

THE CUTTING EDGE

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Shed Hours: Tuesdays & Fridays 9.00am to 2.00pm, Saturdays 10.00am to 4.00pm

Thursdays (Woodturning priority) 9.00am to 2.00pm

Invitation to the Monthly Members' Meeting

7.30PM 18 MARCH 2016

33A Sefton Road Thornleigh

7.00pm	Registration Sale of raffle tickets Socialise over tea and coffee
7.30pm	Open Members' Meeting Apologies Welcome visitors and new members Secretary's Report and Correspondence President's Report Treasurer's Report Woodturner's Report Toy Maker's Report Equipment Report Welfare Report
8.00pm	CABOT'S Amber Backhouse from CABOT'S will talk about their extensive range of Interior and Exterior Timber Coatings Show and Tell Questions & Answers General Business Draw raffle Close Meeting Socialise over tea and coffee
9.30pm	Tidy meeting room

PRESIDENT'S REPORT MARCH 2016

In the last few weeks we have had three major equipment failures: - the speed controller on a lathe, the switch system on the Saw Stop and the height adjustment system on one of our triton routers. All are in the process of being repaired thanks to the dedicated work of Brian Sugden, John Talbot and Jim Spence. Your assistance and patience is requested pending the return of the equipment to full working order. Of our two major projects the foundations and shelving for the timber storage area are complete and the roof should be in place by month end. The Dust extraction system is awaiting cost quotes for the potential locations of

the main unit and when to hand will enable the committee to agree with Council as to where the system can be placed. The Shed's strong preference is to house the unit externally. As with all things to do with Council this phase of the project will take time and could require the submission of a DA.

Again a thank you to those who assisted in the BBQ and old tools activities last month, the BBQ raised \$900 and the tool sale over \$1,500. There is another BBQ coming up this time at Dural on the 30th of April if you are able to assist please put your name on the white board. These activities are good publicity for the shed and result in a number of membership enquiries.

I urge members to come to next Friday night's meeting as the session by Cabot's will cover a number of paint types and best use. It is a "hands on" session you will get to try the different finishes including those suitable for furniture, toys and wood turnings.

Ian Raper



Last Month's Guest Speaker Peter Kirkwood talking about Didgeridoos

SECRETARY'S REPORT

**** EASTER ***

The Shed will be closed Good Friday 25th March and Easter Saturday 26th March.

Timber for Woodturning

There is a stockpile of timber for woodturning at the rear of the shed. This is available free of charge. If you are woodturning please take advantage and use up the timber.

Christmas Party

The Christmas Party Committee requires another person to assist in the kitchen on the night. If you or your partner is willing to help please contact Ivan Bosnich 0422 645 895

Sydney Heritage Fleet Tour

"Pymont Ultimo and Glebe Men's Shed had a very unusual birth, its 3 parents were a small urban church, a semi derelict harbour ferry and a bunch of ageing ship restorers.

We have developed a presentation that tells PUG's story. Early responses have been good and foolishly encouraged by the cheering of our first audience we have decided to launch ourselves on the Men's Shed world! or at least that part of it that is within 50 ks of Sydney CBD. So what are we offering?

- A guided tour of the James Craig probably the ultimate volunteer restoration project and morning tea.
- Heritage boat transfer from James Craig to the Heritage Shipyard
- An audio visual presentation of the intriguing PUG story on board the heritage ferry Kanangra where PUG started
- A tour of the Sydney Heritage Fleet's shipyard at Rozelle, possibly the biggest Men's shed around
- Heritage boat transfer to the Men's shed from the shipyard
- Members of PUG explaining some of the work they are doing and discuss ideas with visiting shedders.
- Heritage boat transfer to the Australian National Maritime museum Yots Café* (lunch is at own expense) – *alternately you can catch the light rail to the Fish Markets and have lunch there.
- Knowledgeable articulate and we hope humorous speakers. Either Jon Simpson ex GM Sydney Heritage Fleet, current SHF volunteer and PUG member or Ross Hindmarsh PUG President.

Cost is \$25 per head plus approximately \$10.00 for Return Bus Transport. Lunch is not included.



Peter Demonstrating the Didgeridoo

FUND RAISING

As Ian has already reported the BBQ and Tool Sales have raised \$2,400.00.

This has been a great result.

We have two more fund raising functions – Saturday 30th April – Sausage Sizzle at Bunnings Dural (Ian has requested volunteers to put their names on the White Board) and Monday 13th June (Queen's Birthday Holiday) – Sausage Sizzle again at Bunnings Dural. If you have not already done so please set aside a couple hours for one (or both) of these functions.

TOYS

We are a bit behind schedule on producing toys. Fred Blaauw & Bruce Campbell are currently away but should be in the Shed Tuesday 19th March and after another week away back Friday 1st April. Please speak to them about making toys.



Member Profiles

This month's issue features Robert Evans.

Together with Philip Hirshbein, we helped establish our club, originally the Hills District Triton User Group, (I am member # 3), as Secretary. I held this position for 5 years, as well as temporary Treasurer, for a time, until Helen, my wife took over the job. During this period, I also acted as Membership officer. One of my other duties was organising guest Speakers, and proud to say, that during my secretaryship, we never had a meeting without a guest speaker. I stood down from the position in 2006 as I had developed a bone marrow cancer, MDS. Outside the Shed I enjoy walking, photography and catching fish (although the Big One got away).

HWMS Committee

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Fred Blaauw

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Catering

Monthly Members' meeting, Bob Carruthers and John Talbot;

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Brian Sugden, Tony Blair and Jim Spence