



Braeside Pk Shed  
**WORKING BEE**  
Look out for details  
in next few weeks

## Dingley Village Men's Shed

# Shedder News

### NEWS

- **Grant of \$13,000 from Bendigo Bank**
- **Approval in principal for Men's Shed at Braeside Park**
- **\$570 raised from our sausage sizzles**
- **\$1000 Donation from All Souls Opportunity Shop**
- **Weekly get-together starting 7th June**
- **27 paid members and still growing**

## Membership

Membership is now open.

Foundation membership costs \$25

Application forms can be collected and payments made at the office of the Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre or on Fridays at our get togethers

## Temporary Meeting Place

From FRIDAY 7<sup>th</sup> June we will begin having a morning get together, every week, between 9am - 12noon at the Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre.

Come along for a coffee/ biscuits and meet other shedders. If you can, bring along a small item of interest, memorabilia or curiosity we will run a fun "show & tell".

We will chat about other activities we can run each week such as cards, darts, small projects etc.

Drop in between 9-12.



## Bendigo Bank Grant

### \$13,000 Grant

The Dingley Village Men's Shed was successful in gaining a grant under the Dingley Village Community Grants

Our thanks to the Dingley Village Community Bank and Bendigo Bank Community Enterprise Foundation for their belief in and support of the Dingley Village Men's Shed.

President Warren Duncan gladly accepted a cheque for \$13,000 at the Bendigo Banks 11th Birthday and Grants presentation held at Southern Golf Club on the 2nd May.

This will provide a great platform for us to start renovation on the Arts Shed when we get the approval from Parks Vic and necessary permits from the Council.

Without the support of community minded businesses like the Bendigo Bank, groups like our own would struggle to maintain their presence let alone establish one!



## Donations

All Souls Opportunity Shop in Sandringham gave a generous donation of \$1,000 to help us get the shed up and running. Thanks to Bill Malcolm for contact.

Monash men's shed have donated 20 chairs, which will come in handy once shed is up and running.

We have also had a donation of 2 bench saws from Hastings Men's shed

On Friday 17th May a group of Shedders are off to a company called Ferro in Moorabbin. They are closing down their factory and office and are happy to donate any equipment or fittings that we could use. Thank you to Vaughan Gibson for this contact.

If anyone gets offers, our policy is to take a look and if usable take it, we will pass on any donations to other sheds if we do not need.

So if you are offered equipment and you think we should consider getting it, tell us.

## Sourcing Materials

Do you have a contact with a business that could donate or sell at wholesale to the Men's Shed. We are looking to source supplies for the renovation of the shed so will need materials for roofing, plumbing, internal walls, electrics etc. We will acknowledge all support given through a sponsors process currently being developed.

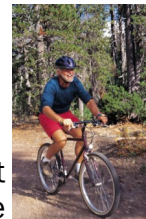
Currently we estimate we will need a minimum of \$110,000 to have both sheds fully operational. If we can source materials at wholesale or donated, we reduce this amount.

We will also be looking for ongoing sponsors to help keep the sheds operating.

## Activities

Bike Rides @ Braeside Park

Vaughan Gibson, our resident Biker, had organised a bike ride at the Park as this Newsletter went to print. Hopefully more to follow.



### MAY

For the May activity we will be having a game of snooker/billiards at Kings Club 366 Boundary Road, 730 pm on Weds 22 May.

If you would like to join us just email dvms3172@gmail.com or phone Warren on 0430034130.

You don't need to be an expert. Its just a social game. Guys can chose the game they want. Also you can play one on one if that's what you want, they are plenty of tables there.



### June

A visit to Chelsea Shed and Breakfast on 19 June, details soon.

## Braeside Park Update

We are nearly there !

We now have permission from Head Ranger at Braeside Park Parks to clean out the sheds. Volunteers wanted very soon! Keep your eye out for details in next few weeks



Approval in-principle has been given by Parks Victoria to use the two Braeside Park sheds as the home of the Dingley Village Men's Shed

The contractual arrangements and legalities etc., still need to be finalized but this is a big step towards having a





## Visit to Bolwell

17 Men's Shed Blokes visited the Bolwell Corporation at their premises in Seaford on the 2nd May and had a fantastic time.

We were greeted by the owner Campbell Bolwell who was our guide for the afternoon who first started by building sports cars when he was in his teens.

Firstly we spent a great deal of time inspecting the sports car they make and what a machine. There are only a couple built each year and sell for around \$200,000.



It has a Toyota engine installed and I am sure that it is modified as it can go from a standstill to 100km in about 4 seconds. There are too many other points to tell you about so just have a look at the photos and you will see that some of us were able to at least have a seat in this fantastic machine.

We then moved on to the Recreational Vehicle section of the factory to see the "A Frame" R.V that Bolwell Build. There were 2 models for us to look at and as you can see by the photo's they convert to a very towable unit. They can come with air conditioning, hot shower fitting, external slide out kitchen and many other benefits.



After that we proceeded to have a coffee and at the same time Campbell proceeded to tell us about all of the other factories he has here in Australia as well as a number overseas. He has one down in Boundary Rd which has a staff number of around 100 and they produce parts for Kenworth Trucks and the company has also been involved in the boat building industry. The photos will also show you some of what I have been explaining.



Thank you to Shedder Vaughan Gibson for organising what was a very good and informative day and I am sure that we are going to have many more like it.

Ken Brown





## Committee Meetings

We welcome anyone who would like to attend our meetings. We are just like you! You can listen and hear what is going on and feel more connected.

Also you can share ideas and thoughts. Contact Warren on 0430 034 130 to arrange attendance.



We will have a lot to do once we have a venue, and committee members will head up teams to cover areas such as fundraising, marketing, operations, etc. but they need your help.

We need volunteers for the following roles. (nothing too stressful, no pay but excellent company)

BBQ Coordinator  
Social events team.  
Fundraising.  
Equipment inspection



Someone to do the monthly newsletter and a website

## Sausage Sizzle

BBQ at Safeway's on the 4th May was a great success raising \$324. Thanks to all who helped on the day.

We will have another when it is really cold and the westerly is blowing hard down Centre Dandenong Road



## Fundraising

As we get closer to having a permanent home, the committee is looking at how we can raise funds.

Whilst we are hopeful of gaining grants from Federal, State governments and the City of Kingston, we will need to raise ongoing funds to complete the building and operate the shed.



A fundraising plan is being developed and we need your active support or the Men's Shed will not succeed.

Ideas so far include:

Sale of corporate memberships  
Garage sale where we donate our treasures for the benefit of our Shed. (Biggest Garage Sale in the Southern Hemisphere! and we advertise locally?)  
BBQ's at the new Masters and Bunnings Raffles  
Annual Dinner Dance & Auction  
Jazz Night  
Melbourne Cup Sweep & BBQ  
BBQ in Marcus Road on Election day in September  
Annual Golf Day (sponsored)  
Christmas Break-up  
Phar Lap Bike Ride around Braeside.

If you have ideas please pass them on. Call Warren or David or email the Shed.

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