

# 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.** News is that COVID infections are declining, nationally, but have increased in our local area in recent months. 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.

### Cluster Meeting.

This meeting was hosted by LMS on Wednesday 27th March. Representatives of about 8 men's sheds from our region, as well as the Australian Men's Shed Association, attended to learn about the experience of nearby sheds. Discussion included challenges facing sheds, and sharing of ideas to resolve them.

Most attendees were impressed by the range of facilities available to LMS members, particularly the Pizza Oven and the pizzas it produced.



Thanks to all the LMS members who contributed to the success of the event.

### Social Pizza Lunch Friday 22nd March.

The usual Pizza, drinks and UNO. Good to see new members getting involved.

### Breaking News

Richard has resigned from the President role. Thanks Richard for your dedication and extraordinary efforts in managing the shed. As per the shed constitution, Vice-President Craig Wilkin will take on the president responsibilities until a new president can be elected.

## **Shavings Content.**

This is your newsletter. It is an opportunity to share your shed experience with fellow members who are not at the shed at the same time as you. If you make something, see something interesting, humorous, or helpful, please send a photo, document copy, or internet link to the Shavings Editor (email in the header of this newsletter) for inclusion in Shavings. Thanks to John Vuke for his contributions in recent months, and Tom Cannon for the cluster meeting photos.

## **Workplace Safety.**

Safety in the LMS workshops and surrounds is everyone's responsibility.

If you see unsafe activity, advise the instigator, and offer to help.

If you get a negative response, advise the Safety Officer - Alan Scott - or a Management Committee member if Alan is not around.

If someone questions the safety of your activities, remember that they are only concerned about YOUR SAFETY.

**Most importantly, if you are unsure about the safe operation of any LMS equipment, ASK FOR HELP.**

## **Coming Events**

**April Monthly Meeting - 10:30am Tuesday 16th April.**

At the shed - 164 Diamond Head Road Dunbogan.

**LMS Monthly Social Afternoon (aka P&C) from 12:30pm Friday 19th April.**

For those who might not know - P&C stands for Pizza and Cards.

A good feed, a drink or two, and good company for a relaxing afternoon with shed mates - usually including a few games of UNO. Price is still \$5 for food plus your first drink, with additional drinks at \$2.50 each.

**Laurieton Riverwalk Markets - Sunday 21st April.**

Exposure for LMS to the local community and visitors. Shed made items for sale, and an opportunity to recruit new members. Extra help always welcome for setup and packup.

## **Choir.**

The search is still on for a replacement for Laurie. If you have some musical talent, and some piano/keyboard skills contact Graham King.

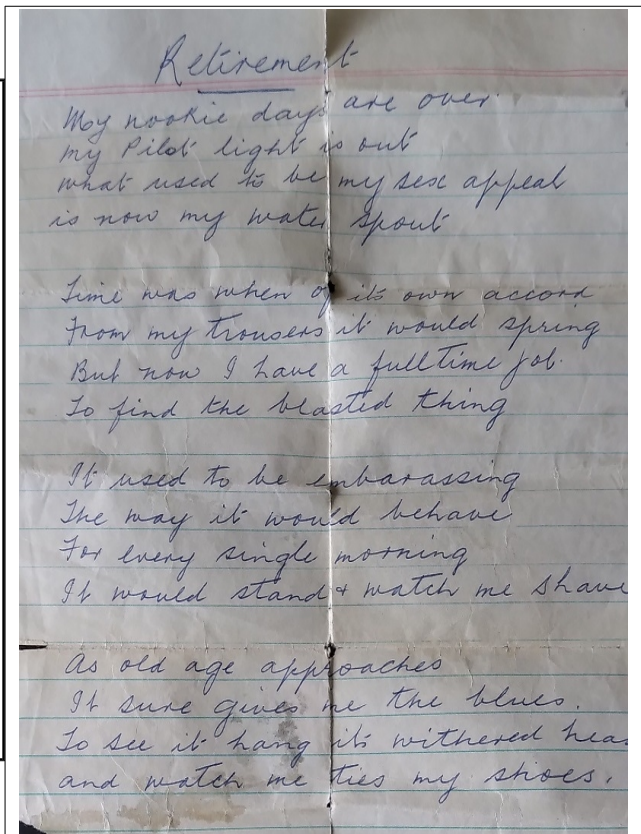
## **Computer Group.**

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

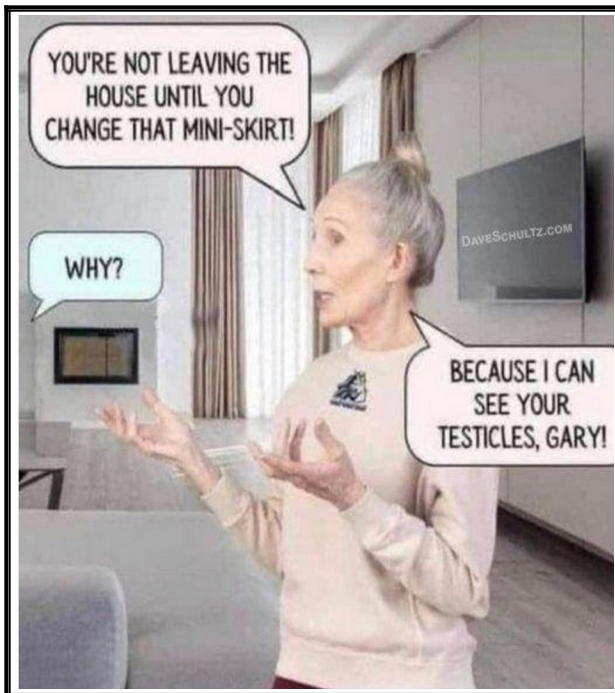
## **Writing Group.**

Thursday mornings 10:00am - 12:00noon. Tony Robinson provides assistance to members wishing to document their memoirs, or need help with other literary works.

## For a Laugh.



An oldie, but a goodie.



## Actual quotes from phone enquiries to the UK Pensioner Help Line.

- I wrote to you three weeks ago and you haven't had the audacity to answer me yet.
- I've been sick - you'll excuse me for ringing in my pyjamas, won't you?
- Hello - I'm a widow and I'm desperate.