



Dingley Village Men's Shed

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NEWSLETTER

Firstly my apologies for the delay in getting out this month's newsletter, I have been having more than my share of irritation with Telstra (previously referred to as a 'service provider').

Decades ago man went to the moon, we can now send back images and messages from Mars but the previously mentioned 'service provider' cannot get a little cable 16m from a pit to my house. They instead proposed to dig a new trench and charge me \$4k for the privilege. I asked "why is your problem now my problem?" Many, many hours have gone into these worthless conversations.

Surely the NBN to Dingley Village in 2019 cannot be any worse!



IN MEMORIAM

Our members are saddened to hear of the passing of

Martin Hollaardt

Martin was an active participant in our shed and was a regular on bicycle trips, *even though he had an advantage with electric assistance.*

Right up to the end he loved attending the shed on Friday and although in very poor health he always had that smile and cheerful outlook.

We send our condolences to his family.

What's been happening

Just a few photos from the Trivia Night



Bob was the highest bidder in the auction



Winners are grinners.

The Puckapunyal trip



Everyone still awake! Let's have a sing song.



The inspection committee.

Thanks to David for these photos.

What's new in the workshop



The shed extensions are looking GREAT. The ceiling and lighting are going in as this photo shows and now the painting is almost complete - well done to everyone that has helped and especially to those that have led the work.

The outside veranda has the posts set out and this will really cap off a fantastic building improvement.

What's coming up

Round three of the golf - Thursday Sept 21st, see the notice board for all details.

Wonthaggi mine day trip - date to be confirmed but it will be in October

Dingley Farmers Market - fund raiser. Saturday November 18th - see notice board.

Editorial

When is a joke not a joke?

My Macquarie dictionary lists several aspects of definition - 1. something said or done to excite laughter or amusement; a playful or mischievous trick or remark. 2. an amusing or ridiculous circumstance. 3. an object of joking or jesting; a thing or person laughed at rather than taken seriously. 4. to speak in a playful or merry way. 5. to say something in mere sport, rather than in earnest.

Nowhere does it mention offensive, sexist, hurtful, bad taste, racist, sexual, bigoted or rude.

It's a fine line we tread when expressing humour to someone in the privacy of two people and that line gets very thin and shaky when an audience is present. Unless you know the feeling of your audience it is imperative that no malice is expressed for it may only be **you** that finds the subject amusing.

We must always be respectful of others.



Old age is golden, or so I've heard it said,
But sometimes I wonder, as I crawl into bed,
With my ears in a drawer, my teeth in a cup,
My glasses on the table until I get up.
As sleep dims my vision, I say to myself:
Is there anything else I should lay on the shelf?
The reason I know my youth is all spent?
Is my get-up-and-go has got up and went!
But, in spite of it all, I'm able to grin
And think of the places my getup has been!



"Male, 38, still living with his parents. They asked us to keep him overnight, so they could change the locks."

How many do you remember?

Headlight dip-switches on the floor of the car.

Ignition switches on the dashboard.

Trouser leg clips for bicycles without chain guards.

Soldering irons you heated on a gas burner.

Using hand signals for cars without turn indicators.

Older Than Dirt Quiz:

Count all the ones that you remember, not the ones you were told about. Ratings at the bottom..

1. Sweet cigarettes

2...Coffee shops with juke boxes

3...Home milk delivery in glass bottles

4...Party lines on the telephone

5.. Newsreels before the movie

6. TV test patterns that came on at night after the last show and were there until TV shows started again in the morning.

(There were only 2 channels [if you were fortunate])

7...Peashooters

8. 33 rpm records

9.. 45 RPM records

10. Hi-if's

11. Metal ice trays with levers

12. Blue flashbulb

13..Cork popguns

14. Wash tub wringers

If you remembered 0-3 = You're still young

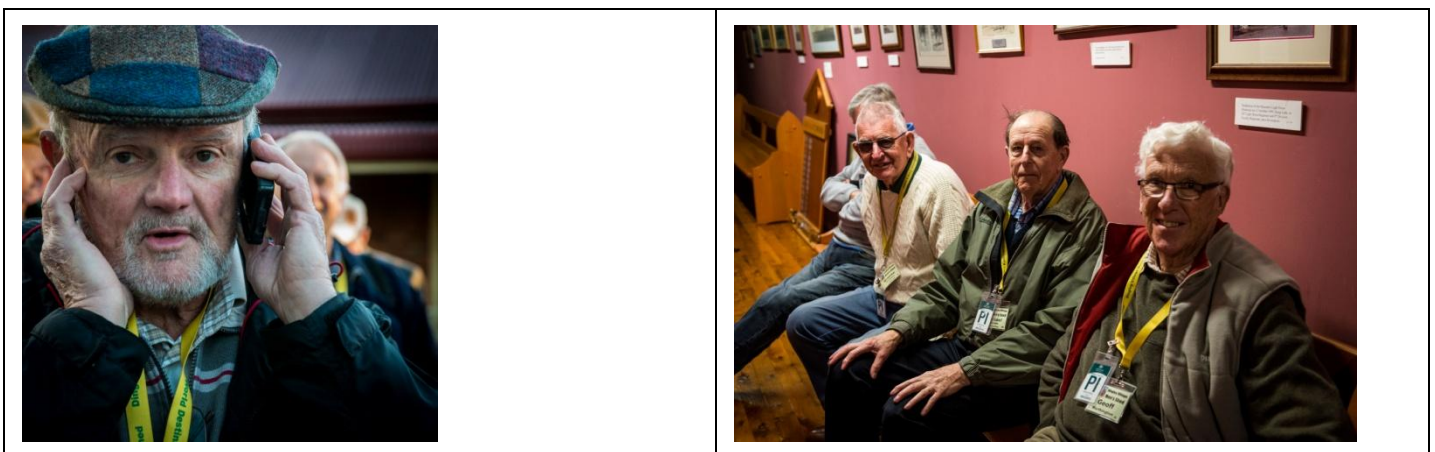
If you remembered 3-6 = You are getting older

If you remembered 7-10 = Don't tell your age

If you remembered 11-14 = You're positively ancient!

I must be 'positively ancient' but those memories are some of the best parts of my life.

A few more of David's photos - 'it pays to watch out for the man with the camera



Put it all on horse 5 in race 8.....

Just like school days, lined up outside the principals office.

A Chinese guy goes into a Jewish-owned establishment to buy black bras, size 38. The Jewish store keeper, known for his skills as a businessman, says that black bras are rare and that he is finding it very difficult to buy them from his suppliers. Therefore he has to charge \$50.00 for them. The Chinese guy buys 25 pairs. He returns a few days later and this time orders fifty. The Jewish owner tells him that they have become even harder to get and charges him \$60.00 each. The Chinese guy returns a month later and buys all the remaining stock of 50 and this time for \$75.00 each. The Jewish owner has become very curious about the large purchases of black size 38 bras and asks the Chinese guy, "Please tell me, what do you do with all these black bras?" The Chinese guy answers, "Well, I cut them in half and sell them as skull caps to Jewish men for \$200.00 each. Business is business!"

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Mr Raffles (Ron Wood) has a small washing machine for sale - especially suited for someone living in a small unit or with minimal laundry space - its old but has had little use and works well. For a \$10 donation to the DVMS it's yours. Contact Ron on 9583 8811 or 0407 094 655

THIS IS NOT A JOKE

HEARING AID LOST IN OR AROUND SHEDS

IN OR AROUND OUR SHEDS on Friday 1st September

Looks like a silver teardrop with 50mm fine plastic tube leading to a 20x2x2m red fitting.

If you find it please call me

Rob Isaachsen 0411 551 013

Is your computer male or female?

A SPANISH Teacher was explaining to her class that in Spanish, unlike English, nouns are designated as either masculine or feminine. 'House' for instance, is feminine: 'la casa. 'Pencil,' however, is masculine: 'el lapiz.'

A student asked, 'What gender is 'computer'? Instead of giving the answer, the teacher split the class into two groups, male and female, and asked them to decide for themselves whether computer should be a masculine or a feminine noun. Each group was asked to give four reasons for its recommendation.

The men's group decided that 'computer' should definitely be of the feminine gender ('la computadora'), because:

1. Only their creator understands their internal logic; 2. The native language they use to communicate with other computers is incomprehensible to everyone else; 3. Even the smallest mistakes are stored in long term memory for possible later retrieval; and 4. As soon as you make a commitment to one, you find yourself spending half your pay check on accessories for it.

The women's group, however, concluded that computers should be Masculine ('el computador'), because:

1. In order to do anything with them, you have to turn them on; 2. They have a lot of data but still can't think for themselves; 3. They are supposed to help you solve problems, but half the time they ARE the problem; and 4. As soon as you commit to one, you realize that if you had waited a little longer, you could have gotten a better model.

The Women Won

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