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WELCOME BACK SUMMER - WE'VE BEEN MISSING YOU.

It's been another great year in the Dingley Men's Shed and I hope that you all feel the same way. We have continued to grow in membership and therefore new friendships are being made and hopefully a lot of men are enjoying what the shed has to offer.



Merry Christmas to everyone, have a safe and enjoyable festive season and best wishes for the new year ahead.

Letter to Santa



*Dear Santa,
Could the Dingley Village Men's Shed please have a new pump for the Braeside Park sewage system and have some of your elves install it.*

If that's not possible, then could we please have some more portable units - they greatly enhance the park ambiance so a set of four could become a focal point of Braeside Park.

Our last shed day for 2018 will be FRIDAY, December 21st and we will be having a BBQ lunch with BYO drinks, hats, Santa suit and any other fun items you can think of to make a great day. If you really want to impress with present giving, anything for Dan Murphy's will be appreciated.



And we will be back in action on Friday January 4th 2019 with no signs of a New Year's Eve hangover and ready for another fun filled year of Men's Shed.

\$\$\$ Membership fee \$\$\$

Our **\$60** membership fees are due as of January 1st and must **be paid by the end of the month**. Cash payment to the Treasurer or by direct debit to DVMS, **BSB # 633-000 Account # 162963193**, use your membership number or name as a reference.

What's been happening

Once again on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month we stopped to remember the sacrifice made for us by our mighty armed services. This year marked the one hundredth year since the Armistice was signed to end World War 1 in what at the time was believed to be "the war to end all wars". The DVMS were proud to be part of the service held at the Marcus Road memorial. The poppy has become a symbol for this day and the two following photos illustrate how beautifully they have been used at the Springvale Botanical Cemetery to mark this occasion.



Peter & Bob fixing the timbers to the seat that had been powder coated for us at record time.

This seat was made for the Heatherton-Dingley Uniting Church, our members made this seat in quick time, which made me very proud

The seat is for the memory of the congregation's pets who have departed to the home in the sky.

When the Heatherton congregation are ready to dedicate this seat I hope to have our shedders to attend.



Thanks to Bill King for this article.

Cup Day - the bad weather kept a lot of members away but those that attended had a good time and enjoyed some fellowship and fun with the 2nd running of the Mouse Trap Challenge - this year won by Kel. Thanks to Derek for providing the perpetual trophy. The new BBQ was christened with some serious burning being carried out.



Thanks to David Ellis for these photos.



Bob, Bill & Ron proudly display the memorial seat that was made by the members of the DVMS.

This seat was commissioned by the Dingley & Heatherton Uniting Church as a memorial for church members dearly loved pets.

With the shed design crew in action, this seat is strong enough to support an elephant.

Thanks to Bill King for this photo.

The word '**Service**' explained -

I became confused when I heard the word '**service**' used with these agencies:

Banking '**Service**', Postal '**Service**', Telephone '**Service**', Pay TV '**Service**', State & Public '**Service**', Customer '**Service**', Bureaucratic '**Service**'.

This is not what I thought '**Service**' meant.

Then I visited my uncle, he's a farmer, **and** he hired a bull to '**Service**' his cows.

Suddenly it all became clear.

Now I understand what all those agencies are doing to us !



Repair to a members carport by the welding group.
The DVMS welding group gave their expert help to one of our members in repairing his carport supports post.
Thanks to Peter Tosh for taking photos after the job was finished



'On ya bike'

On Wednesday Nov 28th, seventeen members of the bike riding group travelled by cars down the Bass Highway to Anderson and then rode along the 'rail trail' to Wonthaggi stopping for lunch at the Coal Mine Cafe. Luck was with them for the ride back as they had a tail wind that even blew them nonstop past the Kilcunda Hotel.

'Where ya been?'

(1) Hi shedders, I too have a story about the Broome's Men's Shed. We arrived in Broome a more comfortable way on our cruise ship and upon arriving in the town centre by shuttle bus I spotted a small community type bus with Broome Men's Shed written on it. I went over to speak to the driver and found out that for a gold coin donation it would take you on a tour of the town and it went past their Men's Shed. It was the best and cheapest tour we did. It was one way they raise money. We gave them a lot more than they asked for. We are in Gloucester at the moment and intend to visit the Gloucester Men's Shed before we head home on the 19th November. See you at the shed shortly after - Regards 'Captain' Ron Wood.

(2) Western Front Tour.

I did a tour of the Western Front. I went to see my great uncles grave. My tour was for 3 days & was a private tour with my wife Helen & myself . I had looked at various tours advertised in Australia & they were too dear in my opinion. The company I chose was **Walkabout Digger Tours** it is owned by a lady who was born in Australia. Her name is Myriam Thompson Borale , email : **walkaboutdiggertours@free.fr** & telephone:: +33(0)6 64 54 1663
She was a terrific guide nothing was too much trouble for her.

Cape York Tour.

I did a 3 month caravan trip with my wife leaving early May & returning last week of July. A highlight of the trip was our 12 day camping tour of Cape York, we left our caravan in Cairns. We travelled with **Heritage Tours** , email: **info@heritagetours.com.au**, telephone: 1800 77 55 33. They have many varied tours accommodated & camping all with different lengths. We had 22 people on our tour & the most on any of their tours is 25 people. Our driver & guide with very informative, knowledgeable, entertaining & nothing was too much trouble for them. This was only part of a fantastic trip we went up around the coast & came home in land. It was a trip that we had been looking forward to for years & we were not disappointed . Some parts we will certainly go back to particularly north & western Queensland.
If anyone wants to know more about either trip please ask me. (Paul Brennan)

What's new in the workshop



**Independent
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Once again we express our great appreciation to **Independent Body Corporate Management** for the generous donation of a six burner flat plate BBQ which is ideal for our sausage cooking.

What's coming up



DVMS Christmas dine out at the
Keysborough Golf Club -
Saturday December 15th.

So, when is it appropriate to use the "F" word?

Quite frankly, the "F" word can be the ONLY word in the English language that accurately describes some situations...



The word is 'FEAR' of course! What in the world were you thinking?
Sometimes I truly worry about you . . .

December Birthday wishes to:

Member #	First Name	Last Name	Day
88	John	Bach	2
91	Derek	Johnson	4
72	Ern	Hutchings	6
89	Brian	Delaney	9
167	Gerard	Marion	9
158	John	Walters	12
98	Nick	Oklobdzija	13
232	Peter	Shaw	15
82	Noel	Jarrett	17
220	Ian	Jacobsen	19
215	Ambrose	Crowe	21
33	John	Spragg	24
34	Gary	Bolton	27
218	Roy	Groom	31



AT THE NEW SENIORS ACCOMMODATION COMPLEX !!!

On the first day at the new seniors accommodation complex, the manager addressed all the new seniors, pointing out some of the rules:

1. "The female sleeping quarters will be out-of-bounds for all males, and the male quarters to the females. Anybody caught breaking this rule will be fined \$20 the first time."
2. He continued, "Anybody caught breaking this rule the second time will be fined \$60."
3. Being caught a third time will cost you a fine of \$180. Are there any questions ?"

Ron, an older gentleman, stood up in the crowd and inquired, "How much for a season pass ???"



A recent study found that the average golfer walks about 900 miles a year.

Another study found golfers drink, on average, 22 gallons of alcohol a year, which means, on average, golfers get about 41 miles to the gallon.

Kind of makes you proud. I almost feel like a hybrid.

FRIDAY - January 18th we will be having Mark Dreyfus, Federal member for Isaacs visit us and hopefully confirm the presentation of \$8,600 for our shed improvements please make him welcome as we are now aiming the wheels of progress to work toward our \$70K requirement for the workshop extension.



Presentation by the Major Roads Project Authority (formerly Vic Roads) to DVMS

On Thursday November 29th last an informative overview of the Mordialloc Bypass (Freeway) was presented to members, family and a representative of the Friends of Braeside Park.

Held in the DVMS Facilities Shed some nineteen (19) attendees heard and asked their questions regarding all aspects of the freeway. Handouts included a booklet and eight (8) Environment Effects Statement sheets each addressing a different element of the project.

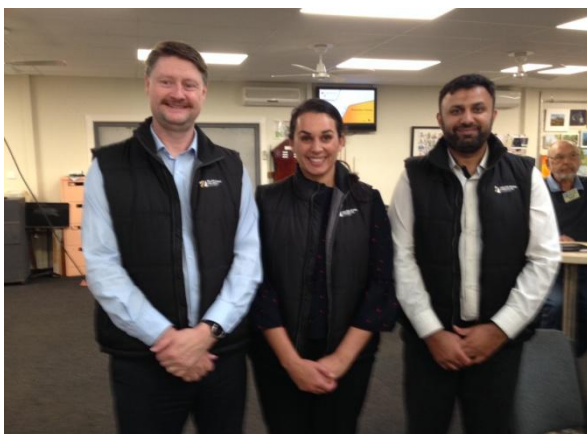
Although this proposed nine (9) klm extension to the Frankston Peninsular freeway has been mooted for a considerable period once all the necessary approvals have been obtained work is anticipated to commence in mid to late 2019.

The audio visual presentation was made by the Acting Project Manager Daniel Kollmorgen supported by Senior Engineer Zee Haider and Communications Manager Renee Shankar.

Several attendees remarked that "it was interesting how much could be covered in just 60 minutes".

A worthwhile exercise to inform and update interested members in a project that will affect us all.

The pictures below give an outline of the event.



Presenters: Daniel Kollmorgen, Renee Shankar & Zee Haider.

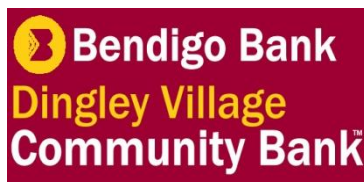


Thanks to Geoff Hergt for this article.

The article for the final of the golf series will be in next month's issue - that is provided Derek's computer and mine are talking to each other.

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