

# Alex Hills Men's Shed Monthly (we hope) Male

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## Lease arrangement for AHMS

Back in April this year Redland City Council visited our Shed and discussed with committee members what areas we would like to be included in our ten (10) year lease arrangement. With the weather behaving itself, Bec Patterson, Haleel Rane, Angela Wright & Lea Moior were given a tour of our sheds and surrounding area. The committee was then informed that AHMS now has more area than previously believed. This makes us all happy chappies. The council representatives then went on to advise that gardens of vegetables or flowering types would be encouraged.

AHMS committee have been assured that the leasing process although being drawn out should be finalised by mid. October.



(Photo courtesy of roving journalist "Parko" Parkyn)

#### **Project in progress**

A lot of time and effort has gone into this latest project from dedicated AHMS members, that being, the Shed vehicle and fridge storage area. But this is just the tip of the iceberg as the finished article will be a decking over the top with railings and built-in bench seating. It is planned that access to the decking will be via the Social Building ramp and side doorway.

#### **Mark Wilson**

It is with much sadness that we inform you of the passing of AHMS member Mark Wilson who passed away on 16<sup>th</sup> June this year, A hand written letter from his daughter Jodie Wilson was received explaining how much her father had enjoyed being a member of our shed and of what it meant to him. On behalf of AHMS President Peter Baldwin recently delivered a signed card and pen & pencil set to his family.



#### It's just not Cricket

Ah, but yes it is. It's a bit like back yard cricket with a few rules thrown in said one of the players. With this low impact game of 20/20 cricket that is now in its' third year, we recently had our third annual cricket match. This was the second year running that AHMS (pictured above) faced off against a team from the Donald Simpson Community centre. The first match back in 2014 was won by our shedders against a combined team from RDCOTA, Cleveland United Men's Shed & Redland Bay Men's Shed. This year's match was held on Wednesday 17th August during Seniors Week and the Olympic saga period in Rio, before the disabled Olympic Games events, all of which do have some rules and regulation.



A special thanks goes to Chee for his enduring umpiring in keeping the game on an even keel. The "Ashes" it was not, but fun prevailed and next year (with a bit of luck) **we** may be the winners and grinners.



#### Brian is poles ahead

To keep the Flag flying these days and with Christmas just around the corner, the mast outside the main workshop has been lowered and re rigged (thanks Brian) so we can fly the Australian National Flag, the Queensland State Flag and the Shed Flag altogether in their appropriate positions.

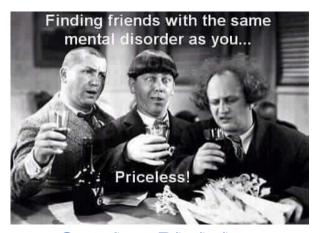
While the excavation building project has been going on, the layout of the grounds has been tendered and grass sowed to green the area. New paving to widen the path entry and a retaining wall with a fantastic bench seat all courtesy of Frank – who we won't mention...opps.

### Friday arvo social gathering

We had our 2<sup>nd</sup> social gathering at the shed last Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept. of which was slightly down in

numbers compared to the previous gathering.
Organiser David Smith said that even though the numbers were down it didn't impact on the enthusiasm for the food, drinks and topics of conversation. So keep an eye out for the next one.





#### October Birthdays

Peter Burton - 21<sup>st</sup> 1963 - 53 Del Saunders - 10<sup>th</sup> 1922 - 94 Bo Sorensen - 2<sup>nd</sup> 1939 - 77 Gary Stone - 1<sup>st</sup> 1950 - 66 Phillip Walker - 24<sup>th</sup> 1949 - 67 Ben Warner - 18<sup>th</sup> 1950 - 66

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