



Weekly Newsletter for the 2nd March 2026 (137)

Our Purpose - To Sustain or Enhance Members' Mental Health and Wellbeing.

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Otherwise you could get lost and miss out on some vital information.

Floor Pour



The floor for the mechanical workshop was poured this week. Along with block

layers, engineers and a host of other skills in the shed, one of our members was a skilled concrete worker, and he led the team to lay our new workshop floor this week.

Last Speaker

The Missing F- word. Fauna, Flora, and Fungi

By Shed Member Peter Buchanan [See the Video HERE](#)

Fungi form the second largest kingdom of life, a kingdom much larger than the plants kingdom. Peter will give some background about the fungal world , and its importance to ecology, plant growth, human medicine and nutrition (and the odd poisoning), plus diseases of plants and animals, the fungal conservation.

Next Speaker

Tuesday 3rd March

Eye tracking for pilots and racing car drivers.

By Mal Mclellan

Projects

Storage for Saint Heliers Kindergarten



Alan Lendrum whipped up this cupboard in the shed last week for the littlies to store their gear.

Midday Barbecues

Tuesday 10th March

Friday 27th March

Shed Tutorials

A series of tutorials will be run by Peter Montgomery on the mezzanine floor as follows.

How to Sharpen/set/care and use.

Wednesday 4th March. Wood Planes and scrapers.

Wednesday 11th March Chisels and punches.

11 am Start

Basil's Birthday Bash

In case you missed it, here's a video of the day. [HERE](#)
(For those of you away from the shed)

New Mens Sheds

Onehunga and Glen Innes

a Startup team recently held Public Meetings about the formation of a new Mens Shed group in the Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board suburbs.

They presented to the Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board and requested their help to find suitable sites for a community lease for 2 new sheds - one in Tamaki suburbs (east of the motorway) and one in Maungakiekie suburbs (west of the motorway).

They have started their next steps

Speaking at local community groups about these new Mens Sheds
Gathering people weekly at getting-to-know-each-other Morning Teas
Attached are two other items they are using in their presentations
A flyer about weekly Mens Shed Meetings, morning tea on Thursdays at two cafes

The two current "favourite" prospective sites for a community lease
Their first presentation is on 18-March to ODCOSS (Onehunga District Council of Social Services) at the Onehunga Community House.

Talk to Terry Moore in the shed for more information.

Proposed New Shed Sites [HERE](#)

New Sheds Flyer [HERE](#)

In the Interests of Decency

Our Shed has ladies and gents in its ranks, so please remember to

Close the toilet door while addressing the throne.



Panmure Basin Fun Day

Sunday 8th March 2026

10am - 2pm

In addition to our usual toy cars and games we will be running a stall selling

products made at the Shed so

**We need lots of members (about a dozen)
to help run the three different areas.**

You don't need to be there the whole time and its a great opportunity to get to know other members and to support our local community.

Please reply to don.m.morrison@gmail.com if you want to help.

Or visit Don in the Office.

Let's make this a great day!!!!

New Respirators in the Shed



John Edwards and his daughter Dana, who works for 3M, demonstrated a new respirator at the shed last thursday.

The Shed has purchased 2 units.

The unit features a full face mask and a rear mounted battery powered air pump and air filter.

This pumps clean air across your face while working in dusty conditions.

Talk to Douglas Ormrod or John Edwards if you would like to use them.

Mal's Corner

42 Vintage Cars Take on NZ's Rugged South Island

Coast to Coast [View Video HERE](#)

Nelson to Hokitika via Molesworth Station.

New Zealand's largest farm at 182,000 hectares (500,000 acres, or over 700 square miles),

Also Supports New Zealand's largest cattle run.



Have a great week!

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