



Monash Men's Shed Inc. at Bogong Reserve,
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Annual General Meeting

This year's Annual General Meeting will be held on Australia Day, January the 26th at 11am at Bogong Hall. This meeting will determine how the shed will run in the coming year. Celebrations for Australia day will also be held on this day which will include food and drink. In this meeting members will be able to hear about the shed operations and finances along with the plans and goals for the year. Sheddors will also be able to elect and approve the year's committee members. Nomination forms for committee members can be found at the shed and via email. Celebrate your Australia day with your mates while supporting the future of the Monash Mens shed!



An Interview with Colin Mackenzie



Our own Gardening extraordinaire Colin Mackenzie who has been hard at work maintaining our shed plot will be doing a talk on Friday the 28th of January. Nuts and Bolts caught up with Colin to give you an insight in to the man behind the magnolias! Colin has had a passion for gardening ever since growing up on a farm in Wimmera in the 1940s. With over 70 years of gardening knowledge, his skills mainly lie in the care of vegetables and fruit. He thinks there is no greater feeling than going out to your garden and picking something that's fresh and ready to eat. Colin believes the shed garden is something for the shed to be proud of and that it will hopefully serve as a source of inspiration. Colin is a proud member of the Waverley Garden Club, Camelia Club and Dhalia club, and with a lifetime of experience Colins presentation is not to be missed. The talk will be held in Bogong hall on the 28th where a brunch will be provided. See you there for an informative gardening masterclass!

Learn to play Whist!

Shedder Vince Shevlin is going to be running weekly sessions playing the card game Whist. Whist is a 4 player card game that is similar to bridge using tricks but without bidding. The sessions will be open to all, from complete beginners willing to learn to those familiar with the game. Speak to Vince or Aden for more information.

Birthday Boys

Happy Birthday to the following shedders!



Russel Painter 13th Les Cowell 17th Vince Shevlin 22nd
 Joe Goddard 11th Mike Wilson 15th Joe Stephanian-Fard 19th
 Arthur Sakellaris 12th Ian Wakefield 26th Ray Upton 6th
 John Nehez 23rd Keith Harvey 21st Franklin Ness 10th

Christmas Lunch

Our Christmas lunch was a great success with over 90 people in attendance including the Mayor of Monash Stuart James and Matt Fregon our State Member of Parliament. Our Shedders enjoyed an expertly prepared Christmas lunch and pudding as well as a raffle with prizes provided by our thoughtful sponsors at Australian Unity and First National. Many thanks to Tony Vitarelli and the Catering team, as well as those that helped organise and setup for a very festive afternoon!



Aden Green Award from Victoria Police



Our Coordinator Aden Green recently received an award from the Victorian Police for his help with consulting in regards to Detectives undergoing specialised training. These awards are only given to a few members of the community for helping with police matters. His experiences will aid the Police bringing criminals to justice and his contributions will result in a more aware and safer community. Feel free to chat with Aden if you would like to know more about his endeavors helping the police.

Pitch it Program

Last year, shedders Phil and Daniel, along with our President Greg Male and coordinator Aden Green took part in the Bendigo Banks "Pitch it" program. This program required us to create a video to inform the bank of the sheds needs. 12 community organisations were chosen as finalists including ours and our video managed to provide us \$6600 for new tools! The shedders involved put a lot of work in to the video, feel free to give it a watch by clicking the following link. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1V95HSCIf6c>



How Well Do You Know This Place? (Part 2)

Shedder Geoff Gaylard has put together a quiz to determine how well you know Australia. Test your knowledge with the following questions, the answers will be put in next months Nuts n Bolts!

1. The westernmost point Australian territory is:

- a) Rottnest Island,
- b) Steep Point, Western Australia,
- c) Flat Island.

2. The northernmost point of Australia is:

- a) The tip of Cape York Peninsula,
- b) Bramble Cay,
- c) Christmas Island.

3. The highest natural point in Australia is:

- a) Mawson Peak,
- b) Mount Kosciuszko,
- c) Mount Erebus

4. Sometimes termed the “world’s largest island” and sometimes as the “smallest continent”, Australia is, in terms of total area the :

- a) ninth largest land mass
- b) twelfth largest land mass
- c) sixth largest land mass

5. Victoria achieved separation from the colony of New South Wales and Melbourne boomed at an unprecedented rate because of the Victorian gold rushes of the latter half of the 1800s. At what rate was gold produced at that time?

- a) at up to 250 kilograms per year
- b) at up to almost 95,000 kilograms per year
- c) at up to 2,000 kilograms per year

6. Each state has official floral, faunal, avian and piscatorial emblems.

Which of the following groups of emblems is Victoria’s?

- a) Waratah, Platypus, Kookaburra, Blue groper
- b) Pink heath, Leadbeater’s possum, Helmeted honeyeater, Weedy seadragon
- c) Sturt’s desert pea, Southern hairy-nosed wombat, Piping shrike, Leafy seadragon

7. Excluding insects, how many different types of living creatures are there in Australia?

- a) About 1,700
- b) Slightly more than 4,000
- c) Close to 150,000

8. In 1977 a plebiscite was held to choose a national song. “Advance Australia Fair” was chosen as the winner and replaced “God Save the Queen” as the Australian national anthem.

Who wrote this song?

- a) Australian Dame Nellie Melba
- b) Scotsman Peter Dodds McCormick
- c) Irishman Sean Daragh O’Malley

Answers to last month’s questions: 1)b 2)a 3)a 4)b 5)c 6)c 7)c 8)a

Email in your submissions to the newsletter to danielroper2522@gmail.com

it could be shed related or a photo of something you've made, something significant that has happened in your life or even a joke or fact you would like to share. Anything you like.

We would love to hear from you!

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