



Dingley Village Men's Shed

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MARCH 2018 NEWSLETTER

Well that's it... summer is over and now it's Autumn. But does Mother Nature work off our calendar? I'll bet we still get a few hot days even though the trees are shedding their leaves.

What's been happening

Bunnings Sausage Sizzle Keysborough Saturday February 17th last

It was cool but clear when our scouting party arrived at Bunnings circa 7.30am. With the help of staffers, we set up for the day and soon supplies arrived and we were up and running at about 8am

A team of 26 shedders were scheduled to assist on the day over four (4) shifts until 4pm.

Business was a little slow at the beginning but soon became steady with the occasional rush. One minute no customers and the next minute there was a queue lined up. They obviously got word that the DVMS boys were on duty and they came from everywhere to sample our offering. Even kids from nearby sporting activities who had no intention of shopping at Bunnings that day came for a feed and they loved it. Group pictures were taken that "made their day".

Each shift was fully manned with some non scheduled shedders coming to see what the fuss was all about. They turned out to be customers.

As you can see from the pictures, our outfit was well organized, well provisioned, well staffed and professional in our delivery. It really did look very impressive and all who saw it, let alone participated, can feel justly proud.

Many customers took our brochures so it was a good promo for our shed as well as a fantastic fundraiser, more about that shortly.

Firstly, a huge thank you to all the shedders who committed to be there for a shift, some staying on during busy times to help get us through the rush. Our clean up was swift and effective so you would hardly know we had been there.

Secondly, a special thank you to those shedders who assisted in the planning, procurement and preparation of the essentials which on the day made our result incredibly productive.

We were so busy that we had to send out for more sausages and onions and only just got to 4pm with the stock we had. Transporting the few supplies left over back to our "shed" at Braeside Park for later use eg. Drinks, with bread and sausages which could be frozen.

So, how did we finish up?? Preliminary results suggest we grossed circa \$1,600 plus \$44.60 in donations and after expenses of \$110.00 we netted circa \$1,535 for the day. What a brilliant result achieved by a fabulous TEAM effort!!

Well done to all and a BIG thank you for being involved, especially to those who came to help out after directing traffic and the Farmers Market that same day.



Thanks to Geoff Hergt for the report and David Ellis for the pictures.

We wish to express our appreciation once again for the wonderful support given to the Dingley Village Men's Shed by our sponsors:



Bunnings for making their store and all of the equipment available to us.



Bakers Delight for providing 50 loaves of bread.



And a very special expression of appreciation to the **Bendigo Bank** - Dingley Village for granting us **\$4,000** to go toward materials and labour for the veranadah of the shed extension.

Thank you Ken for arranging and maintaining contact with all of our sponsors and donors.

KARKAROOK PARK - seat project



This seat was in Memory for Neil, Deb Williams and their two daughters for the sudden loss of their son Gareth. It is placed in a tranquil location on the walkway overlooking a small section of the lake. Des is planning to have some more native plants, planted around the area to enhance it a bit more. This was completed by the men of the A Team, Graeme, Lawrie, Frank, John, Gary, Derek, Eddie and Robert O'Brien.



Report and photos by Robert O'Brien

Squirrels In Church.....

The Presbyterian church called a meeting to decide what to do about their squirrel infestation. After much prayer and consideration, they concluded the squirrels were predestined to be there and they shouldn't interfere with God's divine will.

At the Baptist church, the squirrels had taken an interest in the baptistery. The deacons met and decided to put a water-slide on the baptistery and let the squirrels drown themselves. The squirrels liked the slide and, unfortunately, knew instinctively how to swim so twice as many squirrels showed up the following week.

The Lutheran church decided that they were not in a position to harm any of God's creatures. So, they humanely trapped their squirrels and set them free near the Baptist Church. Two weeks later the squirrels were back when the Baptists took down the water-slide.

But the Catholic church came up with a very creative strategy. They baptized all the squirrels and made them members of the church. Now they only see them at Christmas and Easter.

Not much was heard from the Jewish synagogue; they took the first squirrel and circumcised him. They haven't seen a squirrel since.

Camera Club

The Group visited the exhibition at the Monash Gallery of Art by John Gollings, one the Australia's great architectural photographers. He showed photographs not only from this country but from all over the world. Many of the images were from his professional assignments but also from his personal projects. I have included some of the pictures of our group at the exhibition.

On these trips we often use the Community Centre's 12 seater bus, have lunch somewhere, see an exhibition and then go photographing. This format has been working well so we intend to have a fixed booking of the bus throughout the year.

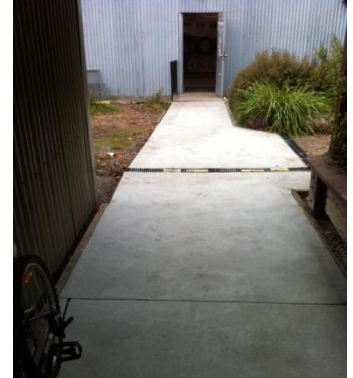
Our members use a range of cameras from smart phones up to rather professional gear. As long as you are interested in improving your photography by taking pictures, seeing lots of good photographs and showing your results, it doesn't matter what sort camera you use.



Thanks to David Ellis for this report and pictures

Shed extension report

The completion of the concrete path is 'the icing on the cake' for this will complete the shed extension, now we need to save our dollars and start planning the workshop expansion.



Something for you to share with your partner

HOT NEWS for the Shedder's wives, girlfriends, partners, mistresses and the SHEDDERS !

Want to try something new.

Join us on Thursday 1 March at 9.30 – 10.30am at the Dingley Neighbourhood Centre – Harold Box Hall – for a **FREE** class to Try **ZUMBA GOLD** which is a modified class for seniors who enjoy Latin Music !

PLUS – 11am – 12 Noon a new **Body and Balance Class** for seniors who want to keep flexible, strong, have good balance and lots of fun !

BE THERE THURSDAY 1 March – don't be shy just come along – comfortable clothes and a water bottle – see you **THERE** ! Further information – Call the Centre – 9558 1866

Hope to see you all soon..... Norma Gibson.

President Trump is walking out of the White House and heading toward his limo, when a possible assassin steps forward and aims a gun.

A secret service agent, new on the job, shouts, "Mickey Mouse!"

This startles the would be assassin and he is captured.

Later, the secret service agent's supervisor takes him aside and asks, "What in the hell made you shout Mickey Mouse?"

Blushing, the agent replies, "I got nervous. I meant to shout Donald.... duck!"

What's new in the workshop – just a few 'action' shots from David's camera

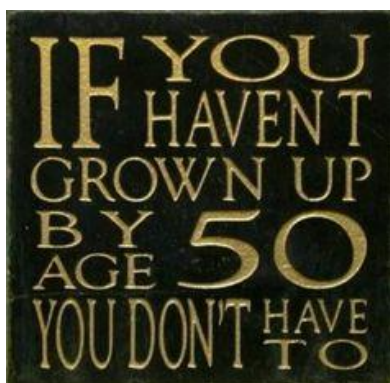


Snake Warning



Des Lucas, our park ranger, has advised us to take precaution and be wary of snakes within the park and especially around and within our shed. All of the piles of timber and cupboards make an ideal spot for a snake so be very careful when moving anything. If you do come across a snake, back away from it - do not try to kill it. MOST SNAKE BITES OCCUR WHEN TRYING TO KILL A SNAKE.

Birthday wishes to:



Due to alterations required to our membership list, March birthdays cannot be shown however for everyone celebrating their birthday in March we wish you all the best for the day.

Paddy thought his new girlfriend might be the one but after looking through her knickers drawer and finding a nurse's outfit, a French maids outfit, and a police woman's uniform, he finally decided if she can't hold down a job, she's not for him.

January 20th.
February 17th.
March 17th.
April 21st.
May 19th.
June 16th.

Dingley Farmer's Market - these are the set dates for 2018 market days. Thank you for those who have supported this event so far and if you are able to attend your future support will be most welcome - fund raisers don't get much simpler than this.

See Paul Brennan for any details.

July 21st.
August 18th.
September 15th.
October 20th.
November 17th.
December 15th.

After 100 years lying on the sea bed, Irish divers were amazed to find that the Titanic's swimming pool was still full.

A Man With No Enemies (Touching story)

Meet Walter Barnes - All golfers should live so long as to become this kind of old man!

Toward the end of the Sunday service, the Minister asked, "How many of you have forgiven your enemies?"

80% held up their hands. The Minister then repeated his question. All responded this time, except one man, Walter Barnes.

"Mr Barnes, are you not willing to forgive your enemies?"

"I don't have any," he replied gruffly.

"Mr Barnes, that is very unusual. How old are you?"

"Ninety-eight," he replied. The congregation stood up and clapped their hands.

"Oh, Mr Barnes, would you please come down in front and tell us all how a person can live ninety-eight years and not have an enemy in the world?"

The old golfer tottered down the aisle, stopped in front of the pulpit, turned around, faced the congregation, and said simply, "I outlived all the "Bastards" - and calmly returned to his seat.

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The members of the Dingley Village Men's Shed again wish to express their appreciation to our wonderful local sponsors and generous donors.

These local businesses have generously supported us.
We ask that you support them in return.



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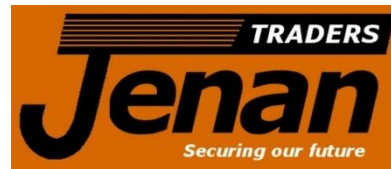
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