



# Dingley Village Men's Shed Inc.

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# JANUARY



# NEWSLETTER



YES WE ARE BACK AT THE SHED ON FRIDAY JANUARY 4th FOR ANOTHER GREAT YEAR OF MEN'S SHED FRIENDSHIP

## What's been happening

Our last Friday for 2018 was full of fun with games replacing workshop activities. The bike 'time trial' showed how fit our riders are while the timber block game (not sure of its correct title) gave the lawn bowlers a distinct advantage. Here are some photos from the day.



Christmas cracker jokes are worth reliving:

**Why was the snowman smiling?** He could see the snowblower coming down the street.

**What do priests and Christmas trees have in common?** Their balls are just ornamental.



Once again a crew of DVMS fellows were involved in the manual work of providing the Christmas trees for the Marcus Rd Village area, after being decorated by the local schools.



**And now for an update on the final of the golf competition**



**D.V.M.S. GOLF DAY  
NOVEMBER 15<sup>th</sup> 2018**



D.V.M.S. GOLFER OF THE YEAR  
WELL DONE TO REX PERCEVAL



GREAT ROLL UP FOR OUR FINAL GOLF  
DAY FOR 2018 WELL DONE



JOHN NEWMAN LEAST  
PUTTS & NTP WINNER



ME & DR JACK WINNERS WITH A  
SCORE OF NETT 67



NARGA WINNER  
TONY COYLE



ROBERT, NORM, REX, & VAUGHAN TEEING  
OFF ON THE NTP HOLE

**GREAT TO SEE SUCH A GOOD ROLL UP (20 PLAYERS) FOR OUR FINAL GOLF DAY FOR 2018, CONGRATULATIONS TO REX PERCEVAL, OUR GOLFER OF THE YEAR WINNER FOR 2018, AND ALSO TO ALL THE VARIOUS WINNERS DURING THE YEAR. MANY THANKS TO OUR SPONSORS, BUNNINGS KEYSBOROUGH & SPRING PARK GOLF CLUB AND ALSO TO OUR PHOTOGRAPHERS DAVID ELLIS & TONY FORD. LET'S MAKE 2019 BIGGER AND BETTER, OUR FIRST GAME WILL BE AROUND EARLY MARCH. CHEER'S & GOOD GOLFING..... DEREK.**

Thanks to Derek for this article

REMINDER to members paying fees by direct credit to the clubs banking account that it is imperative that the **member puts their full name and membership number** or they may not get crossed off the master sheet.

Kind Regards, Michael Stevens ( Treasurer )

## Kingston Cluster News

### Kingston Men's Shed

Unfortunately no one from the shed attended this meeting. Opening Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9.00 – 1.00pm

### Mordialloc Men's Shed

At last the members are finally in their shed after extensive renovations. They now have twenty-six members with enquiries from potential new members.

Annual fee is \$ 50.00 with a \$4.00 per day attendance fee. Opening Monday to Friday 9.00 – 3.30pm

### Chelsea Men's Shed

After their AGM and some new members getting involved it has produced a new excitement for the future of the shed and its direction. They are going to concentrate on encouraging more social and other activities than the workshop they have at present.

The annual fees have been reduced. Joining fee is \$20.00, \$30.00 annual fee with a \$5.00 daily or weekly fee.

With the joining fee you get a shed shirt, shed cap badge. Opening Wednesday & Thursday 9.00 – 2.00pm

### Bentmoor Men's Shed

They now have one hundred members who have united together in their moment of disaster.

Two weeks ago they had a major fire, which burnt out their workshop and all their tools. The fire started in a plastic rubbish bin away from any machinery, electricity termination and near the doorway. It is not known what started the fire as it ignited several hours after the shed was closed.

They were fortunate in the respect that the fire brigade was on site before it took hold, of the whole church and the building.

The insurance companies are now trying to sort out the mess with the church insurers and the shed insurers.

Bentmoor are insured with the AMSA insurance company, so it will be very interesting to see how this is all resolved and learn of their experience throughout this journey. Apparently the AMSA insurance are looking after them and removing all the load of dealing with the various companies to resolve this matter.

The estimated damage bill is approximately \$120k for the building, as it requires a complete new roof and floor.

The tools and equipment will cost another \$30k

**This brings home the message the importance of storing inflammable liquids including paints, petrol, oils in the chemical cabinet and it should be regularly checked. Old used rags, papers etc. should be placed in correct rubbish bins and all workplaces be alert for fire and other hazards.**

Bentmoor Fees are \$ 50.00 Joining fee, \$50.00 Annual fee and a \$2.00 per day attendance fee.

Opening Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 9.30 – 1.30pm

Bentmoor Shed are looking at this incident by making this a positive step from a negative event and are planning a variety of programs such as cooking classes, lectures, games, excursions etc. They have requested to us that some of their members attend our bike riding event to learn how we do it and what is required as well as visiting our shed and park to join in and explore our different program of events.

### Kingston Grants

These grants will be available for application in January 2019 and close in March 2019.

There are grants for up to \$10,000 and also \$5000.00 available.

Any capital works grants will be a dollar for dollar basis on application.

We should keep our eye out for these on the council website. Some grants that are used annually can be applied for a Tri-year annual grant of funds. (Usually open to Neighbourhood or Community Centres.)

Lookout for the "Grant Hub", as well as "Community Grants" websites. These sites may cost you to visit them but they are worthwhile as they publish all the grants that are on offer throughout the year.

12<sup>th</sup> February onwards, the council will conduct workshops on Grant Writing and application.

Ali Street will email us all the detailed information and websites when she has completed the minutes to our Cluster meeting.

Accounting Changes made public by the ATO. The ATO have just announced that accounting standards changes are required by them for all "Non For Profit Organizations"

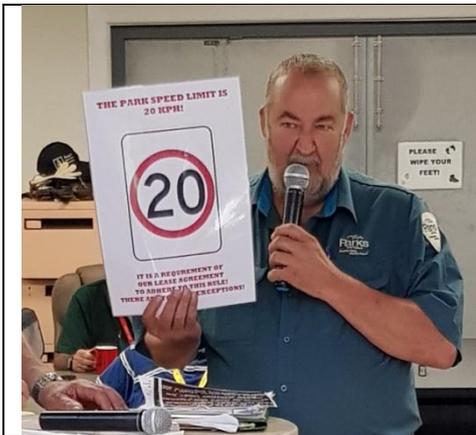
These changes will entail commercial rates for leases versus the peppercorn leases that we have. A commercial rate has to be included with the peppercorn rate.

The number of volunteer hours etc. we have done. Much more accurate details required.

Thanks to Robert O'Brien for this report and for attending the meetings.

**What do a train set and your wife's boobs have in common? They were both made for kids but dads can't help playing with them.**

## How many time do you need to be told?



It cannot be made any clearer than to be told by the Senior Park Ranger that WE all must obey the speed limit while driving through Braeside Park. The same message has been expressed many times over the years of our newsletter. Please set a good example to other members and also to park visitors.

## 'On ya bike'

As reported in last month's newsletter, 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. Nothing like a good ride to work up an appetite.



## 'Where ya been?'

### A fisherman's thoughts of the "Iron Lady".

It's not often that you come upon a fishing adventure that keeps drawing you back, year after year; as is the case with the "Iron Lady", which has lured me back eleven times - so far!!!

The 'Lady", which is owned and skippered by Dan Bergamo, is a 65 foot cruiser, which accommodates eight fisherman in air-conditioned comfort. It's crewed by four experienced, helpful fishing guides who also crew the four comfortable fishing dinghies, always a top chef of local or international fame and a hostess.

The "Lady" fishes remote spots that are difficult to get to. For instance, in northern Arnhem Land, Arnhem and Buckingham Bays and the rivers that run into them. These are reached ex Darwin by sea plane which lands along side "Lady" wherever she is about to start you fishing. This gets you there in 1-3/4 hours instead of 18, to these remote spots, which, due to the practice of catch and release, are still unspoilt after the 18 years I have been going there, with the absolute minimum of fuss.

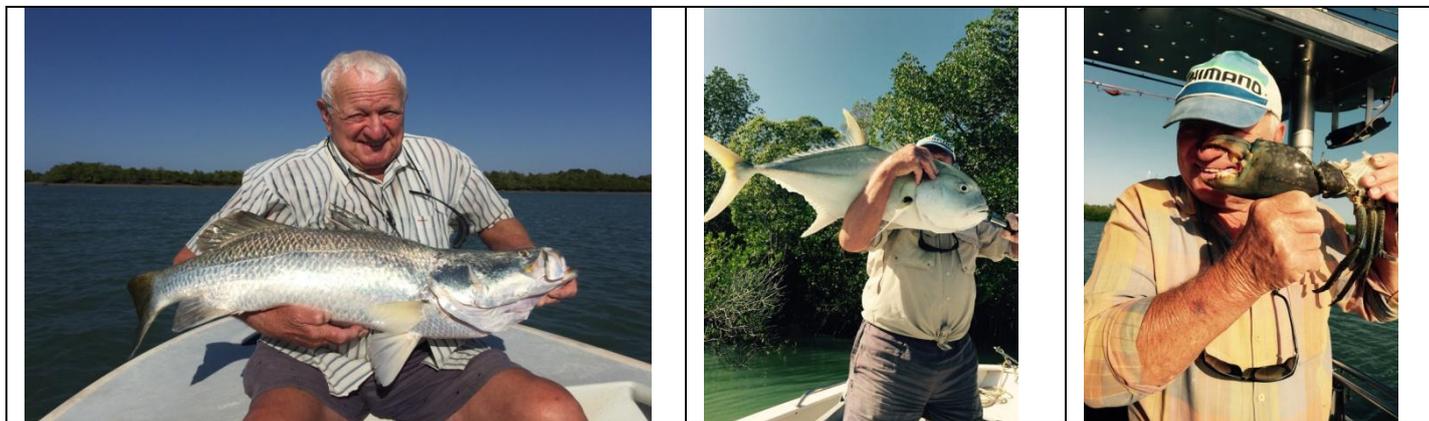
This gives the fishermen the opportunity to fish a couple of days in the blue water, after Queenies and the huge G.T's that inhabit that area, before fishing for the mighty barra. If you see another boat, other than a crabber for the next eight nights, you consider it crowded. Because of the remoteness of the area it's not uncommon to catch barra well above the 100cm mark. The best I have seen is 123cm.

The second choice in fishing enjoyment is the Roper River - so remote the "Lady" is the only boat I have seen there and the fish, although smaller, generally 60-90cm, are also a lot dumber than their northern brothers. On the last trip 8 of us, in 7 days caught and released 1090 barra, that's 155 fish a day, unbelievable fishing by any standards. Also believe me, a 80-90cm barra is a handful of fury that you need to treat skilfully or she will beat you.

The fishing party board the sea plane at 8am at Darwin, a 2-1/2 hour flight, the plane lands alongside the "Lady", unloads the passengers, their fishing gear and supplies, takes the previous charter off and there you are, ready to fish in possibly one of the most remote regions in Australia by 11.30am.

The easiest way to describe the fishing quality is to quantify it by our 2018 trips catch, 6 fishermen, 7 days, 50 barra, 570 other fish such as giant trivally, cod, jewies, threadfin salmon, jacks, to name a few. Oh and I forgot to mention mud crabs - no catch and release here (see photo). Barra, sized up to 80cm = 137, between 80 & 90cm = 256, between 90 & 100cm = 144 and over 100cm = 5

Although it's the best and provides the longest and most hassle free fishing time, at \$8k, ex Darwin, it's still the cheapest fishing I have been able to find. So if a top fishing trip is on your bucket list, see Snow and I will give you the skippers contact details.



Article written and supplied by Snow Peterson - and it's no joke.

## What's coming up

It's on again, our great Australia Day BBQ lunch at the shed.

**SATURDAY** January 26th

BYO everything including your partner and family.



BUNNINGS BBQ fund raiser is on **February 16th** and we need lots of help as it is a big day, 8am to 4pm. See the notice board for details

## Thank you...

Thank you to Bill King who has left a "thinking of you" card as my wife Yvonne, needed to go to hospital on Friday Dec 21st. She is ok and on the mend but not sure when she will be home.

Once again, thank you all for your kind thoughts,  
David & Douglas Roberston. 29/12/2018.

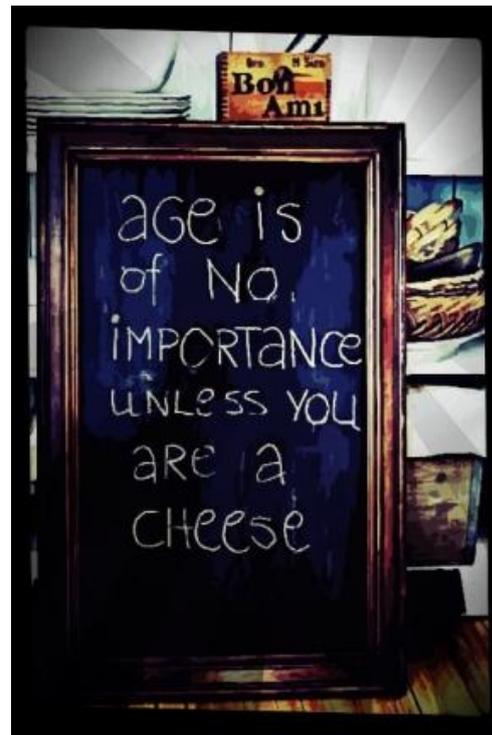
**Why is Santa so damn jolly?** Because he knows where all the naughty girls live.

**What do you call an elf wearing earmuffs?** Whatever the hell you want. He can't hear you.

**How is Christmas just like any other day at the office?** You do a bunch of work and some fat guy in a suit gets all the credit.

## Birthday wishes to:

Member #	First Name	Last Name	Day
25	Graham	Kilby	2
133	Roger	Bideleux	3
264	Gary	Bynion	5
233	Bob	Bruderlin	8
184	Roy	Yates	9
71	Michael	McKeon	14
38	Tony	Coyle	15
207	Norman	Green	15
120	Alan	Marshall	17
181	Jack	DeZoete	23
195	Randall	Hicks	23
96	Edward	Jenkins	25
216	Peter	Collins	28
104	Michael	Stevens	29
150	Neil	Gorham	29
258	Miguel	Belmar	31



Jake was dying. His wife sat at the bedside. He looked up and said weakly:

'I have something I must confess.'

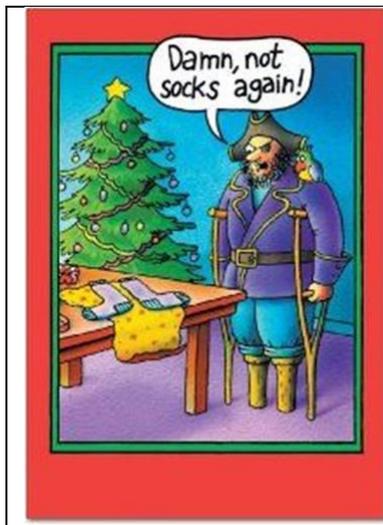
'There's no need to,' his wife replied.

'No,' he insisted,

'I want to die in peace. I slept with your sister, your best friend, her best friend, and your mother!'

'I know,' she replied.

'Now just rest and let the poison work.'



**What do you get if you deep-fry Santa Claus?** Crisp Cringle.

**What do you call Santa's helpers?** Subordinate clauses.

**Christmas is so stupid...** Whomever invented it should be nailed to a cross.

**That's it - Christmas is over .... let's get into the new year celebrations -- HAPPY NEW YEAR.**

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