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### **Annual General Meeting and Christmas Party**





# The Annual General Meeting (AGM) - Friday, 8th December Please register and note the date of the Annual General Meeting in your diaries

11:00am Friday, 8th December 2022 Venue: Multi Purpose Centre - Jeffress Shed

#### Agenda

Acknowledgements & Welcome
Apologies
Minutes 2022 AGM
Financial Report
President's Report
Election of Management Committee Members
Other Business
Q&A

The AGM will be followed by our Christmas Lunch, provided by the Shed Cooking Group.

Cost - free

Please register on EventBrite. The link is here

### **Shed Management Committee - Nominations**

At the Shed's upcoming AGM on 8th December, all positions on the Management Committee will be declared vacant.

Nominations for Committee membership are called for and if nominations exceed the positions vacant, a ballot will be held at the AGM. Otherwise nominees will be declared Committee members unless there is majority dissent. Only financial members may vote. No proxy or postal votes will be accepted.

Committee meetings are held at two monthly intervals unless pressing business requires additional meetings. The Committee comprises of the President, two Vice Presidents, Treasurer,

Secretary and immediate Past President as well as up to five "ordinary" (nonoffice bearing) members.

Nominations for Committee membership for 2024 are to be submitted prior to the meeting and are to be submitted on the form below. Please submit hand written, signed nomination forms to the Shed Secretary, Mark Champion. They can be placed in the Secretary's tray in the lunch room or scanned copies may be emailed to kushed@bigpond.com. Completed forms can also be posted to The Shed, PO Box 216 Gordon, NSW 2072.

The nomination form can be found <u>HERE</u>. Note that all nominations require a seconder.

Nominations need to be lodged by close of business Friday 1st of December 2023.

Mark Champion (Shed Secretary)

### **End of the Old Year and Start of the New**

The last day for the Shed this year is Thursday the 14th of December.

The Shed will reopen on Monday the 8th of January.

This will be a cleanup day and everyone is invited to get The Shed ready for the new year.

The Committee would like to thank everyone involved in The Shed for an amazing year of activities, projects, training, friendships, shared moments, enhancements and new facilities.

Please have an enjoyable break and we look forward to a bigger and brighter 2024.

#### **Possum Homes For Sale**

The Shed is making possum boxes to the Wires specification.

They are now available, unpainted, for \$50.00.

They have a mounting plate and a hinged lid that can be lifted if the box needs cleaning.

Please send an email to <a href="mailto:kushed@bigpond.com">kushed@bigpond.com</a> for details and to order



### **Shed Welding Course**

The Welding course was an introduction to welding (stick welding), held over four Fridays with four hours of instruction per day. There were six participants, working in pairs using three different welding machines.

The participants were Martin Buddery, Richard Lilischkis, Ted Reid, Adrian Thompson, Matt Caine and Rod Heydon.

The Instructor, Richard Butcher, has qualifications as a welder, boilermaker, blacksmith, metallurgist and senior TAFE lecturer. He spent much of his career at the Eveleigh Railway Sheds. He is a rail enthusiast (especially steam) and an active conservationist of railway heritage. He has also authored books on railways.

As a spritely 87 year old, his welding skills are still in demand, in particular on certain steam locomotives and at the Galston Model Railway.

Mark Restuccia acted in a support role for the course and spent many hours preparing metal that was used during the course.

All the Shedders attending learnt a lot on the course and were kept entertained by the instructors anecdotes. They are probably not yet first pick to weld the AUKUS nuclear submarines, but would have a good shot at repairing their box trailers.

The photos show Richard Lilischkis 'on the job', plus a group photo of Richard, Richard and Martin.

We would like to thank Richard Butcher and Mark Restuccia for making the course such a success





### **The Cooking Group**







The cooking group at work.

John Griffin-Miller learned that it was not a good idea to set up the electric frypan immediately under the smoke detector!

Brian Killen walked in just as it went off and he thought that he had set off the alarm. It was actually propitious because they were unsure what had caused the alarm nor how to turn on the extractor fans.

A twenty dollar fee for food and wine is a great deal these days, even if you do have to cook it yourself!

#### **Offcuts Into Useful Games**



We never waste good timber at the Shed.

The offcuts from the timber that we use to make the native bee boxes are turned into oversize Jenga sets for kids in need.

The first recipients are The National Centre for Childhood Grief and Cromehurst School.

Cromehurst School caters for students from the age of 4 to the completion of year 12 in the

moderate to severe range of intellectual disability.

We are happy to receive requests for similar needs but volume available is limited by the offcuts available from the Bee Box team.

### **The AMSA Shed Wireless Podcasts**

The AMSA Shed Wireless Podcasts are regular Podcasts presented by John Paul Young They discuss topics of interest to AMSA members



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