



# *Bad Shed Chatter.*



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## **Welcome Fellow Shedder's To What We Hope Will Be**

### **The First of Many Newsletters.**

#### **Our History – Where we came from**

Five friends decided to meet every Thursday morning at one of their sheds for a cup of tea and a chat. Of course they were all woodworkers so talk was about wood and projects they discussed ways that they could help in the community.

Mr Rodney Hansen put a letter in the local paper asking if anyone was interested in forming a Men's Shed in the Burpengary District.

John Hulme rang him up and invited him along to the Thursday morning gathering at Alan Morgan's shed to meet Robert McLachlan, John Beard and Peter Wieden, after a few visits and much discussion the Burpengary & District Men's Shed was formed.

#### **Our Future – Where are we going?**

We held a public meeting in Burpengary on the 22<sup>nd</sup> October and

We were amazed by the turnout so many men wanting to get this club off the ground from that beginning over three months ago we have been growing rapidly. We now have a membership of 33 and more people are becoming interested as we spread the news around. We have a 2-3 year plan to raise enough money to build our own Headquarters on land that we hope the Moreton Bay Council will provide in the meantime we have to raise money any way we can Raffles, Sausage Sizzles etc.

We have Mr. Mark Ryan Member for Morayfield, Lord Mayor Mr. Allan Sutherland, Councillor Mr Peter Flannery, plus staff of The Morton Bay Council all willing to help and encourage us with our future goals, we thank everyone for their assistance and input, especially Mr. Craig Hewlett of Radio 101.5FM Morton Bays own community radio station and the Management of Caboolture Sports Club for letting us use a conference room for our weekly meetings.



First visit of Council Officers Jacqui and Brian to Alan Morgan's shed.

Jacqui the Guys are still waiting for a visit with the **PINK Safety Boot's** we could make you the sheds honorary work health safety officer.

### **Fund Raising.**

We had our first Sausage Sizzle at Hudson's Hardware in Morayfield before Christmas, since then one at Masters and two at Officeworks in Morayfield and have another one at Bunnings on the 31<sup>st</sup> January which should provide us with much needed funds, also more to come at Officeworks in March. We were also asked by Bunnings to

assemble BBQ's for expected sales with the upcoming Australia Day Celebration's for which we received a voucher for the work, this is money in the bank and will be used in the future when start building our shed. The Guys who took part really enjoyed the experience.



We also did gift wrapping at Christmas in the shopping centre, and The Christmas raffle was a great success, so a BIG THANK YOU to everyone who participated, we would like to see more Shedders take part so don't be shy and put your best foot forward for future events.



Prizes made and donated by members Alan Morgan, Robert (Bob) McLachlan, and John Anderson.

## **Projects.**

We have undertaken a few projects for community groups which include a dolls house to be refurbished by Nigel Streat, a wonderful cash drawer by Peter Rocco for use at fund raising events, also a candle stick for a local school Saint Eugene College Burpengary, work in progress.



## **Mother's Day Raffle.**

We are running a raffle for Mother's Day, the prizes being a basket of goodies, jewellery box, any suggestions for a third prize would be welcome.

## **Social Events.**

The Shed are looking to running social events during the year, all ideas will be considered maybe a get together in a favourite park, something to include our partners.

In closing I hope you enjoy The Shed's first newsletter, please feel free to contribute in the future, it's The Sheds forum for any news.

After the Inaugural Meeting to install The Shed's first elected committee 17<sup>th</sup> December 2015.

**Committee Elected.**

President Mr. Rodney Hansen.

Vice- Presidents Mr. Peter Wieden and Mr. Norman Shuttleworth.

Secretary Mr Peter Rocco      Treasurer Mr. John Hulme.

**Committeemen.**

Mr. Robert McLachlan. Mr. Mal Aland Mr. John Beard.

Mr. Nigel Streat. Mr. Grahame Foon.

