

THE CUTTING EDGE

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Thursdays (Woodturning) 10.00am to 2.00pm

Invitation to the Monthly Members' Meeting
and 2017 AGM

12.00 NOON 18 AUGUST 2017
33A Sefton Road Thornleigh

	<p>OPEN MEMBERS' MEETING Agenda</p>
12.00	<p>Apologies. Welcome visitors & new members. Secretary's Report & Correspondence. The members' monthly Meeting will be adjourned and the 2017 AGM will commence: Amendment to 2016 Financial Report. Consideration of the Annual Financial Report and Committee Members' Report. Election of Office Bearers. General Business associated with the AGM The Members' Monthly meeting will resume: Woodturners' Report. Toy Makers' Report. Equipment Report. Welfare Report. Show & Tell. Question & Answers. General Business. Close meeting and resume work on our projects in the Shed.</p>

PRESIDENT'S 2017 ANNUAL REPORT

2016/17 has seen further growth in Shed membership, the installation of the Central dust extraction system, improvements in the Shed layout and a reduction in noise and dust levels. Knowledge of the Shed and its

activities continue to be known and respected throughout the local community. This year we instigated visits to the Sydney Heritage Fleet and the Gosford Car Museum and have plans to continue such visits in the year ahead.

In discussions with Council the Shed was successful in obtaining a one-year lease extension on our premises within the current fee structure. Our lease now runs to November 2021. As the Council merge with Ku-ring-gai is no longer proceeding, our tenure of the current building is more assured. However, it appears that our next-door neighbour National Can is closing and the site may be sold and rezoned/developed. If so this has the potential to create parking problems for our members and for our timber storage facility which is located on their site.

During the year your Committee has held discussions with the Council expressing our concerns over their community charge out rates for the use of their built facilities compared to those used for the use of sporting grounds. Whilst a major change at this stage appears unlikely, we can but continue to push our case. Whilst the Shed is in Council owned buildings we are at the whim of Council staff and ever-changing Councillors as to tenure and rental rates.

Given that the Council recently purchased the 30-hectare Water Board site at the end of Sefton road, your Committee is pushing for their plans to include a site for our own Shed and possibly Sheds of other types. What we are seeking is a long-term land lease where we would build our own Shed using grants and Shed held/raised funds. However, we have been informed that the development of this site is currently on Council's backburner due to financial constraints given the loss of part of the Shire to Parramatta Council.

As you can see your Committee as usual has not been idle.

After three years as the Shed President I have decided it is time for a break. I thank my Committee, Supervisors and all Shed members for the support they have given me over those years. I feel together we have continued to grow what is now a sizable community facility and that our ongoing actions will ensure the Sheds existence well into the future.

Ian Raper

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Please note I will be away from 27th August until 25th October. During that time Philip Hirshbein will look after the secretarial matters. He can be contacted at phil@bein.id.au

SHED OPERATING DAYS.

Shed membership has now passed 160 members. With the increased demand your Committee is looking at adding another day of operation. It will be either Monday or Wednesday. If you are interested in attending the Shed on an alternative day please advise which day you prefer.

MORNING TEA.

Tea and Coffee as well as biscuits are available at \$1.00 per day. That is a pretty good deal so please make sure, if you have a "cuppa", to throw your dollar in the Aussie Money Box on the table.

FUND RAISING 2017

Fund raising has taken a back seat this month but as we come up to the 2017 AGM on behalf of the Committee I thank the many members who have given their time to help out at the Bunnings Sausage Sizzles and the Cumberland Forest Fair. These events raised almost \$5,000.00 during the 2016/2017 year. Without your support this would not have been possible.

WELCOME (1)

Please welcome to the Shed the following new members who joined in July/August:

Joanne Bailey, Joseph Degabriele, Sean Kelly, David Lopez, Martin officer, Bill Pym and Mike Rayner. With also welcome back Russell Pinch.

WELCOME (2)

Congratulations to Shed Member, Dimithri Perera, and his wife, Meesha, on the arrival of their son, Arian Joseph.

Automated External Defibrillator (AED)

The Shed has an AED and every three (3) months a training video is shown. While an AED can be used on a person with a pacemaker the pads MUST NOT be placed over the pacemaker. Therefore, in a case of an emergency, we need to know who has a pacemaker. To ensure we do have this information please confirm with Colin Crispo (or myself or Philip Hirshbein) if you have a pacemaker. This information will be kept with the AED with the hope we never have to consult it.

<https://acls.com/free-resources/knowledge-base/bls-articles/aeds-special-circumstances>

PICTURE FRAMING COURSE.

As mentioned last month the Shed proposes to run another Picture Framing Course if there is enough interest. The course will be over 5 or 6 weeks and it is important that if you enrol in the course that you attend EVERY session.

If you are interested please put your name on the white or send email Philip Hirshbein phil@bein.id.au

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS.

You will notice at the end of each Cutting Edge there is a list of Acknowledgements of organisations and people who support HWMS. However, I realised there is one organisation that has not been noted and that is our neighbour Nation Can Industries (NCI). Ian mentioned them in this month's President's report.

Recently on one of the rare times I drive to the Shed I parked in their carpark. It was while walking to the Shed I realised they had not been acknowledged yet we park our cars there and they kindly allowed the Shed to erect a timber storage rack. When I went home I

googled Nations Can and found this item:

“NSW can manufacturing moves to Thornleigh

National Can had out-grown the series of buildings at Meadowbank. A major new development was the purchase of a modern building on five acres at 50 Duffy Avenue Thornleigh, N.S.W. for \$1,100,000. An additional 50,000 square feet was to be added to the existing building on the site. New metal decorating equipment had been ordered which would double the capacity. It also heralded the advent of another important new development, National Can’s first U.V. (ultra-violet) curing oven, the very latest in lithographic technology.

On 15 August 1978 (foundation day) the new Thornleigh plant, National Can’s largest, was formally opened. Over two hundred customers, suppliers and staff, saw Councillor Don Evans open the plant, with the official party including Harry and Billie Tyrrell, Les and Shirley Whitcroft, Frank and Lorraine O’Halloran, Alan and Hazel Pitman and Geoff and Norma Stevens.”

Article courtesy of NCI

For more information and the history of NCI go to: www.ncipackaging.com/

“OUTSIDE the SHED.”

This month it is a bit of Inside the Shed AND Outside the Shed. Earlier the year Hornsby Connect Inc made a request to the Shed to construct a prototype movable “pantry” – a cupboard on casters with a removable front. The cupboard would be stocked with tinned food and non-perishable food items.

Hornsby Connect is a charity organisation that distributes food including fruit, vegetables and bread, to the needy at a low cost and some cases free. It sources the food from organisations like OzHarvest and support from local businesses.



“Mobile Pantries” in storage

The “Mobile Pantry” was successful and Hornsby Connect came back with a request for 8 more cupboards and how quick could the Shed make them.

The Shed’s Super Team of Fred Blaauw, Bruce Campbell, Philip Lincoln and Ian Raper rose to the task and, working Saturday and Sunday, completed the cupboards in short time.



The “Mobile Pantries and with one of the mobile Fridges in position for Trading.

Hornsby Connect trade between 2.00pm and 3.30pm each Wednesday. However, in order to trade, they take possession of an empty hall at the community centre in Hornsby at mid-day, after the previous “tenants” – a playgroup, leave and over the next 90 minutes they set up a mini supermarket putting out chairs for their customers to sit on while they wait, setting up tables and low height partitions, rolling out the 9 cupboards the Shed made and 2 mobile fridges. Fruit, Vegetables, bread and other household items are laid out on the tables. The cupboards and fridges are restock where necessary Once completed they take a 30 minute breather, have cuppa and get ready for sales.

After trading finishes they then spend another hour packing up wheeling the mobile units back into the storeroom clearing tables and partitions and along with the chairs putting them back into another storeroom leaving the hall empty again.

For more information on Hornsby Connect go to: <https://www.hornsbyconnect.org.au/>

If you have an item for “Outside the Shed” please send it in.

TOYS 2017

The programme continues on schedule and our stock of toys for distribution is building towards our target of 400 toys.

Woodworking

Aug Rolling Toy Rattle
Aug Pencil Cases
Oct Billy Carts & Wheelbarrows

Woodturning

Nov Finish all toys
Dec Deliver Toys

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Picture Framing Course

Another Picture Framing course is proposed for September /October if there is enough interest. Please either write your name on the White Board or email the Secretary if you are interested.

SAFETY and HOUSEKEEPING in the SHED.

Sharing.

Do you find it frustrating when a piece of equipment you need is not where it should be and you assume someone is using? Later on you walk around the Shed and you see that piece of equipment just lying on bench not being used. If you have finished with a piece of equipment and you do not intend to use it immediately then put it back for someone else to use. It will only take a couple of seconds.

Similarly when you use the likes of the router, sanding table, stop saw etc do not leave the job half completed while you go off and have a "cuppa" – other people may want to use that piece of equipment.

What's On the Agenda?

Fri 18th August Annual General Meeting

Tues 5th Sept Noon Makita Tool demonstration.

Sept/Oct (dates to be confirmed) Picture Framing Course

October (date to be confirmed) Garden Island Tour

Don't forget to check our website
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www.hornsbysheds.org.au

Wood Shows.

Illawarra Festival of Wood.

The Illawarra Woodwork School is "Illawarra Festival of Wood" is on Friday 6th and Saturday 7th October at the Bulli Showground.

HWMS Committee

See Mobile numbers below to contact someone at the Shed.

President: Ian Raper

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Vice President: David Harrison

Secretary: David Tarran

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Treasurer: Mark Wilson (Mob 0422 291 684)

Public Relations: Philip Hirshbein

(Mob 0401 068 666)

Immediate Past President: Tony Blair

Membership: Brian Hart

Woodturning: John Markham

Toys: Bruce Campbell, Fred Blaauw

Projects: Fred Blaauw

Equipment: Bruce Campbell (Mob 0408 359 777)

Safety: All Supervisors

Auditor: Keith Peel

Woodcarving: Keith Day

Electrical - Vacant

Catering:

Monthly Members' meeting:

Bob Carruthers and John Talbot;

Kitchen: Les Sanford & Bruce Campbell

Librarian: Kevin Wallace

First Aid: Paul Crowe

Web Master: Karen Benhar

Welfare: Ron Koutchavlis (Mob 0412 093 898)

Maintenance: Brian Sugden, Tony Blair and Jim Spence

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