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TO ALL SHED MEMBERS. BEST WISHES FOR THE NEW YEAR. MAY IT BE A HEALTHY AND JOYFUL 2020. FROM THE COMMITTEE.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Welcome to a new Shed year and a new decade and wishing you all a Happy New Year and a successful 2020 to follow. We have a busy set of projects ahead this year.

The Christmas Party on the 15th November went off very well and it was good to talk to members without having to shout over the noise of the dust extractor. Thanks to all who came and to those ladies who cooked the cakes. Thanks to all the members who helped organise the event and the kitchen “staff”; Ivan Bosnich, Dimithri Perera, Bob Carruthers and Bruce Campbell (in the Bar), who worked tirelessly during the event. Thanks too to all the members who cleared away the machines before the party and fronted-up on the Saturday morning to put them back again after the party.

During the Christmas and New Year break Ron Koutchavlis has been working on the two paint storage cupboards. You will notice that the paint scrapers and brushes are now very neatly hung up on a shadow board, next to the water-based paint cupboard. Please keep it that way.

A lot of old paint was disposed of, at the Council recycle centre, and the remaining tins of paint organised on the shelves. Please put the paint tins back in the correct position after use and keep the storage cupboards tidy. There are also instructions about the use of the paints when painting toys. It is EXTREMELY important that we finish any children's toys with the correct paint. Congratulations to Ron for his fantastic effort which he volunteered to do.

It was great to see so many people turning up at the last Bunnings Bar-B-Que (BBBQ). We had a total of 22 people, the best turn-out since April 2016. The work load was spread out and everyone only spent 2 hours working. Many thanks to David Tarran and everyone who participated. The next BBBQ, is on Sunday 23rd February at the Dural Store, 248-252 New Line Rd. As I have said before, the BBBQs are important fundraising events for YOUR Shed. So please put your name down on the white board (behind the front desk) or let David Tarran, the BBBQ Co-ordinator, know you'd like to be involved.

I would like to extend a welcome to our four new members; Angus and Campbell Baird; Peleg Cohen and Chau Hoi Kwok. I trust you will enjoy working with your fellow “Shedders”. If you are unsure about the use of any machine or equipment, please ask a Supervisor for assistance.

On a darker note; we are desperately short of Shed Supervisors as well as Turning Supervisors. This situation has crept up on the Committee over some time and with recent resignations, medical issues and others who can't get into the Shed on Saturdays, for various reasons, it is now at a critical point. Currently, having enough Supervisors during the week doesn't appear to be a problem and most Supervisors work in the shed during that time. However, Saturdays has become a problem. We need at least two Supervisors “on deck” each Saturday. We only have ten Supervisors willing to cover this shift and so that they are not having to “work” a Saturday every month, the Committee is considering various options. One of which is not opening on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays in each month. This would NOT affect the Turners who meet on the 2nd Saturday. Other options explored were to a) open at 9am and close at 3pm, rather than 4pm; b) Supervisors to split the “shift” into an “open the Shed” and “close the Shed”; c) appointing Shed Deputies who would be able to close the shed if the Supervisor was called away on an emergency.

If you would like to become a Shed Supervisor or Shed Deputy, please see myself or David Boyd, the Vice President.

We have an interesting video to screen about the use of the Heart Starter machine. It is important that everyone in the shed knows how to use the Heart Starter in case of a medical emergency.

Kevin Wallace
President

MONTHLY MEETING

17th JANUARY 33A Sefton Road Thornleigh

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

OPEN MEMBERS' MEETING Agenda

APOLOGIES

WELCOME TO VISITORS & NEW MEMBERS

SECRETARY'S REPORT & CORRESPONDENCE

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

TREASURER'S REPORT

WOODTURNER'S REPORT

TOY MAKER'S REPORT

EQUIPMENT REPORT

WELFARE REPORT

SHOW AND TELL

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

GENERAL BUSINESS

CLOSE MEETING AND RESUME WORK ON OUR PROJECTS IN THE SHED

GOINGS ON AT THE SHED

SOME OF OUR MEMBERS HARD AT IT: LEFT: YUVAL COHEN; MODIFYING OUR EQUIPMENT—MIDDLE: BO LINDROM; TURNING – RIGHT: BRUCE CAMPBELL; WITH HIS BELOVED POSSUM BOXES



BELOW GETTING READY FOR OUR CHRISTMAS PARTY

OUR CHRISTMAS PARTY WAS A RESOUNDING SUCCESS. THANKYOU TO ALL THE PEOPLE THAT CONTRIBUTED, SUPPLYING CAKES, SANDWICHES, FRUIT PLATTERS, AND OTHER DELICACIES. SPECIAL THANKS TO BOB CARRUTHERS FOR HIS STOIC PARTICIPATION AND CALM INFLUENCE.



ORGANISING THE CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

TWO THORNS AND A ROSE



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; Westfield Hornsby; Bendigo Bank, Turramurra & Lindfield; Bunnings Dural; Bunnings Thornleigh; North Shore Timber; Orangelime Web Design; Coca Cola Amatil and Bakers Delight Hornsby.

Please support the organisations that supports HWMS.

You may have seen this post on Facebook:

WIRES (Wildlife Rescue) needs 1,000 possum boxes so that rescued and rehabilitated possums and other wild life can be re-homed. They're not hard to make and everyone is welcome to volunteer.

WIRES is providing the materials and running a working bee in the garage of a Woolloomooloo business for a few days this week and next.

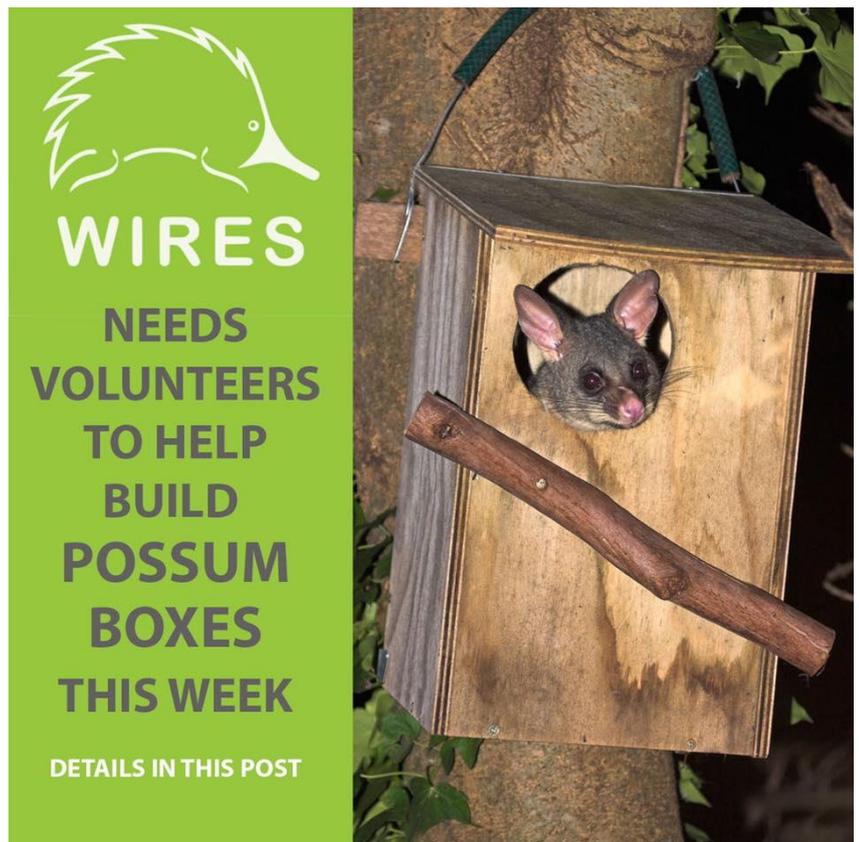
The first three working bees are: Thursday 9 January: 1pm to 9pm, Friday 10 January: 1pm to 6pm, and Saturday 11 January: 12pm to 5pm.

You can join for as many days and hours as you like. Water and snacks will be provided.

It's essential that you contact: Heath Felton on 0404-432-732 to confirm dates and times you're available.

The location is: Rear lane garage entrance of 122 Cathedral Street, Woolloomooloo.

Clearly it is now too late to attend these workshops but as an individual you may decide to become involved. If you'd like to make and deliver boxes yourself contact Heath Felton on the mobile phone number above. Please note that this is **NOT a Shed project.**



BEROWRA MALL CHRISTMAS FAIR.

Shown is a picture of Colin Hunter and Elwyn Muller, who together with Greg Croker, manned a stall at the Berowra Mall Christmas Fair for the third year running.

With a wide selection of mainly turned items ranging from small Christmas trees through pens, large and small bowls, tops etc to a couple of towel racks, the stall generated interest from most of the customers passing through to the main shops like Woolworths.

There was active interest in our work and particularly how the items were made.

Additionally we managed to speak about The Shed to enquirers as well as distribute a bundle of our Shed coloured advertising flyers.

Sadly we were not able to achieve the proposed turning demonstration.....next year?

The day ended about 2:30pm with most of the table emptied and not much to carry home.

MEMBERS' CHRISTMAS LUNCH 2019.

Just over 20 Shed members, ex members and associated guests enjoyed a celebration lunch in December at the Pennant Hills Hotel.

The lunch is planned to be enjoyable and informal, mark the end of another year at the Shed and Christmas, to get together fellow woodworkers. Again the Wednesday Specials, Steak or Chicken Schnitzel with chips and salad including a schooner of beer for \$15 was most popular.

A pleasant way to end the year with excellent company and food.



BEROWRA FAIR



CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON