock rose to the challenge and did an amazing job of the cabinet and top.



## Industrial Sander



Quite awhile ago the shed was donated an industrial sander by Halswell Timber, it was in need of some maintenance and TLC to get it up and running true and smoothly. This has now been finished by the efforts and expertise of Neil Moore dismantling the machine and replacing parts and Dave Meier refurbishing the rollers. The machine has now been recommissioned and is running like a new watch, a big watch anyway.

Thanks for the great team effort.

## Tig Welder

We have received many donations of all sorts of items over the last few months from Companies and individuals. We have been very fortunate to receive some very good quality items such as wood, kitchen units, desks, work benches, tools etc.

Most items are refurbished and sold on Trade-Me to raise funds to keep the Shed running.

This photo is of a very generous donation of a TIG welder given to us by Shane Bond from Helicopters NZ.

This is another great asset for the shed, and I'm sure the Engineering boys will be putting this to good use.





If you have been to the shed lately, you have probably seen a few of these boxes sitting on the table in the amenity area, this has been another of Grahame's projects and the story behind them is interesting.

They are for holding bags of crisps instore for sale, these I have been told are in locations Nationwide and they are made locally in Echodale Place in Stoke.

What people may not know is that these Menzshed made display stands have made their debut into the USA, and what better place to advertise these local products, but in the lunch rooms of Microsoft. Not a bad place to advertise, made in NZ



At Proper Crisps we have always had a passion for supporting locals and the Waimea Menzshed is one of those Locals.

Having been aware of the local Menzshed in Alexandra, Central Otago, when we were looking at finding people to construct some stands for us we went straight down to the Menzshed in Richmond and discussion started.

Currently, we work with the team there to create stands that go as far as the USA. Our rep in California recently set the stands up in the lunchrooms of Microsoft. We have been so impressed with their workmanship that we will continue working with Alan and the team who are dedicated to producing some amazing work.

Kindest Regards



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