

Shavings

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Vision Statement: The Laurieton Men's Shed aims to be the venue of choice for men of all ages in the local community; to share their interests, skills and ideals in a spirit of mateship and a place to benefit their health through participation in a variety of activities with a sense of belonging.

Laurieton Men's Shed is OPEN – but not the way it was.

Opening hours are: Monday, Tuesday & Thursday: 9:00 am - 3:30 pm.

Wednesday & Friday 9.00 am - 12 noon.

COVID-19

If you're a recluse living in total isolation from the rest of the world, you're probably safe, but you won't have any way to read this. For the rest of you, we're back on high alert. If you have recently been to an "area of concern" (new Government speak for hotspot), or been in contact with someone who has, or you're feeling unwell, please stay away from the shed and get tested.

If you do visit the shed, follow the current rules for check-in, face masks and social distancing.

Happenings Around Your Shed.

Several events scheduled in recent weeks have been postponed, cancelled or altered due to changing COVID restrictions.

The Port Macquarie Ironman event which was scheduled for Sunday 5th September has been CANCELLED.

Don't forget to check-in and out, and wear a face mask for indoor activities.

July General Meeting.

Held outside due to COVID social distancing requirements.

A proposal for the Memorial Garden silhouette was presented and accepted by members present. See the published meeting minutes for details.

The Laurieton Rotary Club thanked the Shed for assistance moving books to and from the LUSC.

Honey.

Bees are not productive during Winter. Supplies are expected to resume in October.

TAD Freedom Wheels. <https://freedomwheels.org.au>

The shipping container to be used for bicycle assembly and parts storage is in place next to the Electronics Lab. Volunteers for the assembly work are currently unable to visit the training centre in western Sydney due to COVID restrictions.

Social Afternoon - Friday 23rd July.

A good turn out of about 20 men attended for a good feed and an enjoyable social afternoon - like it used to be before COVID.



Tony was the lucky one at the UNO table winning three hands in a row.

~~John's Joe's Kitchen.~~

~~John has found new employment and is unable to continue the lunch service. Joe Cassar has taken over the role preparing lunches on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Eat-in is subject to social distancing rules at outdoor tables. Take-away and home delivery available. Phone 5519 8019 to order.~~

NO COOK

Laurieton Lady

Although the official launch has been postponed due to COVID, it is good to see the fences removed and the Lady being used as intended.

Photo by Lance Kellett.

Choir

All performances on hold until further notice.

Bill Hancock.

Bill passed away in Wauchope Hospital Palliative Care Unit on 23 July 2021. He battled ill health for many years and will be remembered for his finely detailed wood creations.



What have members been doing lately?

Bread Baking.

Members who don't attend the monthly Social Afternoons might not be aware of the Bread Baking activities which utilise the residual heat in the pizza oven after the fire has been removed. Excellent results can be achieved after a bit of trial and error. Talk to Scotty (Robert Scott) if you would like to give it - baking, not tasting - a try.



LMS Membership Renewals

Membership fees are due by 1st of September but there is a period of grace of 60 days after this date. Moving with the times, we now have a facility that enables payment by EFTPOS. If paying by this method it is very important that you retain a copy of the transaction to serve as a receipt. No usual style of receipt will be issued for EFTPOS Payments.

Coming Events

All events listed below are subject to COVID regulations. Watch your email for announcements, or contact the organiser.

Computer Group.

Meets on Thursdays (9am-12noon). Currently focused on Windows 10 settings to keep your PC running the way you want it to.

Raffles.

Outside outside Coles Laurieton. Cancelled until further notice.

Riverwalk Markets Sunday 15th August

At the river end of Tunis St. Laurieton. Saleable goods required - contact Peter Atkins.

August General Meeting

Tuesday 17th August at the Laurieton Men's Shed, Diamond Head Rd. starting at 10:30am.

LMS Monthly Social Afternoon (formerly P&C). Friday 20th August.

All welcome, new and old members encouraged to come along and meet fellow Shed members.

When: The Friday after the Shed Monthly Meeting, starts at midday.

What: Food and drinks provided. Usually pizzas and nibbles, or other tasty food.

To help with catering please put your name on the notice board near the office or by email to mensshedlaurieton@gmail.com.

Activities: Join in a game of darts, pool or cards, or you can join in a conversation, or just sit back and listen to the tall tales, or simply relax to the music.

Cost: For \$5 you get well fed and one beer or soft drink. Additional drinks are \$2 each.

Absolute bargain!

Occasional help with preparation and cooking and clean up after appreciated.

LMS Annual General Meeting

This meeting is NOT at the shed. It is at Club North Haven (AKA North Haven Bowling Club)

11:45am Tuesday 21st **SEPTEMBER**. COVID check-in, mask and social distancing rules apply.

For a Laugh.

My wife forgot to leave for me the carseat to take our son to the babysitter's house. This is the picture I sent when she asked how I was going to get him there. I then turned off my phone for the next 4 hours.



“He’s lost his worm again.”

Did You Know?

It takes 7 seconds for food to pass from mouth to stomach. A human hair can hold six pounds weight. The length of a penis is three times the length of the thumb. The femur is as hard as concrete. A woman's heart beats faster than a man's. Women blink twice as much as men. We use 300 muscles to keep our balance when we stand. A woman has read this entire list while a man is still looking at his thumb.

UNSAFE Work Practices.



Thanks to all who contribute to this newsletter.