APRIL 2024 NEWSLETTER

Introduction

Good afternoon members and friends of PNMSA.

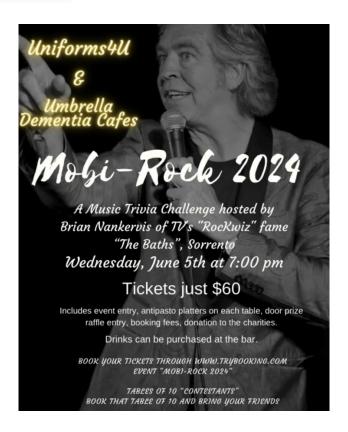
Autumn is now well and truly with us - and our marvellous weather on the Peninsula keeps us guessing about our game of golf, that fishing trip, the garden - or maybe dinner by the open fire? Much activity has been going on in the Men's Shed in recent weeks and the Calendar in our mini - Newsletter a week ago has dates of upcoming events.

There was an editorial error (yep, sorry about that!) as we had listed the Mobi-Rock Fundraiser on 5th June as benefitting a previous charitable activity, instead of two of our much favoured local groups - 'Uniforms4U' and the Sorrento 'Umbrella Dementia Cafe'. My apologies - but to make up for that, please see below a poster which gives more publicity to the event. I reckon this will be a great night, so gather a group of friends and book to assist two very worthy causes.

Please also remember our excellent Friday Wine Tasting event at The Hangar on Friday 26 April from 5 - 6 pm. Those members not wishing to participate in this opportunity are most welcome after 6pm.

Graham Goudie (GG)

Mobi-Rock Fundraiser



Wine Tasting at The Hangar



Pt. Nepean Men's Shed

Please join us for a wine tasting with

TELLURIAN

Date: Friday 26th April 2024 5PM-6PM

Tellurian Wines is a rising star of the Heathcote wine region.
Established in 2002 by Ian Hopkins the vines are planted in the rich Cambrian soils of Heathcote.

\$10 per person, pay cash at door.
Includes: Cheeses & biscuits
The \$10 will be deducted from any wine purchases

If you wish to stay on bring BYO.

Notes from Secretary John

- On Thursday 16 May a member of the Mornington Men's Shed will visit the Hangar to provide a presentation on 3D printing, followed by a discussion with PNMSA technical experts regarding how to get our equipment up and running. It is anticipated that this will ultimately provide another activity for our members to pursue.
- Other speakers have been pencilled in for 13 June and 11 July; confirmation will be made in subsequent newsletters.
- Members are reminded of the request to provide a passport type photo to secretary John Crough on email <u>secretary.ptnepeanmensshed@gmail.com</u> for the upgrade of the photo board at the Hangar.

Welfare and Safety Sub-Committee

Members are assisted by our group via numerous ways - including our terrific 'Help a Mate' program. Your team of blokes looking after "Welfare and Safety' for the PNMSA have asked that we highlight the following:-

Whilst everyone is reasonably familiar with all the different groups within the men's shed (car, cards, band, lunch and functions and help a mate etc) The Welfare and Safety group was established to ensure that the safety and welfare of its members is adequately addressed.

As far as **"Safety"** is concerned, this area is now generally adequately covered by all the various policies and procedures established and followed by members.

When it comes to "Welfare" the group wants to advise all its members <u>not to be</u> <u>backward in coming forward if you are seeking help of any sort.</u> That "help" could vary enormously in its request and may fall into the 'help a mate' program or, just help in general if you are at an age where doing things may be a bit difficult or, if you are a single person and just need help.

Every request will be judged on its merits and if someone asks you if you need help, it comes from a good place.

Some of the people you may wish to approach are - Malcolm Barrow, Graham Goudie; John Crough; John Peters, Yves Salzmann, James Rennie or Wayne Hammermeister.

Mobile Workshop (the Van) news

In line with good practice, Terry and Rob have reviewed the operation of our Van and below is outlined an updated procedure. Members must complete the Log Book every time they use the Van - and if you have queries, please have a chat with Rob K. or Secretary John C.

The Mobile Workshop March 2024

Essentially, the Mobile Workshop ("The Van") is available to all fully paid-up members, with a current driving license, to use to support an approved PNMSA project or activity.

"The Van" is insured for 3rd party through the AMSA.

There are 2 first aid kits on board, one small one in the cabin and a 2nd larger pack in the back compartments. There is also a defibrillator on board. Please contact the Committee of Management or the Welfare Committee should you have had to use items from the first aid kits.

There are safety items on board – helmets, goggles and ear protection. There are high visibility vests of various sizes.

The tools on board can be used to support the project/activity but must be returned to "The Van" on completion of the project/activity.

To use "The Van", please email the Committee of Management through secretary.ptnepeanmensshed@gmail.com requesting access to the vehicle,

Or

Contact the Facility Manager at Stringer Reserve - currently Rob Koller.

When using "The Van", there is a logbook in the driver's side door. Please complete all details of the Mobile Workshop usage:-

- Date of use, time started and time ended
- Who is driving and their Driver License Number
- The project/activity
- Start and End Kilometres on the clock.

Ideally, "The Van" should be parked as close as possible to the project/activity, but please be aware and respect any parking restrictions that apply at the location.

Please return all tools and safety equipment to "The Van" on completion of the project/activity.

Please return "The Van" in a clean condition and with a reasonable amount of fuel on board.

If more fuel is needed, please add some diesel and scan the receipt from the sale and send to our treasurer - treasurer.ptnepeanmensshed@gmail.com - for a full refund.

On the road, please observe the road rules that apply to this State, especially where speed restrictions apply.

500 Cards at The Hangar

As many of you know, Tuesday nights at The Hangar from about 7.30 to 9.30 (give or take) are for playing the game of 500. Under the leadership of Malcolm (or BigM as he affectionately known) we have had up to 24 players some nights. Please contact Malcolm if you are interested in joining the fun.



Fish and Chips at The Hangar

We recently had our annual ode to healthy eating - the famous Fish and Chips Lunch. The many members present were enthralled to hear our President, John Stevenson, speak about his extensive and highly successful career in the motor industry - and in particular motor sports. John had a wonderful PowerPoint presentation showing many of the fantastic cars he has owned, and some he raced, along with stories of legends he worked with such as Peter Brock and Larry Perkins. Many thanks John - fascinating stuff.







The Shed Men play at Eagle Ridge

One more photo!



Normie Rowe is in town at the RSL



Les Jones - modeller

Member Les Jones spoke at our regular Thursday morning meetings a few weeks ago - and what an interesting talk about his hobby of constructing models of planes - see some pix below. He also spoke of some of his roles in aerospace - including years at Woomera working on various projects. Many thanks Les for a terrific session. The more we listen to our members, the more we learn what an amazing bunch of blokes are involved in our Shed.



