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Members' Monthly Meeting

12.00 NOON* 20 SEPTEMBER 2019

[33A Sefton Road Thornleigh](#)

* Work in Shed will cease at 11.45am and the meeting may start slightly earlier than 12.00 Noon

12.00	OPEN MEMBERS' MEETING Apologies. Welcome visitors & new members. Secretary's Report & Correspondence. Treasurer's Report 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.
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PRESIDENTS REPORT

I am standing in for our president Kevin who is overseas climbing mountains.

We now have a new committee with some new members and some new additions. Many thanks to the past ones after they have done a marvellous job and to welcome the new ones.

This month being September it is a timely reminder to people making toys that they should ensure they are finished before the end of October.

A reminder that the Shed has a Bunnings Sausage Sizzle on Monday of the Labour Day weekend on the 7th October. Please consider volunteering for a couple of hours. Put your name on the whiteboard near the front door. These events raise valuable funds that are used to buy consumables that we all use in how pursuits so please support them.

There is the ongoing request that when working in the shed that everybody should be mindful to replace tools in the proper place and to clean their workplace.

David Boyd, Vice President

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Greeting fellow shed members this is my first newsletter as Secretary and have my 'training wheels' on so to speak learning the duties and responsibilities that go with being the Secretary. So bear with me if things don't go smoothly at first.

Fund Raising

We have been fortunate to receive grants and donations from the following organisations.

- Hornsby RSL Club for \$2000.00
- Asquith Magpies Football Club for \$1600.00
- Bendigo Bank Turrumurra for \$500.00



Ten community organisations, including HWMS, each receiving their \$500.00 cheque from Bendigo Bank Turrumurra.

Photo: Courtesy Bendigo Bank Turrumurra

The Shed also thanks Coca Cola for donation of Soft drinks for use at Bunnings Barbeques.

Turrumurra and Lindfield Community Bank® branches



We are sending letters to these organisations thanking them for their generosity.

Please also thank the following shed members for their assistance in obtaining the above grants and donations

- Tom Gait for the grant from Hornsby RSL and the Magpies and
- Jim Swain from for the donation from Bendigo Bank.
- Ron Koutchavlis for the donation of soft drinks from Coca Cola

The funds received will be used to buy two new linishers (sanders) to replace the existing units which are at the end of their useful life and other Shed activities and equipment.

Equipment Damage

There have been a number incidents in the last month where bandsaw blades have been bent or broken by Shed members forcing timber rather than let the machine do the cutting or have tried to cut timber that was not fully supported against the bandsaw table causing it to tip and twist the blade making the blade unusable.

Note: *If members damage equipment because of improper or careless use then they will be asked to contribute to the cost of replacing the damaged item. If you are uncertain about doing something then ask the advice of a Shed supervisor no matter how minor the question.*

Toy Making

This is a reminder to all Shed members who are building toys at home for the Shed note that all toys must be complete and delivered to the Shed by the 31 October 2019.

In the Shed, we will be focusing on completing trucks, painting dolls houses, constructing bilycarts etc. Member's assistance in completing these items will be appreciated.

Excessive use of Equipment

Members wanting to make quantities of items for personal use (e.g. more than say 5) which require substantial use of equipment such as thicknessers, jointer, table saws are to speak to a Supervisor before commencing and may be asked to make a contribution towards the cost of replacement blades, cutters etc. Alternatively the Shed may limit the number of items that can be made.

This does not apply to club projects.

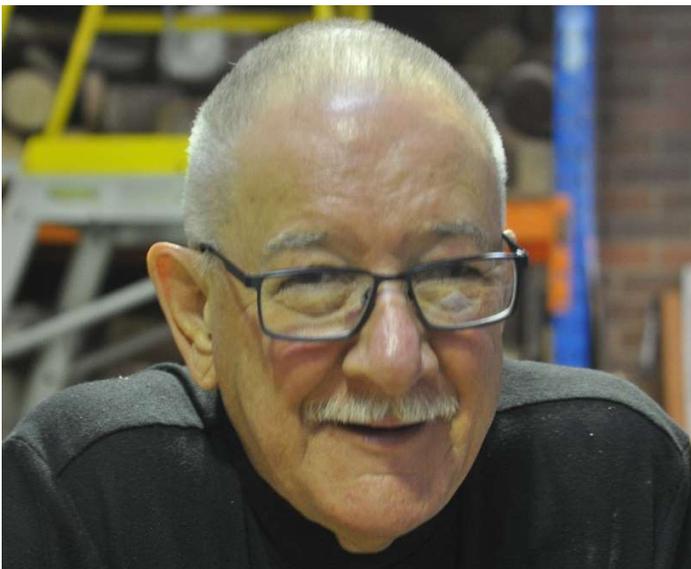
Bunnings BBQ, Thornleigh – Monday 7th October.

The next Bunnings Fund Raising BBQ will be on Monday 7th October (Monday of Queen's Birthday long weekend). We ask you to give a couple of hours on the day. Please put your name on the white board or email David Tarran at dstarran@optusnet.com.au. The roster will be sent out the week before the BBQ.

MEMBERS of the MONTH - SEPTEMBER.

Bruce Campbell is the Member of the Month for September. Bruce is a foundation member of the Shed going back to October 2001. When Bruce was working in the real world he was a mercer with a shop in Northbridge. He has also been a resident of Westleigh for over 40 years – I guess you could call him a local. Most of us know Bruce as the person who tells a joke at lunchtime – some good, some bad. Or the person who has a rant about the kitchen being untidy, about tools being left out, about not cleaning up (and he is always right). But what we do not realise is the number of hours Bruce puts into the efficient running of the Shed

When you look around the Shed there are very few members who have put in as much time



and effort into the Shed as Bruce has. When there is a BBQ Bruce is usually there. In fact he has only missed one BBQ in the past four years (he was away fishing on that occasion). He quietly goes about organising the condiments, paper towels, cooking utensils, serving boards etc. He is usually at the Shed before 7 on the morning of the BBQ to transport the sausages and equipment to Bunnings. Then in the afternoon he is often there to take the equipment back to the Shed. When there is an offer of a donation of timber or equipment to the Shed it is Bruce who goes off in his trusty Red Truck to pick it up.

Every Tuesday members dutifully put the 1100 litre red bin out for rubbish collection. However it is Bruce who comes around Wednesday morning to put the bin back inside before someone decides it would be a good place to dump their rubbish.

The Shed has been making possum boxes for a possum rescue group. It is Bruce who maintains the stock of possum boxes. I am reliably told Bruce actually makes them in his sleep.

Our stock of consumables – it is Bruce who ensures we do not run out.

These are only some of the many chores Bruce carries out.

Thank you Bruce for your many years of service to the Shed.

CLUB PROJECTS.

HWMS has just completed two projects.

Finials

Last May a builder made a request to Fedwood at Balmain to make a Finial. However the representative from Fedwood advised the builder they did not make square finials.

The solution – go to Hornsby Woodworking Men's Shed. After a bit of to and froing on the design and agreement on price master craftsman Kevin Wallace set about meeting the builder's requirement.

Kevin had a mountain to climb but, before leaving, he was determined to complete the project.



Kevin decided to make the finial in three sections connecting each section with a circular mortice and tenon joint.

Kevin successfully completed the commission and is now enjoying the wilds of Africa climbing his mountain – Kilimanjaro.

Thank you Kevin a job well done– enjoy your climb.



Timber Threshold Ramp.

Again back in May a lady, Gina Dolphin, contacted Philip Hirshbein about a book she was writing on Thornleigh and wanted to put a section on Hornsby Woodworking Men's Shed as part of the community



As a result of Gina’s communications with Philip she approached him in August to make a timber threshold ramp.

As Philip was heading overseas (not to climb mountains) he organised for Andrew Dryburgh to carry out the works including installation.

Gina was so pleased with finish project she added a \$50.00 donation to the price.

Thank you Philip and Andrew.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Hornsby Woodworking Men’s Shed acknowledge the support of the local state member for Hornsby, the Hon Matt Kean; the local state member for Ku-ring-gai, the Hon Alister Henskens; the local federal member for Berowra, the Hon Julian Leeser and the Hornsby Shire Council.

Hornsby Woodworking Men’s Shed also acknowledge the support of the following organisations: the Hornsby RSL Club; Magpies Waitara; Bendigo Bank, Turrumurra; Bunnings Dural; Bunnings Thornleigh; North Shore Timber; Orangelime Web Design; Coca Cola Amatil and Bakers Delight Hornsby.

Please support the organisations that support HWMS.
