

# Dingley Village Men's Shed Inc.

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# SEPTEMBER 2022 NEWSLETTER



**G**rab hold of the calendar and rip the August page off because it's over and so is winter (but don't turn off the heater just yet). Let's welcome Spring and watch the days gradually getting longer and the mornings a little bit warmer.

And September 1st is **Wattle Day** so it will be lovely to see the green and gold in our gardens and not only on the sporting arena. Do you remember your primary school days singing the wattle songs and reading the wattle poetry. The date to celebrate Wattle Day in Australia has had a few alterations over the decades which might account for it taking a back seat with many people over the years but it seems to be fairly well recognised now. So if you are looking for a new plant to place in your garden, give a wattle a try - the birds and insects will love it.



Park Information:
Please be advised that the Cypress Drive will be closed on 14 & 15 of September for Tree
Surgery Work. Please find alternative access to the trail system

Many thanks. The Rangers.

Maybe ParksVic could build a series of bridges over the pot holes with the timber that they cut down.



Has anyone checked to make sure that none of our missing members have disappeared into a hole in Cypress Drive.



#### **DVMS Footy Tipping 2021**

What a climatic finish to the home and away season.

The last few rounds swapped back and forth, with selecting the winning teams and more importantly the accumulated round margin being a high priority.

It was good to see some new faces in the top three final places this year with AlJones and 284Glassman sharing 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> prize. The total tips and accumulated margin could not be split and determined after the final places, with Dons01 coming in 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

It always pays to read the reminder emails sent from Footy Tips for those who have not entered their tips within 24 hours of the first game starting. Some members forgot to enter tips for a round or entered some tips and forgot to select winners for one or two games.

Thanks to everyone who entered and hopefully more members will participate next year.

Equal 1<sup>st</sup> prize: \$172.50 - AlJones17 Equal 1<sup>st</sup> prize: \$172.50 - 284Glassman

3<sup>rd</sup> prize: \$55 - Dons01

There was an additional \$25.00 random draw after the last round which was won by Brett\_30. This was drawn by Paul Brennan.

#	TIPP	ER	1 - 3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	ROUND 23	TOTAL SCORE
1	-	AlJones17	19	5	6	8	5	6	7	7	7	5	5	4	7	7	6	6	8	6	5	8	8 (64)	145 (546)
2	8	284Glassman	19	6	6	8	6	6	6	6	6	4	6	3	7	7	6	7	8	7	5	8	8 (68)	145 (546)
3	<b>*</b>	Dons01	19	6	7	5	5	7	6	6	7	4	5	3	5	7	7	7	8	8	5	8	6 (68)	141 (634)
4	8	AlanSaints22	18	6	6	8	5	6	6	7	7	4	5	3	7	6	7	5	8	7	4	8	8 (81)	141 (668)
5	7	kalhoon43	16	5	6	8	5	6	7	7	6	4	5	3	7	7	7	6	8	6	5	8	8 (72)	140 (608)
6	8	Chas76	16	б	6	7	5	8	6	5	7	3	5	3	6	6	6	7	8	8	5	7	9 (46)	139 (555)
7	8	Den McK	16	6	6	7	6	6	6	6	5	4	5	3	7	7	7	6	8	7	6	7	8 (64)	139 (587)
В	2	Geza1	18	5	6	8	5	7	7	6	5	3	4	2	4	5	7	6	8	8	6	8	8 (63)	136 (622)
9	0	HBog	15	3	7	7	6	5	7	6	6	4	5	3	7	6	5	7	8	7	7	8	6 (108)	135 (695)
0	8	Bullfrog39	16	4	4	8	5	7	6	7	7	5	5	4	6	6	6	5	7	5	3	9	8 (69)	133 (521)
1		Brett_30	14	5	6	8	6	5	6	7	6	4	5	3	6	6	6	4	7	7	7	8	6 (52)	132 (611)
2	9	Nik_ok	14	5	6	6	5	8	5	6	5	3	4	4	6	6	8	6	7	6	6	8	6 (71)	130 (675)
3	8	rocket no 33	15	4	7	6	5	5	4	4	7	3	5	3	6	7	5	8	6	7	6	9	7 (44)	129 (576)
4	8	Hash M	15	6	4	7	5	5	6	9	6	5	4	4	6	5	3	6	7	7	3	7	5 (83)	125 (638)
5	8	JB	14	6	5	6	6	6	6	4	7	4	6	3	7	6	6	3	7	6	6	8	2 (70)	124 (675)
6		drkjon	18	3	8	7	6	5	6	б	8	4	5	2	3	5	4	4	4	6	3	3	1 (58)	111 (658)
7	2	PeteMac62	16	6	6	6	5	5	6	6	8	2	4	1	2	4	2	3	3	4	2	2	1 (58)	94 (586)

## What's been happening

#### The A-Team report.

In the last report I mentioned that we haven't been able to do any work in the Park or outside the shed. For those members that have thought that work in the Park has ceased, **you are most definitely wrong**. The A-team has been internally bound due to the inclement weather and we are trying to catch-up with work in the shed. The only outstanding job we have left to finish in the Park is to concrete the bird hide floor and erect the bird hide on site. This has had to stop due to the wet weather as we cannot get a concrete truck into the site. As soon as the area dries out we will continue with this project.

Also when the weather is a bit more stable we are to scrub down the tree carvings and re-coat them with some more timber stain.

I am sure that when the Park rangers settle down in the new position, we will be requested to assist them once again in Park projects.

#### **Tuesday 2nd August 2022**



We took delivery of the 1st Cheltenham Scout group trailer which needed some repairs done. The tow ball coupling was replaced, the jockey wheel was removed and replace with a new one, the tail gate hinge was replaced and the tail gate was repaired, a LPG holds was panel beaten and finally the number plate light was replaced and wired into the circuit.



#### **Thursday 4th August 2022**

Finished the trailer repairs.

Moved the new drum sander into final location, connected the dust extractor hose and tested the unit.

#### Monday 8th August 2022

After recently cleaning out the dust extractor pipe work and replacing the filter we were experiencing another blockage in the nearest blast gate to the machine. Upon removing some of the pipe work we found it almost completely blocked with saw dust and to our surprise a hessian bag jammed in the pipe.

CAN ALL MEMBERS USING THIS EQUIPMENT PLEASE TAKE CARE WHEN YOU ARE USING THIS DUST EXTRACTOR AND VACUUMING RUBBISH UP FROM THE FLOOR.

Accidents can be prevented but stupidity will always be with us.



#### **Tuesday 9th August 2022**

Started cutting out more Baubles for the kindergarten.

Weed spraying around and behind the shed's was done today.

We inspected the Bird hide site and found it to be accessible for the concrete mixer and have booked the concrete truck to be delivered on Tuesday 16th August to complete the foundation.

#### Thursday 11th August 2022

Continued cutting out some more baubles.

Digger was cutting the logs again into firewood for members to split and remove home.



#### Monday 15th August 2022

Packed up the trailer and installed the concrete mesh and reinforcement bars into the Bird hide slab ready for the pour tomorrow.

#### **Tuesday 16th August 2022**

Poured the concrete, levelled it off and troweled the surface. We moved some reinforcing mesh from the Howard Road entrance and placed in between the Community garden and our shed. We have some more mesh to bring around, a wheel bin and a butterfly valve that is lying in the grass.



Having to barrow the concrete from the truck to site.



Gradually filling the boxing.



Levelling the mesh.



All smooth and the slump in front to fill the entrance.



All troweled up and edges cut with a tarp over to protect it from the weather.

#### Thursday 18th August 2022

Pending the ground has dried out sufficiently and we won't get bogged, we will be removing the boxing, star pickets and moving some filling to level off the entrance way.

If you have some time to spare on a Monday, why don't you come and join the crew - there is always something interesting going on and your help will be appreciated.

## Clothing order form: Polo shirts & Jackets



This order form is on the shed noticeboard but if you are having difficulty getting to the shed you are welcome to use this form and email it back to Graham Kilby <a href="mailto:akilby@bigpond.net.au">akilby@bigpond.net.au</a>

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## Who's on the sick list?

We are all very sad to hear that Jim Gentle is not recovering sufficiently to enable him to return home and join us back at the shed. He is being cared for by his family and when we know more about his situation we will inform you. If you get to read this Jim, keep your chin up and we all hope you the very best in your recovery.



When Secretary Paul Brennan called into the shed on Sat. 20th, he was greeted by what is in this photo. Now this means that either someone is living in the shed and was disturbed while having breakfast or worse still it was left over from Friday's lunch.

All jokes aside, this is no way to leave the shed, as we don't want to give Braeside Park animals any extra reasons to visit us.

Leaving the shed clean & tidy is the responsibility of **all members**, not just those locking up & that means both Amenities sheds & both Workshops sheds. If you walk around with your eye shut tight, the problem will not go away - take pride in what we have got and if you see a potential problem ... fix it. Kind Regards, *Paul Brennan*. Secretary.

## What's coming up



#### **DVMS - Annual General Meeting**

#### Friday 28th October - 10am

This is your opportunity to be a part of the shed's management and forward planning. Don't wait to be asked - volunteer now and be an integral part of the Men's Shed organisation.



Cup Day BBQ Tuesday 1st November



Christmas
Dinner to be
Saturday 10th
December & at a
venue TBA

## DVMS 10th Anniversary. Friday 17th February 2023.

## Be quick - the golf comp is just about to start:

Hi to all our current DVMS golfers, caddies, and to any new members who would like to join in our Golf Day on **Thursday 1**<sup>st</sup> **September 2022** at Spring Park Golf Course, tee off time starts at 1.30pm.

I have noticed that many of our regular golfers have not been present at our Friday musters lately, and are maybe unaware that the golf day is this coming Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September (be there by 1.15pm.)

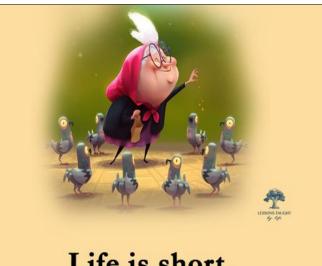
If you would like to join in please either call or text me on **0425758298** so that I can add you to the list.

Plenty of drinks, nibbles, and prizes to be won, due to our unique handicap system anyone can win.

Good Golfing Regards Derek.

## Birthday wishes to:

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Member #	First Name	Last Name	Day									
249	Edward (Ted)	Williams	4									
304	Robert (Bob)	Henderson	4									
209	Peter	Tosh	5									
324	Melwyn	D'Mello	5									
35	John	Perry	6									
139	John	Hallam	6									
337	Peter	Stacey	6									
311	Edward	Lowe	8									
7	David	Madill	10									
210	Gary	O'Mahony	10									
13	Chris	Armstrong	11									
165	Phillip	Dodgson	12									
307	Sampuran(Sam)	Saini	15									
306	Graeme	Beere	18									
134	Angus (Gus)	MacFarlane	19									
227	Peter	McCarthy	20									
321	Mark	Maibaum	20									
320	Deniz	Dagoglu	22									
6	John	Prestt	28									
29	Peter	Grossman	29									
37	Kel	Burgess	30									
341	Frank	Hosemans	30									



Life is short, Time is fast.

No replay, No rewind. So enjoy every moment as it comes.

### East Meets West - They Say - We're Best

On Thursday August 25<sup>th</sup> at 10am six members of the East Malvern Men's Shed came west to visit our facility led by their President Gregor Howie.

Secretary Paul and I were delighted to show them through our complex, shout them a cup of coffee and answer their many questions.

It was terrific that a few different groups of activities were happening at the time so the boys from East Malvern could actually see the diverse opportunities our members enjoy. by Geoff Hergt



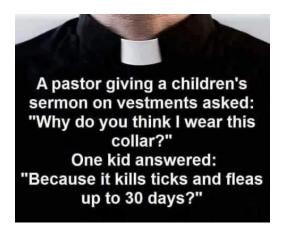
Den was helping members Bob and Gerard get more out of their lap top computers, Tony and John were cleaning the shed for our big meeting the following morning, Laurie, Derek, Gary, Ray, John and Eddie (I hope I haven't forgotten anyone) were busy in the workshop. So there was a bit going on.

Lots of photos, notes and questions gave the East Malvern boys some ideas of what they might do back in their shed. They just could not believe the extent of what our members can do at our shed.

After their visit with us they were going on to the Naked Racer for a bite to eat then the Aircraft Museum at the Moorabbin Airport. I doubt they needed much rocking that night to get to sleep.



And that also goes for Grandfathers, Great Grandfathers, step dads, foster dads and all those doing the father role, wishing you all a wonderful day filled with love and laughter.





**Kingston Men's Shed Cluster** .... Men's Sheds in our Area Geoff Hergt

Wednesday Aug 24<sup>th</sup> was the meeting date for our most recent "Heads of Sheds" or cluster meeting. There are five (5) Men's Sheds in our group from Chelsea in the south to Bentmoor (<u>Bentleigh/Moorabbin</u>) in the north. They vary in size (number of members) and the work they do.

Whilst our Shed is the largest by membership and footprint in the group we are also unique in that our shed is on Crown Land and therefore not located in a council owned property.

Listening to each shed leader sitting around the table it became clear that our position is not only unique but places us in a very advantageous position.

Whilst each shed caters to the needs of their members, as does ours, all except ours are seeing their sole use of their property being eroded where the council has invested significant public funds to improve the facility and as a consequence are receiving increased requests from other organisations to share some of the space Men's Sheds thought was their domain.

Much of the work our shed does is for our landlord ParksVic. This places us in the unique position of being the only Men's Shed located in a ParksVic park in Victoria. So this really is a win-win situation in that our members have a constant flow of need from ParksVic whilst also being able to do our own projects.

Many of our fellow sheds do work for the council but this does not alter their struggle to retain sole operation of their complex.

Our "A Team" headed up by Robert O'Brien is a very valuable asset for both ourselves and the Rangers at Braeside and Karkarook Parks because we can, and do, much of the work necessary in these parks in

conjunction with the Rangers. Thus relieving some of the pressure they are under whilst at the same time improving the park for the public. It is estimated that 1 million members of the public visit Braeside Park alone in a 12 month period.

So the unique position we enjoy requires us to continue to assist our landlord which enables us to maintain our independence and largely direct our own future.

Ours is a happy, growing group of likeminded men who both enjoy each other's company as well as achieving our independent goals. No wonder we are the envy of many - Long may it continue.

**R U OK? Day - 8 September**. Are You Ok Day is an annual national day of action that aims to get Australians connecting with friends and loved ones by reaching out to anyone doing it tough and simple asking: "Are you ok?". Talking about suicide with someone at risk actually reduces the chances of them taking their life. R U OK? Day is about prevention, preventing little problems turning into big problems. Web site: www.ruokday.com/



Do you have something to give away that is just too good for the annual rubbish collection? Well then why not advertise it on our newsletter.

- < Window roller blind, suite 180cm wide x 120cm deep window.
- > Morrison electric lawn mower, great for small gardens. Contact Graham - 9551 9582



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