

# YASS VALLEY MEN'S SHED

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## The Yass Valley Men's Shed Chronicle

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Patron: Councillor Nic Carmody, Mayor of Yass Valley

Dear Men,

Here is the news for this week:

- We now have 41 members (of the current 75) who have renewed their memberships for 2010/11. Membership renewals were due by 30 June, but are renewable until 31 July. If you are unable to manage the time to renew before then, we will happily accept your renewal at a later date, but in the interim (under our rules) your membership will be regarded as "unfinancial". Membership renewals are an important source of needed funds, so if you can renew it will be most helpful to the Shed in delivering for its members.
- So far there are only 3 volunteers (Len and Pat McGuigan and Wayne Stuart) for the Franklins Stocktake on Wednesday 28 July at 7pm. This is one of our more effective fund raisers working out at up to \$100 per person (depending on hours worked by the volunteer). Several more volunteers will help greatly and(perhaps) reduce the time for all on the night).
- The next visit of the Yass Friendship Group to the Shed will be on Wednesday 29 September. More details of time and arrangements will be provided closer to the date when those arrangements are clarified. Try to attend if you can, it is a great experience.
- Speaking of the Friendship Group – have you voted for their video in the competition? Here is the link <http://www.focusonability.com.au/films.asp?Category=1&ID=57> . Have a look at the video and then click on the  button (it will ask for your name, email address etc – this is the process in place to prevent multiple votings. Let's help the Friendship Group win that \$5000!
- The Shed is planning to have a Car Boot sale at the Shed on Saturday 11 September 2010. Hopefully it will be a bit warmer by then. Why not, in conjunction with your traditional Spring Clean, plan to clear out all of that stuff you won't need any more and bring it along – beats a garage sale hands down (you don't have people waking you up at 7am, no-one casing your place while looking over your offerings, and there will be a sausage sizzle going all day to help you enjoy the time. Write this date in your diaries.
- Paul Haslam and Roger Holgate spent most the Thursday last collecting a large amount of donated goods for the Shed. We now have a very worthwhile work bench and a good supply of composite wood sheeting that will be most useful for a number of current and future projects. Thanks to Linton for much of this donation (and to Paul and Roger for their efforts).
- A couple of blokes had a brief conversation about starting some kind of movie evening at the Shed. We were thinking more traditional movies from yesteryear. Let me know if there is any interest.

Clearly it would need to happen when the weather is a bit more clement – but there is no reason why we couldn't start planning or thinking about it now.

- The garden area is being prepared for the coming Spring. We are allocating areas to gardeners who would like their own "plot". If you would like to be involved, let me know and I'll pass on your interest to Howard Hollingsworth who is the informal coordinator. If anyone can help with rotary hoeing a new area (about 10m x 10 m) which is ready for turning over, can you let me know and we can talk about what is needed and when it might be done. One thought we have had is to develop a "Bush Tucker" garden – anyone interested to take the lead with that idea? Thanks.
- Let me know if you like this idea (the Men's Shed Chronicle) and if you do I will issue one when news warrants it. If you would like an announcement made or information included, let me know and I'll do my best.

Best regards

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