



# Alexandra Hills Men's Shed General Meeting

Tuesday 5th May 2015  
William St. Birkdale Qld. 4159

<b>Meeting Opened:</b>	9.30am
<b>Attendees:</b>	32 as per attendance book <b>New member/s:</b> Ian Thompson, Phil LE Gros, Mark Willich, Allan Casperson and Barry Johns.
<b>Apologies:</b>	Ben Warner, Ray Reilly, John Earle.
<b>Committee:</b>	<b>President:</b> Matt Stevenson (absent) <b>Vice President:</b> Wayne Hobdell <b>Treasurer:</b> Noel Steinke <b>Secretary:</b> Rob Jerome.
<b>General Business</b>	
<b>Minutes of previous meeting:</b> read by Secretary, accepted: Bryan Anderson, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Chee Loi <b>Meeting Chaired by:</b> Wayne Hobdell.	

## Items arising from the previous Meetings Minutes:

Torque Work Centre - due for arrival next week.

Sunderland Project – President (absent) has spoken with the Project Manager.

## Incoming Mail:

**ORIGIN Electricity Bill** – meeting was advised that the quarter invoice from ORIGIN has now been paid in full.

**National Shed Development Programme** – meeting was advised that AHMS was unsuccessful in **Category Two** in Round Nine of the National Shed Development Programme with 176 applications from 129 organisations all vying for the allocated funding from a pool of \$400,000.00 (GST Exclusive). Round Ten is now open and AMSA encourages AHMS to submit an application.

## General Business:

**Saturday Shed Open** – members were advised that President Matt Stevenson will be opening the Shed for this coming Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May. The Chairman then asked the meeting who wanted to be available to open the Shed the remaining Saturdays of the month of May. As there were no volunteers from this meeting, it was decided that an email be sent out to all members requesting volunteers for this.

**Rotary Raffle Tickets** – meeting was informed that all tickets must be sold by Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May and all money to be handed to the Secretary who is responsible for coordinating this project. The Chairman also requested that the individual efforts of the President's wife Jenny, be recognised and acknowledged in a way befitting her. Jenny, by herself, has sold 42 of the 75 Raffle Books that have been issued to AHMS.

**BBQ Volunteer List** – members present were asked for any ideas on how the AHMS could produce a sustainable list of volunteers that can be put in place, so as to ensure a reliable turnout for the Thursday BBQ's and the odd weekend BBQ. Member Bernie Maguire recommended that an email be sent out to all members advising all to attend the next General Meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> June as this topic needs to be openly discussed and a genuine roster system be put in place.

**Ladies Afternoon Tea** – meeting was informed of the success of this event and that there was a turnout of approx. 30 people. It was then agreed that this event should become more frequent in future.

**Painting of Bunnings Disabled Toilets** – meeting was informed of the work carried out by members Gary Stone and Kerry Balcombe. Bunnings rewarded AHMS with three (3) Gift Cards as well as a BBQ for Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May (Mother's Day). Bunnings have also informed AHMS that there are more such projects that will be coming up soon.

**Installation of Insulation Panels** – members present were asked by the Chairman who could be available to volunteer to assist member Ben Warner finish off the installation of the ceiling insulation panels. As there was no response on this, it was decided that an email should be sent out to all members requesting the same.

**Brisbane Prostate Support Group Presentation** – the meeting was informed that the presentation by Ian Smith was well received by all members who attended the April 21<sup>st</sup> Social Meeting.

**New Business:**

**Brisbane Timber and Working with Wood Show** – meeting was informed of this event taking place at The RNA Grounds May 15<sup>th</sup> till 17<sup>th</sup>. The Secretary will email out information on this to members.

**Clean Up Project** – member Alan Perkins addressed the meeting regarding a request by a lady at Wellington Point who had recently lost her husband and is asking for assistance in cleaning up her yard. This lady has in the past on several occasions, donated items to AHMS. Members interested in volunteering their time, are to contact Alan. Dates suitable are: Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> or Friday 15<sup>th</sup>. The lady will be ordering a 2 to 3 metre rubbish skip.

**Rock Church repair project** – meeting was informed of a repair project for this organisation. The details at this stage are unclear but will be forwarded to our member Bernie Maguire from Sigma of the Rock Church.

**Restoration of donated Pool Table** – meeting was informed of a hard board pool table that is being donated to any member of AHMS who may want to take up as their personal project for restoration. This was not taken up by any members present.

**Birkdale South Primary School Easels** – meeting was informed that this State Primary School of which AHMS have previously made a Lectern for, have requested AHMS construct six (6) easels for students to perform their painting. Member Gary Wells volunteered to be the Project Manager for this.

**Open Forum:**

**Oxy/Acetylene V's Oxy/LPG** – various members at this meeting expressed their views on whether AHMS should acquire Oxy/Acetylene or Oxy/LPG. There were positives and negatives for either of these systems. It was agreed that all information should be gathered and put forward at the next General Meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> June.

**Purchase of small items** – several members asked the committee if it could pass an agreement to allow low cost items e.g. White Boards etc. to be purchased without consulting the committee. The committee agreed that this should be allowed so as not to inhibit the progress of current and future projects and the daily needs of the Workshop and the now being renovated Social Area.

**Outstanding Business** – member Lou Wolf proclaimed his concern that a number of issues dating back some time, have not been addressed, these are as listed below.

1. Website renewal – when is AHMS going to pay for it? – The President had still to make a decision on this.
2. Rotary Helping Hands Project – has AHMS been in touch with Kathy Reimers? – The Secretary informed that he was yet to hear from K.R. as to the next Project date.
3. Certification of the new workshop – when is this going to take place? – The Secretary announced that the President had informed him that the new workshop building was certified on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May.
4. AHMS Newsletter – who is going to take responsibility for it? – member Lindsay Schwager informed Lou that he had initially put up his hand to be involved for the editing side of the Newsletter but does need assistance with gathering and collating the information etc.

**End of Meeting Notes**

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

**Next Meeting** – Social Meeting, which will take place on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May at 9.30am.

**ACTIONS for items from this and previous meetings unresolved**

Date	Items Actions	Who/When
5-5-15	Website renewal	M.S./asap
5-5-15	Rotary Helping Hands	R.J./asap
5-5-15	AHMS Newsletter	L.S. & assistants?/ next S.M. 19-5-15
5-5-15	BBQ volunteers meeting	All members/next G.M. 2-6-15
5-5-15	Oxy/Acetylene V's Oxy/LPG	All members/next G.M. 2-6-15

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**Meeting Closed:** 10.50am