



HOBSONS BAY MEN'S SHED

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Presidents Report:

Hope we are all surviving with the hot weather we are having now and keeping our selves hydrated and cool.

Not long now until our Annual Car Show and we are looking for volunteers for the setup, on the day as Marshalls and for the pack up. If you can help please see either myself, Ken Inglis or the Secretary, Les Auld. More hands make light work.

Induction night will be run the Tuesday Prior to the event which will be 19th February at 7:30pm in the Dinning room.

We are looking at running a Car Show Australia Day 2020 in conjunction with the Federation of Veteran Vintage and Classic Vehicle Clubs of Victoria. At present I have lodged an expression of Interest into the Council and waiting on a response.

The Motoring Group Workshop is open to any member that wishes to use it. Bookings are essential by contacting Ken Smith on 0412 315 327 or Terry Holt on 0402 100 006.

All rules and regulations must be adhered too including OH&S. Any waste material must be removed from site. We request that if possible your vehicle is not left over night, we will not be responsible for any damages.

Colin Dyall has requested that we have a sick list so if you know of any member not well please inform the Secretary Les Auld.

If we have any members unwell we wish you all a speedy relief from your suffering and hope to see you back at the Shed soon.

If you are interested in learning to play an Instrument, Clive Pattie is running a course on Wednesdays 11:00am to 12:15pm all welcome to attend.

Ken Jupp has asked that I include the following:

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Expression of interest is required, Mike Elley is organising a run to visit the worlds largest free standing shed.

It is BIG. In Imperial terms it is nearly 900ft long, 200ft wide and about 60ft high in the centre, with the entire roof supported on slender mountain ash poles straight from the bush. There are an incredible 560 poles inside, so you can appreciate the adopted name of this building – the Murtoa Stick Shed.

This shed, built in 1941, is the largest rustically-built structure in the world. It is currently under protection from Heritage Victoria (since 1992), and is noted in the Australian heritage listings for many, and varied, excellent reasons. Principally, its construction method is unique to Australia, and it also represents a huge leap forward in the handling of harvested crops, with the monumental change from bags to bulk handling. How the poor farmers must have enjoyed that! It employed trucks, elevators, conveyor belts and other 'modern' machinery to move wheat. However, the practical structural aspects pale into significance compared to its aesthetics! Its interior presents a fabulous experience, which, once viewed, is never forgotten. A massive forest of trees with a soaring overhead, vaulted canopy produces subdued natural lighting, and gives the impression of a huge empty natural space, with considerable religious overtones.

From here we will head to the six Silo's at Patchewollock and stay at Ouyen for the Night, entrance to the Stick Shed is \$10.00 per person and the Motel approximately \$120 per night plus your meals. We are looking at September 14th and 15th and will be leaving the Shed at 7:30am. You do not need to have a Classic Vehicle for this run, all members of the Shed are invited.

Ken Inglis
President

- Every Wednesday, JP in attendance between the hours of 10:00am – 2:00pm
- Pelican Peddlers Bike Group. Every Tuesday of the month. See Face book page.
- Committee of Management meeting 1st February 9:30am
- Car Torque Sunday 3rd February 9.00 am to 3.00 pm. open to public. Egg and Bacon BBQ
- Motoring Group Committee Meeting 3rd February 9:30am
- 24th February Annual Classic, Custom Car & Bike Show/Swap meet and Car Boot Sale

Other information.

Web pages you may like to surf. You may have to copy and paste the Facebook addresses directly into your search engine.

www.hobsonsnet.com

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www.hobsonsclassics.org.au

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If you have any news for the Shed Focus please email to Les and we will add it in.



Mark Schirmer

AIRCRAFT INSTRUMENT FITTER AND GLIDER PILOT

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'Dad was a carpenter' explains Mark. 'He made everything by hand. He made the doors for Seppelts Winery. Dad's tool shed was old, with exceptionally well-maintained chisels. I totally admired the accuracy of his work. I would bring woodwork projects home from school. He taught me to do things the right way. Rough enough wasn't good enough. Dad spent a lot of time in the tool shed, helping us kids and also helping Mum'. Mark joined the Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF) in 1966 and trained as an instrument fitter. After extensive training he was posted to the RAAF base in Richmond, NSW where he worked in the aircraft depot repairing and overhauling a range of instruments. Steady hands, precision and attention to detail were required to overhaul aircraft instruments to the required standard. Work at this level of maintenance was carried out in a 'clean room' to ensure no dust contamination.

Much has changed in aircraft instrumentation over time and cockpits now have mainly digital glass displays. However, some of the older instruments are still used as 'secondary' instruments. Mark was also a glider pilot and instructor so he understood the importance of aircraft instruments, their precision and the importance of maintenance. A range of tools used by Mark is shown in the Orbital display.

If you have a story Submit it to the Secretary Les Auld