



HOBSONS BAY MEN'S SHED

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NEW SHED FOCUS

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Presidents Report:

The girls did a great job with the Big Morning Tea with plenty of cakes and scone to eat that much Alf did not do a lunch.

Congratulations Ada and Maureen for their effort of raising a final total of \$550.00 for the Cancer Council.

From Clive Patti:

Taken from the June VSMA Newsletter

WORLD'S BIGGEST GARAGE BAND A
Brief History David Sharpe and myself commenced a Document Signing Station at Hobsons Bay Men's Shed for the Department of Justice on a Wednesday, in September 2017, between 10 am and 2 pm. It became extremely popular; and did far better than any of the other three within the same postcode. Also, it attracted quite a number of new members to our shed. A year later, I happened to be signing documents for two female shed members (one of them from Laverton Community Choir) and we got chatting about music. The ladies mentioned how many chaps at the shed were making instruments as they'd like to learn music. I mentioned to them that I had played in bands since 1964, so, they asked if I could help. I decided to run the idea past Ken Inglis and Les Auld. They suggested putting an ad in the

monthly newsletter. Subsequently, I started with 6 band members - those two ladies and four men. Today, the number has grown to 38. Each week we have 25-30 participants. Also, the oldest member of the band is 93 (Harmonica and Washboard) and the second eldest is 88 (Guitar and Uke).



The group plays on Wednesdays from 11am to 12:15 pm, but most roll up at 10. This session has also attracted friends of shed members as new members. Because of the varying knowledge and ability of the group, I now also run catch-up classes on Thursdays from 10 am to 1:30 pm. Our first performance was at our shed's Christmas Party, where we performed two carols. The next performance was in April, where we played 10 songs for a shed member's 60th birthday. That was followed by one on 23 May for Hobsons Bay City Council (at the shed), who hosted a day at the end of Volunteers Week for all volunteers throughout Hobsons Bay. As a result, the Council have asked us to perform again on 11 July at the Council Offices, as a prelude to the graduation ceremony of participants of "Sons of the West – Men's Health Program". We have also been booked for a Music Trivia Night at the end of August for a local church. That is pretty much the story of how an acorn grew into an oak tree; and the way it is going it may soon become a forest. This program has helped many members. One said to me "Clive, you saved my life." -- Clive Pattie

THE GARAGE BAND IS ON!

A New Lease of Life



Clive and I had a difficult time health wise since the early 2000s. I contracted meningitis in 2001 and then Clive had a heart attack, stroke on New Year's Eve 2008. This put an end to a successful band we were in. It took him ages to recover and we thought our music days together were over. Then in 2010, I had to have a brain tumour removed. After my recovery, we started writing songs with a friend. Three of the songs were recorded. You can find them on iTunes, if you would like to hear them (<https://itunes.apple.com/au/artist/cheryl-pattie/848800345>).

in my recovery and well-being. Clive and I have both made some wonderful friends through the shed and I really love being a part of it. It has certainly proved to be a place of healing for us, and hopefully the medical issues are behind us both. We can go on being active and supportive members for many years to come. -- Cheryl Pattie

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. The Group just keeps growing with forty members taking part.

Expression of interest is required, Mike Elly is organising a run to visit the world's largest free-standing stick shed. September 2019 All members of the Shed are invited. There is an attendance sheet at the sign in book. We will be leaving the Saturday morning and returning on the Sunday. I will organise a Motel or Cabins when I have the final numbers.

A reminder that your annual fees are due, the fee remains at \$40.00 and can you please bring along the exact amount as we are having trouble

getting change. Members of the Motoring Group with Vehicles on the CPS (Red Plate Scheme) Must be



I joined the Hobsons Bay Men's Shed less than 6 months ago, after I saw the improvement in Clive and the new lease of life he had gained since joining men's shed and starting the music program. I wanted to do woodwork, IT, photography and also join Clive's music sessions. With men's shed I have had nothing but help with the things I wanted to do and learn. Also, the emotional support I have received at the shed has been an enormous help

paid up by the 1st July or your vehicle will be deemed as unregistered.

All Groups are running well especially the TERPS with plenty of jobs being carried out. I must thank Ralph for his most informative emails every Tuesday with Photos which I have copied and pasted below.



Web pages you may like to surf. You may have to copy and paste the

Ken Inglis
President

HBMS Sickies: Allan Blackstock has spent time in hospital and is home now recovering.

Birthdays: We wish all that have Birthdays in July a Happy Birthday.

- 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 5th July 9:30am
- Car Torque Sunday 7th July 9.00 am to 3.00 pm. open to public. Egg and Bacon roll & BBQ
- Motoring Group Committee Meeting 7th July 9:30am.

Other information.

Facebook addresses directly into your search engine.

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- www.facebook.com/hobsonsbaymen
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If you have any news for the Shed Focus, please email to Les and we will add it in.

Saying of the Month:

"Develop success from failures. Discouragement and failure are two of the surest stepping stones to success." -Dale Carnegie