

# Kushed Bulletin

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## Charity Continues at the Shed

President Stephen is pleased to report that members of "The Shed" have contributed to three important charities in recent times.

- **Bendigo Bank's "Buy a Bale"** fund raising was supported by money raised from the seasonal barbeque raffles.
- **Bushfire Relief managed by Bendigo Bank** and matched dollar for dollar with the \$1650 donated by members.
- **Hornsby & Ku-ring-gai Women's Shelter** gratefully accepted a top-line Fisher & Pykel dishwasher for their premises. Two Shed members have volunteered to install the machine. The \$720 to pay for it was raised from the AGM, Christmas lunch and most recent barbeque.

The Management Committee is very grateful to all members who have participated and contributed to these causes.

## Shed BBQ

The Shed will hold a BBQ on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March starting at 12:00.  
Cost is \$15 all inclusive.

Please sign the register on the Lunch table at the Shed to help with the catering.



## Working in the dark

Monday 10 February saw a shed without power. The storm over the Sydney area damaged the power grid over part of the upper north shore and, together with many others, the Shed lost power. The members improvised and managed to brew a cuppa on the gas BBQ and had a social meeting instead. Power was restored on Tuesday morning.



## "New" Lathe



The Shed was the lucky recipient of a donated Lorch lathe. While some felt it was not needed, it has long been evident that we need a second metal lathe to allow for multiple turning operators at the same time. This is required when jobs have to remain set up for extended operations as the metal lathes are unlike wood lathes, in that it is sometimes not so easy to remove work and put it back in the lathe again, to complete it at a later stage.

This German made 1970's machine comes with a multitude of accessories. It was used at Zeiss lens factory. The power requirement is 415V. The owner is in his eighties and is relocating so, reluctantly, had to find a new home for it. We thank him for his generous donation.

The delivery was poetry in motion under the expert guidance of Mal.





## Coach Brake

John is consulting David on the design and fabrication of a custom-built hand brake for a coach. This is a complex assembly with different metals. It has a square thread cut into it.

## Shed Bushcare Group



Our last working bee was on 18th February with five volunteers, working the southern Bushcare site near the Dog Park.

We removed Paspalum and some Kikuyu grass weeds. Fortunately, recent heavy rain made weed removal easier, from the damp ground.

The photo is of willing volunteers, Ray, Bruce, Rob, Tony and Warren. More Shed volunteers are welcome to this important monthly gathering. You will be helping in the general restoration of the bushland surrounding our Shed. Training is provided on the job.

## Cooking Group February



The Cooking Group resumed its monthly lunchtime classes on Friday 21st February under the expert instruction of Dani and Idris. Eleven enthusiastic members enjoyed preparing, cooking and eating another stunning 3-course lunch. Next month the Cooking Group will be hosting a member's BBQ on Friday 20th March.

If any Shed members would like to join us at our monthly gatherings then please contact Max Elliot by email at [max-elliott@bigpond.com](mailto:max-elliott@bigpond.com).

The photos are of entree preparation and enjoying the main course.



## Pymble Public School Benches

Some time ago we made a number of seating benches at the Shed for Pymble Public School. Bruce was at the school to watch his granddaughter swim recently and the tables we made are in the foreground. Good to see them in use.

## Why Men Need Toolboxes

For a bit of a laugh watch this video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oe8rAnL0Xu4>

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