

YASS VALLEY MEN'S SHED

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THE MEN'S SHED MESSENGER

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PATRON: COUNCILLOR NIC CARMODY, MAYOR OF YASS VALLEY

Dear Men,

 <p>Shed Opening Times</p> <p><u>Tuesday</u> – 11am to 2pm <u>Thursday</u> – 2pm to when the last one leaves – sometimes includes a BBQ at dinner time. <u>Saturday</u> – Noon to when the last one leaves (usually between 3 and 4pm)</p> <p>At all other times, if you are passing and see the doors open, please feel welcome and free to call in!</p>	 <p>Members' Birthdays</p> <p><u>Last two weeks</u> 22/2 John Muscat 26/3 Rick Williams 27/3 Allan McGrath.</p> <p><u>Next two weeks</u> 1/4 Bill Dowling 9/4 Alistair McGregor 10/4 Ken Reidy 11/4 Roger Holgate 13/4 Brian Millett</p>
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Headline News

YVMS Members meeting and 2011 AGM

Be sure to pencil in **Thursday 28 April 5.30pm** in your diaries for these important meetings. Not a lot to consider (so the meetings should not last long) but they are important as we need to elect a new committee for the coming year and also to hold the AGM.

BP Community Centre

The Council has (finally!!) advertised the need for community groups to nominate interest to have a presence at the proposed Community Centre and also to nominate a person from those interested community groups to sit on the Council's S.355 Committee that will oversee the activity and improvements etc. The council notice suggests that the total commitment will be only 2 hours per month.

If you know of a community group interested in having a new home, or a home with the benefits that the BP building can offer – please urge them to nominate. Wayne Stuart will help with any letters etc that need

writing by those groups or nominees for the Committee. If we don't get the interest and nominations, the whole thing will fall over – not a good outcome with such good potential on offer!

Nominations close on Friday April 15 – see if you can organise a few nominations to get this show on the road!

Other News

- ☑ The recent Bowls Day at Cootamundra was a great success – look out for the next opportunity to see how Shedites do it in surrounding towns. I called in at the Dickson Shed earlier this week and it is amazing – quite a small shed – but chockers with brand new machinery of all kinds. Well worth a visit – they are really friendly people. The Shed is part of the Northside Community Services complex in Rosevear Street in Dickson.
- ☑ Wayne Stuart (secretary) was invited to make a presentation on the Shed movement generally and the Yass Shed in particular at the Yass Rotary Club's latest meeting. Went well, lots of interest and searching questions (and a free meal!)
- ☑ Don't forget to let Ray Hill know if you can do a stint on the gates at the **Yass Show** this year (will result in some needed cash for the Shed!).

The days are Sat 9th & Sun 10th April and the shifts start at 6.0am on both days and are at intervals of 4 hours on Sat and 3 hours on Sun. Starting times are 6.00am, 10.00am, 2.00pm & 6.00pm on Sat. and, At 6.00am, 9.00am, & 12.00midday on Sun. (Gates finish at 3.00pm on Sun.)

If you can help, please contact Ray Hill direct on 6226 3344, 0411 363644 or rayhill01@dodo.com.au preferably Before Tuesday 5th April to organise the roster.

- ☑ Anyone interested in **rebuilding a car**? Bruce Russell (who can be contacted at maccasyass@bigpond.com) has a fairly second hand Suzuki Stockman which needs quite a bit of work. If anyone is interested, please let me know or, better still, contact Bruce directly at the email address and make your own arrangements (either a Shed project or something to do at your own place (or his) if you prefer. (If the Shed can get a donation from this project, that would be good).
- ☑ Early Notice: the next visit of the Yass Friendship Group to the Shed is set for Wednesday 25 May – write this in your diaries, too.

A word from the Workshop Warrior – Roger Holgate

- ☑ Richard Saxby has kindly donated 12 of his imperial sized spade bits to add to our collection (well done and thanks heaps, Richard!)
- ☑ There is an old bobs set at the shed belonging to the Yass Friendship Group. Is there someone who is interested in taking on a project to restore this for them? Contact Roger Holgate for more details.
- ☑ Another project which can be taken on is the repair of our pool table cues.
- ☑ The garden compost bin has now been finished off.
- ☑ Also a reminder that there is garden area available for winter plantings or preparation for next season, There must be some of you who would like a little extra area for your vegetables, flowers etc.

Who said there is nothing to do at the shed?

- ☑ Where are the leather workers? We have steel filing cabinet of leather and tools which has been donated and is just waiting for someone to use and create.

Life Lesson for this week

Why men shouldn't write advice columns

Dear John,

I hope you can help me. The other day, I set off for work, leaving my husband in the house watching TV. My car stalled, and then it broke down about a mile down the road, and I had to walk back to get my husband's help. When I got home, I couldn't believe my eyes. He was in our bedroom with the neighbor's daughter!

I am 32, my husband is 34 and the neighbor's daughter is 19. We have been married for 10 years. When I confronted him, he broke down and admitted they had been having an affair for the past six months. He won't go to counseling, and I'm afraid I am a wreck and need advice urgently. Can you please help?

Sincerely, Sheila

Dear Sheila,

A car stalling after being driven a short distance can be caused by a variety of faults with the engine. Start by checking that there is no debris in the fuel line. If it is clear, check the vacuum pipes and hoses on the intake manifold and also check all grounding wires. If none of these approaches solves the problem, it could be that the fuel pump itself is faulty, causing low delivery pressure to the injectors.

I hope this helps,
John

— Forwarded by Steve Sanderson,
Gilbert, S.C.

Current keyholders are:

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Allan McGrath. Collect a key from Allan (and sign the Register) at Kidz Blitz in Comur Street (return it afterwards)

If anyone has items they would like to see included in the "Messenger", or ideas to improve the newsletter please let me know.

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