

Umina Beach Men's Shed Inc September 2024 Newsletter.

Welcome to our September Newsletter and our apologies for this editions late arrival but we have had a couple of health issues that unfortunately held us up.

During September the Annual General Meeting of UBMSI was held and well attended by our members and as in the past a BBQ was held after the meeting was closed. The feedback that was received was that members enjoyed the meeting and more especially the BBQ.





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In the past during the build up for the AGM- the member to become “The Shedder of the Year” was decided, this year we are pleased to advise its Warren Dunk – a multi tasking and multi skilled member.



Co-incidentally here is another picture of Warren D taken by our “Tee Shirt” guru – displaying what looks like a very new shirt.



Moving over now to some of the projects underway at the Shed – firstly, a challenge of restoring a very old and well used antique table/chair. A tough task that will require a lot of patience and skill.

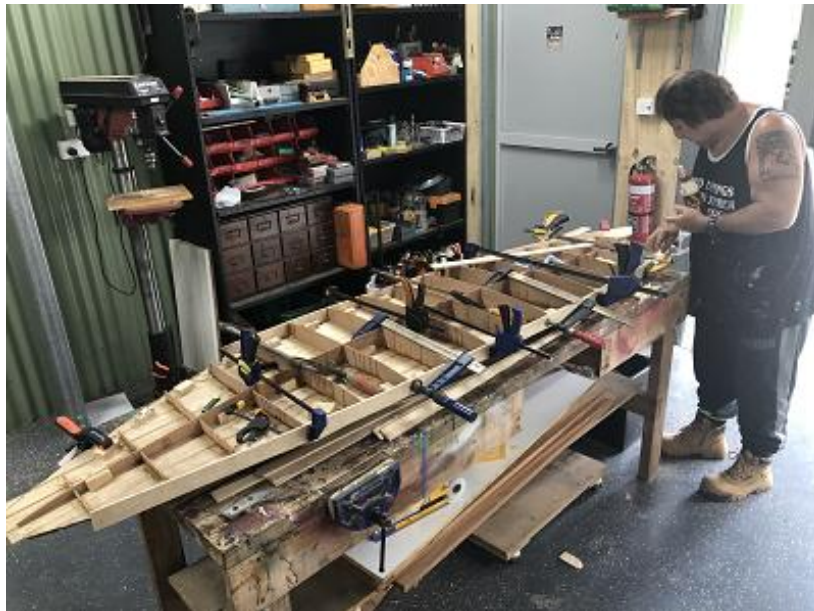




Overtime our Shed has tackled some unusual projects and this next one is certainly somewhat different from the norm – our members Ron, Warren, Stephen seen here machining slats, which when completed, they will be returned to the owner of the *exercise machine* for greyhounds!



It is interesting that one tends to associate members various skills and interests with the type of projects they bring in or join to assist and participate. Now here our member Chopper, who for a complete change undertook a very artistic project creating a surf board for his own use- at this point he is busy carefully following the instruction design plan, creating the internal structure and frame work – before preparing to skin the external surface.



A few days ago Graham B decided that some of the tree cover needed some gentle trimming – but due to the height above ground level it was somewhat of a challenge. As usual GB came up with a solution, to overcome the height problem. That was to use the Shed's ute's van body to stand on – so he set about it. It wasn't long before one of our safety officers Larry S also climbed up there to check the safety elements out. The job was completed in a short time.





John P and Graham B have continued their efforts in sorting out the storage facilities and items in around the Shed – here we can see a team of lads starting to return the selected stock of wood to the container storage racks having completely cleaned out the whole container, in order that each item was checked and decision to retain or dump was taken. Many of our members have worked long and hard alongside John and Graham and that our Shed is starting to look sensible and operational. A big and sincere thank you, to all the team involved in these projects.



Naturally we have member's birthdays cropping up most months, just occasionally there is what we like to call a "big one" like on Thursday 26 our member[and co Newsletter writer] Bill G turned 90! Now that's a Big One! So a special cake was served at morning tea and we all got the opportunity to wish Bill "a very happy birthday." It's interesting to note that Bill has one of the highest if not the highest annual attendance records of all members at our Shed, and that goes a long way back in our Sheds history. Well done Bill, keep up your great work, it's much appreciated by all of us members.



As you would all be aware the Official Opening of our Shed is on November 1st, the team of JP, GB,BS, LS, WD,DP, have worked pretty tirelessly since June when the relocation from Birdwood commenced and the set up and organising the new Shed got underway. To all of those members who have also have given their time and services to assist in this very large task, a very sincere thank you. We still have a way to go before being nice and ready for Nov 1 – so please keep up the participation and good work. Looking back it has been a tough few months, and looking ahead, the enthusiasm level amongst the members is returning to a high – The Little Shed with the big Heart – is up and running.

Finally, just a quick mention regarding Covid on the Peninsula, it would appear that it is still continuing to circulate and infect quite significant numbers – so let's be aware and careful, we are as a region getting well used to hearing about it, which has a tendency to normalise the thinking. But it doesn't lessen the impact when it strikes. So let's be aware, conscious and active.

Happy and Healthy Shedding

V.B /B.G.