

The Men's Shed (North Shore) Trust

Sheddies' Chatter

Engineering Extension Progress

Auckland Council has requested a Fire Engineer's report for the new building - which has been organized by Ross Miller. This report is now in the hands of Auckland Council so we expect that the building consent will be in our hands in the near future.

Unfortunately we are now required to install a free standing internal timber wall at the eastern end of the extension, which must be clad with two layers of Gib Fireline in order to provide a two hour protection in case of fire.

There will be plenty of small projects for members to become involved with regarding construction and fit-out in the future months. Later, assistance will be required to relocate all the engineering equipment into the new area and then to modify the woodwork area and the electronics workshop. We will be calling for volunteers as the project develops.

2015 AGM

The date for our 2015 AGM has been set for Sunday 3rd May. Further information will be distributed as it comes to hand, in the meantime please pencil in this date in your diary.

Shed BBQS

Our monthly BBQ's at the Mens's Shed North Shore continue with the next one on Saturday 7th March at noon.

Please bring your choice of protein to cook, and some food (eg salad) to share would be welcome. This event offers a great chance to meet Shed members and to have a look around our exceptional facility, and the community projects we are working on.

Opportunity for Conservation Work

Our friendly Department of Conservation Ranger Art Polkanov popped into the shed and reported that the Lizard houses we constructed for them are working well.

He asked if any of the members would be interested to help with maintenance etc. of camp sites situated on some of the islands in the Hauraki Gulf. If you would like to be involved give Art a call on 09 445 99653 or 027 263 7703 and he will tell you all about the position.

Community Projects

Members continue to be busy working on a variety of community projects.

Roger Dallimore and Dave Wardlaw have finished five of fourteen several play houses for the North Auckland Kindergarden Association. The first ones will be delivered on Saturday March 7th in Browns Bay.

Below - Roger with a row of finished houses:



Below - Winston and Barrie at work on a toy for Jumping Beans childcare.



Below - Dennis repairing a garage for Takapuna Toy library:



New Community Projects

We have several new projects coming on stream and would really like to hear from any member who would like to give a hand. Most tasks are simple and any member could help whether skilled or otherwise. Please let Gavin Marks or one of the Trustees know of your interest to help and we will sort something for you to be involved with.

Personal Projects

Below - new member Robin making progress with the restoration of a model boat:



For Sale

One radial arm saw in good condition - contact Dave Wardlaw.

Easter Weekend Notice

The Shed will be open on Saturday 4th April on Easter Weekend, however we will be closed on Easter Monday.

2015-16 Membership Subscriptions

A reminder that 2015-2016 subscriptions are due. \$90.00 for the year means the cost of a member attending to a mere 0.64 per day. Membership subs go straight to the overhead account to help cover our considerable running expenses including power, insurance, telephone etc.

MenzShed New Zealand AGM

The National Body AGM will be held in Masterton on the weekend of 11/12 April. There will be an opportunity to visit the sheds close by Masterton i.e. Henley, Greytown and Featherston. Discounted flights have been organized with Jet Star (these need to be booked through the national Menz Shed office). As accommodation is rather tight due to several other conferences etc. being run in Masterton on this weekend, don't delay if you intend going. Nominations for positions on the executive will be called for, and more information on the event can be obtained from Chairman Ross.

New Shed Video

Martin has uploaded a new video to youtube featuring "Characters at the Shed". http://youtu.be/4VTMye1_4kA
Or see our facebook page (via our website) for the link.



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