



## **MEN'S SHED - HUNTER CLUSTER**

### **July 2019 Meeting**

- Venue:** Cessnock Men's Shed
- Date:** Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2019
- Open:** The meeting was opened by Chairman Col who welcomed all and asked the Chairman of Cessnock Peter Torenbeek to welcome members from the visiting sheds, the cost of lunch a gold coin donation
- Apologies:** Grahame Berthold Raymond Terrace, Baden Milne Salamander Bay, Eric White Stroud
- Minutes of previous meeting:** Moved John King Karuah, Seconded Gerry Egan – passed as a true copy
- Business Arising:** Nil
- Chairman's Report:** Nil
- Vice Chairman's Report:** Nil
- Secretary's Report:**
- Correspondence In:** 27 emails covering a wide range of topics, dementia, Xmas in July, Dust and Fume Expo, set up of smart boards, grants, Safetalk and promotions
- Correspondence Out:** 25 emails covering the above, bandsaw giveaway, lathe up for grabs, flooring giveaway and reminder of next meeting

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**Treasurer:**

Bank Statement	Balance as at 31/5/2019	\$5,813.41
	Expenditure	\$251.00
	Balance	\$5562.41

22 sheds have paid their cluster fees as of 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019, there are still a couple of sheds outstanding

**Reports:** moved Gerry Egan seconded Neville Radnidge - passed

**A.M.S.A. Updates:**

- John Sharples Zone 8 presented an update covering Round 19 AMSA Grants close this Friday 19/7/2019, doubts any money for tools to sheds over 2 years old except for extenuating circumstances as the Health Department Budget covers grants at this stage (i.e. tools are not health)
- John also spoke on mentor grants
- AMSA Board nominations opened
- As of 1<sup>st</sup> August he will be back in his normal position

**Around the Sheds:**

**Maitland:**

- Spoke on Safetalk which was held on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July, it was a worthwhile day, a good presenter and all present expressed that they enjoyed the day
- Continuing general work around the shed

**Salamander Bay:**

- Spoke on their Breathe Easy Expo, the numbers were down but a lot of information was presented
- They have had their AGM

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### **Cessnock:**

- As per attachment 1

### **2322 Beresfield:**

- No change still in limbo
- Doing small jobs that come in
- No longer doing ramps due to the age of members

### **Cooranbong:**

- Small shed of 15 members
- Doing community work
- Are having a membership drive

### **Newcastle:**

- Still at present location until the end of October
- Due to the publicity on the radio a few offers are coming in
- There was good publicity for AMSA sheds on the work done at the Mater Hospital
- Mentoring children from Wallsend High School 9:30am - 1:30pm in the workshop 1 day a week, all work is supervised
- In partnership with YWCA doing school mentoring for Cooks Hill and Glendale High Schools
- Presented a Community Partner Proposal see attachment 2

### **Waratah/Mayfield:**

- Spoke on the Billy Cart Derby held recently at Muswellbrook
- They have invited other sheds to build a cart and participate at Gresford next year if there are enough entries the organisation will create a Men's Shed event
- Work at the shed is steady

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### **Dungog:**

- The shed is growing
- They are doing local and community work
- They will be attending the Clarendon Museum 150 year Anniversary open day
- Their solar system is now active
- They have just held their AGM
- They will be attending the Dungog Tea Party (previously known as The Tea Cosy Challenge) from 20/8/2019 to 25/8/2019
- They will send information to cluster secretary for coming events

### **Raymond Terrace:**

- Shed is going well now with some good projects coming in
- Bill Taylor was introduced, he is standing for chairman at their AGM
- Fundraising is good and the music group is playing at various fundraising activities
- They are replacing seating for the Hinton Public School
- They are relocating the dust extractors to an outside location
  - It will increase floor space
  - there will be less noise
- They will be extending the external awning when it is out of council
- Their solar system is now active
- There were good numbers and good demonstrations by Carbatec's Robert Sorby Day
- Bob is stepping down this AGM
- Membership 90

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### **Blue Gum Hills:**

- The third shed is now up, the quiet room but work still to be carried out prior to finish
- Enquires from Day Care organisations for men to do a little work they are holding their AGM next week
- Slight increase in membership
- They are doing small projects along with sorting out the sheds

### **Tea Gardens/Hawks Nest:**

- They have just held their AGM
- They are hoping to spend more time with the Cluster in the coming months
- They are hosting a Cluster Meeting in September all welcome
- Membership 45 – 50
- They are doing disability ramps in conjunction with Lions and Rotary
- They have a an Aged Care group attending 1 day per month
- The Vietnam Hub is now finished

### **Karuah:**

- No change from last month
- They are setting up the Smart Board

### **General Business:**

- ❖ 2322 Beresfield asked about the Total Tools discount, explained the arrangement with AMSA shed who apply will be given a card which can be used by the shed or the shed members, there are still some problems to sort out
- ❖ Zone 8 representative John Sharples also spoke about the Total Tools discount. He will be attending a meeting with the Crown Lands Department regarding policy

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### **General Business continued:**

- ❖ Raymond Terrace has organised a guest speaker from NSW Services for the next Cluster Meeting, they will send cluster secretary instructions re parking prior to the meeting
- ❖ Waratah/Mayfield said Myall Lakes Caravan Park has tables and chairs to give away
- ❖ The Xmas in July raffle was drawn raising \$110.00 for the cluster, thank you to the sheds who donated a gift for the raffle

### **Coming Events:**

Clarencetown Courthouse 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Saturday 27/7/2019 see previous email

## **NEXT MEETING**

**Hosted by** Raymond Terrace Men's Shed  
**Location** 17G Irrawang Street Raymond Terrace NSW 2324  
**Date** Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> August 2019  
**Meeting Closed** 11:50am – Pizzas ready

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