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## FROM OUR EDITOR

Hello Shedders,

There's an ANZAC piece in this newsletter that I couldn't fit in the last issue. I hope you find it as interesting as I do. You may have noticed that I am rather fond of old vehicles and have included two that I spotted on my recent travels, namely a Zeta and a BSA Bantam. If you check out the Bantam, you might recognise the motor—this was used in many Victa lawnmowers and various chainsaws.

Our stalls at the Drouin Market and Bunnings BBQ are going well, but David Mudge and Dennis Auld are always grateful to have more volunteers.

This newsletter is meant to represent the views and interests of the members of Drouin Men's Shed and I rely heavily on input from members. I would welcome any suggestions, photos or any material you would like to share. Photos from a Smartphone are usually good enough for publication. I also rely on various members of the executive to proof-read the newsletter and they do a sterling job, however, errors do creep in and I apologise in advance for these.

If you have put your name down for an event, and you find you can't come (especially if catering is involved), please let the organisers know asap.

Keep well

*Peter Gribben*

From the Editor

Please note that the following dates and events for May are subject to change. If any changes 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,

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## May 2022

Day	Date/Month	Event
Tuesday	3rd May	Meeting and sausage sizzle
Wednesday	4th May	Music group
Tuesday	10th May	10am Talk by Dirk Van Leeuwen “Decentralisation” Meeting and sausage sizzle
Wednesday	11th May	Photography Group
Tuesday	17th May	Meeting and sausage sizzle
Wednesday	18th May	Music group. Cluster Muster—Drouin
Thursday	19th May	Trivia Quiz
Friday	20th May	DMS Committee meeting
Saturday	21st May	Drouin Rotary Market 8-12.30
Tuesday	24th May	Meeting and sausage sizzle
Wednesday	25th May	Photography Group
Thursday	26th May	Computer Day
Tuesday	31st May	Meeting and sausage sizzle

### Coffee and biscuits

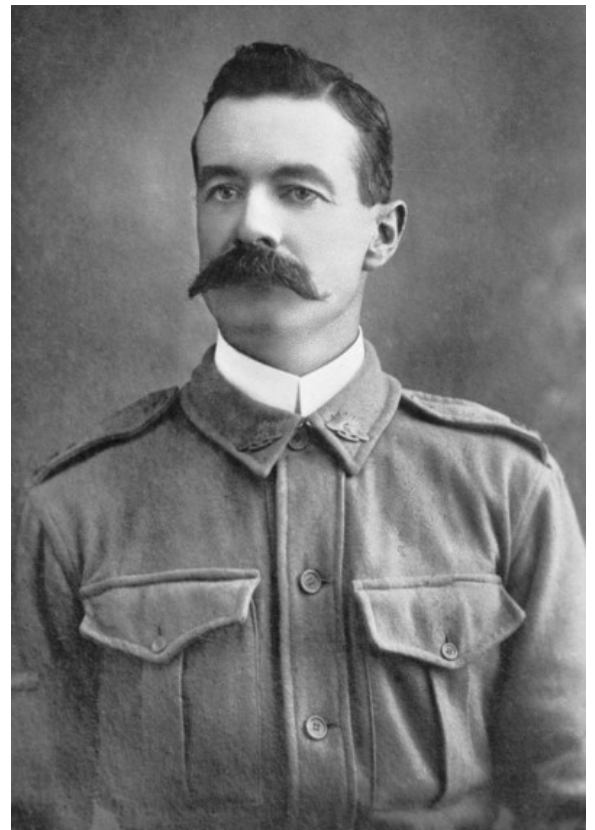


The \$2 contribution is only just covering our costs, so please don't forget to chip in when you enter the Shed. A major expense is the single-use coffee cups, and as a result we are trying to cut back on these. For hygiene reasons we ask members who want to use their own cup, to bring it in and take it home for washing after use. Paper cups will still be available if needed.



**Percy Charles Herbert Black (1877-1917)**, was described by the war historian CEW Bean as “The greatest fighting soldier in the A.I.F.” Born at Beremboke, Victoria, he was the eleventh child of William John Black, farmer, and his wife Ann, who were natives of Antrim, Ireland. He became a carpenter before going prospecting on the Western Australian goldfields.

Black enlisted as a private in the Australian Imperial Force, in September 1914 and sailed for Egypt in December. He first saw action at the Gallipoli landing on 25 April 1915. Within a week Lance Corporal Black, who headed one of the machine-gun crews, had been highly commended by his commanding officer. Though wounded he refused to leave his post until his weapon had been smashed by Turkish bullets. On 2 May he mounted a machine-gun beyond Gully Ridge; his only companion was shot dead but Black, surrounded by Turks, fired into the enemy lines until his ammunition ran out. He received the Distinguished Conduct Medal and five days later was commissioned second lieutenant. He was mentioned in dispatches on 5 August, promoted to temporary Captain four days later, and remained at Gallipoli until the evacuation.



AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL

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Black was promoted to Major on 27 April 1916. His unit was posted to the Western Front in May and suffered severe casualties in the battle of Pozières. On 28 August it returned to the front line and two days later Black's 'B' Company was detailed to capture Mouquet Farm. In the attack Black immobilized a machine-gun, before being wounded in the neck and evacuated. He was later awarded the Distinguish Service Order and the French Croix de Guerre for gallantry; he was also mentioned in dispatches twice. His next engagement was the first battle of Bullecourt on 11 April 1917. Tanks, sent in to clear a passage through the wire, failed to reach their objective and the infantry found themselves facing intense machine gun fire. Black, commanding the battalion's right flank, led his men through a 'hurricane fusillade', captured the first trenches and pressed on towards the support-line, but was then shot through the head; he was one of 640 casualties in the 16th Battalion that day. He has no known grave but his name is commemorated on the Villers-Bretonneux Memorial, France.

## “OLDIES BUT GOLDIES”

Spotted in Kingscote, Kangaroo Island SA



1949 BSA Bantam in “mist green” (125cc)

**The BSA Bantam (1948—71)** used a two-stroke engine derived from the original German DKW motor (a part of WWII reparations). It grew from 125 (4 bhp) to 175 cc (12 bhp) and just under 500 000 were built. Rumour is the UK turned down the VW “Beetle” in favour of this motor.

### **The Lightburn Zeta**

**1963-65**

Only a few hundred were built. Had a 324 cc Villiers 2-cylinder engine. The gearbox had no reverse, so the engine had to be switched off and started backwards which provided four reverse gears. It had a steel chassis and a fiberglass body.



## Galloping Gourmet:



Wednesday 20th May saw us at the Cardinia Club, Pakenham.

This monthly event is going really well and thanks go to Dennis Auld for his organisation.



Suggestions are always welcome for future venues.



**Drouin Rotary Market**  
**Sat 16 April**

We had a lot of interest in the items on display, and many positive comments on the level of craftsmanship, but numbers at the market were below average and sales were disappointing. However, it does raise the profile of our Shed and we expect sales to rise as shoppers become more familiar with our stall.



# What's been on

## Bunnings Sausage Sizzles



**Above** Another busy day at Bunnings on April 9th. Neville Byrne managed to capture David Mudge and Geoff Cole having a well earned break, while Phil Hutchinson slaved over a hot BBQ.

**Below:** Anzac Day was another hectic session for our volunteers. Dennis Auld and Brian Williams worked tirelessly on the cooking side of things, ably assisted by (among others) Andy Dyka, Keith Stevens, Stuart Turner, Keith Robinson and Tony Clark. One of our most successful days here.



# Music Group



Photo: Neville Byrne

A close-up photograph of an acoustic guitar, showing the body, neck, and headstock. The guitar is light-colored wood. Overlaid on the image is yellow text and a yellow banner.

**Acoustic  
Unplugged**

**NEW  
Venue**

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the  
month  
@ Warragul Senior Citizens  
(Corner Mason and Barkly  
Streets)  
@ 7.00 pm  
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Enquiries 04 911 399 80

Dave McDermott,  
Bill Piazza, Ian  
Ferris and Simon  
Righton.

Please note the new  
time to see these  
(and other fine  
musicians) play. Now  
starts half an hour  
earlier to fit more in.

## Old Gipps town

The latest excursion was to Old Gipps town on Wednesday 13th April.

This rhyme is in the schoolhouse in Old Gipps town. It is credited to a Bendigo newspaper and then the Ballarat Times of October 9<sup>th</sup> 1857, although there are references to various versions of this at approximately the same time in Canada and Ireland. I vaguely remember something like this from Primary School in Scotland in the 1950s. Despite its age, I think it is still a good guide to current English usage.

### *Grammar*

*Three little words you often see  
Are the Articles "a", "an", and "the".  
A Noun is the name of any thing,  
A school or garden, hoop or swing.  
Adjectives tell the kind of noun,  
As "great", "small," "pretty", "white", or "brown".  
Instead of nouns, the Pronouns stand,  
Her head, his face, your arm, My hand.  
Verbs tell of something being done-  
To "read", "count", "laugh", "sing", "jump", or "run".  
How things are done the Adverbs tell,  
As "slowly", "quickly", "ill", or "well".  
Conjunctions join the words together-  
As men and women, wind or weather.  
The Preposition stands before  
A noun, as in or through a door.  
The Interjection shows surprise,  
As Oh! - how pretty! ah! - How wise!  
The whole are called, "The Parts of Speech",  
Which reading, writing and speaking teach!*





Our wonderful guide, Rae-anne did a great job of showing us around the buildings and exhibits, though it was a bit like herding cats at times.



Neil Bagot and Trevor Blood look on as Graham from the Old Gippstown Men's Shed gave us a talk on the Shed. Set up very recently, it only has 8 or so active members at the moment, but that figure is expected to grow.

## Computer Seminars for 2022

We will be offering seminars this year (hopefully one per month, until November on topics of interest to Shed Members. The seminars will be held on **Thursdays each month**. Some topics may require more than one session. The dates are: **26/5, 23/6, 28/7, 25/8, 22/9, 27/10, 24/11**

Questions? Talk to Keith Stevens or Andy Dyka (andy@warpax.com)

## Metalwork Shed is in full swing



The crew in the metal shed have done a great job in revitalizing this facility and are working on some first class projects. The item that has attracted most attention at the Drouin Markets has been the Camp Oven. You can see Kevin Coates (suitably attired) spraying one and also the finished item above. We plan to extend opening hours on a Tuesday to 3pm to allow more flexibility for work in th metal shed and the rest of our Shed.

### Club clothing



Just a reminder that you can get shirts and jumpers in DMS colours from Hip Pocket Workwear, 139 Queen St in Warragul. These can be embroidered with the DMS logo for an extra charge. You can purchase DMS caps from the office—\$15

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