



# Alexandra Hills Men's Shed General Meeting

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at 38a William St. Birkdale Qld. 4159

<b>Meeting Opened:</b>	9.30am
<b>Attendees:</b>	33 as per attendance book – <b>welcome new members:</b> Mike Fowler, Phil Ramsey & Greg Torpey. <b>Visitors:</b> Paul Fitzpatrick – Retired Police Association
<b>Apologies:</b>	David Smith, Del Saunders, Damien Malone, Neville Connolly, Ray Funston, Ben Warner, Alan Perkins & Bryan Anderson.
<b>Committee:</b>	<b>President:</b> Bernie Maguire <b>Vice President:</b> David Smith (absent) <b>Treasurer:</b> Peter Burton <b>Secretary:</b> Rob Jerome

**Meeting Chaired by:** Bernie Maguire

**Items arising from the previous Meetings Minutes:** none raised.

**Approval of Minutes of previous meeting:** Chairman requested that the minutes from the General Meeting on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2017 which are displayed on Shed notice board and emailed to all by the Secretary, be accepted and passed. Minutes were accepted by all and passed by Joe Kostowski and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dudley Reid.

### **Treasurers Report:**

As reported and noted in the book of minutes.

Report acknowledged and accepted by all and passed by Lindsay Schwager & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe Aquilina.

**Incoming mail/correspondence including emails from Gmail account:** emails from: AMSA, Changes to Constitution email, QMSA response to AMSA email. Qld. Governor's Christmas email Fernberg Quarterly.

### **General Business:**

**Shed Safety:** Chairman addressed the meeting as to the stolen fire alarm from the lower section of the Social Hall. Chairman then reminded the meeting that this is a sad day that someone has stooped so low as to steal something that could put lives of fellow members in jeopardy. John Droppleman also addressed the meeting regarding cleanliness in the workshop in particular that anyone who uses a machine, should clean up after themselves thereby leaving the machine and immediate area, clean and ready for the next person to use.

**Major Grants:** Chairman requested John Droppleman to address the meeting regarding the grants. John informed the meeting that the Redlands Foundation 3k Ian MacDougal grant will cover the purchase of a new laptop computer for the President to replace the old ASUS that was donated in 2014 from the PCYC and will also cover various power tools for the workshop.

**Projects & Community Events:** Chairman informed the meeting of the progress and outcome of the following projects -

**Decking Roof:** Chairman informed the meeting that the total cost of this now completed project was \$10,045.00

**Retired Police Association:** Chairman then drew the meetings attention to the Flag Poles and Pole Holder that is on display, has been fabricated and finished for this not for profit organisation. The holder and poles were made by members Eddie Hourn and Les Burrell.

**St. Anthony's School tables:** The repainting of the tables is nearly completed and will be delivered when totally dry, thereby being in condition to withstand the destruction that torrential rain can bring.

**ENERGEX 3 Phase Connection:** Treasurer informed the meeting that electrical contractor Mal Farnham will visit our site on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January to quote on delivering power from the roadside pole overhead to the shed. As an alternative for connection, a quote of \$6,320.00 was received for underground boring.

**Stormwater Drainage retention:** A quote of \$3,325.00 has been received to alleviate our stormwater drainage problem by diverting the bulk of it underground and dispersing it into the nearby creek.

**Bunnings BBQ's:** Chairman then addressed the Secretary that AHMS could use Wynnum Manly & Districts Men's Shed approach on how to finalise the BBQ roster at our meetings. Secretary acknowledged that what may work for WMDMS, was not necessarily something that AHMS should adopt as representing standover tactics. Secretary then addressed the meeting with regards to taking names for few remaining places left to be filled for the roster for this Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January. With a couple of names then added to the roster, the Secretary declared that it was now complete.

**New Business:**

**Donated Lounge Suit:** Chairman then informed the meeting that a lounge suit (in very good condition) consisting of a three seater and two singles, has been donated to AHMS. Any members showing interest should make their offers known to the Treasurer.

**Birkdale South State Primary School Project:** Chairman addressed the meeting that Kirra from this organisation, has made a request for AHMS to assist to establish a workshop and train the students. The general consensus on this is that Blue Cards are needed and something that members do not feel AHMS should be involved with. The Chairman agreed with this and informed that he will respond with an offer to supply tools for the students to use provided they have had proper training and are supervised.

**Presentations:** Chairman informed the meeting that Wynnum Manly & Districts Men’s Shed have had their local Federal Member involved in attaining for them an ex. Defence Force Surplus Shed providing that they pay for the transportation from Wallangarra Army Base. As there are still a number of these sheds available and all in kit form stored in shipping containers, AHMS will have our local sitting Federal Member Andrew Lamming visit us at our Social Meeting on February 20<sup>th</sup>.

Circle Of Men are to be contacted by the Secretary about changing their intended presentation for that date to March 20<sup>th</sup>.

**GST:** Treasurer informed the meeting that he will be meeting with our accountants about addressing the reimbursement of GST on an annual basis.

**Raffle/Prize Draw:** Chairman then addressed the meeting as to who would be interested in assisting the committee with the running of this event which can be run at every General & Social Meetings. Several members raised their hands which concluded that this be accepted and to be run. Chairman then informed the meeting that this is not a compulsory event.

**Proposed Saturday Shed open days:** Chairman then informed the meeting that this should be postponed to the next General Meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> February, as our member Alan Perkins who has lobbied for this proposal is absent from today’s meeting.

**AMSA constitution changes:** Chairman addressed the meeting that there had been insufficient information distributed to members to warrant an informed discussion on this matter. Secretary then informed the meeting that he would make sure all members received all and any new information on this matter well before the next General Meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> February in which it will be openly discussed.

**Open Forum:**

**Presentation of Flag Pole Holder:** Chairman then welcomed Paul Fitzpatrick from the Retired Police Association to receive this fantastic structure. Paul then addressed our meeting informing that the unveiling of this will take place on 27<sup>th</sup> February at Redlands Sporting Club with our President, Eddie and Les being invited to attend the event. Paul then donated two (2) Crime Stoppers signs to AHMS for display on the exterior of our buildings.

**Fallen Trees:** Member Dudley Reid made mention that the Council should be responsible for the clean-up of fallen trees branches as a result from the recent bad storms. Chairman informed the meeting that he will be contacting Council regarding this matter.

**Leaking Roof Quotes:** Member Dave Cochrane has taken on the task of getting quotes to repair and paint the leaking roof of the Social Hall.

**Donation Box:** Member John Droppleman drew member’s attention to the newly commissioned Donation Box and promptly donated \$10.00 as a gesture of good will.

**End of Meeting Notes:**

**Every Wednesday –** Members at this meeting were reminded that Social Activities - Cards - (AHMS Social Activities Hall) 9.00am till 1.00pm

**Gold Coin/s –** A reminder to all and new members and visitors present that a payment of \$1.00 is required for tea/coffee/biscuits etc. and a payment of \$2.00 for the sausage sizzle after this meeting.

**Next Meeting/s:**

**General Meeting -** will take place on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February at 9.30am.

**Social Meeting -** which will take place on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February at 9.30am.

**ACTIONS for items from this and previous meetings unresolved**

Date	Items Actions	Who/When
TBA	Next Executive Committee meeting	Executive Committee members

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**Meeting Closed:** 11.00am.

**Signed by – Vice President:** Bernie Maguire

**Secretary:** Rob Jerome