



**Weekly Newsletter for the 5th May 2025**

**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.



**Every now and then it pays to stop and reflect on how far we have come and how much we have achieved.**

**Following is a Mid Term report, recording some of the milestones achieved this term.**

## **Mid Term Report**

**Building Success Together:**

**Let's Celebrate Our Achievements**

At our shed, progress is a team effort. From new tools and equipment to community engagement and leadership development, we're constantly building something special — together.

Here's a look at some of the achievements we've made.

All thanks to the dedication and camaraderie of our members.

### Facilities & Equipment Upgrades

- **New East Wall Canopy** — Providing sheltered space for noisy and dusty projects.
- **New Welder** — Expanding capabilities to work with Aluminium and Stainless Steel.
- **New Laser Engraver & 3D Printers** — Enhancing precision and creativity.
- **New Compressor & Compressed Air Reticulation System** — improving workshop capability
- **New Office Computer & Printer** — Keeping our operations running smoothly.
- **New Tech Room Computers** — Upgrading our digital capabilities.
- **Truck** — Reliable transport for projects and supplies.
- **Storage Shipping Container** — Providing essential space for materials and tools.
- **New Dangerous Goods Store** — Ensuring safe and compliant storage solutions.
- **New Soldering Station & Electronic Test Equipment** — Boosting our electronics capabilities.

### Safety & Standards

- **Appliance Testing Equipment**
- **Code of Conduct & Health and Safety Standards** — Ensuring a welcoming and secure environment.
- **Machine Authorization Program** — Promoting safe and skilled equipment use.
- **Induction Training Program & Buddy System for New Members** — Helping everyone feel welcome and supported.

### Management & Leadership

- **Dynamic Duty Manager Team** — Keeping operations running smoothly.
- **Shed Management Committee & Governance Committee** — Providing strong, effective leadership.
- **Leadership Development** — Empowering members to step up and contribute.
- **Financial Management** — Prudent management, cost control and reporting.

### Community & Social Activities

- **Growing Membership** — Over 200 members and counting!
- **Regular BBQs, Family and Friends Days, Partners' Nights** — Fostering connections and fun.
- **Melanoma Van & Stroke Foundation Visits** — Prioritizing health and wellness.
- **Community and Personal Projects** — A steady flow of meaningful work.
- **Environmental Product Production** — Creating sustainable solutions with pride.
- **Great Comradeship** — The true heart of our shed.
- **Regular Speaker Program** — Keeping us inspired and informed.
- **Local and International Site Visits** — Expanding our horizons.

### The Journey Continues...

Every achievement reflects the passion, skill, and dedication of our members.

Together, we continue to build, grow, and strengthen our shed.

**Here's to more great milestones ahead!**

## Events

### May's Barbecues

**Tuesday 13 May and Friday 30 May**

## Projects



### The "Trees For Survival" Project is On Again.

Dene Hoskins and his mates have the first 2 of this seasons run ready for shipping to a school in Oratia.

Together with New Zealand schools, landowners and sponsorship partners, the Trees for Survival Charitable Trust, action based environmental education programme, supports school communities to nurture, grow and plant native plants, in areas they're needed the most . Protecting and restoring waterways and vulnerable land.

## Notices

**Special General Meeting (SGM)**

The legal review of the draft Constitution changes recommended further work be carried out .

So the meeting has been deferred to a later date.

## **Keep The Shed COVID Free**

Bob Lawton advises that you may be aware that there are still Kiwis contracting and dying from COVID in NZ. We're being told there are new versions on their way to us and we need to get our booster shots ASAP.

You may also be aware that many people have contracted COVID after visits to a NZ hospital or from travel overseas.

So, as a thought for the safety of us all, if you have done either of those things would you please hold off for say a week, coming back to the Shed.

Wait and see if you have any symptoms of this nasty ailment and do the right thing if you do have symptoms.

The same goes if you have visitors from overseas or recently out of hospital and you want to show them our shed. Please wait a week before bringing them.

## **The Wellness group**

Met last Wednesday, at the Stone Bake cafe.

As always, a useful and informative chat for everyone who attended.

Feel Free to Talk to any of our organisers about joining this group.

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## **SMC (Shed Management Committee) Meeting**

**Friday May 9th 11am**

Anything to discuss, talk to a member, to get on the agenda.  
Or talk to Douglas Ormrod.

## **Bunnings Mothers Day Family Night.**

Thursday May 8th.

Talk to Bernie to join our event team.

## Retirement Village Seminar

At The Remuera Golf Club

Wednesday 14 May at 9:30 for 10 am start.

Partners welcome

**SawStop** Demonstration

Tuesday 6th May 1pm



Bill Lehmann and Bruce Hopwood have got the new **SAWSTOP** Saw set up and are now ready for a demonstration. This is not a Machine Authorization Program, but a demonstration of what it can do and how it does it. Come along and experience

the future of sawing.

## Community News

**May's Bird Count Campaign, Starting soon!**

**Your Help is Needed**

Click the picture to learn more....



## Weekly Workshop

**12 WORST TABLE SAW MISTAKES!!**

**And How To Avoid Them**

**Just click the Pic**





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## Mal's Corner

**David Lange joked in his valedictory speech  
that Winstone Peters wasn't in attendance because  
he had been detained by a full-length mirror.**

**From the 2023 census**

**1/3 of New Zealanders were born overseas –**

from 200 different places and speaking 150 languages.

What did the Buffalo say to his son when  
he dropped him off at school? –  
Bi son.

**Our Shed is open Monday to Saturday 9am till midday**

**and on Tuesday afternoon till 3 pm**

***Have a great week folks***

David L (assistant editor)

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