

# Shed Talk

### WINTERSOVER

#### TGIS!

Winter's over and there is plenty to lift the spirit and give reason for renewed enthusiasm.

Winter was particularly dismal in Tasmania during late August September I have heard. I haven't seen rain for 8 weeks, so I found it hard to appreciate this until I arrived home and saw the state of the garden. ..much grass and plenty to do. There has been work happening in the background over winter at our Men's Shed with members participating in a successful Bunning's sausage sizzle in late July following a fantastic Xmas in July celebration at the Dilston Hall in mid July.

Please note our next meeting time ... next Wednesday October 24th 6:30pm at the Fire Brigade rooms Dilston. Beer and chips will be provided after the meeting. We are planning to make it a card night, so make sure you are there.

### SPRING EVENTS

Please read carefully the following pages, as there are lots of ways you can get involved with our activities even though formally we don't have a shed. We are working on this and news is great. I would rather not commit to making written statements about arrangements that are yet not formalised, so come along to the next meeting and hear a report on the exciting future for our group.



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### **Next Meeting**

Wednesday October 24th

Dilston Fire Brigade Rooms

### 6:30pm

Followed by cards, beer & chips

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- Next Meeting Details
- Planning for Spring/Summer
- Free Men's Health Seminar
- Golf Day
- Shed Night
- Outdoor Movies & more.
- Our Future



### MANURE FOR SURE

North Launceston Rotary Club is offering to fill orders for bags of sheep manure that we can resell for fundraising.

We would be required to collect it at a nominated pick up venue and organise distribution. Details will be outlined at the next meeting.

Sheep manure contains all the nutrients of the pasture it came from....a wonderful garden supplement.



RON GOODES 08.03.1938–10.06.2012

### VALE RON GOODES

This man's professional flexibility is demonstrated by work that included construction and supervision of roads, bridges, highways, rail bridges throughout the state and in Metropolitan Melbourne. His farsightedness is demonstrated by him setting up, in 1995, the firm Tas Eco Homes with its emphasis on innovative design.

His legacy to our area and to all users of the East Tamar Highway is the underpass at the southern end of John Lees Drive. Although he achieved an improved design for the northern access he remained concerned for the safety of users of this road junction. As technical expert Ron was a highly valued member of the Dilston Bypass Safety Committee. His quiet , thoughtful, irrefutable arguments and polite insistence was invaluable. As a direct result of his input drivers of cars and school buses have far safer access to the highway.

Ron attended formation meetings of The East Tamar Men's Shed and showed keen interest in the organisation until his health deteriorated.

The Executive and members wish to express sympathy to his wife Anne and family.

# Free Health Seminar

Secret Men's Business Revealed... Effective Treatment for Male Incontinence and Erectile Dysfunction

You, your partner, friends and family are invited to attend a FREE MEN'S HEALTH SEMINAR

on prostate health and rehabilitation including urinary incontinence and erectile dysfunction

BOOKINGS ARE PREFERRED PROUDLY SUPPORTED BY:



	Date:	19 November 2012
	Guest	Mr Robert Jensen Urological Surgeon
	Speakers:	Mr Steve Brough Urological Surgeon Mr Mike Monsour Urological Surgeon
	Time:	Registration opens from <b>7:00pm</b> Talk starts at <b>7.30pm</b>
١	Venue:	The Tramsheds, The Auditorium

Inveresk, Launceston, TAS

# Reserve your seat

For further details and to reserve your seat ph: 1800 642 369 fax: 02 9427 6296 email: amsaustralia@ammd.com

This seminar will provide information on topics men usually prefer not to discuss openly.

You will need to book to attend the seminar.

Even though the poster says 7:00 for 7:30pm, a recent email confirming the seminar quoted 6:30 registration with the talk commencing at 7:00pm.

# WATCH THIS SPACE.....

### THE END OF THE ROAD

When Jon & Marg Hosford journeyed to NT recently, they did so in their Holden Rodeo Space Cab bearing a slide on camper. This unit has been a wonderful way of getting around without having to tow a caravan over the past 6 years. Remove the camper and you have a tray vehicle for gardening supplies and a reliable form of blokey transport.

One of the main advantages of a rig like this is the economy of getting across Bass Strait. It does not cost any more than a standard vehicle.

Unfortunately the drawbacks of the Spacecab are that the extra room behind the driver compromises the space available to spread the load on the tray behind.

Airbags were fitted to assist the support of the camper, but the chassis of the Rodeo did not like the undulation of the Sunraysia Highway in central Victoria.

After nearly 6,000 Km of outback travel this trip, the chassis snapped at its weakest point in front of the rear springs.

Insurance would not honour the claim as metal fatigue is not covered under vehicle insurance.

Should have run into a fence instead.

A costly lesson to learn. We will need to acquire a tougher truck if we wish to continue our travels with this rig.



The end of the road....

### GOLF DAY

A golf day is being planned at Georgetown Golf Club following the most successful day, by Steve Hollier last year.

### Sunday December 9th.

Hit off at 10am. Lunch to follow. \$20 per head. Ring Jeff Wynne (0417 843 943)or Steve Hollier



(6328 1348) to be included.



### OUTDOOR MOVIES

Remember the days when open air movies were all the rage? Sadly these have largely disappeared.

We are trying to bring them back by organising a projectionist to show a movie at our headquarters in the summer months.

Watch this space for specific arrangements.

### CHRISTMAS GIFTS

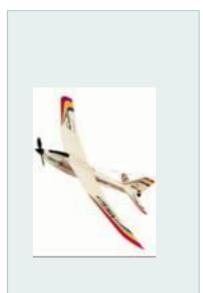
A group of shedders will be working on making Christmas gifts for the garden over November and early December.

Details and planning will be undertaken following the next meeting.

## SHED NIGHT....RADIO CONTROLLED MODEL AIRCRAFT

Mike Adams is a radio controlled model aircraft fan and has agreed to organise a shed night to look at his hobby.

**Tuesday 13th November 7:00 for 7:30pm** 932 Windermere Road Swan Bay.



### Lot's of projects and things to get involved in....

### **BLOKES BBQ FOR CHRISTMAS**

We are planning a BBQ for Christmas for blokes and families on **Saturday December 15th.** 

Reserve the evening as end of year calendars quickly fill.





# EAST TAMAR MEN'S SHED INC....

is a community organisation established to fulfil a need to keep men active after formal work is no longer occupying the majority of their day.

The group is determined to establish a facility in the East Tamar community that will support the need to age gracefully, with support from the male gender, as well as a potential to provide a role model for younger men who may need support in many ways.

## OUR FUTURE

The East Tamar men's Shed has the support of Launceston City Council and other community organisations to fulfil a useful purpose within the community both for its members and to benefit the community through projects and assistance in practical ways.

We are currently in the process of formalising arrangements for a permanent home and workshop in the Dilston/Windermere/Swan Bay area.

We meet currently at the Dilston Fire Brigade on a semi regular basis. If you are interested in our activities and would like to consider membership, please contact either our President, Jeff Wynne or our Secretary, Jon Hosford.

