

Kushed Bulletin

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AGM & Management Committee Announcement

The Management Committee has decided to postpone our 2020 Annual General Meeting whilst Covid restrictions for group gatherings apply and given that no suitable local venue is accessible. (refer to NSW Fair Trading edict dated 21 May 2020).

Further it is proposed that as we have been able to include all of the nominated members for our next committee, which falls within that allowed by our constitution, that they take up caretaker positions from the 25th September when the AGM was originally scheduled and given they could have been declared elected without the need for a ballot.

A later issue of the Bulletin will provide links to the Shed website with the President's Annual report, the Annual Accounts, and a general update on Shed issues.

The Management Committee proposed is:

Tony Varrall – Joint Acting President

Brian Killen – Joint Acting President

Mark Champion – Secretary

Andrew Killen – Treasurer

Stephen Lloyd – Immediate Past President

Kevin Callinan – Committee

Mal Bailey – Committee

Max Elliot – Committee

Bob Lions – Committee

Ray McKay – Committee

Back at the Shed

Being able to attend the Shed under COVID Safe conditions has for many members been a great boost towards a form of normality.

Despite being restricted by the need for social distancing, the wearing of face masks and the need for cleaning surfaces etc., currently members are enjoying the usual access to equipment and the usual camaraderie with fellow workers.

Members need to book a place in advance, **as required under COVID conditions**, and to that end a simple guide to booking online is provided in the link below.

The procedure is quite simple once you get the hang of it and provides you with assurance of securing your chosen location to work safely.

We respect your stance if you choose not to attend for the time being, but will miss you regardless and hope and trust it will not be too long until you join us again. Stay safe and well.

To book a ticket go to:

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/kushed-tickets-108801054884>

For help with a booking go to:

<http://www.kushed.org.au/Web-files/Eventbrite-Bookings-Availability-Check.pdf>

COVID regulations

The COVID restriction regulation is more closely policed following new legislation. Breaches are subject to significant fines for the organisation plus \$1000 fines for individuals.

It is therefore imperative that members register on-line and on arrival at the Shed, sign in with their name and contact details as well as the daily register in the lunch room. Visitors and member short stays must also sign in. Members who have not registered on line may be turned away if numbers exceed the allowance. Please help to keep you and others safe and avoid being fined.



New Members



The organising Committee and other Shed members of the Ku-ring-gai Community Workshop, "The Shed", welcome you all. We hope that you will enjoy the camaraderie and skills that you will see, and use, during your time spent at the shed. If you have any concerns, or needs, please approach one of the coordinators on your days of attendance. You will find that they will be only too happy to assist.

Robert COLE
Jose DA SILVA
Phiroze DEVITRE
John HIGGINBOTTOM

David MacCOLL
Dennis MITCHELL
Peter SADLER
Lex WILSON

Subscriptions are Due

A friendly reminder is issued to all who haven't got around to paying their annual subscription. Whilst the Shed has suffered a shutdown up until recently, the fixed overheads naturally continue, so member's support in this regard is still vitally important.



The Management Committee has taken every possible step to ensure the ongoing viability of the Shed, however the reliance on a healthy membership is all the more important.

Subscriptions of \$75 can be paid at the Shed in cash or cheque, or otherwise by Electronic Funds Transfer via:

Ku-ring-gai Community Workshop
BSB: 633 000
A/c 135768430

Be sure to quote your invoice number if you have it or identify the payment with your name so we know who you are.

Transport requested

A 93-year gent, in very good health according to his daughter, has moved down from Queensland and is looking for some company. He would be prepared to come and go to the Shed as necessary if someone could be his wheels. He has been interested in wood working for many years and can look after himself. He is prepared to be a fully paid up member. He lives in Lindfield. Contact Rob Lander by phone: 0431 161 061 if you can help, and he will pass on further detail of his daughter who will arrange timing etc



We are proposing a Shed art group for those interested. This is to establish a new monthly creative group activity at the Shed, and maybe help expand your art talents or learn new ones. We propose to hold this on a regular chosen Friday and run for several hours, including stopping for the usual Shed morning tea and lunch. Possibly we could participate as an indoor or outside activity.

Each participant is to bring their own art materials, easel if needed and subject matter of choice. It will be open to all mediums, in drawing or painting; watercolour, oils, acrylics, charcoal, pencil, ink, multimedia etc, this will be your choice. Possibly your works of art could be later framed within the Shed using our picture framing facilities.

Your current skill and experience levels are not important, as this is a joint social activity with varying levels of capability to potentially share with one other.

We will operate under current Covid protocols with registration and guidelines, and the usual \$3 attendance fee will apply.

If interested please fill in the Shed Art Interest Group Form located in the Shed dining room. We will be in contact once a list of interested members is formed.

Bruce Donnelley - Coordinator

Shed Bushcare Group



The last working bee was on Tuesday 1st September, with six enthusiastic Shed volunteers. We hand weeded from the northern site, removing Paspalum and Parramatta grass.

Several native shrubs were flowering along with small native shrubs naturally sprouting. A good sign as the site is not disturbed by human traffic, only Wallabies who frequent the site for food.

Later we transferred three native shrubs and five juvenile eucalyptus trees to this site from the proposed Shed office site.

Shed members are welcome to hand water these additions as they need regular watering for plants to establish, particularly as we approach summer



Shed Closed for Road Works

As you may be aware, upgrade works to the main loop road at the St Ives Showground are currently in progress.

As part of these works, asphalt is scheduled to be laid over a period of 4

days during the times detailed below (weather permitting):

Monday, 21 September 2020
Tuesday, 22 September 2020
Wednesday, 23 September 2020
Thursday, 24 September 2020

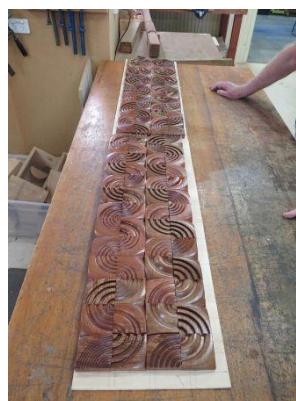
As there will be a significant number of vehicles and trucks on site, the Showground is required to be closed to all hirers, licensees and the general public during this time. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause to you.

It means that the Shed will be closed during this period.

What We Do



Doug has carved an owl from a solid piece of tree trunk and shaped the wings from another piece of wood. Intending to deliver finished result to a relative in Spain himself, the pandemic put a stop to that. The image on the right shows the owl in flight training. He is now devising a method to dismantle it for parcel post packaging and it to be re-assembled by the recipient. All this using a photograph of an owl as inspiration for his creation.



Dick has made an art work named **“Shore Break”** from numerous wood lathe turned wood tiles. By arranging them in a particular order, it represents an incoming wave breaking on the shore Hence the title.



John is repairing a backpack on our sewing machine, a handy skill.

Left or Right-Handed Thread

Why do threads usually turn clockwise to tighten. A recent article in the New Scientist, 4 April 2020, sheds some light on this.

The article argues that as we rotate our right-hand in a clockwise direction to tighten a screw it is assisted by our biceps muscle, whereas in the anti-clockwise direction it does not use them. It gives extra strength to tightening a fixture. The opposite is the case in the left-hand. With 85% of the world population being right-handed, it gives credence to the preference of clockwise tightening of bolts and nuts. You can readily verify this yourself. Apologies to left-handed people.

Notices

Ku-ring-gai Council



- **Dementia Awareness Week**

Small Actions: Big Difference with Professor Susan Kurrle Md, PhD – Free webinar in Dementia Awareness Week

Professor Susan Kurrle, an eminent voice on dementia, will discuss the small actions people can take that could make a big difference to the lives of people living with dementia.

Date: Wednesday 23 September

Time: 12pm to 1pm

Cost: Free

Booking: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/prof-susan-kurrle-dementia-webinar-small-actions-big-differences-tickets-117482726999>

- **Energy and water saving, rebates and assistance**

Speakers from the Energy and Water Ombudsman NSW (EWON) and Sydney Water will discuss the help available from government and retailers, particularly during Covid-19 and beyond, and what you can do at home to reduce your energy use; the Sydney Water Bill Assist Program

Date: Tuesday 29 September

Time: 10.30am to 12pm

Cost: Free

Booking:

<https://bookings.kmc.nsw.gov.au/CoursesandEvents/StandardTicketBookingProcess/ViewEventDetails/50914865>

The webinars will be held on Zoom, with the opportunity to submit typed questions during the webinar. Log-in details will be emailed to those on the booking list before the date.

If you are unable to attend on the day, you can book in and receive a copy of the webinar by email after the event.

Feel free to contact me for more information

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The next issue of The Shed Wireless, Episode 4 | Season 2, can be accessed at:

<https://mensshed.org/theshedwireless/>

With special guest Colin Hay

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