

# The Men's Shed (North Shore) Trust

## Sheddies' Chatter

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### Bi-Plane Test-Flight

Below : visitor to the Shed, Julian, acts as test-pilot for the almost-completed bi-plane.



Assistance to tidy the Shed at the end of the day (especially Saturdays) would be much appreciated.

### October Speaker

Ex-boatbuilder Bob Stirk gave a most interesting talk at the Shed on the process of vacuum-bagging or (or vacuum-forming) - a process used in the construction of the America's Cup yachts. Bob is using the technology to bend and glue sheets of veneer into curves for furniture-making. He also brought along some of his intricate

### 2014 National Conference

The 2014 Menz Shed National Conference will be hosted by MenzShed Kapiti and held on 14-16 March at Waikanae. Please contact Nigel Clough for details as soon as possible:

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The meet will be held at the El Rancho Christian holiday Park - so there will be a variety of accommodation options including camping and motor-homes, as well as a motel within the complex.

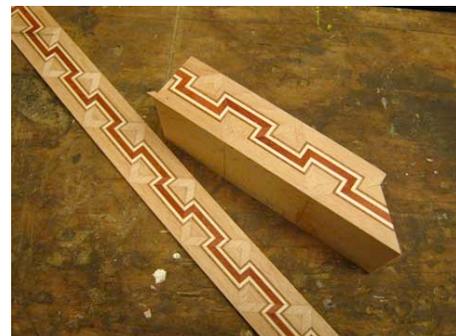
The theme will be "Menz Sheds in the Community"



### Important Message from the Chairman

Ross McEwan wishes to remind members that all care must be taken while using machinery in the Shed. Please do not use tools or equipment if you do not know how to use them properly - ask for assistance. Several large pieces of machinery have been damaged recently, and members can put themselves at risk of severe injury by incorrect use of equipment.

Also, when you have finished for the day please clear your working areas of sawdust etc, put all tools away, and ensure that any machinery you



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## New Machinery

A generous \$23,000 grant from the Birkenhead Licencing Trust has enabled the MSNS to purchase some new equipment. Below are our new MIG welder and plasma cutter:



## New Secretary

Men's Shed North Shore extends a warm welcome to our new secretary Laurie Jackson. A retired optometrist, Laurie is also an experienced model-maker and has computer experience.



## November Trip

We have been invited to attend a working evening of the Woodturners Guild on Tuesday 19th November at 6.30 pm, at Guild Hall, Agincourt Reserve, Agincourt Road, Glenfield. There will be a demonstration of woodturning, concluding by 9.00pm.

Proceed West on Archers road to Agincourt Reserve on right past Blenheim St.

Please book with Ian Devonshire:

[ian.dev@xtra.co.nz](mailto:ian.dev@xtra.co.nz)

## Excess Machinery

We have received many generous donations of machinery, more in fact than we can use. Excess equipment will soon be sold by MSNS on trademe. Members are offered first choice - if you are interested the gear is at the engineering end of the Shed, by the roller door. See Chairman Ross McEwan or Workshop Manager Gavin Marks for further information.



## Toy-Making Group

A group is forming at MSNS for making wooden toys for underprivileged children.

Please see Chairman Ross for details.



## Christmas and New Year Break

A reminder that the Shed will close on Wednesday 18th December at 4pm, and re-open on Monday 20th January at 10am.

On closing there will be a BBQ. Some sausages etc will be provided, members are asked to bring food to share.



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