

Shavings

Laurieton Men's Shed

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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.

Happenings Around Your Shed.

P&C Meeting - Friday 19th July.

Under pressure from regular P&C participants, Scotty and helpers created a magnificent Paella which was enjoyed by those present. John Toth produced an assortment of deserts from the freezer. Attendance was down a little on recent gatherings, but still a very sociable evening.

Camden Haven Walking For Pleasure visit.

A large group (40+) of hungry walkers visited the shed on Wednesday 7th August after their weekly walk - this time at Camden Head's Kattang Nature Reserve. Their hunger was soon satisfied by pizzas created by the LMS Pizza Crew. Many thanks were extended to all shed members involved. This annual event is growing in popularity as word spreads through the greater Camden Haven community.

Metal Workings

This garden bench seat has recently been restored by shed members Lisle Crossing.



**Annual General Meeting - North Haven Bowling Club
also known as Club North Haven.**

10:30am Tuesday 17th September.

Writing Group.

The Writing Group met for its inaugural gathering on Monday the 29th July. Three shed members sat in the sun and discussed the following:

Purpose: to turn our oral history into a written record.

All of us are a well of knowledge about our family, ourselves, and the world in which we grew up. This will be lost to our grandchildren and society unless we create a written record. The writing group is formed to help us record our oral history.

As we grow as a group and individually we can diversify our subject matter and form subgroups.

Process: to meet monthly and to give a short read of our intervening writing and a report on our efforts to structure this writing.

At each meeting those present will be encouraged to read a short "yarn" that they have completed as part of their project. While reading we will have the full attention, without interruption, of the group.

Our writing does not have to be grammatically correct but merely convey the feeling of the story.

Next gathering: Our gatherings will be informal and (hopefully) constructive.

The gathering will take place late morning (about 11) on the Monday after the Shed's monthly meeting.

Triggers to start: We discussed ways and means of starting to write, based on how we start to tell a story over dinner or during other encounters. Suggestions were:

How I got involved in.....

What happened when I started - school

- high school

- work

Describing my parents, siblings, family (grandparents, cousins, aunts, uncles, children, nephews and nieces.

Earliest memory.

My first car.

My best friend when I was 5, (or 10 or 15 and so on) or all of them.

The Writing Group sounds too formal and we are anything but formal. A better name would be appreciated. Can you think of one? Come along and tell us your yarn..

Membership Renewals.

The AGM will be on September 17th which is now only weeks away.

Before that annual fees of \$30 are due by 01/09/19. This is the extension from 01/02/19 so we all got 6 months membership for free.

Safety Officers.

Following on from the Safety Officer discussion at the July general meeting, the management committee is seeking to appoint voluntary **First Aid Certified** members to be the first responders in cases of personal injury or medical incident at the shed. If you are regularly at the shed, and willing to act in this role, please discuss with management committee members.

Mobility Scooters for sale.

The shed has acquired a few electric mobility scooters. Prospective purchasers should talk to Richard Curry to negotiate a price.

Coming Events

Raffles outside Coles Laurieton

Look out for announcements of raffle dates.

Hearing Australia Visit - Tuesday 13th August.

Free hearing tests for shed members and partners from 9:30am - 12:00 midday.

Riverwalk Markets - Sunday 18th August.

Starts 8:00am and finishes around 12:00 midday.

A good opportunity to promote the Men's Shed to the community, sell some shed products, and chat with shed members who are usually too busy doing stuff at the shed.

Monthly General Meeting: 10:30am Tuesday 20th August.

Lunch will be available after the meeting from about 12:00 midday. Sausage sangas are \$2 each.

P&C Meeting - Friday 23rd August, 4:00pm - ?.

A social event with good food, great company and plenty of laughs. Pool and UNO will almost certainly be popular activities, or you might like to introduce something new.

Writing Group - Monday 26th August, 11:00am.

Annual General Meeting - Tuesday 17th September.

Change of venue. Due to increasing membership numbers and the limited seating capacity of the shed meeting room, the AGM will be held at the **North Haven Bowling Club** (AKA Club North Haven).

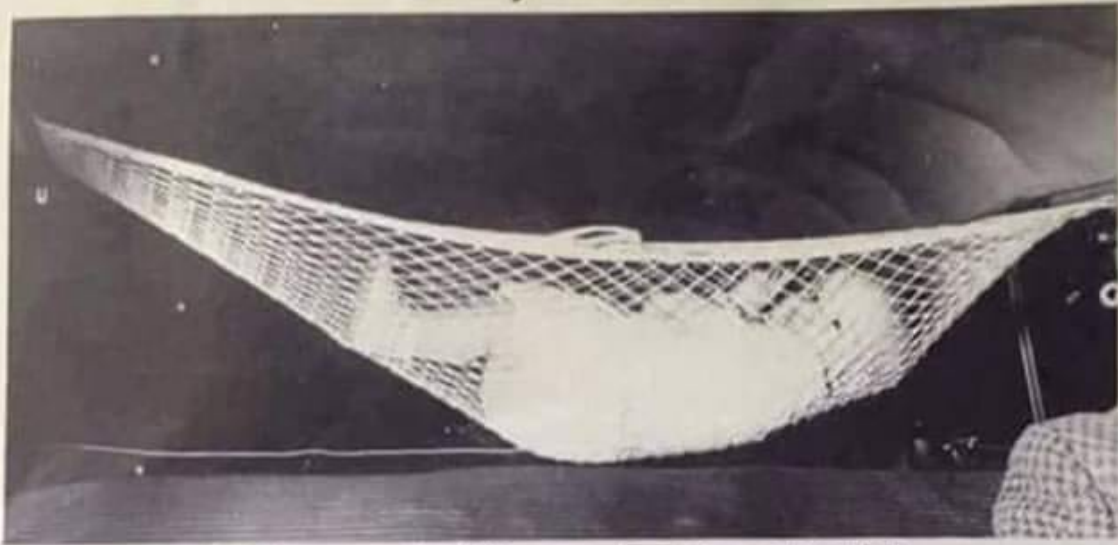
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