

# Dingley Village Men's Shed Inc.

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# FEBRUARY 2020 NEWSLETTER

Hey .... where did January go. The year is flying by already.... only eleven months to Christmas.



Len Reay
Member 41

It is with sadness that we advise members that Len Reay passed away on Tuesday 7th January .

Our condolences go out to his wife Lorraine and families.

# What's been happening

# Friday January 12th - Our special raffle for the bush fire fund raising.



There's no doubt about the talented "Mr Raffles". One day he thinks he is Santa's helper, then he turns up as "Fireman Sam".

A great selection of prizes. Thanks to all members who donated articles for the raffle, the auction & brought tickets.

We raised \$2,240.00

A great effort.

Thanks very much for your contribution.



Theo was having a bit of a problem selecting his prize from the vast array of choices.



John Strauch won the bottle of 'cough mixture'.

Thanks once again to David Ellis for the photos.

# **Australia Day BBQ**







Another great social day where we can all get together over a BBQ and a coldie, then play a few field games with lots of prizes as seen in the following selection of photos from David Ellis.

The proceeds from the raffle (\$240) were added to our donation for the bush fire appeal.



#### **Australia Day at Our Shed**

Penned by Geoff Hergt

The weather man said 23 degrees C, cloudy with a light breeze but fine - Perfect!!

11am and the crowd was gathering. An air of expectation was evident and the excitement building. Bob Wood had prepared five (5) different tests of skill to enthuse the many members, wives, friends, family and children who attended, circa 100 in all, to work up an appetite before lunch.

There was golf putting, darts, bocce, snooker and kubb or you could just sit and chat over a tea or coffee if you preferred. In other words, something for everyone. Prizes were awarded for those whose skill, or luck, was greatest but only one prize per person over the five challenges. It seemed like every attendee whether young or not so young, male, female or child participated in several of the "tests of skill"

It was a BYO everything lunch with our BBQs at the ready. This was followed by a wide array of raffle prizes on offer with raffle king Ron Wood (no relation) in charge.

The capacity of our Facilities Shed could have coped with a few more members but it was very comfortable. Besides it was a great opportunity to involve our "nearest and dearest" in what we enjoy throughout the week or at the least every Friday morning.

To say that it was a fun day enjoyed by all who attended, big or small, would be an understatement. My suggestion - Don't Miss Next Year's Event.









Red meat is not bad for you. Fuzzy green meat is bad for you.

# 'What are our neighbours up to in the garden?'

The neighbourhood garden is starting to take shape and a good crop is already well underway. No sign of the rabbits yet.



Hey Greame and Norn, you promised us a full workshop shed extension not a 6x6 second hand tin shed.



Norm is just giving the latest crop the once over.





You can never have enough water.

Politian's should wear uniforms just like racing drivers, so we can identify their corporate sponsors.

#### **Mind Teasers**

- -/ A cowboy rides into town on Friday, stays for 3 days, then leaves on Friday. How does he do this?
- -/ If you have three apples and take 2 away how many do you have?
- -/ How many months have 28 days?

Answers in next Newsletter

Some New Year's resolutions (Concept sprang up early 19th Century)

"I was going to quit all my bad habits for the new year, but then I remembered that nobody likes a quitter".

"My resolution was to read more so I put the subtitles on my TV".

#### NOTICE

Four of our Shed members are part of a DV writers group that meets once a week at the Neighbourhood Centre. If you would like to know more just send me, Warren, an email <a href="mailto:wasadunc@bigpond.net.au">wasadunc@bigpond.net.au</a>

So, if you would like to improve your writing, or just to get some tips, perhaps to write that biography, write a short story. We would welcome your enquiry, perhaps attend a session and see if it's for you.

Warren Duncan

# 'You guessed it - another TV'



You may not have noticed, but we now have a new TV in the Administration Corner of the Shed. Thanks to member Gerry Pelicier, who has upgraded his home TV and kindly donated this Sanyo 37 inch TV to the Shed. This will provide improved picture and sound quality to the TV network.

The existing Admin Corner TV will be modified to provide the Aero Modeller Group with a dedicated display for the R/C Controller Simulator.



Thanks to Geoff Colquhoun for this article.

Hi Gentlemen,

This is a follow up to the message request that Kerith gave to us at the shed on Friday 24th Jan, seeking **TOOLS FOR FIRE VICTIMS**.

Please have a look through your tools at home & see what you can donate, everything will be greatly appreciated.

Just remember that the people have NO TOOLS so all tools will be well used.

Remember that anything that can help with clearing up the damage & the rebuilding is what is needed.

We have a storage area at the shed for the tools in the workshop just inside the entrance.

Thank you to everyone that has so far contributed.

For other details please contact: ROB ISAACHSEN on 0411-551-013.

## What's new in the workshop

<u>Workshop extensions</u> - just a bit more red tape to work through then the action will start. Hopefully by midyear we will be in the new workshop. Even more hopefully that we will get our promised money into the bank.

<u>Drainage</u> - a special contractor has been engaged to locate the line of an existing drain pipe that we intend to tap into and place a pit to collect and redirect ground water from in front of the shed so as to avoid any risk of future flooding. Now that the pipe has been plotted we can get a further quote from a specialist to dig the 3m hole and fit the drain pipe system.

# What's coming up

**BUNNINGS BBQ** - we have been allocated Saturday **March 7th** for our turn at hosting the Bunnings BBQ. This is one of biggest fund raising activities so please donate some of your time on the day. A roster form will appear on the notice board shortly.

**Golf competition** - the first game for the year will be held in March so watch the notice board for details.

<u>Farmers Market</u> car parking Saturday Feb 15th.



Be alert but not afraid - the Corona Virus could catch you at any time. Avoid liquor outlets such as Dan Murphys, Liquorland, Cellarbrations, BWS and any other grog shop. Wearing a face mask may help. Better still, drink CUB or home brew.

THIS SPACE IS RESERVED FOR YOU TO MAKE A CONTRIBUTION IN NEXT MONTHS NEWSLETTER. TELL US SOMETHING ABOUT YOURSELF, WHAT YOU DO, OTHER GROUPS THAT YOU ARE INVOLVED IN.... THE POSSIBILITIES ARE ENDLESS.

### Who's on the sick list?

At last Snow is out of hospital and recuperating at home after he has contributed much over the past months to the advancement of medical science. He is now working on an illustrated cook book of hospital foods. Ted is well on the road to recovery after having a knee replacement and is now in training for the over 80's high jump.

Merv Mc. has seen enough of hospitals lately and it is great to see him back at the shed on Friday's. To anyone else that has been feeling poorly over the last month, we wish you well.

# Birthday wishes to:

1ember #	First Name	Last Name	Day
4	Roger	Doherty	2
50	Geoffrey	Palfreman	1
78	John	Stewart	7
81	Tony	Ford	14
<u>153</u>	<u>Bob</u>	<u>Frank</u>	11
191	David	Hobby	21
238	Leigh	Walsh	24
239	John	Needham	15
265	Dave	Bynion	2
267	Geoff	Lawson	14
274	John	Hall	9
292	Geoffrey	Tate	27
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The older I get the earlier it gets late.

The brain is the most outstanding organ. It works for 24 hours, 365 days, right from your birth until you fall in love.

#### **Telephone Survey**

Last month, a worldwide telephone survey was conducted by the UN. The only question asked was:

"Would you please give your honest opinion about possible solutions to the food shortage in the rest of the world?"

#### The survey was a complete failure because:

on an aluminium can stuffed with celery?

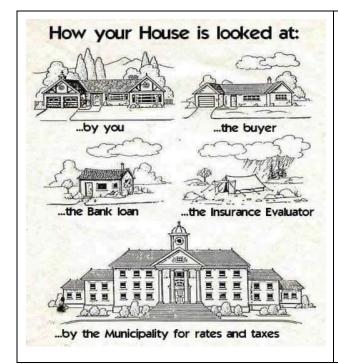
- ➤ In Eastern Europe they didn't know what "honest" meant.
- ➤ In Western Europe they didn't know what "shortage" meant.
- In Africa they didn't know what "food" meant.
- ➤ In China they didn't know what "opinion" meant.
- ➤ In the Middle East they didn't know what "solution" meant.
- > In South America they didn't know what "please" meant.
- In the USA they didn't know what "the rest of the world" meant.
- And in Australia, New Zealand, Canada, and Great Britain everyone hung up as soon as they heard the Indian accent.

The government, today, announced that it's changing its emblem to a CONDOM, because it more accurately reflects the government's political stance. A condom allows for inflation, halts production, destroys the next generation, protects a bunch of dicks, and gives you a sense of security while you're being screwed. It just doesn't get more accurate than that!





Marriage tip - Every time you talk to your wife, your brain should remember that...
"This conversation will be recorded for training and quality purposes"





Harry - you want to be financially independent ..... Well this is where you start. Meghan might need a job at KFC or do some babysitting.

Membership fees for 2020 were due for payment in January ... if you still haven't got around to making your payment please get in quick. \*\*\*There is no prize for being last\*\*\*.

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