

Welcome to our October 2015 News Letter, this is our first outing with our new LOGO, after many months of members participation and consultation with professionals, it was decided to adopt the above logo and slogan. The image is intended to reflect the waves and the sand at Umina beach and the Shed, and the slogan reflects our activity and connection to the local community.

Spring weather is now with us and our garden beds were showing great signs of activity in terms of growth.



However, before we could enjoy any of our spring crops, we suffered an act of vandalism, in as much as the over a weekend person or persons simply pulled out the plants from the beds and strew them around the yard. A sad waste of some delicious food stuffs.



In terms of some of the projects our members tackled /completed in the last month, we have picked out a few of note. Sam Pansare undertook an exercise in sign making, in as much as a fun Bar Sign crafted out of an old floor board.



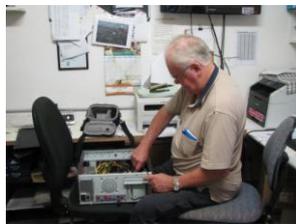
Following a request from one of our sponsors, Malcolm designed and crafted these cheque holders



Now how about this small repair Job for Peninsula resident, his outdoor table had suffered a collapse and Don Armour undertook the reconstruction and make over.



We were pleased to see Doug Hair and his wife safe return from their adventures in Europe and it was no time at all before Doug was hard at work fixing up items of hardware - seen here attending to one of our Shed's computers which was running slow and also making excessive noise.



**We have** had in store at the Shed a vintage "phone Box", it was in pieces and in a dilapidated condition, that was until Les was looking for a project - its work in progress but the job is well underway at repairing /making good the various sections -which will then be assembled.



Following the first attempt at signage Sam undertook another venture , this one for a more permanent position in the appropriate room, another classic usage of floor board off cuts.



The Gosford Conservatorium Of music, at some point, lost the lid of their harpsichord, and our Shed was approached to see if we could make a replacement lid. Unlike a piano where the lid is hinged, lifted up and held open, when the instrument is being played - the harpsichord lid is simply lifted off, so the finished product needed to be suitably light in weight. The actual shape of the lid was complex,



and as the instrument itself was located in Gosford, the measuring /design process and trial fittings etc took a little time. Don Armour willingly put his hand for this project and delivered on it.



Our member John Mckee after being approached by Church organization who were looking for "Bracelet Holders" for an upcoming charity fair, undertook the challenge, sought out suitable materials and crafted the required products.



Malcolm, has been diligently working away on a project of his own, making a small specialized vice, the photograph shows one of the jaws being machined in the Shed's milling machine.



As part of community involvement, our Shed is providing mentoring and guidance to a university student with his Art /Skill development project, seen here in its early stages, more photo's to follow as the project evolves.



The September monthly BBQ, which this month followed our normal monthly committee meeting and also this month our annual general meeting - the committee members and officers as required stood aside but were unanimously re-elected to serve for 2015 /2016 year.

HAPPY SHEDDING to all our members and supporters

Vic and Bill G