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NOOSA SHED NEWS LETTER



For the security of personal information of all members

If you would like to inform the membership about anything you feel they need to know, please send the information to the secretary who will insure that your information is distributed in a safe and secure manner

Safety Reminder

The use of personal protective devices is largely optional in most areas of the shed campus. However, we all have a "duty of care" for one another. If we see something which is possibly going to result in an accident, it is our duty to warn the other person and point out the hazard.

Many of our members are on blood thinners. Even small cuts can take a long time to stop the blood flow. Protective clothing can prevent even minor incidents.



THERE ARE LOTS OF POSITIVE THINGS HAPPENING IN OUR SHED

The woodwork shop is in full swing with many members willing to try things they have never done before.

Geoff thought he would like to try wood turning so he found a source of Camphor Laurel and has just created his first bowl. Well done Geoff



Owen was an academic in his past life and has been largely responsible for writing grant applications for our shed. Here he was carefully guided by Tony Seivers and has created this very first woodwork project – a plant stand. Amazing Owen!! Fine job

Below, John Banting enjoys quietly creating a project from wood for his home use



Stephen Carruth has been a large contributor to the wiring of our Woodwork shop and is going to do the same in the new Metal Shed. However, in between he is enjoying creating things from wood as well as making some "worm towers" for sale

We never really grow up, we only learn how to act in public.

**A Safety Tip
You do not need a parachute to skydive .
You only need a parachute to skydive twice.**

This philosophy might also apply to wearing safety gear in the shed

Diplomacy is the art of telling people to go to hell in such a way they ask for directions.

Where there's a will, I want to be in it

I'm supposed to respect my elders, but its getting harder and harder for me to find one

If I agreed with you, we'd both be wrong.

TWO SCHOOL FRIENDS REFINED ONE ANOTHER AT NMS

These two fellows went to school together in Albury until 1958 when they went their separate ways. Noosa Men's Shed has re united these childhood mates

Meet Tom Gittings

Born in Albury 1n 1946. Went to St. Brigids and CBC with Paul until 1958.

After leaving School in 1963, I joined the PMG (later Australia Post) and worked in various positions and towns but in the main in auditing, administration, safety, training and marketing.

In 1985 I resigned and joined the Lavington Sports Club as Sports Administrator in charge of everything outside the walls of the club. Included in the duties was secretary of the Football Club, organiser of the Athletic, Cycling and Wood chopping Carnival and overseeing 19 committees involving 12 different sports

In 1994 I joined a catering

wholesaler as a Sales Rep and later became Manager.

In 2004, due in the main to family reasons, we moved to Brisbane and I worked as a Sales Rep for a Catering Wholesaler until retiring in 2011 and then moving to Sunrise Beach.

Married to Pauline with a daughter, two sons, a grandson and a granddaughter.

I joined the NMS in January 2015 and then came across Paul again.

I enjoy pottering around at the shed and enjoy the company.

Meet Paul Asbury

Born in Albury in 1947. Went to school for 6 years with Tom Gittings until 1958, Moved to Melbourne to finish school at CBC St Kilda. Worked in the Income Tax Dept in Melbourne for three years and joined the Army. Went to OCS Portsea in 1967 and served in Puckapunyal, Brisbane and Townsville.

Married Anne in 1969, three weeks before I suddenly left for Vietnam for a year as a 2nd lieutenant. Anne became a camp follower as we moved to Puckapunyal, Innisfail, Canberra, Melbourne, England, Germany, Canberra, Brisbane, Queensland, Melbourne, RAAF Richmond, Penrith & finally Brisbane where I opted to become a civilian again in 1993. We had two children during our travels.

Started an employment business, managed Bretts Wharf development for two years & finished up with Skilled Engineering in 1998. We moved to Sunshine Beach in 1999. I enjoy people, the computer, photography, gardening & fixing things. NMS has all that & more for me.

IN THE PROPAGATION HOUSE

Bill Lodge and Gav Menkins

are very proud of the new Propagation House where they have seedlings started in the hydroponics trough and more advanced plants ready to be planted out



Neil Watt

is not only keeps all facets of our shed ticking over in his position as Secretary, but likes to get involved in the construction of our various facilities such as painting part of the Propagation House



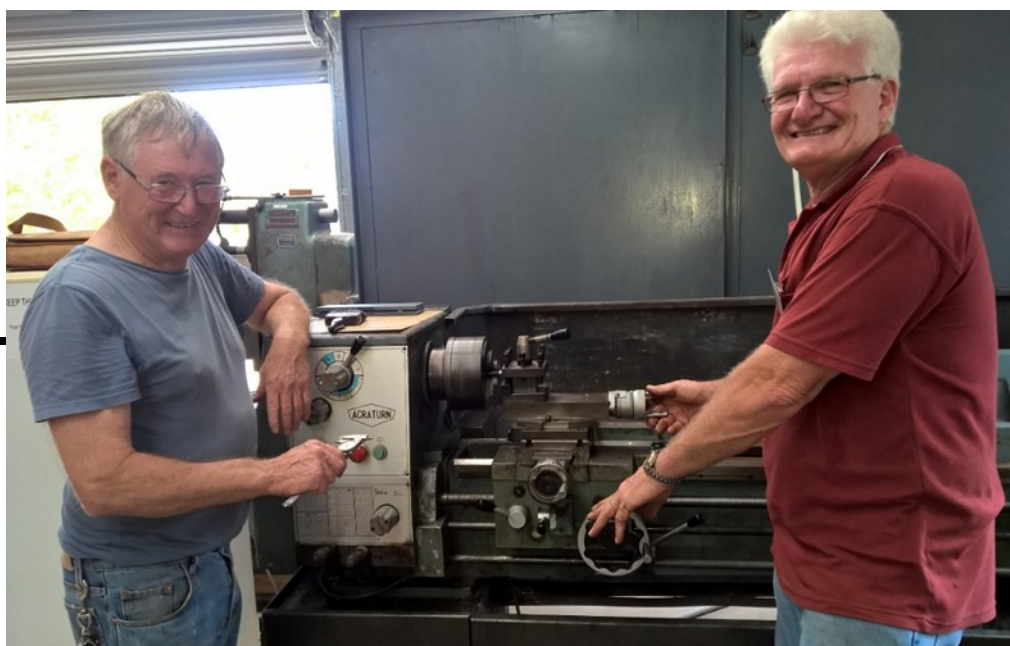
DAVO KEEPS GOING

Immediately after delivering two boxes of wooden toys to the Salvation Army for their Christmas Hampers, Davo Wilson got busy and continued with his dolls house project. We were given a start on the project with the basic structure donated to us some months ago. Dave's eyes lit up when he saw its potential and has been quietly finishing the job, complete with miniature furniture. We will raffle it off when it is finished.



SOME VERY PROFESSIONAL MACHINERY HAS ARRIVED IN OUR METAL SHED

We have been very fortunate to have purchased some professional quality machinery and all the accessories from Mrs. Val Atkinson of Doonan. This equipment was used by her deceased husband in his metal fabrication business. We are indeed fortunate to have a large metal lathe and a vertical Milling Machine. With this amazing equipment and the expertise of many people in our shed who have worked in various metal related trades, there will be little we can't do in our Metal Shed. Conrad Becker is keen to show us the potential of this Milling Machine



Conrad Becker and John Berghauser are keen to get using this amazing metal lathe

Merry Christmas to our shed members, their families and our supporters. May this Christmas season give you the time and opportunity to connect with friends and family

Please be aware of those who will be alone this Christmas and make room for them in your inn

Stay safe. We need you back to join in with all the exciting things ahead in 2016 at Noosa Men's Shed

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