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Headline News for this Week

A Note from the President:

Fellow Members of the YVMS

The painting and cleaning up in the passageway, has now been completed and apart from some little touch-ups in the kitchen area can therefore report we can state that STAGE 1 is complete, and now those areas are now usable, as a Community Centre.

Thanks to everyone who did get involved, and now we await the S.355 findings and future plans.

In my opinion, we should now hold off until at least March/April to hopefully get enthusiasm from our members to participate in STAGE 2 which is the Outside.

In hindsight, perhaps we should have tested the membership for a better role-up and involvement, before starting and accepting the challenge.....

but I guess as I experience everywhere else, it's always a minority who stand up and do things.....

John Woodin (President)

General News

Evacuation Plan notices at the Shed and the Yass Valley Community Centre

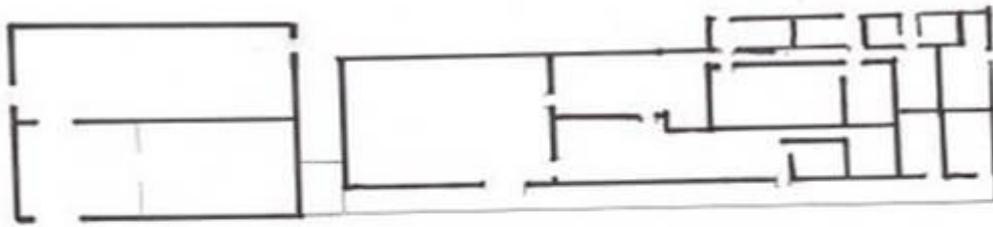
In an attempt to leave no stone unturned in ensuring (to the best of the Shed's ability) that the YVCC will be ready to open for business, a series of emergency evacuation plan notices have been printed and mounted in all major rooms in both the Shed and also in the YVCC.

They look like this:

Yass Valley Men's Shed and Yass Valley Community Centre Emergency Evacuation Plan

Yass Valley Men's Shed

Yass Valley Community Centre



1. Warn anyone in immediate danger
2. Fight the fire or contain the emergency, if safe & if trained to do so
3. Close the door, if safe to do so
4. Help anyone needing assistance
5. Evacuate via your closest safe EXIT
6. Report the emergency (911, 000)

You are Here

Assembly Point



Each poster shows where you are in both buildings and how to get from that room to the Assembly point which is on the forecourt beside the driveway closest to the Men's Shed (just above the "1428" in the plan shown above).

Workshop News

We will be running YVMS workshop orientation days on [Saturday 15th October](#) and again on [Thursday 20th October](#) for those unable to make it on the Saturday.

The purpose of these days will be to show members just what tools and equipment we have managed to acquire at this stage, where the tools are stored and to familiarise members with their correct usage, designed to prevent personal accidents, health risks, and damage to tools and machinery.

While we are still very much in the process of setting up the workshop, there are some dangerous procedures coming to notice and a lot of incorrect usage of tools.

We also intend to organise demonstrations by people who are experts in their field in the future.

Please put these two times in your diary:-

- Saturday 15th October at 2pm.
- Thursday 20th October at 3pm.

Roger Holgate (Workshop Manager)

Climate Change Talk at the Soldiers Club

“The Critical Decade: Climate Science, Risks, and Responses”

a free public lecture by

Will Steffen

Director, ANU Climate Change Institute

Friday 21st October 2011

5:00 – 6:30 pm

Yass Soldiers Club

86 Meehan Street, Yass (just off Comur Street)

Prof. Will Steffen is an exciting and accomplished international speaker who is at the forefront of climate research and serves on the Prime Minister's Multi-Party Climate Change Committee as well as the Government's Climate Commission. His lecture will describe what is now happening to the Earth's climate and what we can expect next. He will assess the impacts on rural communities in Australia. The event will be a marvellous opportunity to find out what the latest science has to say, to consider what response options we have, air your concerns, and get your questions answered.

Everyone is welcome

supported by the Yass Branch, NSW Farmers Association

The Yass Men's Shed Health Seminar Program

Thursday 1 December 7.30pm.

Looking into the Mirror 1 - Self-identity, self-esteem and looking after yourself

Thursday 8 December 7.30pm

Looking into the Mirror 2 - Managing the pressures of living, anger management and staying relevant

Both seminars (the second of which flows directly from the first) will be presented in the style of a "fireside chat" with the opportunity for the audience to engage, ask questions and take part in the conversation.

The presenters are two local highly qualified practitioners in psychology and counselling (and members of the Men's Shed) who have over 50 years relevant and focussed experience between them.

- Richard Rowan RFD, BA Psychology and BA (Hons) Psychophysiology and Organisational Psychology, MAPS. Richard is a Registered Psychologist and Member of the Australian Psychological Society with in excess of 30 years' experience in a variety of psychological areas. He is the consultant psychologist at Yass District Psychology Practice.
- Peter Hurley Master of Social Science (Counselling), Graduate Diploma in Counselling, Bachelor of Arts. Peter has worked for 20 years in related areas and currently works as a Generalist Counsellor, Community Health Centre, Dept of Health (NSW), Southern Local Health Service in Yass.

These Seminars are intended for the benefit of all community members in the Yass Valley. Everyone will be most welcome to attend. Members of community groups may wish to bring a number of their members.

The Yass Lions Club will organise a sausage sizzle (at a modest cost) starting at 6pm on both evenings if you prefer not to organise meals before such an event.

If you wish to attend, please make your reservations as follows:

- Email: secretary@yassmensshed.org.au (preferred mode of contact)
- Phone: 6226 4120 (please use this mode if you don't have access to email)

If you decide on the day that you would like to attend, then that will not be a major problem (providing we don't have a sellout earlier and "there is no room at the Inn" on the night(s) in question). We need numbers that booking will provide so we can plan seating, and adequate provision of refreshments. So your bookings would be most appreciated.

Watch this space for info on:

- Organising a car or cars to go to the upcoming Bowls Day organised by the Boorowa Men's Shed – date to be notified later.

Mini Messenger one-liner for a happy life

A woman never shot a man while he was doing dishes.

A man never shot a woman while she was letting him watch the Bathurst Race.

Birthdays this week

None

Shed Opening Times

Tuesday – 11am to 2pm

Thursday – 2pm to when the last one leaves – sometimes (especially now that the weather is improving) includes a BBQ at dinner time.

Saturday – Noon to when the last one leaves (usually between 3 and 4pm)

At all other times, if you are passing and see the doors open, please feel welcome and free to call in!

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