



March 2024

Events in March

11th.U3A Armadale
"Mammals" course.

21st. Waterwheel
Caravanners leave on
their next trip.

28th Management
Committee meeting

30th Last Saturday of
the month is sausage
sizzle time at the
Shed with our own Ian
Charlesworth as
guest speaker.

This month's birthdays

Jeff Cairns

Craig Clark

Lick Hamstra

Mike O'Neill

George Oselton

Your Committee

Phil Aked Pres.

Ronnie Hansen VP

Henry Zelones Tr.

Ian Hafekost Sec.

Murray Hight

John Stenhouse

Graham Hantler

Stephen Hughes

Matters arising from February's management meeting:

Logos for our sponsor Roleystone Real Estate are now available for sewing onto the right breast of your shirt. See John Stenhouse for your logo badge. Malcolm has offered to sew the badges on for those of us without nimble fingers.

Phil will be researching the best way for us to sell items made in the Shed online.

We have been paid for the possum and bat boxes but Landcare SJ still have to collect. Phil will be offering to deliver them - for a price!

Once the workshop is clear of the boxes we will be ordering in six sheets of plywood at a competitive price negotiated by Stephen Hughes.

Appointment of a Shed member to organise the next Christmas function will be made at our May committee meeting. So, any of you keen to use your organisational skills, make yourself known to a committee member.

We are waiting for approval from the WA Planning Commission for construction of our car port and placement of a sea container in the garden area. This is a requirement for any Crown Land - which our Shed sits on.

The Shed will be hosting the next Men's Shed WA Zone Meeting on Wednesday the 3rd of April.

Ronnie has booked us into the Bedforddale Market on the 13th of April. She would appreciate at least a couple of shedders to help her on the day. So please let her know if you can help.

Phil will be arranging to buy a pull-up banner for the Shed.

As part of our succession planning, Jack Dowling has been co-opted onto the management committee as Assistant Treasurer.

Ronnie organised a Ladies' group meeting on the 28th of February with nine attendees. The group is looking to expand its activities, beyond meeting over coffee and cake. If any of your partners are interested in joining the Ladies' group then let Ronnie know.



Our February Guest Speaker

Jaxson Ashley, Senior Project Officer at Men's Sheds WA, made his first visit to Waterwheel Community Shed. He joined us for morning tea (above) and then gave a presentation on MSA. There are around 7,000 shedders in over 180 sheds in WA. Jaxson gave us a run down on what MSA does and the benefits for members of belonging to their local shed.

Jaxson also gave us a rundown of the findings from the Thriving Shed Project that MSA had been jointly involved in with Curtin University. The main conclusion was that Men's Sheds are a practical and effective resource for promoting wellbeing in older men.

On the left below we have Jaxson giving his presentation and on the right Neil is waiting for those missing customers at Roleystone Market on Sunday the 24th of February.



Stop Press

The Waterwheel Caravanners leave on the 21st of March for their next trip. It's not too late to join them. Contact Graham Hantler as soon as possible.

Days open	14
Attendances	228
Av.attendance	16
Other groups	1

If you have any news you want to share with the Shed then please send it to me. The deadline is the 28th of March.

Ian (Secretary)