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OCTOBER 2021 NEWSLETTER

Well that's it, we officially have nothing to report on. But don't worry, with the aid of the internet and a bit of plagiarism a few pages of entertainment should be available.

After more than seven years of producing this newsletter, I can quite honestly say that as a Shed we have done nothing, nil, nought, zip, zilch, zero, kaput, another month of not being open and all thanks to this bloody COVID virus and what's more it does not look like getting any better for some time yet.

Our A Team workers have had to lock down and therefore all the wonderful projects they have underway and that Robert O'Brien so diligently reports back to us all each month, are shelved. Special interest groups have only been able to gather in ZOOM format. Fortunately the bike riding group have been pedalling on and thanks to Den McKeegan our Friday social gathering via ZOOM have continued to allow members to keep in touch and has been elevated to the afternoon so as to justify "Happy Hour". A theme for the day adds a little bit of interesting fun and promotes conversation, (see photos at the end of this newsletter). Also a note of appreciation goes out to Secretary Paul for keeping us informed on matters of interest plus for adding a bit of sanity to the day with the extractions form the internet, many being humorous plus others being thought provoking.

With the path ahead as outlined by Premier Dan, October is going to be almost a repeat of September so how about **YOU** giving some thought to an article for the newsletter. Tell us what you have been doing or even a bit of your life history. Do you have some good ideas for when we are finally out of lock down?

Who's on the sick list?



Snow Peterson - 106



Alan Marshall - 12



Gerard Pelicier - 247



Mery McConchie - 282

We still have a few of our members pushing their way through illness and we wish you all the best in your recovery, keep your chin up and let your power of positive thought pull you through into better times.

As secretary Paul or welfare officer King Billy get updates on members situations they will keep you informed.

Please use this forum to keep us up dated on your condition and for members to send messages of care and support. Contact to our newsletter is via akilby@bigpond.net.au

Birthday wishes to:

Member #	First Name	Last Name	Day
155	Frank	Formica	1
93	Cyril	Webster	9
247	Gerard	Pelicier	9
293	Gerry	McDowell	13
22	Theo	Breeuwer	14
30	Paul	Brennan	14
297	Robert	Elliot	16
299	Peter (Pete)	Brown	20
18	Robert	O'Brien	22
70	Bob	Prestt	23
282	Mervyn	McConchie	27
27	Geoffrey	Colquhoun	27
62	Ron	Wood	27
156	Philip	Stephens	28
276	Philip	Stuckey	29

Congratulations to Bob & Merv on becoming our newest recipients of the OBE

By replacing your morning coffee with green tea, you can lose up to 87% of what little joy you still have left in your life.

The worst time to have a heart attack is during a game of Charades.

The Tear Drop Memorial: The Forgotten Monument to The Victims of 9/11

As we put September behind us, it was almost impossible not to notice the 20th year commemoration of what we all know as 9/11 and all of the horrible ramifications that came out of it.

"We will never forget", is the phrase that has been famously repeated over and over again since the devastating attack on New York City on September 11, twenty years ago. Yet, this giant monument erected on the shores of Bayonne, New Jersey, just 16 km from New York City has been largely forgotten.

"To the Struggle Against World
Terrorism" also called "The Tear Drop
Memorial" stands at the end of the
former Military Ocean Terminal in
Bayonne, New Jersey, and is the first
thing you see as you approach New York
City by ship from the Atlantic, well before
the Statue of Liberty comes into view.



It is a 30-meter-tall slab of steel and coated in bronze, with a large jagged crack running down the middle. An immense stainless steel teardrop hangs inside the crack. The eleven sides of the monument's base bear granite name plates, on which are etched the names of those who died in the September 11 attacks and the 1993 World Trade Center bombing.

It was a gift – an expression of grief – from the people of Russia to the US. Vladimir Putin was himself there when construction began and Bill Clinton attended the dedication ceremony in 2006. Since then, it has been forgotten.



You may not have been pleased with the outcome of the AFL Grand Final but it certainly was a good game. When I was just a very young teenager, if someone had said to me that I will not be seeing my Demons win a grand final for fifty seven years then I would most likely have changed teams.



With all of the statistics kept on the game, no one mentioned that none of the players and very few of their parents were even alive for the last Demons grand final win.

But after all, it's only a game and it will all happen again next year.

Hello Graham,

A short note for the newsletter.

Tried the bread recipe in the last edition of the newsletter, as I have made the odd loaf.

Although the ingredients are the basic bread ingredients, the method was new to me. I found this method so easy that any future loafs will be produced this way.

So I say to anybody who wants to make a loaf - have a go!

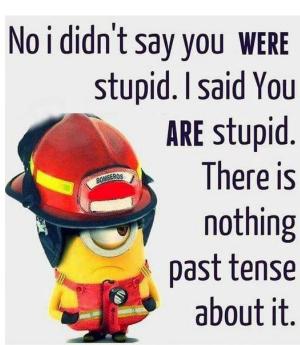
Regards David Smith



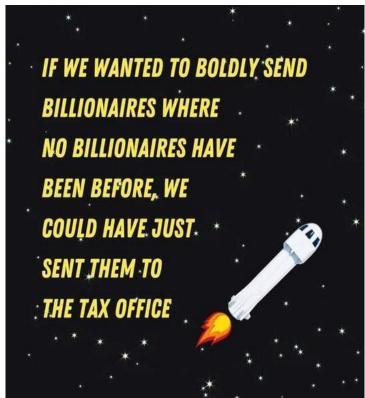
Big shout out to all the healthcare staff who have been finding alternatives to tea rooms for the last 18 months without the need to have a big sook about it and block the road.

CFMEU should HTFU

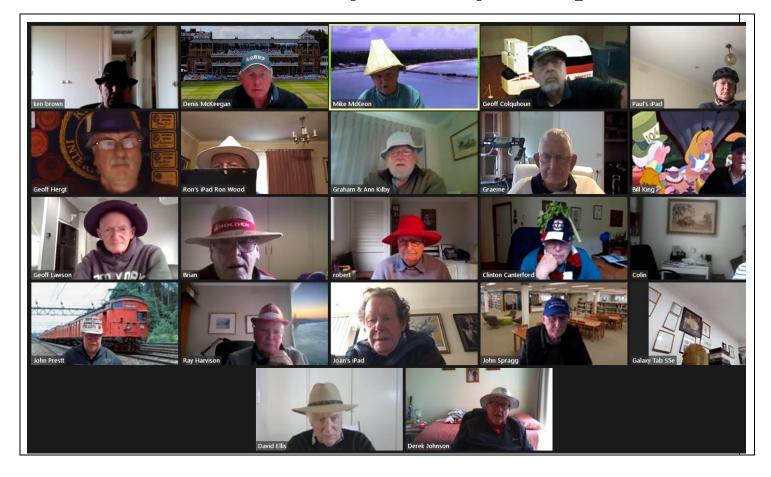








The Mad Hatters Tea Party on Friday 10th September



Grand Final Trivia Afternoon on Friday 24th September

We had 23 people attend at different times during our Zoom session.

The highlight was the Grand Final Trivia Competition which was keenly contested. The winner was Tony Brown who successfully answered 4 questions and will be rewarded with 3 raffle tickets when we are able to get back to The Shed.



JUST SAYING

You are not vaccinated I respect your choice. I am vaccinated, respect my choice! I'm vaccinated, not to please the government but:

- * To not die from Covid-19.
- * To NOT clutter a hospital bed if I get sick.
- * To hug my loved ones (vaccinated).
- * To NOT have to do PCR or antigenic tests to go to a dance, go to a restaurant, go on vacation and many more things to come
- * To live my life.
- * To have my kids/grandkids go back to school and play sports.
- * For Covid-19 to be an old memory.
- * To protect us.

On the other hand, no, I don't know what's in it - neither in this vaccine, the ones I had as a child, nor in the Big Mac, or in hot dogs or in other treatments, whether it's for cancer, AIDS, polyarthritis, vaccines for infants or children.

I also don't know what's in Ibuprofen, Tylenol, or other meds, it just cures my headaches, my pains I don't know what's in the ink for tattoos.

In short ...

There's a lot of things I don't know.

I just know one thing: life is short, very short, so I still want to do something other than just going to work every day or staying cloistered at home. I still want to travel and hug people without fear, find a little feeling of life "before".

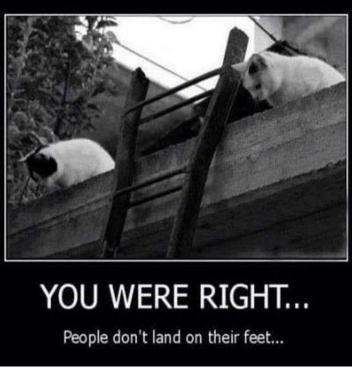
As a child and as an adult, I've been vaccinated for mumps, measles, rubella, polio, chicken pox, yellow fever and a few others: my parents and I trusted the science and never had to suffer through or transmit any of said diseases**JUST SAYING!**

Thanks to the Probus newsletter for this article.









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