

Kushed Bulletin

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Quarterly BBQ

Time again to get together, have a feed and chat with your fellow Shedders

Friday, 23rd July 2021

Starting at 11:15 am

Venue: Multi-Purpose Centre – The Shed

We will have a special guest from Ku-ring-gai Council to provide an interesting and informative presentation

The program will be

- 11:15 Arrive for 11:30 start
- 11:30 Presentation
- 12:00 Nibbles and Drinks
- 12:30 Lunch

The cost of the meal and drinks is **\$10**.

This is being partly subsidised by a generous donation from Ku-ring-gai Council

A raffle will be held. All proceeds to the Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Women's Shelter

For Catering purposes, please enter your name in the invitation sheet in the lunchroom or respond back to kushed@bigpond.com

Dust Extraction - The Next Phase



Thanks to a very generous grant from the NSW government, organised by AMSA, we were able to buy the parts to automate the dust extraction for the wood machine area.

A working bee on the 4th of June saw the installation of the sensors and blast gates.

This means that every time a machine such as the table saw or band saw is started, the gate to the dust system automatically opens and the dust extractor starts.

These continue to run for fifty seconds after the machine stops, then closes

Next areas for automating and dust extraction improvements are the sanding and wood turning areas

Thank you to Brian K, Mal C, Bob L , Geoff G and Mark C for their efforts on the day

This is also a group effort, with Kevin C and Rob G involved in the design of our dust collection strategy



The photo shows Geoff G, wielding the worlds longest vacuum wand, cleaning 10 years of accumulated dust and chips from the Dust Extraction pipes.

Some of the pipes were a third full of chips, severely reducing the performance

Member Profile - Brian Killin



Our President - Brian Killin

Brian was born in 1948 and grew up in Gladesville with three siblings in a modest two bedroom fibro house that his father built.

He received Commonwealth Scholarships at Drummoyne Boys High School and then for Sydney University where he graduated in Electrical Engineering.

He worked his way through University as a psychiatric nurse at Gladesville Hospital during university holidays.

His first professional job was designing communications interfaces for minicomputers used in On Course Totalisator Systems.

He then joined ADE importing and distributing the various peripherals such as core memory, tape and disk drives, printers and communications.

Brian then set up his own company and focussed on pioneering new developments in the computer industry, travelling many times each year to trade shows in the USA and identifying emerging companies and technologies.

He identified and signed Novell Inc. when they were just 17 people and set up distribution in Australia and New Zealand. This business grew very rapidly, quickly dominating the networking market.

The company was sold to Datamatic Ltd, an ASX listed company, in 1988. Brian was soon appointed as Managing Director.

A series of concurrent personal and business setbacks saw Brian reset his life. A new marriage and a new outlook ensued.

Another company was set up to focus on bringing the computer and communications technology to industrial markets with the aim being personal satisfaction rather than growth and profit.

The company was sold in 2010 and Brian retired to international travel and boating.

In more recent years his interests have been in community support for the ageing through Probus and the Shed.

Brian and his wife, Julie, share six children and fifteen grandchildren

The Land Care Group Fires Up



You will have noticed some cordoned off areas around the Shed

Bruce D and the Landcare group sprayed these areas with weed killer over the past few weeks

This will remove noxious weeds in anticipation of replanting with native ground covers and shrubs

All the plantings will be of species that resist bushfires

Phil P and Dion O are dab hands with a star picket driver



New Members

Our new Shed members are:

Peter Landis

Idris Chandler - Cooking Instructor Honorary member.

Adrian Thompson

Ross Kennedy

Michael Bennett-Williams

Alf Zawadzki

The organising Committee and other Shed members of the Ku-ring-gai Community Workshop, "The Shed", welcome you.

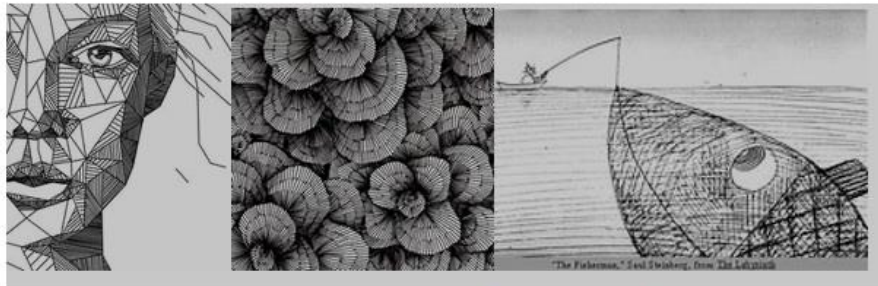
We hope that you will enjoy the camaraderie and skills in the Shed. If you have any concerns, or needs, please approach one of the coordinators on your days of attendance. You will find that they will be only too happy to assist.

The Art Group

The Shed Art Interest Group



- ☯ Our fortnightly friendly Friday Shed art group meets on every second Friday with the usual morning tea and lunch breaks
- ☯ Maybe this will help expand your unknown art talents or learn new ones, as an indoor or outside activity – *a quiet environment no Shed machine noise*
- ☯ Each participant brings their own art materials, open to all mediums, in drawing, painting, sculpture or mixed media - your choice of creativity
- ☯ 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 others



Next meeting Friday 25th June

10am to 2pm



The Cooking Group



The Cooking Group is now back into full swing after the interruptions of last year.

Our instructor Idris continues to produce some wonderful recipes and last Friday was no exception.

The entree of Vegetable Curry Puffs presented a challenge for those with less than nimble fingers trying to pinch the pastry edged closed, but the end product was well worth the effort.

The main of Double-Cooked Sticky Pork Ribs was sensational and this was topped off with Strawberry & Cream Roll Cake.

Where else can you get a comparable 3 course lunch with a glass (or 2) of wine, tuition and wonderful camaraderie for just \$20? With group numbers now at 12 we could accept only one or two new members.

Please contact Max Elliot at Kushed@bigpond.com if you are interested in joining up



Notices

The Traditional Tools Group

This group is for anyone interested in traditional tools and skills
Their website is tttg.org.au

Nuts and Bolts - The magazine of AMSA

The June Magazine is [here](#)

The Latest Episode of The Shed Wireless Podcast

The latest podcase is [here](#)

AMSA - Men's Shed Online

Have you looked at the AMSA Shed Online?

There is a wonderful resource for Shedders [here](#)

The goal of The AMSA Shed Online is help people connect in the same way they do at the shed – over a cuppa and a laugh. We hope you're here to share information, ideas and make connections with your fellow shedders around the world. Anyone can contribute comments to the blog posts and participate in conversations on the discussion forums. But, you will need to join the site first – [click here to register](#). We have also created some [Online Discussion Forum Tips](#) to help you settle in.

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