

# Noosa Men's Shed Newsletter

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Member of the Australian Men's Shed Association

**Following the AGM on 4 October, there is a new Shed committee of ten members:**

<b>President:</b>	Paul Asbury
<b>VP</b>	Ian Broadfoot
<b>Secretary:</b>	Stewart Neuss
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Steve Phillips
<b><u>Committee</u></b>	
<b>Membership:</b>	Peter Magarry
<b>Long Shed:</b>	Des Valentine
<b>Woodwork:</b>	Tony Sievers/ David Heckendorf
<b>Metalwork:</b>	John Berghauser
<b>Arts &amp; Music:</b>	Phillip Morgan
<b>Hobbies:</b>	Laurie Kelly

A more detailed list of responsibilities and reporting channels will be displayed on the notice board.

There will also be a list of important but non-committee appointments for co-ordinating other activities & interests of the Shed.

Committee members will be encouraged to find a "shadow" replacement to understudy, assist and substitute when not able to attend a meeting. The large number of expressions of interest is appreciated & made it difficult to reduce the size of the committee.

Our first AGM was held in a partly completed Metalwork Shed in 2015. The next AGM was in a partly completed Long Shed in 2016 and of course this third AGM was in a very comfortable and stylish

Long Shed. That in itself shows the progress of a happy Shed and its shedders.

## Meet the new executive:

### President Paul Asbury

Went to school for 6 years with Tom Gittings in Albury before moving to Melbourne. Joined the Regular Army in 1967, married Anne in 1969 and immediately went to Vietnam. They have two children. Lived in many ports but finished in Brisbane where he retired from the Army in 1993. In private business until 1998 when he retired to Sunshine Beach. He has been a Shed member since February 2015.

### Vice President Ian Broadfoot

Ian was the first secretary of the NMS and was the Woodwork Co-ordinator prior to the recent election. He and Jan have lived in Noosa Shire for 20 years. They have three children & seven grandchildren, all of whom live in Brisbane. Originally from Toowoomba, Ian spent 37

years in the grain industry holding a number of executive positions, mainly in the areas of planning, development & technology. For the last 20 years, he has made a living as a company director & investor and continues to serve on the board of Bean Growers Australia Limited, a leading pulse crop marketer.

### **Secretary Stewart Neuss**

Born in Inverell (NSW) and raised in Tamworth. Worked in PNG for 7 years prior to independence and returned to Australia a married man (Heather 1970) in 1976, settling in Perth initially. Returned to Tamworth to assist in running the family Chain Saw and Lawn Mower business for 8 years. Then it was back to Perth for the next 30 years working in various positions mainly in the Administrative field but retiring from being a Technician with Thermomix Australia for the last 6 years. Arrived in Noosa exactly 2 years ago and joined the shed in early 2016. He was heavily involved in APEX, Tamworth Chamber of Commerce and various volunteering positions Australia wide.

### **Treasurer Stephan (Steve) Phillips**



Born in England, before emigrating to Canada and New Zealand before settling in Australia. Then spent six years working around SE Asia where I met my wife, Beatrice. Past “careers” have included banking, accounting, chook farmer, tea taster/blender and eventually a consultant to various Federal Government Departments. Now been in Noosa as a permanent for three years, and member of the Shed for a whopping two months!

## **Where to from Here?**

In many respects I think it will be more of the same but at a slightly lower construction tempo as we consolidate and improve our existing sheds and surroundings. We all have much to be thankful for the hard work already put in by many members and also for the astute foresight and planning by previous committees. Visitors are constantly amazed at what has been achieved in three years and we all can take pride in that. (And so can our wonderful sponsors and supporters).

However there is still a lot to do and even day-to-day maintenance requires a lot of work, just as it does at home. There is more to being a shedder than just working on our own projects. Our Shed needs a personal contribution from everyone in other ways such as:

- Helping to clean-up the Shed grounds.
- Assisting with Shed construction projects.
- Watering the garden when the weather is hot and the gardeners are few.
- Becoming a leader in your favourite Shed or assisting a committee member.
- Volunteering to help at one of the public events for which the Shed receives a donation. (The Shed needs more funds than just our subscriptions).

**In the next twelve months, we can expect to see:**

- The development of the Bush Shed for orchids and other plants.
- A small shed for the beekeepers.
- A grapevine trellis.
- A continuation of our assistance to Noosa Rotary with the used medical equipment. (Forty foot container to arrive late December).
- An extension to the Woodwork Shed (when funding permits).
- Work on receiving recycled water for lawn & trees. (On return of John the Plumber).
- A few more social events.

<b><u>Shed Opening Hours</u></b>		
<b>Monday</b>	12:30 - 3:30	Woodwork
<b>Tuesday</b>	08:00 - 12:00	All Activities
<b>Wednesday</b>	08:00 - 12:00	Woodwork
<b>Thursday</b>	08:00 - 12:00	All activities
<b>Saturday</b>	08:00 - 10:00	Gardening

**Remember the Shed safety policy on “out-of-hours attendance”.**

No attendance out of hours unless for a good reason, family know where you are & you have a mobile phone. Frail members should never be in the Shed solo.

No powered tools to be operated unless in the company of another worker, (one of whom must be a shed leader).

**Volunteers needed:**

1. Gardeners to run and assist with the bottom garden & potting shed. (Due to the ill health of Bill Lodge who intends to move on to another Shed activity when he recovers). Interested - talk to Mike Nixon.
2. Head groundsman Gavin Menkens always needs assistance. Please talk to Gavin.



***Three years ago  
in October 2014.***

**Important Events & Dates:**

<b>Tues, 17 Oct 11.30am</b>	Health talk	Maintaining a safe environment in a submarine - implications for NMS.
<b>Fri, 3 – Sun, 5 Nov</b>	Noosa Triathlon Festival.	Volunteers needed. Advise Jerome Stuart 0419 881 602.
<b>Tues, 7 Nov</b>	Melbourne Cup at Shed	Co-ord by Des & David in the Long Shed.
<b>Sat, 11 – Sun, 12 Nov</b>	Noosa Hill Climb	Volunteers needed. Advise Jerome Stuart 0419 881 602.
<b>Sat, 18 Nov</b>	Bunnings Recycling Day	Co-ord by Rod Pettigrew.
<b>Sat, 25 Nov</b>	Garden Plant Sale at Cooroy High School	Co-ord by Wayne Carlson.
<b>Wed, 6 Dec</b>	Shed Christmas Party	Co-ord by Des & David in the Long Shed.



*Talking in the Cobbers Shed.*



*Bush Shed for the orchids.*



*Trailer shelter*

**OCTOBER 2017**



*Planning group for the Woodwork Shed expansion.*

*The original lunch area in October 2014.*



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