

KALAMUNDA MEN'S SHED INC.

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NOTES FOR YOUR DIARY

23 November at 2pm. Official opening of our new shed.

1 December. Stall at Kalamunda Village Rotary markets.

14 December at 12 noon. KMS Christmas party at the Lesmurdie Club, Lawnbrook Road walliston. Tickets \$30 each. Bring your partner.

TELEPHONE

You can contact us at the Shed. Our telephone number is:

9291 7172

NEW MEMBERS

We welcome the following new members:

-  William Perkins
-  Richard Joyce
-  Wayne Leask
-  Barry Napper
-  Endel Okas

LAST MEETING

We had the privilege of having Shenaye Hummerston from the Shire talk to us about the native garden and weed control initiatives the Shire is involved in. She also walked about our reserve and provided helpful information for KMS regarding ongoing care and maintenance.

OUR LAST EXCURSION – CITY FARM



Mike from the City Farm giving us a briefing before our tour



About a dozen KMS members visited the City Farm on 1 November. The tour which lasted about 1 ½ hours was extremely interesting. The City Farm is operating a very sustainable “organic” farm with all products being made on site. They are also working with the local community, including disabled people to maintain and develop the garden. At the time of our visit there were 45 volunteers who sat down to a lunch totally sourced

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from the farm. They are also producing mushrooms from coffee grinds collected from the local cafés and hope to develop a business by collecting more organic waste from the local area to turn into nourishing compost. A chook farm on the site also provides eggs, consumes waste and provides much needed fertiliser.

The City Farm is also proposing to establish a Men's Shed to complement their current operations.



Products from the farm are sold at their onsite market each Saturday.



Mike explains the operation of the worm farm

TRAINING

A number of training courses have been run over the last month as a result of the member's training survey conducted by Murray. These included training in the use of the mitre saw and belt sander. A basic spray painting course was also conducted.



Some of the results from the spray painting course

Do not forget to contact Murray or any other committee member if you wish some specific training.

AROUND THE SHED



Terry organising work in the metalwork area



John with another bread box, while Ron finishes off his breadboard



Rod and Desmond at work on restoring an old bed



Gerry C constructed a chook feeder at the Shed and as part of the spray painting training, a group of enthusiastic KMS students painted the finished product a sand colour to match the décor of the chook run.



Jim M has been busy fabricating the long shaft training sulky which was kindly donated to KMS in pieces from a local resident. The sulky originated from the Kalgoorlie goldfields and thought to be in excess of 100 years old.



Secretary Ray at the last (wet) Market day



The two lads contemplate the best way to repair a chair

SHED DEVELOPMENT

The shed continues to improve on a daily basis with Shed Boss Jim and other members working hard to bring both the shed and surrounding areas up to standard. A security system has been installed together with single key locking. Each member of the Committee has a key to the shed and front gate. We hope to have whirlybirds installed into the roof shortly and the old Patio relocated to the rear of the 'Blacksmithing area'.



The metal work boys have met and are in the process of planning a separate shed, to be located on the old garage site. Please catch up with Morris or Terry if you would like to provide input to the planning process.

NEXT MEETING -OFFICIAL OPENING



Remember the next meeting is the official opening of our new shed, Friday 23 November.

Drinks and finger food will commence at 2pm followed by a few short speeches and the official opening.

Remember if you have a classic car, truck, motor bike or horse drawn vehicle, bring it

along so it can be displayed in the privileged parking area.



We expect "Glad" as pictured above, to be present at the opening.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS



As this will be the last newsletter before Christmas and the New Year, we wish our members, their families and our friends, all the best for a very happy and safe festive season.

We look forward to a very active and prosperous year ahead for KMS and its members.

OUR ADDRESS

22 Falls Road, Lesmurdie, adjacent to the Lesmurdie Tennis Club.