



The Official Newsletter of the Mount Beauty & District Men's Shed

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Committee Corner.

Greetings all to 2023!

The big news is that our esteemed Treasurer, *Paul L'H*... has stood down from office. After over 12 years "in the job" he felt it was time to give someone else a turn so he could take a break and give himself time for all his other commitments.

It would be safe to say that our Shed would not enjoy our current status if it was not for his efforts over the years with banking, financial acumen and his efforts in grant applications to swell our bank balance. Interestingly enough, he and Helen will be holidaying in Europe, the Bahamas, North America and the Mediterranean for the next 12 months.

Printed below is a poem by our Shed balladeer. I really enjoyed my read of it when first submitted as it really reflects of how Vinnie feels about his town and the Upper Kiewa Valley.

Poets Prose - by Vinnie.

Mount Beauty, My town

Leave your dull green city gardens, with their chlorine smelling fountains, Leave all the smelly smoggy streets; come with me up to the mountains, And in particular where I live, I should really do my duty, And tell all the world about my home, this little town, Mt Beauty.

You'll drive into our countryside, from cities black with smoke, Into a beautiful valley, fresh air, and that's no joke, No matter what the season is, there's a welcome here for you, Say 'Good-day' to anyone, that's what the locals do.

All four seasons come and go, each different to the last, Winter brings fun in the snow, and a cold Antarctic blast, Spring brings singing Blackbirds, in summer hot winds blow, Autumn is fresh frosty starts, and the early signs of snow.

It's time to light the log fire, as trees turn red then gold, And then to sit and reminisce, like we did in days of old, Folks came from many nations, to make electricity, From natures boundless waters, for our brothers in the city.

Mt Beauty built in a few short years, was destined to be dumped, But people said we like it here, and will not be gazumped, So a community rose up, where each neighbour was a friend, Stuck to their guns and said "No Way", Mt Beauty will ever end.

But now I have got waylaid, and there are more things to tell, As you arrive in town you cannot miss, the Post Office and the bell, And shady trees in summertime, all round the town you'll find, Then round the pondage you can stroll, and clear your cluttered mind.

You can sit beneath Mt Bogong, look long and never fear, You will really know by then, why the moths return each year, Then as you sit and ponder, and others pass you by, They'll stop and say "good-day" to you, or just a friendly "Hi".

We are a small community, where everyone is a friend, But strangers all are welcome here, our welcomes never end, Please come again and join us, we will not make a fuss, We love our town Mt Beauty, so please don't try to change us.

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Our newest member and Treasurer — Peter Donnan has provided us with his profile and what has led him to us.



I joined the Men's Shed in June last year and have somehow ended up as Treasurer, how did that happen?

I was born in 1955 and grew up on a farm at Raywood near Bendigo until the age of 9, when we moved to Geelong because my Dad loved following the football there. I graduated from Deakin University with a Bachelor of Science in the mid-seventies and worked in IT all my life, mainly on large mainframe computers for a Bank – skills almost totally useless in today's world.

We bought a house in Mt Beauty in February last year, but moved up permanently in September when we sold our house in Surrey Hills, Melbourne. We'd always enjoyed our annual camping holidays in the North East (mainly Bright), so it was a logical step for us after discovering the delights of Mt Beauty and the cheaper real estate here.

My wife *Eileen* and I love travelling and cycling – in fact we met on separate bicycle tours in France over 25 years ago. We also did a big car trip around half of Australia up to Broome a couple of years ago, wending our way through COVID lockdowns. We used to have a small caravan, but downsized to a tent for the trip. Eileen and I met and married later in life, and have a 23 year old son in Melbourne. My Mum became a grandmother for the one and only time at the age of 87.

My first association with the Men's Shed was via *Irvin Beeston* when we bought his Golf Game at the Mt Beauty market in 2020 for a family Christmas Kris Kringle present. It has been a great success, gets played every Christmas with much hilarity. After attending a Men's Shed BBQ, got a knock on the door from Paul L'Huillier asking for some help with sanding the Santas. Sure I said. I'm not that workshop savvy – when asked what skills I brought to the Shed, I replied cheerfully "None".

I've found the Shed to be well run, welcoming and inclusive and full of some exceptionally talented individuals. Best of all is that no one takes themselves seriously. Love the morning tea time banter and humorous newsletters. Since I'm not that skilled in the workshop I thought I might be able to help out on the admin side – hence Treasurer.

Off-Cuts by Paul L'H...

- 1. Shed reopened after the holiday break on the 10th January. There has been a steady stream of regulars attending with 15 members in for morning tea last week.
- Shed Monthly BBQ First BBQ of the year will be on Friday 17th
 February starting at 11:30 am for a sit down meal at 12 noon. Cost \$7.00. Bring a friend and introduce them to the Shed and other members.
- 3. **Kindling** Finding wood to cut up for kindling is a problem. Not for our President *Dick*. Two weeks ago we took two trailers and six blokes and started ripping the weather boards off this very old (and it is old maybe built in the 1940's) house Dick had discovered. We had permission of course. So our supply is looking very good for this winter.

4. **Projects on the go**

- refurbishment of the Extractor Shed (*Phil Armitage*),
- construction of a large sanding machine (*Les Bevan/Mal Darwent*), connecting all the electrics involved (Shane Clooney) and painting it (*Derek Hutton*),
- refurbishment of a clothing rack (Henry Ziemnicki),
- renovating a donated ride on mower (*Reg Hollonds/Ian Howley*),
- welding up a sign for ZAKS BAR (*Barry Hinson/Reg Hollonds*,
- repairing a cast iron Thicknessor table (*Barry Hinson*)
- chair refurbishment (*Mark Hardidge*),
- on-going bike repairs (Mark Hardidge),
- making a wooden trophy for the Mt Bogong Conquestathon (Ivin Beeston)
- repaired two metal chairs (Barry Hinson)
- three **Video** surveillance cameras have been installed on the main/west wing sheds (*Dick Puttyfoot/Shane Clooney*).
- 5. **Alarm System** This is being recalibrated with new sensers and should be operational soon (*Dick Puttyfoot/Shane Clooney*).
- Setting up a Member Competency Register for usage of Tools & Equipment — Phil Armitage has used his computer skills to set up a database including all members and recording their competency in using various tools and equipment. Mal Darwent is assisting Phil with this project.
- 7. Mental Health 1st Aid Course Seven members will undertake this one day course soon. It is based at the Bright United Men's Shed with members from Myrtleford's Men's Shed also attending. *The course teaches participants how to identify, approach and support someone who feels like life is not worth living.* See more details below if you would like to attend.
- 8. **Demolishing a Pensioners Shed as** a community project.
- Get well Vice President Henry Ziemnicki needs some 'tender loving care' (TLC) at present as he has a back problem. As we all know Henry doesn't stop and volunteers with a number of organisations. Henry hope to see you back in the Shed soon.

- 10. **Morning teas** We all enjoy the social aspects of the Shed and the 'goodies' that sometime appear thanks to Mark Hardidge, Henry Ziemnicki and Reg Hollonds. If others feel inclined to bring something feel free.
- 11. **Ride-on-Mower** As many of you know when the car crashed into the NHCentre garden shed that houses our ride-on-mower, access has not happened due to ongoing insurance issues. The car did hit the mower but we are not sure what damage has been done.

Fortunately we have had a mower in reasonable condition donated to us (thanks *Lindsay & Jill Martin*). Reg, Ian, Noel and Shane are checking it out and the grass will be cut.

- 12. West Peak Hotel Raffle The Shed conducted another successful fund raising activity on Friday night 10th February courtesy of the Hotel. Thanks to the ticket sellers Dick, Shane, Irvin and Noel. They were well supported by other Shed Members: Rod (and Kerrie), Mark (and Maureen), Derek and P1 (Peter Donnan). A fantastic total of \$800 was taken making it our best effort yet! It's cash or EFTPOS ticket purchases now.
- 13. **Birthdays (Jan/Feb 2023)** Congratulations to those members with birthdays in January/February 2023: Duncan Robertson, Mark Hardidge, Phil Armitage, Paul Haskett, Mark Ghirardello, Alf Thistlethwaite and Larry Gardam.

And yet another ride-on mower

As the flat tyre on the first "donated" ride-on proved too much of a challenge to repair for our Shed Mechanics (a) we were lucky enough to get another "super ride-on" donated to the shed. Our resident ride-on test pilot, *Noel*, took it for a test run and stated that with some minor repair and adjustments it'll soon be right to cut.



Garage Sale – New Years Day

It was a beautiful day for our start of the year Garage Sale / Sausage Sizzle. A grand total of \$908 was made and a lot of appetites satisfied. *Vinnies* Barrow was again popular with hand crafted items selling well. It was the first time The Shed entered the financial 21st century with the use of an EFTPOS machine, its use demonstrated by *Maureen*, our "on loan" cashier. Thanks *Maureen* – you are a legend.





What are they?

Does anyone recognise these items? Has anyone ever used these things? Yep, I'm pretty sure *Mal* has already identified them.



OUR TOOLS EXPLAINED <u>–</u> An operational Shed Guide given to new members unfamiliar with our equipment:

DRILL PRESS :

A tall upright machine useful for suddenly snatching flat metal bar stock out of your hands so that it smacks you in the chest and flings your beer across the room, denting the freshly painted project which you had carefully set in the corner where nothing could get to it.

WIRE WHEEL:

Cleans paint off bolts and then throws them somewhere under the workbench with the speed of light. Also removes fingerprints and hard-earned calluses from fingers in about the time it takes you to say, 'Oh sh*t'

ANGLE GRINDER :

A portable cutting tool used to make studs too short.

PLIERS:

Used to round off bolt heads. Sometimes used in the creation of blood-blisters.

BELT SANDER :

An electric sanding tool commonly used to convert minor touch-up jobs into major refinishing jobs.

HACKSAW :

One of a family of cutting tools built on the Ouija board principle... It transforms human energy into a crooked, unpredictable motion, and the more you attempt to influence its course, the more dismal your future becomes.

MOLE-GRIPS : Generally used after pliers to completely round off bolt heads. If nothing else is available, they can also be used to transfer intense welding heat to the palm of your hand.

OXY-ACETYLENE TORCH :

Used almost entirely for setting on fire various flammable objects in your shop. Also handy for igniting the grease inside the wheel hub out of which you want to remove a bearing race..

TABLE SAW :

A large stationary power tool commonly used to launch wood projectiles for testing wall integrity.

HYDRAULIC FLOOR JACK :

Used for lowering an automobile to the ground after you have installed your new brake shoes, trapping the jack handle firmly under the bumper.

BAND SAW :

A large stationary power saw primarily used by most shops to cut good aluminum sheet into smaller pieces that more easily fit into the trash can after you cut on the inside of the line instead of the outside edge.

TWO-TON ENGINE HOIST :

A tool for testing the maximum tensile strength of everything you forgot to disconnect.

PHILLIPS SCREWDRIVER :

Normally used to stab the vacuum seals under lids or for opening old-style paperand-tin oil cans and splashing oil on your shirt; but can also be used, as the name implies, to strip out Phillips screw heads.

STRAIGHT SCREWDRIVER :

A tool for opening paint cans. Sometimes used to convert common slotted screws into non-removable screws and butchering your palms.

PRY BAR :

A tool used to crumple the metal surrounding that clip or bracket you needed to remove in order to replace a 50p part.

HOSE CUTTER :

A tool used to make hoses too short.

HAMMER :

Originally employed as a weapon of war, the hammer nowadays is used as a kind of divining rod to locate the most expensive parts adjacent the object we are trying to hit.

STANLEY KNIFE :

Used to open and slice through the contents of cardboard cartons delivered to your front door; works particularly well on contents such as seats, vinyl records, liquids in plastic bottles, collector magazines, refund checks, and rubber or plastic parts. Especially useful for slicing work clothes, but only while in use.

ADJUSTABLE SPANNER:

aka "Another hammer", aka "the Swedish Nut Lathe", aka "Crescent Wrench". Commonly used as a one size fits all wrench, usually results in rounding off nut heads before the use of pliers. Will randomly adjust size between bolts, resulting in busted knuckles, curse words, and multiple threats to any inanimate objects within the immediate vicinity.

BASTARD TOOL:

Any handy tool that you grab and throw across the garage while yelling 'Bastard' at the top of your lungs. It is also, most often, the next tool that you will need.



Mental Health First Aid (MHFA)

Re How to talk to a mate who is not doing so well.

A **Free (4-5 hour) course** for men interested in learning how to better support friends and family members who may be struggling with their mental health.

Researchers from the *University of Melbourne* would like your support to help us evaluate the Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) *Conversations About Suicide* course in Men's Sheds across Australia.

The **FREE** course aims to empower men with skills to support people they know who might be at risk of suicide. We know that starting conversations about this topic can be difficult.

This course teaches participants how to identify, approach and support someone who feels like life is not worth living.

This research study will help us find out if the course is effective. If it is, then it can be made more widely available in the community.

Our website can he found here: <<u>https://lifeinmind.org.au/</u>>

We are hoping some of our Men's Shed members will take part in this project.

Expressions of Interest to Shed Secretary Noel McDougall - Email <<u>secretary@mountbeautymensshed.org.au</u>> by 24th February 2023.

Please consider taking this on as it would be great to have half a dozen blokes in the Shed who have done the course and who would then have the confidence to approach a mate who is not doing so well mentally.

About the project

- The course will be offered to Shed members for free.
- A local qualified MHFA instructor will teach the course **at the Men's Shed.**
- The date of the course will be determined after Shed members have registered their interest.
- All Shed members who sign up for the course will be asked to complete 3 questionnaires, each questionnaire will take approximately 20-30 minutes to complete.
- Some Sheds will do the course after completing the 3 questionnaires over a period of 7 months. Others will do the course after the first questionnaire and complete the other questionnaires 1 and 7 months after the course. This is determined randomly, like drawing names from a hat.
- Please get in touch with any questions and/or to discuss how to join our study via:

MHFA-study@unimelb.edu.au or Dr Anna Ross: Email <<u>anross@uni</u> <u>melb.edu.au></u> or phone (03) 8344 7888

Humour: Today's wisdom for Seniors

• The ability to speak several languages is an asset, but the ability to keep your mouth shut in any language is priceless.

• Trust science. Studies show that if your parents didn't have children there's a high probability you won't either.

• Only in maths problems can you buy 60 cantaloupes and no one asks, "What the Heck is wrong with you?"

• When I get a headache I take two aspirin and keep away from children just like the bottle says.

- Just once, I want the username and password prompt to say, "Close enough."
- Becoming an adult is the dumbest thing I've ever done.

• If you see me talking to myself, just move along. I'm self-employed. We're having a meeting.

• "Your call is very important to us. Please enjoy this 40 minute flute solo".

• I envy people who grow old gracefully. They age like a fine wine. I'm ageing like milk: Getting sour and chunky.

• Does anyone else have a plastic bag full of plastic bags, or is it just me?

• I hate it when I can't figure out how to operate the iPad and my tech support guy is asleep. He's 5 and it's past his bedtime.

• Today's 3-year-olds can switch on laptops and open their favourite apps. When I was 3, I ate mud.

• Tip for a successful marriage: Don't ask your partner when dinner will be ready while they're mowing the lawn.

Season Service

Barry and Les decided that, after last years mammoth effort to keep up with the demand for kindling, our "splitter" needed a pre-season service so we could make an early start to build up our stocks. A new supply of suitable timber has been sourced which should keep us going.



AN ALTERNATIVE RETIREMENT HOME

There will be no nursing home in my future......When I get old and feeble, I am going to get on a Cruise Ship. The average cost for a nursing home is \$200 per day. I have checked on reservations and I can get a long-term discount and senior discount price of \$135 per day. That leaves \$65 a day for gratuities which will only be \$10 per day.

I will have as many as 10 meals a day if I can waddle to the restaurant, or I can have room service (which means I can have breakfast in bed every day of the week).

A Cruise ship has as many as three swimming pools, a workout room, free washers and dryers, and shows every night.

They have free toothpaste and razors, and free soap and shampoo.

They will even treat you like a customer, not a patient. An extra \$5 worth of tips will have the entire staff scrambling to help you.

I will get to meet new people every 7 or 14 days.

T.V. broken? Light bulb needs changing? Need to have the mattress replaced? No Problem! They will fix everything and apologize for your inconvenience.

Clean sheets and towels every day, and you don't even have to ask for them.

If you fall in the nursing home and break a hip you are on Medicare. If you fall and break a hip on the ship they will upgrade you to a suite for the rest of your life.

Now hold on for the best! Do you want to see South America, the Panama Canal, Tahiti, New Zealand, Asia, or name where you want to go?

They will have a ship ready to go. So don't look for me in a nursing home, just call shore to ship. P.S. And don't forget, when you die, they just dump you over the side at no charge.

Disc Sander.

The disc sander is complete! Our metal-work maestros (*Les & Mal*) have finished their work on The Sheds new disc sander. Their work is very impressive, especially when you consider that, apart from the electric motor, everything was fabricated from scratch. Two discs, no waiting!



Humour – Alcoholics Corner

From a good friend.....

I would like to share a personal experience with my friends about drinking and driving. This might save you the cost and embarrassment of being arrested for DUI.

As you know, people have been known to have unexpected brushes with the authorities from time to time, often on the way home after a "social session" with family or friends.

Well, this year, it happened to me. I was out for the evening to a party and had more than several margaritas coupled with a bottle of rather nice red wine. It was held at a great Mexican restaurant. Although relaxed, I still had the common sense to know I was slightly over the limit.

That's when I did something I've never done before...I took a taxi home. On the way home there was a police roadblock, but since it was a taxi they waved it past and I arrived home safely without incident.

These roadblocks can be anywhere and I realized how lucky I was to have chosen to take a taxi.

The real surprise to me was I had never driven a taxi before. I don't know where I got it, and now that it's in my garage I don't know what to do with it. If you want to borrow it, give me a call.

Hmmmmm.....

He grabbed me by my slender neck I could not shout or scream. He dragged me to his dingy room Where he could not be seen. He stripped me of my feeble wrap And eyed my shapely form. I was cold and clammy He was rather warm. He pressed his feverish lips to mine I could not make him stop. He drained me of my inner self I gave him every drop. He made me what I am today Ever since that fateful year. An empty bottle, thrown away That once was full of beer.

The Bikes are back.

Yes, once again there are bicycles at the bike bench. (:) The chair completion has again been delayed as we have received two "Giant" brand bikes kindly donated by our vice-president. The one in great condition has already been completed and is up for sale for \$85 and at the time of publication has been sold via facebook Buy Swap Sell. The internet has similar ones for sale for \$150 - \$200. The second one may or may not make it to the sale yard as it's a very complex piece of machinery, its hydraulic disc braking system is proving more complicated that my Discovery's one.



Humour: For the Golfers

Two guys trying to get in a quick eighteen holes, but there are two terrible lady golfers in front of them hitting the ball everywhere but where it's supposed to go.

The first guy says, "Why don't you go over and ask if we can play through?"

The second guy gets about halfway there and comes back. The first guy says, "What's wrong?"

He says, "One of them is my wife, and the other one is my mistress."

The first guy says, "That could be a problem. I'll go over." He gets about halfway there and comes back.

The second guy says, "What's wrong?"

The first guy says, "Small world."

Mount Bogong Conquestathon

Saturday 4th March 2023 - 6:45 am - 4:00 pm

Start is from the Mountain Creek Camping Area

Walk it or Run it, the Conquestathon takes you on an organised single day 21km return trek to the summit of Victoria's highest mountain, Mt Bogong (1986 m). You'll be amazed at the spectacular views and changing landscapes along this iconic and challenging hiking track. The Conquestathon is a timed event and a memento medallion is presented on completion.

This year the event will be raising funds for BSAR (Bush Search and Rescue).

For event details and to register please go to the **<u>Hoppet website</u>**

Event needs volunteers

Not many of our members are up to climbing the 'Big Fella' but we can assist in other ways. Call Warren to find out how you can assist.

If you are not participating in the event, but interested in helping out, volunteers are needed on the day to help with marshalling, parking, registrations, and at the finish line.

Please contact: Warren Sanders, 0415 655 202

Also note that a couple of the trophies for this event is being hand made by our own Vinnie.



Greek vs Irish

Over a double Latte, the Greek mentions "We built the Parthenon you may recall, along with the Temple of Apollo".

And the Irishman said, "Aye, and it was the Irish that discovered the Summer and Winter solstices".

"But it was the Greeks who gave birth to mathematics"

"Granted, but it was the Irish who built the first timepieces."

Knowing that he's about to deliver the coup de grace, the son of Athens points out with a note of finality:

"Keep in mind that it was the ancient Greeks who invented the notion of sex as a pleasurable activity!"

To which, the Laird from Ireland said,

"Aye! True enough, but it was the Irish who got women involved."

For Reg

BENEFITS OF A GOOD VOCABULARY!

I recently called an old Engineering buddy of mine and asked what he was working on these days.

He replied that he was working on "Aqua-thermal treatment of ceramics, aluminum and steel under a constrained environment."

I was impressed until, upon further inquiry, I learned that he was washing dishes with hot water under his wife's supervision.





"You the guy with the hedge trimmer for sale?"

The Golden Telephone

An American decided to write a book about famous churches around the world. So he bought a plane ticket and took a trip to Orlando, thinking that he would start by working his way across the USA from South to North.

On his first day he was inside a church taking photographs, when he noticed a golden telephone mounted on the wall with a sign that read '\$10,000 per call'.

The American, being intrigued, asked a priest who was strolling by, what the telephone was used for.

The priest replied that it was a direct line to heaven and that for \$10,000 you could

talk to God.

The American thanked the priest and went along his way.

Next stop was in Atlanta. There, at a very large cathedral, he saw the same looking golden telephone with the same sign under it.

He wondered if this was the same kind of telephone he saw in Orlando and he asked a nearby nun what its purpose was.

She told him that it was a direct line to heaven and that for \$10,000 he could talk to God. 'O.K., thank you,' said the American.

He then travelled all across America, Europe, England, Japan, New Zealand. In every church he saw the same looking golden telephone, with the same '\$US10,000 per call' sign under it.

The American decided to travel to Australia to see if Australians had the same phone.

He arrived at **Mount Beauty** in Australia and again, in the first church he entered, there was the same looking golden telephone, but this time the sign under it read, '40 cents per call.'

The American was surprised, so he asked the priest about the sign. 'Father, I've travelled all over the world and I've seen this same golden telephone in many churches. I'm told that it is a direct line to Heaven, but in all of them, the price was \$10,000 per call.

Why is it so cheap here?'

The priest smiled and answered, 'You're in **Mount Beauty** now, son - "*This is Heaven,*" *so it's a local call'.*

For Paul

Can anyone help Barrie out
URGENT!!!!HELP NEEDED!!!!!
A good friend has just won two tickets for the 2016 AFL Grand Final and
he's a Western Bulldogs supporter.
They are prime box seats and include the AFL offical luncheon, a Crown
casino penthouse suite and \$1,000 in spending money.
When he won them. yesterday, his wedding date had not been confirmed.
Today, it now turns out that the only date available at the church for his
wedding is on Grand Final Day, so now he can't go!
If you're interested and would like to go instead, here are the details:
Caulfield Baptist Church, 3pm on October 1st. Her name is Julie and she's
a very nice looking girl, 172cm, blonde and cute, with an awesome smile.
By the way she'll be the one in the white dress.
Please contact Dave on 0427222 for more info!
Go the Doggies! Woof Woof
Cheers!
Barrie

I LAUGHTED.... (Stay 'till the end)

An Afghan, an Albanian, an Algerian, an American, an Andorran, an Angolan, an Antiguans, an Argentine, an Armenian, an Australian, an Austrian, an Azerbaijani, a Bahamian, a Bahraini, a Bangladeshi, a Barbadian, a Barbudans, a Batswanan, a Belarusian, a Belgian, a Belizean, a Beninese, a Bhutanese, a Bolivian, a Bosnian, a Brazilian, a Brit, a Bruneian, a Bulgarian, a Burkinabe, a Burmese, a Burundian, a Cambodian, a Cameroonian, a Canadian, a Cape Verdean, a Central African, a Chadian, a Chilean, a Chinese, a Colombian, a Comoran, a Congolese, a Costa Rican, a Croatian, a Cuban, a Cypriot, a Czech, a Dane, a Djibouti, a Dominican, a Dutchman, an East Timorese, an Ecuadorean, an Egyptian, an Emirian, an Equatorial Guinean, an Eritrean, an Estonian, an Ethiopian, a Fijian, a Filipino, a Finn, a Frenchman, a Gabonese, a Gambian, a Georgian, a German, a Ghanaian, a Greek, a Grenadian, a Guatemalan, a Guinea-Bissauan, a Guinean, a Guyanese, a Haitian, a Herzegovinian, a Honduran, a Hungarian, an I-Kiribati, an Icelander, an Indian, an Indonesian, an Iranian, an Iragi, an Irishman, an Israeli, an Italian, an Ivorian, a Jamaican, a Japanese, a Jordanian, a Kazakhstani, a Kenyan, a Kittian and Nevisian, a Kuwaiti, a Kyrgyz, a Laotian, a Latvian, a Lebanese, a Liberian, a Libyan, a Liechtensteiner, a Lithuanian, a Luxembourger, a Macedonian, a Malagasy, a Malawian, a Malaysian, a Maldivan, a Malian, a Maltese, a Marshallese, a Mauritanian, a Mauritian, a Mexican, a Micronesian, a Moldovan, a Monacan, a Mongolian, a Moroccan, a Mosotho, a Motswana, a Mozambican, a Namibian, a Nauruan, a Nepalese, a New Zealander, a Nicaraguan, a Nigerian, a Nigerien, a North Korean, a Northern Irishman, a Norwegian, an Omani, a Pakistani, a Palauan, a Palestinian, a Panamanian, a Papua New Guinean, a Paraguayan, a Peruvian, a Pole, a Portuguese, a Qatari, a Romanian, a Russian, a Rwandan, a Saint Lucian, a Salvadoran, a Samoan, a San Marinese, a Sao Tomean, a Saudi, a Scottish, a Senegalese, a Serbian, a Seychellois, a Sierra Leonean, a Singaporean, a Slovakian, a Slovenian, a Solomon Islander, a Somali, a South African, a South Korean, a Spaniard, a Sri Lankan, a Sudanese, a Surinamer, a Swazi, a Swede, a Swiss, a Syrian, a Tajik, a Tanzanian, a Togolese, a Tongan, a Trinidadian or Tobagonian, a Tunisian, a Turk, a Tuvaluan, a Ugandan, a Ukrainian, a Uruguayan, a Uzbekistani, a Venezuelan, a Vietnamese, a Welshman, a Yemenite, a Zambian and a Zimbabwean

all go to a night club.....

The doorman stops them and says "sorry I can't let you in without a Thai".



Editor's Note

Well, that's it for another edition, I hope you enjoyed the read and even got a chuckle out of it. Don't forget, at our Shed, there's always plenty of work to be done, skills to learn, tea, coffee and biscuits to be consumed over a chat.

Please note the years first BBQ is being held this Friday the 17th Feb. starting at 11:30 am for a sit down dinner at 12 noon (cost \$7.00). Come to The Shed and grab a burger, sausage and salad and catch up on all the current gossip.

Cheers! *Mark Hardidge Editor*