



MALENY MEN'S SHED Inc NEWSLETTER



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FROM THE PRESIDENT: PETER FITZGIBBON



At the recent Maleny & District Sports and Recreation Club awards night, I was pleasantly surprised when the Maleny Men's Shed was presented with the 2018 award for 'best not-for-profit organisation'.

'Chipping in' and providing support to events within the region may not be some folks idea of a good time, but in small communities such as Maleny it's a necessity to ensure the culture of the town survives. The list of our services and the skill sets that members are willing to share in response to community requests is outstanding. The award demonstrates that although we may

be retired and a bit 'dotty', we still have a wealth of experience to offer, and it is a kind reminder that although we may feel our hard work goes unnoticed, the volunteer services you all provide are being greatly appreciated by the wider community.



VISIT TO 'WE MAKE IT'.



Recently nicknamed 'Daddy Day Care', as dubbed by members of our family, the alternate name for the 'Shed' has officially been confirmed with the manufacture of

a sign generously presented to members during a visit to the 'We Make It' workshop.

The 'We Make It' workshop provided us blokes with an excellent opportunity to appreciate the intricacies of computer aided CNC woodworking machinery. The owner, Boris, displayed a number of timber objects that he manufactured, then took us on a wander around his workshop explaining the CNC



machinery and how it functioned. After smoko, Boris demonstrated all the steps required for signage production, including using computer programs to develop the sign image,

prepping the image for transfer to the CNC machine, then stepping the machine through the calibration and final run to produce the sign. For those of us who have a limited knowledge of CNC fabrication, the demonstration provided a wonderful insight into this production technique. Roy was a wee bit concerned that his sign writing days may be over and he'd been replaced with a machine, but no chance of that as Roy is cheaper to run, only requiring a cup of tea and cake to function.

FROM THE SMITHY: KEN SCOTT



Well the summer heat is easing but things are heating up in the blacksmiths shop.

With the Maleny Show nearing every day – June 1-2 – it would be great for all you talented men to make a cake/ wooden treasure/ a photo/ garden delights or even an artistic piece.

Please contribute in some way to make this little show a great little show. The committee do a mammoth job!

It is a splendid showground to be proud of and to see it used every day of the year is good.

You would be surprised how rewarding it is – it may give you bragging rights over your grandchildren!

We are doing our bit at the HOT SHOP

– Kevin & helpers are flat lick belting out the bells

– Richard is getting creative with the welder

Orders are being taken – Don't miss out!

FROM THE ENGINEERS: LAWRIE ABRAHAMSON

GRINDING WHEELS, WHAT ARE THEY MADE FROM?

Grinding Wheels are normally hard and brittle. They are made from one of these:

- **Aluminium Oxide:** White is more pure than the grey ones. Used for grinding Steel
- **Silicon Carbide:** Green in colour. Used for grinding cast iron, non ferrous and tungsten carbide materials.
- **Friability:** Aluminium oxide and silicon carbide are both very hard and brittle. This “Friability” causes the grains to break easily. During the grinding process, each broken grain reveals a new and very sharp cutting edge.

“Glazing” and “Loading”

- A glazed wheel occurs when the abrasive grains are dull. This is often caused by long periods of light grinding pressures. The cutting surface of the wheel appears shiny.
- Loading occurs when foreign material becomes trapped in the voids (spaces) between the abrasive grit.
- Dress the wheel when it becomes “loaded” or “glazed”.
- A wheel is “loaded” when bits of metal are embedded in its grinding face. It is poor practice to off-hand grind wood or soft metals like aluminium on a pedestal grinder.

Truing & Dressing

- In a perfect world, a grinding wheel will be self-sharpening. Dull grains will fracture or will be dislodged from the wheel surface, exposing new sharp cutting edges. Unfortunately this is rarely possible.
- Wheels need to be trued and dressed when mounted and must be dressed regularly thereafter.

Truing a Grinding Wheel

- Truing a wheel ensures the outside cutting surface runs true with the machine spindle.
- A wheel must always be trued after it has been mounted.
- Truing a wheel on a precision surface grinder is normally accomplished with a single point diamond dresser.



Truing on a bench grinder is achieved by adjusting the work rest away from the wheel until the lugs under the star wheel dresser hook over the work rest (see the photo), to act as a guide for the dressing tool for sideways movement across the wheel and importantly to prevent the dresser following the out of round shape of a worn wheel. Wheel resurfacing occurs when sufficient force is applied, upward on the handle, so that there are no sparks coming off the dressing wheels.

Dressing a Grinding Wheel

- Dressing a wheel exposes new cutting edges and improves the cutting action. It also provides a fresh flat cutting face.
- Wheels must be dressed regularly as required, using one of the following:
- Rotating hand dressers
- Abrasive sticks or wheels

FROM THE WOODWORKERS: WARNE WILSON



Rob Cork's table, the result of many extra days' work by Malcolm Baker, Ashley Williams and Warne Wilson, a special project to meet a deadline and a present for a wedding in Melbourne. Rob gave them a photo of a table he saw in a furniture store, saying "Make one like that." Without plans to work from, they set to. Rob supplied the red cedar slabs which had to be sawn into boards, thickened to 38mm,

biscuit jointed, the 45Deg. Mitres cut, then glued and clamped before sanding, sanding, sanding. (With sincere thanks to the Montville Woodies who kindly allowed us to use their machines) The legs were cut from thick cedar, morticed and glued in. The three dusty makers then sprayed several coats of 60% satin cellulose lacquer (with sanding in between). Rob was delighted when he came to pick it up.



And that's not all of course; meanwhile, our Tuesday morning Woodies have been hard at it making hundreds of wooden toys and other items for the Barung Landcare childrens

'make a present for Mothers' Day' tent at the Maleny Wood Expo early in May. Harry Malcher has made 100 dolphin key racks plus little tug boats and cars to be put together. Malcolm and Ashley came in one Friday to make more. Leon has been turning dolls for the girls and new member, Gary McFarlane, manned the sanding belt for several Tuesdays. He has done such a good job that we have decided to promote him to wheel making. There are plenty of jobs in process and we could do with more help if any Men's Shed members are at a loose end?

FROM THE COMPUTER CLASSES: DENNIS HENSBY

WINDOWS 10 UPDATES

When Windows 10 was first released over 2 years ago, Microsoft stated that it would be the last version of Windows and also that they would require users to update frequently (as against allowing users the choice to update or not). We now have a better idea of what was meant by both statements.



Users of Windows 10 will indeed have noticed small but reasonably frequent updates going through. Every 6 months or so there is a large update which takes a long time to download (using a lot of your data allowance) and a long time to install. It gets worse when the update fails for some reason and you have to start all over again. These larger updates usually provide considerable changes and updates to Windows 10, most of which are worth having. Such updates are effectively new versions of Windows. So that is what Microsoft meant – they will regularly issue new versions of Windows, but they are still going to call it Windows 10.

In fact, these new versions of Windows do have a version number. You can check yours by going into Settings and clicking on the first icon, System. Click on the last item, About. Information about your computer and your version of Windows 10 is displayed.

The last major update came out last October and was called the Fall Creators Update (Fall, as in Autumn) and is version 1709. This update added 2 new groupings into the Settings menu, for Phone and Cortana, as well as making a large number of less obvious changes throughout Windows. By now you should have version 1709 installed, just in time for the next major update, the Spring Creators Update, due out in a few weeks.

For users on an expensive pre-paid Internet device, I have discovered that you can delay updates until a time of your choosing by telling the system that you are on a 'metered connection', meaning you have to ration your time on the Internet. You can find this setting in Settings, under Network & Internet. Click on Ethernet, then click on the network connection shown. Click 'Set as metered connection' to turn this setting on. From now on you have to deliberately start the update process instead of having no control over when it happens. It is my strong advice not to delay updates for more than a week or two.



WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS!

We are delighted to welcome **GLENN BROWN, ANDREW JAENSCH, GARY MCFARLANE, and BRUCE SMITH** to the Maleny Men's Shed. Please feel free to wander around to get to know members and their interests in the various sheds. Whatever your interests and experience, we will have a place for you.

Woollies BBQ Roster

We have given up to the Rugby Club our next BBQ date on 31 March, so no names for that date.

Saturday 14 April Malcolm Baker, Glenn Todd, Peter Allom

Saturday 28 April Clive Powell, Richard Lee, Ian Pollard

Saturday 12 May Kevin Howell, Harry Malcher, Colin Kielly

Upcoming Community Events – 2017/18

MALENY WOOD EXPO	Maleny Showgrounds, 5 – 7 May
MALENY SHOW	Maleny Showgrounds, 1 – 2 June
GARDENING ON THE EDGE	Various Locations 9 – 10 June
KNITFEST	Maleny, 30 June – 1 July

To include information in this events list simply email to denvergail1@gmail.com

AND REMEMBER!
Amateurs built the Ark,
Professionals built the Titanic.

AUSTRALIANA OLD TIME BUSH DANCE

Once some jolly dancers,
Pranced to an old bush band.
Under the shade of a mighty gum tree.
And they heeled and they toed,
Stripped the willow,
til their legs were bowed..
Who'll come a waltzing matilda with me?



Live Music

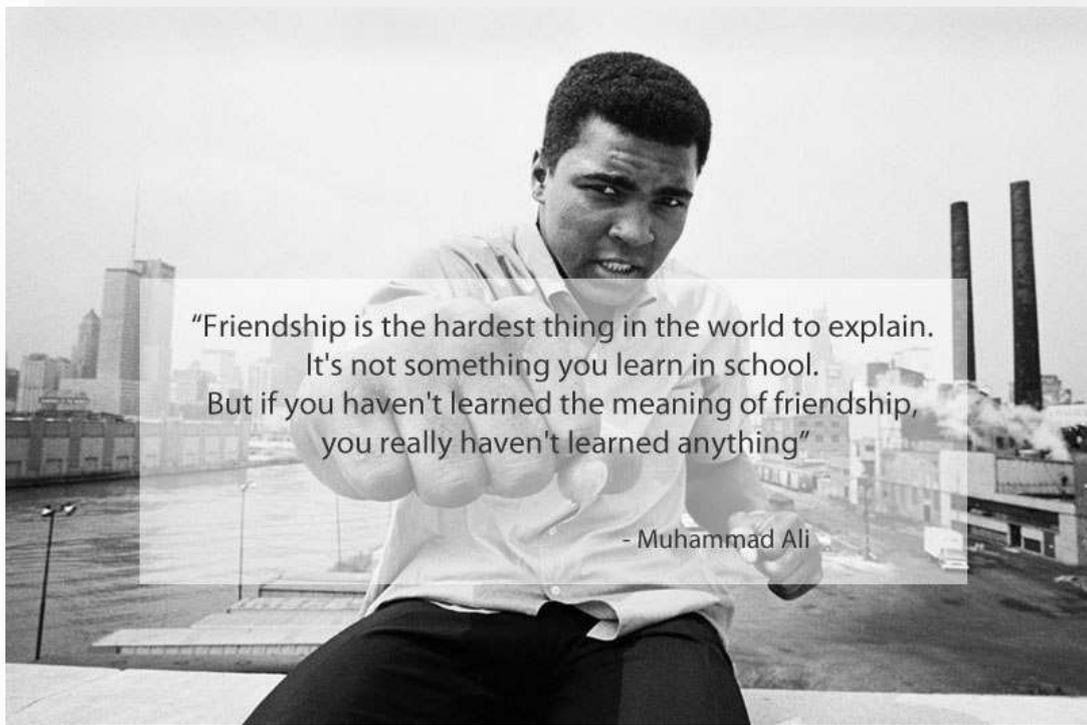
Hot vegetarian meals available from 6pm

Saturday 14 April 2018

doors open 6pm for 7pm start

Maleny Showgrounds Hall

Tickets \$20 available at the door (includes supper)



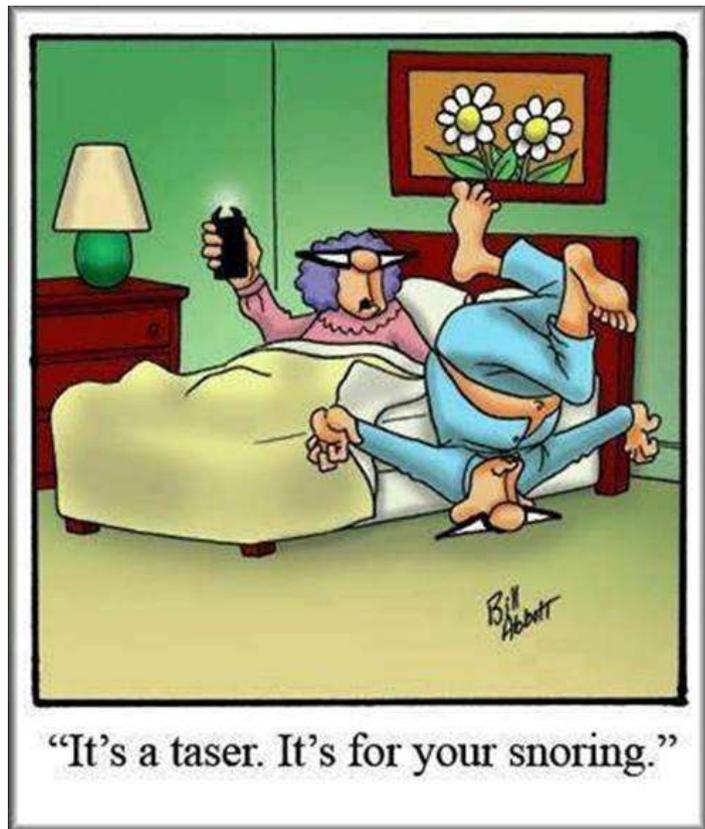
"Friendship is the hardest thing in the world to explain.
It's not something you learn in school.
But if you haven't learned the meaning of friendship,
you really haven't learned anything"

- Muhammad Ali



"Ultimately the bond of all companionship,
whether in marriage or in friendship,
is conversation"

- Oscar Wilde



“LIFE IS LIKE A BOX OF CHOCOLATES. YOU NEVER KNOW WHAT YOU’RE GOING TO GET.” ~ Forrest Gump

Perhaps one of the most famous quotes about life came from the 1994 film *Forrest Gump*. Forrest offers a woman a chocolate while waiting for a bus, and tells her “My momma always said, ‘Life was like a box of chocolates. You never know what you’re gonna get.’”. It was just one of several quotes he attributed to his mother, but one of the most poignant, and a quote that spread through mainstream consciousness for years. There’s something about the innate wisdom of the quote and the slow drawl delivered by Tom Hanks as Gump that resonates with people.

EASTER by Edgar Albert Guest

OUT of the darkness and shadow of death,
Out of the anguish that wells from the tomb,
Into the splendour of spiritual breath,
Now we have burst like a lily in bloom;
Sweetened is sorrow and strengthened is hope,
Death and the grave have been robbed of their sting;
Doubting, despairing, no longer we grope,
Man has been given the courage to sing.

Easter! the birthday of hope and of peace!
Easter! the bulwark of all we believe;
Lo, all our waitings and sad meanings cease,
Death has been shorn of its power to grieve.
See! now a mother, her cheeks wan and white,
Smilingly sinks into slumber most blest;
Her soul unto Heaven is borne through the night,
And she wakes in the morn with her babe at her breast.

Look! from a newly made grave comes a man,
Feeble and bowed by the struggles of life,
'She waits for my coming,' he says, 'and the span
Is but short for me now to the side of my wife.
Though I miss her, I mourn not her going, I know
That she is at rest, and far happier there;
And I wait but the summons when I am to go
To the valley of peace, from the land of despair.'

And this is the meaning of Easter's glad songs,
And this is the reason that Easter is gay;
'He is risen,' we sing, 'He has righted earth's wrongs,
From the mouth of the tomb see the stone rolled away."
Yes, out of the darkness and gloom of the tomb,
He has risen, our Master, our Lord and our King!
And we view not life's end as a signal of doom,
But the birth of new life, and we've courage to sing.