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.

COVID Awareness. While the sharing of interests, skills and ideals is encouraged at the shed, one thing we don't want to share is infectious disease. If it is six months or more since your last jab, consider getting a boost.

If you're unwell, please stay away from the shed.

Happenings Around Your Shed.

Shed Open Hours. IMPORTANT - CHANGES WILL BE IMPLEMENTED FOR 2024.

The shed will be closed over the Christmas holiday period. The last day of normal operations for 2023 will be Thursday 14^{th} December. The monthly social afternoon will be on Friday 15^{th} December.

The shed will reopen on Tuesday 9th January 2024.

For a trial period:

Mondays will be dedicated to **maintenance work only**, and the workshops will not be available for usual project work.

Workshops will be open Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays 8:30am - 2:30pm.

Fridays will be dedicated to **social activities** – games, morning tea, lunch etc. depending on members' preferences. Monthly social afternoons (P&C) will be on the Friday following the Monthly Members' Meeting.

Camden Haven Walkers.

On Wednesday 22nd November the Camden Haven Walking group moved their end of year/Christmas party to LMS to avoid threatening weather. This group operates under the umbrella of Heart Foundation Walking and has about 60 active members including several LMS members. Walks range in



difficulty and distance (2-12km). If you're interested in getting some regular exercise by walking on Wednesdays, contact Mike Barrow or Robert Scott.

Maintaining the Shed Facilities.

The Management Committee has prepared a list of tasks required to keep the shed and surrounds in a safe and comfortable condition. You should have recently received an email detailing the jobs to be done. Some are recurring, and others are one off. If you have some spare time, and the ability to contribute on a regular basis, or only occasionally, please talk to the Committee, or drop a note in the Suggestions Box.

Coming Events

LMS Christmas Party.

Friday 8^{th} December at Laurieton United Services Club in Seymour St. Laurieton. Starting time is 12:00 midday in the ANZAC room.

December Monthly Meeting - 10:30am Tuesday 12th December.

THIS IS A WEEK EARLIER THAN USUAL.

At the shed - 164 Diamond Head Road Dunbogan.

After the meeting the usual sausage sangas will be available.

LMS Monthly Social Afternoon (aka P&C) from 12:30pm Friday 15th December.

Also a week earlier this month. A good feed, a drink or two, and good company for a relaxing afternoon with shed mates, all at a bargain price - \$5 gets you pizza and other nibbles and your first drink. Additional drinks are \$2.50 each.

Riverwalk Market Sunday 17th December 8:00am-1:00pm.

Raffles.

Christmas Raffles outside Coles Laurieton and Woolworths Lakewood - 9:00am-3:00pm. Please contact Barry Heginbotham on 0400 968 250 or barryheginbotham@gmail.com if you're available to help.

Choir.

Currently performing a Christmas Carol repertoire at local aged care providers. New members needed - contact Graham King if you're interested.

Computer Group.

Meets on Thursdays (9am-12noon). Help is available with technology issues in mobile phones, tablets, laptop and desktop PCs.

Writing Group.

Thursday mornings 10:00am - 12:00noon. Tony Robinson provides assistance to members wishing to document their memoirs.

Social Friday Mornings.

Commencing Friday 5th January the shed will be open on Friday mornings for social activities only. Workshops will be CLOSED.

This is a regular opportunity to socialise with fellow shed members. Just have a chat with mates over morning tea, play pool, cards or darts, maybe even some computer games or car racing on the driving simulator. Lunch is also an option if there is sufficient interest among the members present on the day.

For a Laugh.





"Okay, Mr. Johnson, during this next part of your exam, you may feel some slight discomfort."



Stay safe over the holiday break.

We live in a time where intelligent people are being silenced so that stupid people won't be offended.



"Is there a reverse switch on the drill?"