



# Newsletter



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## Garden Trolley



Don Armour accepted the challenge from the aged care supervisor of the Peninsula Village to design and construct a "garden trolley" for holding and transporting indoor /outdoor plants -firstly he looked around for likely available materials, set up the design around those materials, then got on with the build. The job was handed over to the village in the middle of February.

## Garden Beds



Fritz Huber is heading up a project of designing and building 4 elevated "garden

Beds" for the Umina Beach Public School - these beds have a substructure of welded steel - which is then clad with sleepers and mini orb metal. We anticipate this project will be completed in March.

## Possum boxes



Lionel Blayden and John Woods , following a request from a local lady from the Peninsula crafted and painted two new "possum boxes", complete with a entrance step /hold of natural wood. The customer was delighted with the resultant finished product.

## Garden report

The garden activity in terms of plantings / cropping has slowed right down and word has it that preparation for the autumn season is now underway with bed preparation and fertiliser - it's looking good just a tad sparse at the moment.

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## **Bunnings Umina Beach BBQ.**

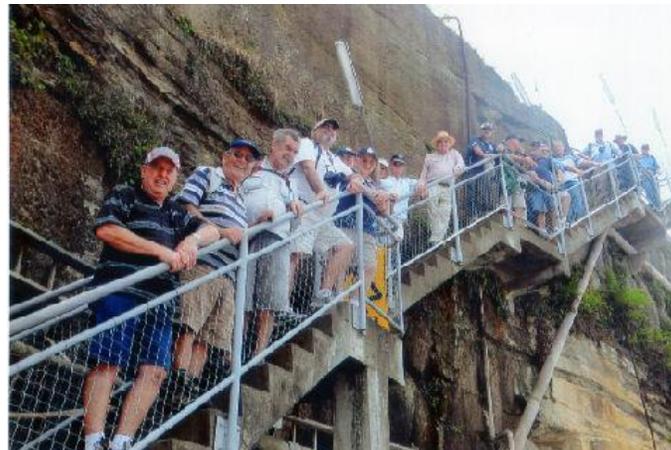
The weekend of the 21 /22 saw a large team of members attending shifts at the Bunnings Umina Beach BBQ. Providing beautifully cooked and prepared BBQ'd sausage sambo's with onions etc for the Bunnings customers - it was a long two day shift but the period was well supported by the team headed up by Darrell and Bill.

## **Vietnam Veterans**



A special plaque from the Vietnam Veterans was mounted on a specially prepared base of Victorian ash timber by Bill Woods in preparation for transporting to Villiers - Bretonneaux for this year's Anzac memorial service. Bill Ide is travelling to Europe to take part in the presentation ceremony at Victoria School in Villiers- Bretonneaux. Bill will be presenting a plaque on behalf of the Central Coast Retired Police of NSW.

## **Cockatoo Island in Sydney Harbour**



Bill Stedman expertly organised a "day Trip" for the Shed on Tuesday 10 Feb. 23 shedders set off by train to rediscover the wonders and history of Cockatoo Island in Sydney Harbour. The weather was very kind to us and railway /ferry service from Woy Woy to the island and back ran on time and very smoothly. Bill had organised a tour guide who guided us and entertained us with some terrific stories and facts about the island and its inhabitants across a great span of time. The Shed members who attended were all keen for Bill to organise further outings over the next few months.

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## The ABC Central Coast 92.5 FM



The ABC Central Coast 92.5 FM undertook a live broadcast from our Shed on the Monday 23 - the program producer arriving about 7.45 to set up the transmission equipment and Scott Levi the presenter arriving at about 8.20 and the program going out live from 8.30 to 9.00. Fred De Luca presented Scott Levi [ who is also the presenter of the state wide program "the big fish" in the early hours of Saturday mornings] with a Shed made memento of his visit - it was a "whopper Stopper "[ suitable engraved]. It's an item that fisherman put both their thumbs into when telling fishing stories - simply to limit the portrayed size of the catch ! Scott interviewed several of the shedders and many of those interviews will be released on air in the next couple of weeks.

## Monthly BBQ



Our monthly BBQ was held on the 16 Feb which was, we are pleased to say very well attended - the Chefs of the day -John O'Keefe / John McKee /Doug Hair put on a very good lunch indeed. Our members enjoyed a good get together and fellowship time which was greatly added to by a guest speaker Mr Chris Dillon. As guest speaker he spoke about his painting and decorating experiences with some amazing and humorous anecdotes that happened long before Occupational Health and safety [OHS] rules and regulations were implemented.

