

Tool Box News



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FROM OUR EDITOR

Hello Shedders,

It has been a while since the last newsletter, very difficult to organise anything with the sudden shut downs, so keep an eye on your emails for details on any changes and possible events.

Firstly on behalf of the Committee and all members I would like to give Jimbo Hunt a huge vote of thanks for his efforts over the past few years. He has had to step down as President due to health and personal matters. Brian Williams will be Acting President until the next Committee elections.

We need to elect five new Committee members at the AGM on Tuesday 21st September. Forms have been sent out by email or are available from the Office (when open!) if you wish to stand or wish to nominate anyone.

Some of the photos in this edition were taken a while ago, when there were no restrictions and mask wearing was not necessary.

I would like to remind members that we have procedures for conflict resolution. If you feel you have a grievance with a fellow member, don't keep it to yourself. Come to a committee member and we can have a confidential chat and take it further if needs be.

Keep well.

Peter Gribben

RUSSELL BROADBENT Liberal Member for Monash

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From the Editor

Please note that the following dates and events for **September** are subject to change. If any Covid lockdowns or restrictions occur we will try to keep you up to date via email and the FaceBook page—failing that, the whiteboard near sign-on desk.

Cheers,

Peter

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Date	Day	Event
7 th	Tuesday	Guest speaker tbc
8 th	Wednesday	Photography group
9 th	Thursday	Woodwork school
15 th	Wednesday	Cluster meeting—by "Zoom"Music group
16 th	Thursday	Computer school
17 th	Friday	Committee meeting 09.00
18 th	Saturday	Drouin Rotary Market
21 st	Tuesday	DMS Annual General Meeting
22 nd	Wednesday	Galloping Gourmet, Railway Hotel, WarragulPhotography group
23 rd	Thursday	Trivia Quiz \$20 prize (No entry fee)
29 th	Wednesday	Music Group



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VALE

Eddie Bluck

Passed away 11th June 2021

A good member of Drouin Men's Shed, he will be missed.

These are the photographs for the Shoprider Scooter that belonged to Ron Walke.

It is virtually brand new as Ron purchased it only weeks before his death and used it only twice. The details for the sale:

Contact call Irene Walke 0499 902 979 Located in Warragul Price \$4,200







Highlighting our Sponsors and Supporters

Warragul Computer Repairs - Owner and Manager - Jon Cavell



Jon Cavell opened his computer store in Warragul 7 years ago in Smith Street. He operated IT-based stores around Melbourne Metro in the past. Jon has found that in our town, people are easier going, along with a more pleasant landscape.

He says as a younger man, he was fascinated by the earlier, simpler computers. The first computer he used was an Apple IIE, later a Mac plus, and eventually typed out his first computer code (from a library book) onto a Commodore 64.

In his earlier work life, Jon's experiences included working as a professional "White Hat' hacker, telecommunications retail & support, a licensed PABX installer, software developer, and computer hardware specialist.

His business is certainly not a one-man show. Jon is supported in various roles by his Wife of 20 years Lisa, his two Sons Josh & Harry; And the newest staff member Peter Imeli, who is Jon's retail assistant. Peter began working with him as a work experience student around 4 or 5 years ago. The day after Peter graduated high school, Jon having appreciated his hard work and honesty, offered him a traineeship in I.T., which Peter completed in only a year. Peter is very patient when dealing with customers - much more patient for his years.

If you need a custom-made PC, say for computer aided design (C.A.D.) or extreme gaming, then Jon can put one together. He also stocks standard Windows PCs, high quality notebooks (laptops), ecofriendly Epson printers, and a large range of computer accessories.

Jon offers onsite service to his customers. This has become a growing part of his business. Onsite is of course, more expensive than in store, due to travel expenses and the nature of a single customer dedicated service. Many of his customers have found value in this type of service. Any jobs that are too time consuming to be done onsite can always be taken back to the shop to complete.

Another service that Jon provides is a downloadable Computer Manual. It's available as a free download in pdf format from his web site: <u>WCR-Computer-Compendium-1.1.0.pdf (warragulcomputerrepair.com.au)</u> Backups, antivirus, security, scams and a number of other useful tips are also part of the manual.

An especially useful security program called 'Todo Backup' is detailed in the Manual. We all know every computer user needs to have their data backed up and this free program is an easy way to make that happen. Backups should be made onto a separate device like a USB hard drive or uploaded to a cloud service. Good computer practice suggests two regular backups should be made, including one that can be quickly removed from home. This is even more important given the increasing threat of ransomware for ordinary (non-commercial) users.

Jon has been an Authorised Epson repairer for several years now. Having worked on a huge range of Epson printers over the years, He is of the opinion that certain models in the Eco-Tank series are definitely his favourite. They are more serviceable, waaaaaay cheaper to run and better for the environment than most printers. You can find out more about them on the Epson site: https://www.epson.com.au/v2/ecotank/

Jon suggests that Windows PC users *do not* need separate anti-virus software – stick to the Microsoft free system that's now built into windows 10. It was originally called Windows Defender but is now called Windows Security. Think of it as your built-in immune system and if it's continually updated (this should occur automatically) and working well, don't interfere. Jon has found that many commercial antivirus software packages disable the perfectly good Microsoft built-in antivirus. Therefore, extra add-on programs substantially increase the risk of infection, rather than the other way around.

Many computer users worry about 'spyware'. Jon says there is no substitute for good Internet safety habits. For example, while browsing the net and a box that pops up when you to go to install some software, read what it says! You can always click no, but once you've clicked yes, it's not that easy to change your mind after something undesirable happens, for example, unknowingly installing a virus. Certainly, *don't ever* call a number that pops up on your screen, no matter who they purport to be!

Jon is happy to dispose of *small amounts* of recyclable PC equipment, which residents can drop off for free at his shop. Larger lots should go direct to the Baw Baw Lardner transfer station, which is also free. But remember, if you drop off a computer direct to the tip, please remove your data (HDD-hard drive) first to prevent identification theft. Jon is happy to remove an HDD as a service, usually at no charge.

He has recently added a key-cutting side to his services. So, if you need a new key, stop in, and see what he has to offer.

Check out the full range of services on his web site: www.warragulcomputerrepair.com.au

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Thanks to Andy Dyka for Photos and article

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We had a great turnout on Tuesday 3rd August, when the Mayor, Councillor Danny Goss paid us a visit. After a tour of our shed, the Mayor gave a very informative Question and Answer session on current developments in the shire. Thanks to Neville Byrne for the photos.







Neville Byrne and

David Curtain

In the "good old days", we had our monthly quizzes. David has always been a keen participant and his determination and knowledge of music and general trivia stood in in good stead to win first prize (\$20) in the last Quiz. Don't forget, that there is no charge to enter. As soon as we open, these will begin again.

Photography Group

Another snap from pre-mask days. Neville kindly agreed to show the Shed members how to organise and order a photo book. This is a great way to have permanent memento of your favourite pictures. The firm he uses is Photobook Australia.

You can find them at: www.photobookaustralia.com.au

The Editor can confirm that he has also used this company
and has had great results

What's going on outside the shed?

Pre lockdown, thanks to Carole and Tony Lord, we've had some great "Galloping Gourmet" excursions. First two pictures were taken at the Poowong Hotel. Left is Tony giving us a pep talk and right is Chris Porter, entertaining us with some very wity verses. Bottom shows the latest venue—I can thoroughly recommend the Bistros in both hotels.









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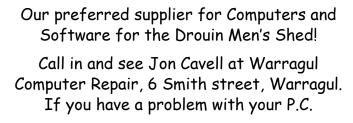
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A preferred Supplier for Electrical work at the Drouin Men's Shed

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"Everybody Loves Tractors"

Here's a few pictures of tractors I've seen on my travels—mainly John Deere. This brand seems to predominate in collections of farm machinery.







