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It's official - WINTER HAS ARRIVED so get out your warm clothes and rug up, it is still better than a 43 degree day.

Thank you to all the members that have contributed articles for this month's newsletter, please keep up the good work.

What's been happening

DVMS Gets "The Point"



It was an overcast morning following rain during the night when 24 intrepid members and partners left Braeside Park in two mini buses and a private FWD bound for Point Nepean. All were rugged up and it wasn't looking too bright.

To be involved in the organization or conduct of this tour your Christian name had to be "John". Tour organizer was JOHN Legge, and our two drivers were President JOHN Bach and Secretary JOHN Prestt.

As we travelled down the freeway then Nepean Highway toward Portsea we encountered both rain and sunshine so the weather at our destination was an each way bet.

Meeting our Park Ranger guide Kyle at Point Nepean we headed out through security gates to the old (established in 1852) Quarantine Station. Here we were met by another Ranger and enjoyed an informative video. It was then our turn to "explore" the buildings, some 50 in total, although not all were open to the public.

What an eye opener of how life was for the poor devils that had endured months, or more, at sea only to arrive in a poor state of health. "Quarantine" derives from the Italian meaning 40. Thus each quarantined person had to spend 40 days at this facility. We were happy to move on after just ONE day.

We still had some distance to negotiate to get to "The Point". Once there we were amazed to "explore" the many gun emplacements built before the First World War (over a hundred years ago) to guard Port Phillip Bay. Standing at the nearest lookout to the "Rip" it was fascinating to actually see the pilot boat go out to the approaching tanker and then to watch it sail from the ocean through the heads and into the bay.

I really think all this excitement took us back to our childhood days. In fact President and day driver John Bach regaled us about his exploits as a very young teenager when he spent a week at Fort Pearce, very close to "The Point".

We couldn't believe our luck when the clouds gave way to sunshine which complimented our wonderful tour to an historic place literally in our "own backyard". After an enjoyable lunch at the Rye Hotel we headed home satisfied that our time had been well spent and that we certainly did get "The Point".

Thanks to Geoff Hergt for this article.



Just to inform you all that work installing plaques to the memorial seat built at DVMS for the Heatherton / Dingley Uniting Church was completed Friday 10 May by 3 new members who have completed their authorizing training in tools.(Zack Street, Dave Bynion and Gary Bynion)
Photo of the finished task

Thanks to Bill King for this article

Our visit to Lexington Gardens Retirement Village was certainly an eye opener for those of us who remember it as Enterprise Hostel where our many migrants were first housed until they prospered in our city and moved out into big houses - now it services a new clientele being older people looking for a down size in housing yet still giving the luxuries of life. First impressions were the size of the entire complex and how it is getting even bigger with a new development underway plus the aged care facility which forms another section all together.



Sales manager Dale gives an overview,



and this is where you see the full site.



Anyone for a dip?



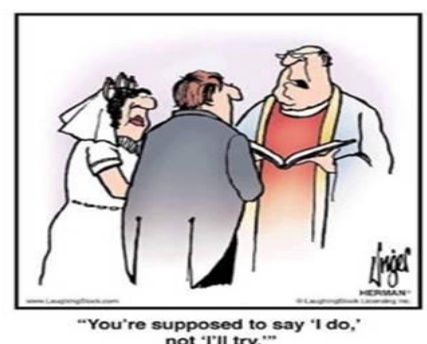
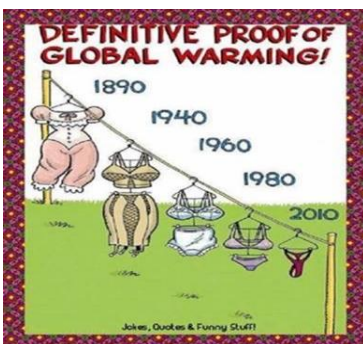
Don't worry, they have lifts.



One & two bedroom apartments.



Even a well equipped workshop.



What's news from the workshop



Who says that things can't be recycled these days! Thanks to the ingenuity of these four Shedders, David Smith, Bill King, Ron Prestt and John Stewart a piece of old gym equipment has been given a new lease of life, as a mobile mount for one of our TV's. The task has taken a few months to complete, as it only had a low priority. However, the "Aeromodelers Group" have been quick to put it to good use, setting it up to allow Shedders to hone their model flying skills on the Model Aircraft Simulator.

Thanks for your efforts guys, a job well done. -

After the honeymoon, Tom was welding some stuff in the garage for fun. His new wife was standing there by the bench watching him. After a long period of silence she finally said: "Honey, I've just been thinking; now that we are married, maybe you don't need to spend so much of your time out here in your shed and could consider selling some of your machinery and stuff...like your gun collection, fishing gear, boat, and lose all those stupid model airplanes. And sell all those old motorcycles, and dump that home brewing kit"...

Tom got a horrified look on his face and silently stared at her..

She said, "Darling, what's wrong?"

He replied, "Nothing...but for a minute there, you were starting to sound like my ex-wife."

"Ex-wife"?? She screamed, "YOU NEVER TOLD ME YOU WERE MARRIED BEFORE!"

Tom replied..... "I wasn't".

Kingston Cluster meeting.

News around the sheds

Chelsea Shed

They have approximately 25 members with 8 regular active members. They open every Wednesday & Thursday from 9.00 - 2.00 pm. On Tuesday the shed is open for disability groups only which are looked after by the carers.

They now have a new President Peter and Secretary Sandy that have joined the shed from Rotary and have given the members some help, inspiration and a new direction to help enlarge their membership and offer more interests for members to do.

They have applied to the council to take possession of a local kindergarten that has closed in the area and is not being used. This option is under council consideration at the present time.

They are considering purchasing a CNC router and 3D printers to entice new members to the shed and opening on a Saturday as well to induce those men and sons that are still working to attend. They would like to promote the Grandfather, father and son families to be interested.

Mordialloc Shed

Membership is 33 members both men and women.

They have a new President in Joseph Raynor and meet every Tuesday and Thursday

They are going well with most members playing games, pool and talking over tea & coffee. They have a small number that do projects in the workshop. They are looking to form a walking, fishing and art group in the near future.

Bentmoor Shed

They have approximately 100 members. They open every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9.00 - 1.30 pm. Bentmoor Shed has been offered new premises from the Glen Eira council, of which they have at this time refused for various differences with the Council philosophy.

Their shed has finally been restored after their devastating fire and they are now purchasing new machines and tools that were completely damaged with the fire and water. They are getting back on track.

The good news is that even without a workshop they have managed to retain all the members interest every week with more social activities and have kept the group united.

Recently they had a shock when their secretary died. This man had been with the shed from the beginning and had setup the MYOB accounting system, the email and much of the administration system on his own computer. They have had a lot of problems with passwords, and email accounts as it has not been in the Shed's name. Advise to all shed's get your systems organised correctly.

It has now been disclosed how the fire started. During a session one of the members was sanding some timber with an aggressive sander and some dust caught fire. He picked up the rubbish bin on fire and removed outside where he doused it with water. With fire being extinguished, he returned the bin inside only for other members to put more rubbish on top. Three to four hours later the bin self combusted into flames setting the building alight.

This should be a valuable lesson to us all how easy a fire can start and for us to be more diligent.

I asked Neil what did they think of the "safety saw" that they had? His reply was that it was well worth the expense as it had saved three members from serious injury and although it cost approximately \$200.00 each time it was triggered it was better than the alternative medical drama.

Kingston City Council


Ali Street advised us that there is a new organisation started up in Aspendale called "Vollies". They are a volunteer group that can advise non for profit organisations on a variety of subjects such as marketing, customer service etc. and help find and use volunteers that have the skills in the different fields to assist. They have a web site in "vollies.com.au"

In October every year we have a Seniors month where different organisations in the area provide functions and facilities etc. for seniors to participate. We have been asked if we can include any function in this event but as we have run out of time this year it is not possible. We have to get something organised and documented before the end of April and presented to the council so it can be included in the program booklet for printing. They print and distribute approximately 12000 copies.

Our shed has been involved with this in the past opening the doors to run a bicycle ride around the Park. This was done in conjunction with Mordialloc Neighbourhood Centre. There is no reason that our shed cannot plan to do something this, a walk around the Park, or some other idea that we can think off.

Best regards, Robert O'Brien

What's coming up

 <p>THE EXHIBITION WILL BE HELD AT: The Banquet Rooms, Kingsford Hall, 885 Nepean Highway, Moorabbin VIC 3170. Phone: 03 9594 7704</p> <p>AWTEX The Australian Woodturning Exhibition Presenting the art of woodturning</p> <p>PUBLIC SHOWING DATES JUNE 2019</p> <p>Friday 14th 10am-4pm Saturday 15th 10am-5pm Sunday 16th 10am-4pm</p> <p>Kingsford City Hall Moorabbin, VIC Cost of entry \$8.00 Under 18 FREE</p> <p>Daily woodturning demonstrations, Exclusive and unique creations for sale!</p>	<p><i>The brochure is 'very busy' and difficult to read but the main details are as follows:-</i></p> <p>The Australian Woodturning Exhibition, presenting the Art of Woodturning</p> <p>Friday June 14th to Sunday June 16th</p> <p>Being held at the Kingston City Hall - 985 Nepean Hwy Moorabbin</p>
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DVMS annual golf competition - round 2 will be held on Thursday 6th June, round 3 on August 22nd and the final round on November 14th - see the notice board for details and booking.

"It isn't premarital sex if you have no intention of getting married." George Burns



Who is on the sick list?

Our President John is still on the sick list - doctors cannot find out what is wrong but you better get home soon John because that hospital food will make you sick.

Best wishes from all the shed members and see you soon

Park management update:

Des Lucas and Andrew Morrison will be the only Rangers looking after Braeside and Karkarook Parks with Ernie not being replaced. Digger is still recovering with his torn Achilles tendon and we wish him a speedy recovery. Des now also has two other Parks under his wing, Churchill and Police Paddocks. He will be assisted with Amanda Daw that will be looking after these areas, two days a week. (*If you want a good job done, give to the busiest bloke*).

Make sure you read the Friends of Braeside Park newsletter - it is a great publication with lots a news items.

Birthday wishes to:

Member #	First Name	Last Name	Day
21	Lawrie	Carlos	12
28	David	Robertson	18
40	Douglas	Robertson	11
43	Rob	Isaachsen	12
56	John	Newman	27
59	Colin	Nash	19
65	Bernard	Warren	4
103	Roy	Page	16
135	Robert	Muir	25
154	John	Maher	6
160	William (Bill)	Argent	13
162	Des	McCoy	18
171	Nikolai	Faizoulline	6
179	Alan	Rimington	12
198	Peter	Holt	15
200	Graham	Giulieri	30
205	Bob	Ivison	8
225	Andrew	Perkins	3
268	Graham	Osborne	30
271	Ian	Laurent	4

I'M KINDA GLAD
DINOSAURS ARE
EXTINCT BECAUSE I'M
PRETTY SURE I'D TRY
TO RIDE ONE AFTER A
FEW BIRTHDAY
CELEBRATORY
DRINKS.

"There are a number of mechanical devices which increase sexual arousal, particularly in women. Chief among these is the Mercedes-Benz SL500." Lynn Lavner

Photography group:



Here are a some pictures of the Photography Group's visit to the Peter Dombrovskis exhibition at the Monash Gallery of Art.

Wives were invited as some has expressed an interest in seeing this exhibition which is touring Australia at the moment. We had lunch at the Wheelers Hill Hotel which is over the road from the gallery, then walked across to the gallery after lunch. There we were given a talk by the Education Officer Stephanie Richter, before viewing this spectacular exhibition. Most of us who are interested in photography realised we could never achieve this standard, but I think it inspired us at least.

Regards, David Ellis

A teacher gave her fifth grade class an assignment over the march break: Get their parents to tell them a story with a moral at the end of it.

The next day, the kids came back and, one by one, began to tell their stories. There were all the regular types of stuff: spilled milk and pennies saved. But then the teacher realized, much to her dismay, that she had missed Janie.

Janie, do you have a story to share?'

"Yes ma'am. My daddy told me a story about my Mommy.

She was a Marine pilot in Desert Storm, and her plane got hit.

She had to bail out over enemy territory, and all she had was a flask of whiskey, a pistol, and a survival knife. She drank the whiskey on the way down so the bottle wouldn't break, and then her parachute landed her right in the middle of 20 Iraqi troops.

She shot 15 of them with the pistol, until she ran out of bullets, killed four more with the knife, till the blade broke, and then she killed the last Iraqi with her bare hands.

"Good Heavens,' said the horrified teacher.

"What did your Daddy tell you was the moral to this horrible story?

"Stay away from Mommy when she's been drinking."



Are you a uniform type of bloke or do you stand out because you are not wearing a DVMS green shirt and jacket. Well here is your chance to look smart and be one of the fashion setters by being a part of the next clothing order - see the notice board and put down your details - prove to your wife that [YOU CAN BUY YOUR OWN CLOTHING.](#)

By the way, how are you off for jocks and socks?

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