

# **Shed Torque**

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

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WHAT DO YOU CALL A PERSON WHO IS HAPPY ON MONDAY?
RETIRED.

She said she missed me. Normally that would be good, but she's reloading.

Welcome to the April edition of the Mount Beauty & District Men's Shed "Shed Torque". In these editions we hope to keep members up to date with the current happenings at our Shed. Also, if any member has items of interest they would like to include for members interest, please submit them for publication. Here we go

# **Committee Communique**

In this section we would like to detail some of the thoughts/decisions that our committee discuss at the monthly meetings. This would be both to keep members informed and to solicit feedback in order to gauge support or not for them or any suggestions that members may have which they feel would benefit our Shed.

A recent suggestion was that our Shed be open and available to be used for longer periods. This could be achieved on days other than Tuesday and Wednesday so long as health and safety requirements could be met on the requested days. Please talk to any committee members with your suggestions and comments.

Welcome to new member <u>Tom Lawler</u> from Bright.

## **Recent Projects.**

## 1. Security windows:

Ian Howley installing security frames on the West Wing windows.



## 2. Community Project

RSL Seats installation. RS L Seats at the Cenotaph finally finished and in position after many COVID interruptions. The project started in late October 2021. Thanks to Barry Hinson who made up the footers that were needed to secure the seats to the concrete slab. Thanks to other shed members who assisted at various stages of construction. Photo - Paul L'Huillier (left) & Barry Hinson.



### 3.Tennis Club

Reg completed some work for the tennis club by conducting urgent repairs to their net posts. The tennis players really shouldn't try and jump the net at the completion of a game.





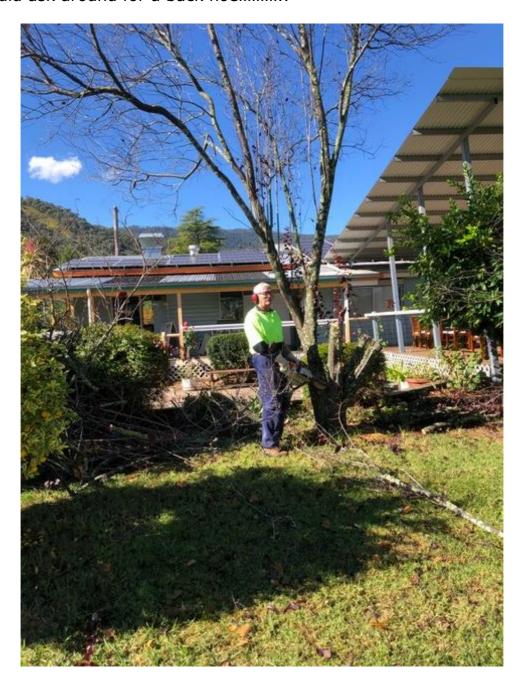
## 4. Trailer for Sale.

Work on our "tradies" trailer continues. By now we have new bearings and tyres. Work will now continue on dent removal and weather proofing with all this being done prior to its pending sale. Volunteers to assist with this task would be appreciated.



# 5. Tree monkeys at work.

The Shed Tree Monkeys were at work removing a plum tree from out the back of the Neighbourhood Centre. Only a stump remains but Paul L'H is confident that his mighty Mitsubishi has the grunt to remove it! Maybe we should ask around for a back hoe...........



# 6. Coffee table anyone?

Our resident "Shed Master Of All Trades" has knocked up a number of small coffee tables for a client and some to sell. Is there no end to this mans talents?



## 7. Another project for the NHC.

Another table for our "green thumbs" at the NHC has been completed by Henry and Shane. Orders will be taken....



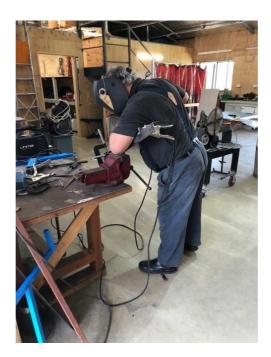
## 8. Kindling splitter completed!

Yes, finally it's finished. After lot of time and multiple RSI injuries we have our kindling splitter. Nearly all of our metal work experts have had a hand in creating this masterpiece of engineering and it will be ready for the valleys wood smoke time. Now, what colour should we paint it?



### 9. Welcome back!

We welcome back after a long absence our "gun welder" Les Bevan. This is the view he prefers to show as he doesn't want to be readily recognised due to outstanding warrants.



# Women's 'Arse Size'

New study reveals interesting findings

There is a new study about women and how they feel about their arse's and the results are fairly interesting

- ~ 30% of women think their arse is too fat
- ~ 10% of women think their arse is too skinny

The remaining 60% say they don't care, they love him, he's a good man and they wouldn't trade him for the world!

Find us on



#### With reverent homage to our own Shed Poet – Vinnie.

They were funny looking buildings, that were once a way of life, If you couldn't sprint the distance, then you really were in strife. They were nailed, they were wired, but were mostly falling down, There was one in every back yard, outside every house, in every town.

They were given many names, some were even funny,
But to most of us, we knew them as the outhouse or the dunny.
I've seen some of them all gussied up, with painted doors and all,
But it really made no difference, they were just a port of call.

Now my old man would take a bet, he'd lay an even pound,
That you wouldn't make the dunny with them turkeys hangin' round.
They had so many uses, these buildings out the back,"
You could even hide from mother, so you wouldn't get the strap.

That's why we had good cricketers, never mind the bumps, We used the pathway for the wicket and the dunny door for stumps. Now my old man would sit for hours, the smell would rot your socks, He read the daily back to front in that good old thunderbox.

And if by chance that nature called sometime through the night, You always sent the dog in first, for there was no flamin' light. And the dunny seemed to be the place where crawlies liked to hide, But never ever showed themselves until you sat inside.

There was no such thing as Sorbent, no tissues there at all,
Just squares of well-read newspaper, a hangin' on a nail on the dunny wall.
If you had some friendly neighbours, as neighbours sometimes are,
You could sit and chat to them, if you left the door ajar..

When suddenly you got the urge, and down the track you fled,
Then of course the magpies were there to peck you on your head.
Then the time there was a wet, the rain it never stopped,
If you had an urgent call, you ran between the drops.

The dunny man came once a week, to these buildings out the back, And he would leave an extra can, if you left for him a Zac.

For those of you who've no idea what I mean by a Zac,

Then you're too young to have ever had, a dunny out the back.

A 'zac', was sixpence if u didn't know.



#### Fitness.

As some may be aware, <u>Outdoor Fitness Equipment</u> has been installed in Tawonga's Pioneer Park. To assist with the proper use of this equipment, Maureen Ryland from Alpine Health will be organising classes to instruct on the best use of this equipment. These will be conducted on Tuesdays from 1:00 – 2:00pm on 26<sup>th</sup> April, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> May. Bookings are essential so please contact Maureen on 0437 366 982 or email maureen.ryland@alpinehealth.org.au

#### Conference.

As I speak, the *National Men's Shed Conference* is winding up in Albury. It was held on 29 – 30 March and has been attended by our President, Dick and Committee members Ian H. and Henry. When we get a report back on all the happenings, items of interest will be published.

## **Shed Extension (West Wing) Official Opening**

The Shed will holding the Official Opening of the Shed Extension on <u>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup></u> <u>April</u> which will also be the monthly BBQ. A plaque will be unveiled. Ian Howley is coordinating the opening.

## **Footygate**

Yep, it's back! Don't panic, our Shed has agreed to assist the new "Gaters" by showing the best way to set up the collection point. This will include equipment required, OH&S guidelines to follow, collection of gate fees, selling of critiques and raffle tickets.

Their first game will be Round 2 on the 9<sup>th</sup> of April at Mount Beauty. If there are any experienced "Gaters" available to assist the "Newbys", please contact a Committee member.



#### **Editor**

Well, that's all for now. It's not a patch on our normal editors work which is always so meticulous but I hope to do better in the future as my skills improve.

Big thanks to Paul L'H for all his exhaustive efforts over the years to keep this Shed informed.

Cheers Mark Hardidge