



Alexandra Hills Men's Shed General Meeting

Tuesday 7th January 2014
William St. Birkdale South

Meeting Opened:	9.30am
Attendees:	27 as per attendance book
Apologies:	Ian Parkyn, Klaus Quandt, Peter Baldwin.
Committee:	President: Matt Stevenson Vice President: Peter Baldwin-absent Treasurer: Steve Devenport Secretary: Rob Jerome
Treasurers Report: Bank Balance \$13,718.11 accepted by Terry Turner 2 nd Del Saunders	
General Business	
Chaired by: Matt Stevenson New members: welcomed were two (2) new members who were present at this meeting – Barry Bullock and Steven Thrower	

General Business:

Coolwynpin School – members were informed that John Earle and Michael Choyce have taken on the task of the servicing of these special tricycles starting this Thursday 9th January. These special tricycles have been stored in the shipping container at the PCYC. John and Michael will transport the tricycles back to our shed for servicing/repairs as needed. Once serviced, the tricycles will then be transported and stored back in the container ready for delivery back to Coolwynpin School.

Handmade Expo – the meeting was informed that any member wanting to display and sell their handmade items at the Handmade Expo are welcomed to do so. The suggestion that a donation of 10% of goods sold on the day, go to our Men's Shed petty cash, was put forward at the meeting with all voicing approval of this.

Bunnings Capalaba – members were informed of the next Sausage Sizzle planned for Bunnings is on Sunday 2nd February. Members were also asked weather a volunteer list placed on one of the internal walls of our shed for members to place their names, was a good idea. All agreed on this and several members requested that a column be added for those members who are willing to be on short notice. R.J. to create this form and display it at our next Social Meeting. The meeting was informed that Bunnings had contacted the President on a Friday morning requesting A.H.M.S. fill in for an organisation that were booked for that day and didn't show up. As this was extremely short notice, we had no alternative but to turn down this offer. We did reiterate to Bunnings that a 24hour notice is doable. The following members advised the meeting that they can be put on the short notice list – Noel Steinke, Dudley Reid, Max O'Connor and Gary Stone

New Business:

Building Sign – Ray Smoker has volunteered his services to sign write the 2 x 2 metre sign that will be mounted on the William Street building face.

Donated Sheds – The meeting was informed that Bernie Maguire has been approached by a person wanting to donate two (2) sheds. One shed measures 9.4m x 7.6m with 2 roller doors and the other being 6.1m x 5m with 2 entry doors. Bernie to advise on when these sheds would be ready to remove and bring back to our temporary fenced enclosed area.

Building Application Letter – the meeting was informed that our Building Application Letter had been received and accepted by R.C.C. by means of return mail. The meeting was also informed that the completion date for the extension is set for end of June 2014.

A.M.S.A. (Australian Men's Shed Association) – an annual fee of \$200 per Men's Shed or \$2.00 per member is being looked at by A.M.S.A. Our financial members at present pay annually \$30.00 of which \$22.50 covers liability, building, contents insurance as well as graffiti damage. Q.M.S.A. has looked for alternative insurance brokers with the realisation that the broker we are currently using, is the best price wise and which suits our needs. Members will be kept up to date on this situation.

Council Staff Movements – the meeting was advised that Matt Whalan has left R.C.C. and his position has been filled by Rebecca Patterson.

Medicare Local – members were reminded that Medicare Local have agreed to visit our Shed at our Social Meeting on February 18th 2014. Maurice Woodley will discuss men's health issues and will welcome all relevant input from members present at this meeting.

Open Forum:

Australia Post Grant – the meeting was addressed by Lou Wolf who informed all present that a Men's Shed had received a grant from Australia Post. Exact details were not available. Lou also advised that Dept Of Ageing support Men's Shed with grants.

Website Inclusion – it was suggested by Lou Wolf that the General Minutes of this and other General Meetings, be placed on our website with the exclusion of our financial status.

Wooden Toys – John Siviour informed the meeting that he would be bringing to our next Social Meeting on Tuesday 21st January some wooden toys that he has made.

Gold Coin – a reminder to all and new members present that a **GOLD COIN** is to be supplied for end of meeting tea/coffee/biscuits.

Next Meeting – the next meeting which will be a Social Meeting, will take place on Tuesday 21st January at 9.30am.

Meeting Closed – 10.30am

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