



WESTON CREEK
MEN'S SHED



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Coming Events

October

- 10th – Committee Meeting 10AM, Lino Lunch, Private visit to Belconnen men's Shed
- 23rd – Wednesday – AMSA Zone 13 Briefing at Tarago, all welcome see board for details
- 24th – Lino Lunch
- 31st – Lunch at Burns Club 12AM – Meet at club, PAYG

November

- 2nd – Saturday – St John Vianney Fete BBQ – 1000 – 1400
- 7th – Committee Meeting 10AM, Lino Lunch
- 14th – Lino Lunch
- 16th – Saturday -Bunnings BBQ 0800-1600: two shifts 8-12, 12-4
- 21st – WCMS Christmas Lunch, 1PM at the Shed
- 28th – Visit to Hall Men's Shed 930-10AM
- 29th – Friday – Denman Rise BBQ 1700-2000

December

- 5th – Lino Lunch
- 12th – Committee Meeting 10AM, Lino Lunch
- 19th – Nothing planned, come for a cuppa anyway
- 20th – last day of operation for the year

January 2025

- 2nd – Shed reopens

President's Report

Biggest thing to happen this quarter was the Annual General Meeting, held on 12th September 2024. Thanks to Warren for having the paperwork ready and for making my job so much easier to actually run the show.

There has been a bit of movement in the Committee already following the Committee Meeting held on 3rd October. Brice Pacey resigned after considering his personal position, Alex Zvargulis offered to be the Secretary and Alex Teles Afonso aka "Alex T", was voted into the vacant Member position.

So, you have me as President, John Webster as VP, Dennis Mitchell as Treasurer, and Alex Zvargulis as Secretary. Member members are Duncan Souter, Allan Booth, Alex T and Tony Burns. My thanks to all these men for committing their time to the running of Our Shed.

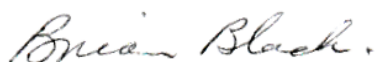
Don McCulloch also raised a Point of Order at the meeting, drawing our attention to the incorrect inclusion of Other Business in a General Meeting, which also includes the Annual General Meeting. Members are reminded that according to the Act and our Rules under which we operate, only business that has been submitted in writing to the secretary, and then distributed to all members in the appropriate timeframes, can be discussed at a General Meeting.

On a lighter note, I addressed a Wellness Day meeting held by the Dell Corporation (they make computers), where I was able to extol the values of belonging to a Men's Shed such as ours. In particular, I was targeting the young men in attendance, each and every one a potential new member; these are the new young men we need, they will be the ones to carry our shed through and into the future.

And to end on a high, we have welcomed quite a few new members over the last few months, so here's a big 'Hiya' to:

David Daniel
Terrence Flanagan
Robert Heritage
Patrick Smith
Clifford Tarrant
Alexandre Teles Afonso
Huy Tran
Tibor Bozsoky

Yours in Shedding,



President, WCMS

Social & Welfare

A few of our members have been “pretty unwell” recently, so a quick shout out to them and best wishes for a speedy recovery.

We had a few guest speakers of the last few months and its always interesting to hear what they have to say on a wide variety of subjects. Naturally, politics is the current theme with the ACT Elections right around the corner.

Report: Brian Black

Some of the things we did during the previous months.

For the full articles and images, please visit our website: westoncreekmensshed.org.au

Thanks to the IMB bank we were funded to produce mud kitchens for various pre-schools and daycare centre. This is the prototype being delivered by John, Alex and John.



This is the Dell Corporation Wellness Day Do, where yor President got up and amused hem for half an hour with tall tales about why a men’s Shed is good for their mental health.



Admittedly, playing with the images for hours, making trams go scooting across the screen and the like was for me! The ladies in the front are from the Women’s Shed Canberra Inc. who gave a chat about their shed, which I have to say was pretty interesting. I offered them help by way of donating some of our excess tools and machinery, an offer they have gladly taken up.



A pollies worst nightmare: thrown into the nest of vipers! All had a lively discussion with David Smith, Member of Federal Parliament representing the electorate of Bean.

Fun Fact: The Electorate of Bean is named after Charles Edwin Woodrow Bean, 1879–1968, Australia's official correspondent to the Australian Imperial Force in World War One, editor of the *Official History of Australia in the War of 1914–1918* and primary advocate to establish the Australian War Memorial. <https://davidsmith.org.au/about/about-bean>

That's all folks!