

# Kushed Bulletin

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## Annual General Meeting – 13 December 2016



Link to the [abbreviated slide presentation](#) to highlight the points below.

During his welcome our President Paul acknowledged those who passed away, our supporters and our donors who so generously donated to our Shed not only in a monetary sense but also in equipment and materials.

After the welcome our Treasurer Don demonstrated that under his first year's reign the financials are healthier than ever. Don assures us that we haven't paid for his overseas trip next year but a full audit can be expected when he is away!!

Our President followed with:

- An update of the Shed Extension project.
- Details of our membership growth and the continued and increasing need for our Shed and the Shed movement in general in our community.
- Successful Grants this year were received from Ku-ring-gai Council and Bendigo Bank - their continued support is so much appreciated and allows us to continue and further develop the services we offer to the Ku-ring-gai Community.

- The "**Real Men's Cookbook**", courtesy of a Grant by Bendigo Bank is taking shape under the inspiration of Bruce Donnelley and expert guidance from our Cooking Class supremo Ruth Fulton.
- The successful issue of 16 Bulletins over the last 12 months. The membership unanimously voted to continue with this most worthwhile broadcast of the activities in our Shed. Both Hetta Mollema and Mark Champion were thanked for their tireless efforts and contribution to make the Bulletin happen.
- Commissioned Work was displayed in a number PowerPoint slides and appreciation expressed to members for their ongoing support to raise funds for our Shed ensuring our continued financial viability. It is really appreciated by all, and members are encouraged to follow suit in the spirit of our voluntary community contributions.
- Plans for 2017 followed with a reminder to the membership to use equipment only if accredited thus avoiding others being left with time consuming repairs - a slide demonstrated what did happen. Members were reminded to clean up after using benches and equipment and help out others in doing so.
- Plans for 2017 also included a Health Forum and a number of Training Fridays of which the details will be released in the coming months.
- Note that the Shed is closed from Thursday 15 December and will re-open on Monday 9 January 2017.
- The election of Office Bearers resulted in the following re-election of the Committee.
  - **President** - Paul Schiebaan
  - **Immediate Past President** - Kevin Callinan
  - **Vice Presidents** - Tony Varrall and Stephen Lloyd
  - **Secretary** - Malcom Bailey
  - **Treasurer** - Don Crocker
  - **Committee Members** - Mike Schwarz and Rob Lander
- Chris Drake and Geoff Greenwell resigned from the Committee for personal reasons, and were thanked for their unique contributions to the Committee, the general well-being of the Shed and commissioned work. The hope was expressed for them to continue to do so in the future. Geoff will continue to manage the maintenance of our equipment and the associated ordering of parts and consumables.



### External Awards Received in 2016

- **Ku-ring-gai Australia Day Award** for the Shed for Outstanding Services to the Community.
- **Mayoral Awards** for both Kevin Jeffres and Mike Vernon for their unique contributions to the Shed and the wider community with in addition Mike for his over 40 years' voluntary work at the Rural Fire Service.

## Shed Lifetime Awards



- **Lifetime Award** for Kevin Jeffres for his services to the Shed and his involvement with many community projects.
- **Lifetime Award** for Peter Stehn for his tireless work in managing the computer network and setting up and maintaining our databases and financial systems.
- The first **Outstanding Services to the Shed & the Community** was given to Geoff Greenwell for his quiet and often unnoticed dedication to keeping everything running at our shed since he joined in 2011. Geoff quickly became a Coordinator in 2012 and has continued repairing and maintaining everything superbly for us ever since.

The President then closed the AGM after asking the Members to applaud themselves for having made 2016 such a great Shed year.

## Special Guests



Over lunch we welcomed our special guests (L to R)

- Sharon Franke - Bendigo Bank Lindfield and Turrumurra Community Development Manager.
- Dean Castell - Branch Manager - Bendigo Bank Lindfield and Turrumurra who had the honour of drawing the winning ticket of the raffle they so kindly and generously donated. The winner was Derek Lawson (also pictured).
- Patrick Corrigan - Ku-ring-gai Council, St Ives Precinct Coordinator - who gave an update of the progress on the License Agreement and DA.
- Johnathan O'Dea - State Member for Davidson who spoke of his continued support of the Shed and the need for the unique services its provide.
- Danny Houseas (not pictured) - Ku-ring-gai Council Manager Community - who brought some fantastic sweets (also not pictured)

- Mark Taylor (also not pictured) - Ku-ring-gai Council Manager Property

Their ongoing support, and that of the organisations they represent, is so much appreciated and we look forward to further cement these in 2017. Hopefully, we can very soon invite them for the sod turning celebration of our extension.

The Lunch menu was finally displayed with some members salivating at just the thought of it.

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## Christmas Lunch



### Christmas lunch menu:

- **Entree**
  - Devils on Horseback
  - Smoked Salmon on French Bread
  - Vegetarian Frittata
- **Main**
  - Chicken, Ham and Rissoles
  - Greek Salad
  - Roasted Chat Potatoes
  - Coleslaw
- **Desert**
  - Mince Tarts
  - Shortbread
  - Fresh Fruit Platter
  - Augmented by Bob Lion's fruit cake



Given the hot day, the refreshments organised by Stephen at the "**Cut and Hammered**" bar were very welcome.

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## The Cooking Team



The Cooking Team did an outstanding job and the delicacies were very well presented.

Ruth, our cooking group instructor, was presented by the outgoing cooking coordinator, Linton Scott, with a drawing of her ALDI shopping forays in appreciation of her wonderful work with the cooking boys.

Bruce Donnelley is the new cooking coordinator. and the editor of our new "**Real Men's Cookbook**" currently being cooked up.

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## Reindeer Auction

The reindeer 3D jigsaws, made and donated to the Shed by Lyn and Keith, raised \$100 at auction.

Dean, from the Bendigo Bank, succeeded in putting one reindeer together, almost.



## World's longest Men's Shed Christmas lunch table.



Our luncheon table size lays claim to the

### ***"World's Looooooongest Men's Shed Christmas Lunch Table"***

for the Guinness Book of Records, application pending.

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### **In Summary**

It was a very successful AGM and Christmas party with all those helping and making it a great day.

**A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL!!**

**To all our members and supporters:**

***A Merry Xmas and a Happy and above all, a Healthy 2017***

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