

Alexandra Hills Men's Shed General Meeting

Tuesday 4th November 2014 William St. Birkdale South

Meeting Opened:		9.30am
Attendees:		28 as per attendance book Visitor/s: Dave Butcher
Apologies:		Matt Stevenson, Gary Stone, Alan Doyle, Bryan Anderson, Michael Choyce, Lou Wolf.
Committee:	President: absent Vice President: position vacated Treasurer: Noel Steinke Secretary: Rob Jerome	
Treasurers Report: Bank balance - \$17,267.00		
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Items arising from previous Meetings Minutes:

Correction to naming supplier of Shed Panels Lining – meeting was informed that the panels are being supplied by new Shed member Terry Townsend.

Web Site payment – meeting was informed by Treasurer Noel Steinke that \$39.00 has been paid for our web site.

Garage Sale – John Siviour addressed the meeting that Thursday 20th has been set aside as the preparation for items for sale at our Garage Sale on Saturday 22th November.

Minutes to be emailed – Bernie Maguire addressed the meeting that he would take on the responsibility of emailing the minutes of this and all future meetings within fourteen (14) days of the meeting taken place, to all members. This was to ensure that all members would be aware of what was discussed at that month's General Meeting so as if needed, discuss certain issues at the following General Meeting. Raised for acceptance by Bernie Maguire and 2nd by Max O'Connor.

General Business:

Permanent Thursday Bunnings BBQ – members were advised that Bunnings Capalaba have finally given the go ahead for our first Thursday BBQ this coming Thursday 6th November. The meeting was then asked upon for volunteers to fill the roster for that day. This was met with good enthusiasm thereby the roster was complete within minutes. The meeting was then asked again for volunteers for the following Thursday BBQ on 13th November. This was again met with good enthusiasm with 4/5 of that roster now in place.

Electrical Work – meeting was informed by Peter Baldwin that 2/3 of the electrical work has now been installed with the remainder expected to be finalised by the end of the following week. Peter then informed the meeting that he will be in contact with the Electrician to confirm this. Peter also reminded the meeting that member Terry Townsend has the remaining extra panels as needed to complete the lining of the shed when needed.

Christmas Party Saturday 13th December – meeting was informed that Lindsay and Wayne have compiled an itinerary of the forthcoming events for that day. This has been emailed to the Secretary to forward out to all members.

Honour Plaque – meeting was informed that the Honour Plaque which has been the project of shed member Eddie Hourn, is now in place. Members were addressed as to the idea that wives/partners of the members displayed on the Plaque, be invited to our shed at a specified time/date to view this Plaque. All agreed to this and that 11.00am on Tuesday 18th our Social Meeting, was then agreed upon as a time/date suitable for this event.

Voting for Vice President – members were reminded that voting for the Committee Position of Vice President will take place on Tuesday 18th November prior to the scheduled Social Meeting. **Saturday Shed opening days** – meeting was reminded of the suggestion from General Meeting Tuesday 7th October regarding that the Shed be open on a Saturday. The general consensus held with all present that this should be discussed in early 2015. **Page 1.**

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G20 Light up Brisbane Sign Friday 24th October – Chairman address the meeting as to who along with the President in a bus on loan from the P.C.Y.C. attended this event. Member Wayne Hobdell addressed the meeting to advise that after eventually finding a parking spot, the group of twelve (12) gathered at the Southbank Piazza for a concert. The seating for this, as explained by Wayne, was short on comfort. However the lighting up of the **BRISBANE** Sign at 8.00pm, was definitely the highlight of the event.

New Business:

Garage Sale Ad in Redland City Bulletin – meeting was informed of the intention of placing an ad for the forthcoming garage sale in the Communities Column of the Redland City Bulletin as noted that other Non-for-profit organisations have previously taken advantage of this no-cost feature. The meeting was then advised that the wording for this ad would be on the lines of the printed document as compiled by members John Siviour and Alan Perkins and displayed for all to comment on. A number of members advised to include the following – clothing, bicycles and bric-a-brac.

Men's Sheds Parade/March 1st November – Chairman again address the meeting as to who attended this event that started with assembly at 3.30pm at the Brisbane River Stage area, and then proceeded over the Goodwill Bridge and then onto and finish at the Cultural Forecourt Southbank Parklands. It was noted that there were no members present at this day's meeting, who took part in the Parade/March.

RCC Seniors Expo Thursday 20th November – meeting was informed that Haleel Rane from Redland City Council had sent out an email to Lou Wolf on Monday 20th October, detailing an invitation for A.H.M.S. to participate in at the Redlands Performing Arts Complex. The general consensus from members present, that with the current amount of projects currently taken on along with the Thursday BBQ's, A.H.M.S. should decline this offer.

It was also noted that the short time frame was also a contributing factor with this decision. **Volunteering Redlands Friday 5th December –** meeting was then informed that Volunteering Redlands Expo of which A.H.M.S. attended in April this year, will be conducting another event this time at the Redlands Performing Arts Complex. Again, general consensus from members present, that with the current amount of projects currently taken on along with the Thursday BBQ's, A.H.M.S. should again decline this offer.

Inspection of progress of Sleigh Project – meeting was interrupted by a phone call from our President Matt Stevenson to advise that the Deputy Mayor Alan Beard, would be on site at our shed to inspect the progress of this project on Tuesday 11th November. A time of arrival had not been disclosed.

Christmas Project materials – meeting was informed of several boards of 19mm pine wood and several sheets of 3mm MDF were collected and delivered to our shed by President Matt Stevenson from Bunnings Capalaba. This material along with templates is again for Christmas figures to be cut out and in some cases assembled and delivered back to Bunnings Capalaba prior to Christmas in store activities.

A.H.M.S. Flyer – this was brought to the attention of the meeting with regards to the content of the A.H.M.S. flyer as suggested by our member Lou Wolf on Tuesday 7th October. It was suggested by a number of members that the flipside of the flyer, should either consist of an application form or the location of our Shed by means of a mud map or copied road map or both. It was then decided that this should be a part of discussion at our next Social Meeting.

Open Forum

Bunnings Credit Cards – Bernie Maguire address the meeting to advise that at the next Executive Committee Meeting that the three (3) Bunnings Credit Cards be distributed to Executive Committee Members only. 2nd by Terry Turner – this was passed with a show of hands. **Internet Banking 3rd Signatory** – Bernie Maguire again addressed the meeting that the period since the new Committee Post as Treasurer had been elected, the Treasurers signature, as being the third (3rd) signatory at the Westpac Bank Capalaba, had not been put in place. Bernie Maguire then went on to say that he was disgusted and that this was a disgrace to our organisation.

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The Chairman then addressed the meeting to inform all that it was not the intention of the Executive Committee for this to continue, and that there had been many times that this had been discussed within the Executive Committee to arrange a suitable time for this to be rectified. Due to commitments of all Executive Committee Members, a time suitable for all to convene at Westpac Capalaba, could not be attained.

To show consistency to a list of events which has stalled this integral part of the functions of the Executive Committee, it was then pointed out that this will not be able to be rectified as quick as some members would want it, as the Treasurer, who, being a volunteer along with other Executive Committee Members, will be on leave as of Wednesday 5th November til Monday 17th November.

Therefore, sometime after that date, the Executive Committee will endeavour to rectify this. **Purchase of equipment for New Shed –** the meeting was advised that the form containing the list of tools and equipment as outlined for purchase pertaining to the Tools and Equipment Grant, could not at this point of the meeting, be found. It was agreed that when the list is found, that this should be discussed at our next General Meeting.

End Of Meeting Notes

Gold Coin – a reminder to all and new members and visitors present that a GOLD COIN is to be supplied for end of meeting tea/coffee/biscuits.

Next Meeting – the next meeting which will be a Social Meeting, which will take place on Tuesday 18th November at 9.30am.

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Meeting Closed: 11.10am