**Tongue and Groove**

**Members’ News February 2021**

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# Dates for your diary Monday 8th February

Committee Meeting

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General Meeting

# Sunday 14th February

Bunning’s BBQ

**From the President**

As we move into this year let’s hope that the vaccine for the Covid 19 virus is successful so that later on in the year we will be able to open up to activities away from the shed.

There have been a couple of emails sent out regarding safety issues in the shed. Please, when using the plant and equipment, concentrate on the job at hand and don’t be distracted. Ensure that all guards are in place and set to give maximum protection from rotating blades. Turn the machine off when finished or making adjustments to the guide. Do NOT leave the machine while the blade/cutters/discs are still rotating. If you are in any doubt regarding the use of the equipment please ask for assistance. Thanks to all those who have answered the call from Dennis Nunn to help out with the manufacture of toys and the likes. If you are interested in helping out please contact Dennis and offer your support.

There has been a major clean up upstairs to create more space. Thanks to Ken and Bill. The men in the metal shop are also looking at how to better utilise the space that they have. Thanks. Please keep these areas clean and uncluttered.

At present we are getting our fair share of Bunnings BBQ’s. When the lists go up on the notice board please put your name on it and share in this great experience.

# NEW MEMBERS

The following members joined this past month. Please make them welcome

John ‘Fitzy” Fitzpatrick Chris Wright

Terry Windon Steve Dalton Jonathon Trapski



New members are asked to provide a photograph for the newsletter. The above is one of the new members with a serious facial hair problem!

# Peter’s Bowl

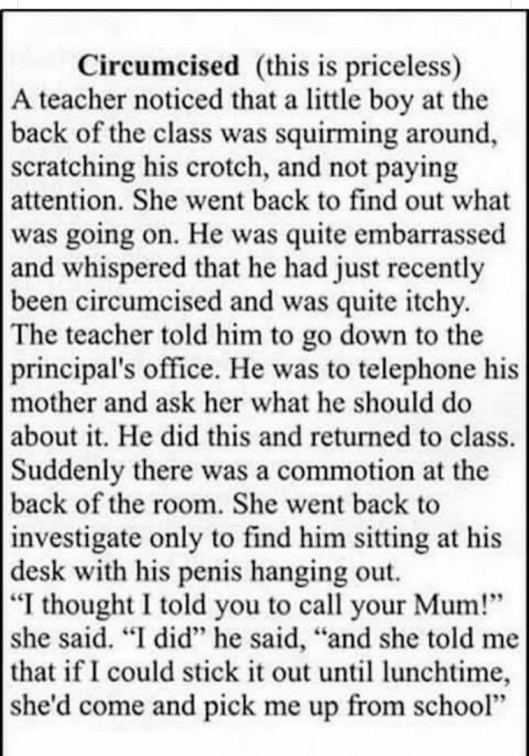
Peter’s son gave him a plank of wood. This is the 4th bowl for his son made from the plank.

Quote: "He's given me a piece of wood, and I'm giving it back."

He doesn't usually use the Men's shed lathes as he has one at home and he can leave the piece in the lathe for the next day. But he had to use the Men's shed lathe because the wood was too big for his home lathe.

# Allan’s pull-along busses.

They are quite a unique shape but Allan says “I was given the design and asked to make them even if they are a bit odd. I get to learn new skills anyway.” When finished, Norm will add wheels and paint.

Torin writes, “Allan’s positive attitude is a great example of what the Shed provides.”



# Here is some maths to get your head around!

An American farmer died, leaving his 17 horses to his three sons.

When his sons opened up the Will it read:

My eldest son should get 1/2 (half) of total horses;

My middle son should be given 1/3rd (one-third) of the total horses;

My youngest son should be given 1/9th (one- ninth) of

the total horses.

Since it's impossible to divide 17 into half or 17 by 3 or 17 by 9, the three sons started to fight with each other.

So, they decided to go to an Australian farmer who lived next door, who they all considered quite smart, to see if he could work it out for them.

The Australian read the Will patiently;

after giving due thought, he brought one of his own horses over, increasing the total to 18 horses.

Now, he divided the horses according to their fathers Will.

Half of 18 = 9. So he gave the eldest son 9 horses.

1/3rd of 18 = 6. So he gave the middle son 6 horses.

1/9th of 18 = 2. So he gave the youngest son 2 horses.

Now add up the number of horses they have: Eldest son - 9

Middle son - 6 Youngest son - 2

TOTAL - 17

Now this leaves one horse over, so the Australian takes his horse back to his property.



To the members below celebrating a birthday this month

Robert Munnings 9th February Kim Webb 9th February

Wayne Bissaker 10th February

John Reimer 11th February

Andy Russo 12th February

Jim Hawksley 15th February

Bert Morris 16th February

Chris Wright 17th February

Marjan Borojak 20th February

Garry Koppen 20th February

Bruce Cameron 23rd February

Graeme Laing 27th February

After retiring, I went to the Social Security office to apply for Social Security.

The woman behind the counter asked me for my driver's License to verify my age. I looked in my pockets and realized I had left my wallet at home.

I told the woman that I was very sorry, but I would have to go home and come back later. The woman said, 'Unbutton your shirt'.

So I opened my shirt revealing my curly silver hair.

She said, 'That silver hair on your chest is proof enough for me' and she processed my Social Security application.

When I got home, I excitedly told my wife about my experience at the Social Security office...

She said, 'You should have dropped your pants. You might have gotten disability, too.'

And then the fight started...