



# Tool Box News



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## FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Hello Shedders,

Since our last issue a lot has happened. Our defibrillator passes away and, of course as an essential item, we replaced it immediately. Also being replaced in the health area are our First Aid kits. We have contacted Victorian First Aid in Warragul for our kits to be updated. Geoff Cole is also arranging for a refresher course for our existing First-aiders.

The "Galloping Gourmet" continues to roll on - thanks to the efforts of Tony Lord. A really good social event last month at the Club Hotel in Warragul was well attended. Keep your eye out for future events.

The Shed is in urgent need of an accountant who has a working knowledge of MYOB. Because this is a volunteer position, we cannot pay a salary, but would consider a consultant.

Both the music group and photography groups have had large contingents attending.

We have several items to sell, so please check out this newsletter. Also keep an eye out for current raffle tickets.

*Jimbo*

**RUSSELL BROADBENT**  
Liberal Member for **Monash**

## Coming up

From the Editor

Firstly, apologies for the missing edition. I was away for a week and work commitments meant I wasn't able to get the May edition out on time, so made the decision to merge May and June. If you have submitted anything and it isn't in this month's DMS newsletter, please let me know and I'll ensure it gets in the next edition.

Cheers,

Peter

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Date	Day	Event
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Wed	Photography Group
9 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday	Music group Excursion: Vietnam Vets. 09.00 at Shed \$10.00
10 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday	Woodwork school
14 <sup>th</sup>	Monday	Queen's Birthday—Shed closed
16 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday	Photography group Galloping Gourmet—Poowong Hotel
17 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday	Computer school
18 <sup>th</sup>	Friday	Committee meeting 09.00
19 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday	Drouin Rotary Market
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Wednesday	Music group
24 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday	Trivia Quiz \$20 prize (No entry fee)

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## TWELVE COMMANDMENTS FOR SENIORS

- #1. Talk to yourself. There are times you need expert advice.
- #2. In-style are the clothes that still fit.
- #3. You do not need anger management. You need people to stop making you mad.
- #4. Your people skills are just fine. It is your tolerance for idiots that needs work.
- #5. The biggest lie you tell yourself is. I do not need to write that down. I will remember it.
- #6. On time is when you get there.
- #7. Even duct tape cannot fix stupid - but it sure does muffle the sound.
- #8. It would be wonderful if we could put ourselves in the dryer for ten minutes, then come out wrinkle-free and three sizes smaller.
- #9. Lately, you have noticed people your age are so much older than you.
- #10. Growing old should have taken longer.
- #11. Aging has slowed you down, but it has not shut you up.
- #12. You still have not learned to act your age, and hope you never will.  
(Thanks to David Mudge)



### For sale

We have a very nice dropleaf table in very good condition for sale.

Also many clocks, bar stools, a lead-light lamp shade and sash clamps from 1.3 metres to 2 metres long.

## What's going on outside the shed?



Here's a photo of Andy Dyka's recently completed windmill. It is mounted in the garden in his front yard. It's been two years in the making. He got the idea from similar ones he saw during a trip to New Mexico. The copper sheeting for the leaves at the end of the arms was the hardest to find. Through good luck and timely help from John Cheeseman, who put Andy onto a local scrap metal man who supplied him with an old copper hot water heater. No charge! They are very rare these days.

With additional help from John and also Bob Woodward, during this project Andy learned some basic welding and metal shaping techniques. A huge thanks to both of those Shedders!

This has been a very rewarding experience for Andy since it took him out of his woodworking and computers comfort zone.

Photo and information supplied by Andy Dyka

### Tools in Support of East Gippsland Fire Relief

Drouin Men's Shed is helping with the collection of unused tools to donate towards new tool sheds which will be built at five fire-affected locations in East Gippsland. These sheds will be built next to the local CFA stations. They will be loaned to residents who have lost their own tools due to bushfires.

The tools needed include shovels, picks, hoes, rakes, axes, hand saws, hammers, sledgehammers, fence wire stretchers, and post-hole diggers. Smaller hand tools like wire cutters, pliers, chisels, and spanners would also be useful. Donated power tools should be avoided due to a lack of power in the fire-affected locations. Petrol-powered tools like brush cutters and chainsaws would be welcomed. Also generators would be very useful

The tool sheds will be built by high school students who attend Swinburne. These 15–17-year-old students are completing their VET in Secondary Schools program and are doing their pre-apprenticeship in Carpentry. These sheds are built using the same techniques as for homes. Students are learning framing, roofing, and flooring skills.

The current plan is to make the sheds into flat-pack panels that will be easier to transport to their designated sites.

Other Men's Sheds in the West Gippsland Cluster are assisting with the tool collection from their members and communities. In Drouin, our local organiser is Rotary and Men's Shed member Kevin Roberts. Contact him on 0408 457 505 or by email ([roberts11@live.com](mailto:roberts11@live.com)). Donations of tools may be dropped off at the Drouin Men's Shed during our meeting hours, Monday through Thursday, 9.30-12. 0408 457505. Outside these hours, Kevin is happy to receive the tools at his home – please call to get his address.

For more information, you may check out: <https://www.facebook.com/EastGippslandRotaryFireAid/> or <https://www.facebook.com/CroydonMontroseRotary>



## Drouin Market



We continue to maintain a presence at the Drouin Rotary Market—weather permitting.

Sales have been variable, but it gives us a valuable exposure to the Public and has resulted in some orders being taken.



Photos: Neville Byrne and Peter Gribben

Left to right: Jimbo Hunt, Denis Auld and Werner Lochki







Trip to Fankhauser's apples

Pictures: Neville Byrne



Last month's excursion was to Fankhauser's apple orchard in Drouin. We were lucky enough to see the crop being harvested by state-of-the-art machinery. Members of the family-owned firm showed us around and there were lots of great photo opportunities. Samples of the apples were tried and all agreed of a very high quality. In addition, they have some lovely old farm machinery—well worth a look .

Present were Peter Gribben, Barry Morris, Dennis Auld, Gary Van der Tang, Neil Baggot, Bill De Piazza, John Cheeseman and Ross Turner.

Sales to the public are every Tuesday from 8:45am - 4:45pm. 515 Old Drouin Rd, Drouin VIC 3818 Tel 03 56252596



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# Drouin Parks

We are fortunate in Drouin to have many parks to walk in. I have been asked to share a few of my favourites with Sheddors who are looking for a gentle stroll and some nice scenery. Here's some pictures of birds at McNeilly Park

