



Editorial,

June 2018

We have a couple of important announcements for this Newsletter and a little in the way of social news.

As usual, and thanks to those who have provided content for this edition, if you have anything you feel will be of interest to the membership, please let me know. A quick email to the Secretary is all that is required. If it can be used, your moment in the spotlight is assured. So, without (as they say) further ado, on to the actual content.

The Editor



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DRO damage

We have recently replaced the damaged digital read outs for the number one metal turning lathe. Please check out the warning signs which bear the logo to the left. Brush and pan clean up will avoid blasting swarf into the electronics and is much to be preferred.

CMS WALKING GROUP

The Thursday morning walking group continues, even in the dreadful weather we have recently experienced. Just to give Shed Members who are wondering whether this is for them, the following note regarding one recent outing will give some idea of what you can expect.

We went over Channel Highway (beside Hall) turned right then down next left to the Esplanade, left along Esplanade to Beach Rd and backup to Main Rd back to Shed (ambling pace). Leave Shed front door at 9.30. Coffee in Shed kitchen 10.30 approx.

Andy Hocken is tour leader.



ORAL HISTORY OPPORTUNITY

Lyndley tells us that his appeal to have the oral history records updated to modern media has been successful.

Our thanks to all who responded to this important request.



STITCH'N'SHARE GOOD WORKS

Thanks to the good work done by the Monday Stitch'n'Share participants, Channel Men's Shed gained some good publicity, in the Kingborough Chronicle, regarding our financial support for their donation of their work in Nepal.

The Ladies kindly permit us to publish one of the many photographs recording their generosity.

**CMS Vegie Patch – Proudly Supported by:
Hollander Imports
(87 Brooker Highway Hobart)**

Channel Men's Shed Social Discussion Group

This important announcement has also been the subject of an all points email. If you did not receive your copy, please let the secretary know so that we can check our database.

Following on from the first successful get-together (and subject to the level of interest and attendance) we propose holding occasional sessions starting at 10.15am through to around midday.

The topic will typically be a fifteen to twenty minute YouTube presentation with the program/topic on any subject put forward by any member and projected on the large screen TV in the conference room. You do not have to provide topics but assistance and support is available if you are unsure how to go about presenting any particular program you think may be of interest or discussion; talk to me about it.

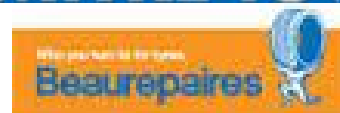
Subject matter can range pretty much across anything you like with the exception of controversial or divisive religious or political material. We don't want to end sessions with punch ups!

Tea or coffee available followed by a light lunch/sandwiches/soup.

To gauge the potential level of interest and participation will you please respond to the following questions?.

1. Which weekday would you prefer.....
2. Would you be prepared to pay a small amount for sandwiches/soup/etc.?.....YES/NO
3. Any other comments or suggestions?

Please reply to <mailto:emailments@gmail.com> or contact Peter Alexis on 62278339 or 0417487488 Thank you.



SOCIAL OUTREACH

We have a new project which we feel will interest our many bird loving members.

Over the next few weeks or months we will be assembling nesting boxes for the Orange Bellied Parrot Captive Breeding Program.

Pictured are Orange-bellied Parrot chicks at the captive breeding facility in Hobart. Photo: DPIPWE.

We have a couple of starters for the job of assembling the boxes but more bodies will be welcome. Come along and meet and work with blokes who share your interests. Enquiries to the Secretary please or simply drop in and chat to us.



Table saw changes

As part of the Shed's continuing interest in Workplace Health and Safety (and watch this space for even larger projects in the pipeline... umm that kind of gives it away Bruce!) the table saw has been fitted with an improved safety feature.

We are aware that certain procedures will require the removal of the blade guard, however, a recent incident (not, thankfully fatal but requiring medical attention) has revealed that not all users are aware of the replacement process.

Your attention is directed to the following requirement.

Table Saw Safety

The Committee strongly recommends that the table saw not be used with the blade guard removed.

If it is found to be absolutely necessary to complete the work with the guard removed, authorisation must first be obtained from the Coordinator of the day.

The Coordinator will supervise reinstallation.

Open invitation.

For those whose induction was in the far past, and at the request of one of our members, we take this opportunity to remind all members that:

All Members are both entitled and welcome to attend Committee Meetings (held on the last Tuesday of the month at the Shed) to see your representatives at work

The minutes of the meeting, for a number of reasons, are not made public (membership applications impose a need for confidentiality for example), members are entitled, by arrangement, to read these on site.

The nearest defibrillator, is not at the BP Service Station but is located in the office and can be seen in the window.

On that note, members are encouraged to note the location of the fire extinguishers, fire hose, fire blanket throughout the Shed. Additionally, the two first aid kits, recently renewed by St John's Ambulance, are located in the kitchen and close to the workshop sinks. (All of this is covered off in our induction sessions and Gary Durrant will happily accommodate members who want a reminder in one of his usual sessions)

KINGSTON LIBRARY VISIT

Channel Mens Shed was visited by nearly 20 personnel from Kingston Library on Wednesday 6th June. The staff were out of their building while storm rain inundation remediation was happening. This led to an acquaintance exercise where they did visit different organisations within their region.

Some were impressed by the growth within (2nd mezzanine level) and outside the Shed (garden and container storage etc) since they were last in or at the shed. Much admiration was shown in the achievement from an idea in 2011 to being a completed substantial building by April 2013 with approx 92% our own labour resources.

Also the fact that we are a self governing group of volunteers owning and managing the operation. Interest was shown in the various activities carried out in the shed and the Orange Bellied Parrots nesting boxes and also the penguin boxes brought forth favourable nodding of heads.

A particular comment of appreciation was directed to Rueben for his wonderful seats and table that the Library are so grateful to have. When we showed them our computer room they were gracious with their comments of our own library!! In essence this visit was another link in our mutual continuing relationship.



Willys Overlander Restoration.

As most of our members will have noticed that restoration work, for various reasons, has slowed.

We are now approaching the position where wiring, and getting the engine to a stage for testing are priorities. From there more work on the panels and fittings will be needed and from there upholstery and tonneau preparation.

From the line of expenses listed we suspect that tyres will be most costly, followed by the seats et cetera.

As to the skills schedule, fitting out the interior, including coachwork will offer our members plenty of challenges.

If you have skills and are willing to get involved in this valuable project, please contact either Stuart Braunholz and/or Reuben Sternberg.

Your Shed -an occasional explanation

What is a Shed coordinator ?

Is a Member, volunteer, rostered for the day

IDEALLY: 0900 to 1530 Monday through Saturday although this will depend on volunteer availability. Roster, half to a full day a month if possible.

Gets Shed opened by a key-holder (Committee provides list of key-holders and contact details)

Checks Members accreditation, sign-in and badge issue (latter is self-service)

Arranges for any required inductions on the day

Closes shed and arms doors (Committee to provide Shed closure check list)

LETTER OF THANKS



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15 May 2018

Mr Peter Shelley
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Honour Board – Combined Probus Club of Kingston Inc.

Dear Peter

The President, Committee and members of the Combined Probus Club of Kingston Inc. wish to thank you and the kind member of your organisation for creating the honour board for our young Club from timber provided by our immediate past president, Peter Fehre.

The Club is delighted with the fine construction and finish and the board has now been appropriately sign written and hung on the wall of the Kingborough Senior Citizens Club in Kingston. A photo of the unveiling undertaken by President Janine Cullen and Willy Fehre, both Foundation Members, is below.

Again many thanks for your assistance freely given to a fledgling community group.

Janine Cullen
President

