



# SUNNYBANK AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY MEN'S SHED Inc.

*MEN WORKING SHOULDER TO SHOULDER  
BUILDING COMMUNITIES*

## OCTOBER 2023 SHED NEWS

### PRESIDENT'S 2023 A.G.M. REPORT

I am pleased to provide the president's Report for Sunnybank District Community Men's Shed for 2023. Today you will also hear from our Treasurer and some details about the different groups and individuals that contribute so generously of their skill, time, and effort. Consider for a moment the contribution all members are making if all the volunteer hours were translated into a dollar value!

On behalf of the shed I would like to acknowledge their important contribution and I hope, all Sunnybank Shed members take pride in being part of this active volunteer organisation.

Committee members make a great impact and when they need to step away from that committee position, we do feel the loss. Fortunately, Sam Robinson, Doug Taylor, Brian Sheppard and others from the 2023 committee will, with your approval today, continue to play an active role within the organisation. I would also like to acknowledge those members who carry-out many activities with-in the shed. For example, without Mike Langham finding and responding to many available grants our shed would not have the equipment we require to carry out the many projects that we do for the community. Maurice Millsom continues his contribution, in-conjunction with Sam Robinson with the organising of projects. David Lack for his tireless and often overlooked work as our OH&S organiser contributing to our safety. David Whittaker for the efforts he has made in sourcing guest speakers. These three members were all very active in contributing to the working of Sunnybank Shed and its impact on our community. This year we have not had a member looking after social activities, in fact this role almost disappeared due to Covid 19, however I would like to see someone take up this role on the committee with David Whittaker, Burt Beaumont & Warwick Veneables working as a sub committee.

Thank you

*Geoff Curtis (President)*

### TREASURER REPORT FY 2023

*The SDCMS Treasurer's Report for the year ending 30 June 2023.*

The net operating profit for the FY2023 year is \$5,266 represented by total income of \$34,729 less total expenses of \$29,464. Principal items of income and expenditure are described below. Other income and expense items are listed in the Profit and Loss Report for the 2023 fiscal year.

#### INCOME

**ATTENDANCE FEES:** Total Attendance Fees paid on daily attendance basis by all Shed members amounted to \$11,536.

**GRANTS:** Grants and major donations totaling \$9,217 were received and included:

**\$2,195-AMSA:** For First Aid and CPR Training of Shed members

**\$2,272- Bendigo Bank:** Purchase of new power tools for Wood and Metal Sheds.

**\$2750-QLD Govt. Dept of Industry:** For new chairs.

**\$1,000-Australia Post:** New shed-gas BBQ.

**\$1,000 CBA local branches:** Purchase stocks of Shed shirts.

**BUNNINGS BBQ's:** The Shed did not operate a Bunnings BBQ during the year but did support Pinelands Lions Club at two BBQ's. Income from profit sharing amounted to \$1,378.00

**MEMBERSHIP FEES:** Annual membership fees, including joining fees paid by new members, amounted to \$5,870. At year end the membership totaled 128 members.

**DONATIONS RECEIVED:** This account includes funds received as gratuities, as compensation for minor services performed for organizations or individuals and for hire of Shed equipment. The total funds received amounted to \$2051.

**SALES OF SHED MADE GOODS AND SHED ITEMS:** Total \$3,378. Goods made by the Shed included a physiotherapy table, mud kitchens and library boxes. The sale of small hand tools and powertools donated to the Shed plus small items of timber provided \$1,976 of the sales income.

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## TREASURER REPORT 2023 CONT'D

### EXPENSES

**INSURANCE-\$3,836:** The Shed has Public Liability of \$40 million under an umbrella policy administered by the Australian Men's Shed Association (AMSA).

In addition, our Shed has a separate Industrial Risks Policy that provides coverage against material loss or damage to property up to the value of \$200,000.

**MORNING TEA AND BBQ SUPPLIES:**

\$5,942. Tea, coffee and biscuits, supplied in individual packages as required by Covid 19 regulations, were provided for Shed members at a cost of \$4,143.

Food and other supplies for the Shed BBQ lunch held on the last Friday of each month amounted to \$1,799.

This account also includes expenses related to the maintenance and repairs of Shed machinery. For FY2023, these expenses amounted to \$5,858.

**STAFF WELFARE:** \$5,647. Costs of running two First Aid & CPR Training courses (\$4,245), purchase of shed shirt stocks and miscellaneous member expenses.

**SUPPLIES & MATERIALS:** Includes the purchase of other materials and consumables for Shed personnel and community project activities including construction and repairs. For FY 2023 these expenses amounted to \$5,858.

**FIRST AID KITS & SUPPLIES:** \$1,804. A new defibrillator costing \$1,700 was purchased.

**GENERAL EXPENSES:** \$1,821. Covers replacement of a stolen water cooler, hire of a skip for rubbish removal and payment for Bunnings gift cards.

**ELECTRICITY:** \$1,218. In February 2023, the installation of a 13.2kW rated solar PV cell electricity supply system was installed on the Shed roofs at a cost of \$20,000. The capital cost was paid from a grant provided by Brisbane City Council.

During the six months the system has been operating, the solar installation supplied 70% of the electrical energy consumed by the Shed. Our average monthly payment to our electricity supplier, discounted for feed-in energy was \$17.50 per month. Based on current supply tariffs which have increased by approximately 30% since February 2023, our current bill for 100% utility supply to the Shed would be \$171.20 per month.

The principal expense items listed above cover 89% of the FY2023 expenses. The balance is spread across a number of expense accounts as recorded in the Profit and Loss Report for FY2023

**Brian Shepherd** (Treasurer)

### A CONVERSATION CAN CHANGE A LIFE

R U OK? Inspire and Empower everyone who may be struggling with life.

Ask R U OK? – Listen – Encourage action – Check in

## END OF MONTH BBQ



On the 29th September over 40 members enjoyed a presentation from the Nurse in Need organisation, presented by Shaji and Yvonne. Members enjoyed a feed of steak burgers supplied via Coles Sunnybank Hills gift voucher.

## SHED ACTIVITIES



Six members from Espire Disability Support Services attend the shed on Fridays. Lately they have made some fold up chairs for fishing. These members are about to start sanding and assembling wooden toys that we will give away through Cr Kim Marx office to disadvantaged children at Christmas. These members are seen above working on the chairs.

## MEMBER'S BIRTHDAYS

- Midhat Abdel-Magied
- Maurice Millsom
- David Austin
- Tony Nye
- Mike Gocs
- Tus van den Berg
- Damien Grace
- Gordon Wyeth
- Mike Langham



**Fri 13th October is Birthday Friday.**

## GRANDAD JOKES

**Which bear is the most condescending?**  
*A pan-duh!*

**What kind of noise does a witch's vehicle make?**  
*Brrrrooom, brrrrooom.*

**What's brown and sticky?**  
*A stick.*

**Two guys walked into a bar.**  
*The third guy ducked.*

**Did you hear about the actor who broke his leg onstage?**  
*He's still in the cast.*

**How do you get a country girl's attention?**  
*A tractor.*

**Why did the pharmacist walk on her tiptoes?**  
*She didn't want to wake the sleeping pills.*

**I wanted to buy a pair of camouflage pants,**  
*But I couldn't find any.*

**Why are elevator jokes so classic and good?**  
*They work on many levels.*

**I have an inferiority complex.**  
*But it's not a very good one.*

**What do you call a pudgy psychic?**  
*A four-chin teller.*

**I had a date last night and it was perfect.**  
*Tomorrow, I'll have a fig.*

**What did the police officer say to his belly-button?**  
*You're under a vest.*

**What do you call it when a group of apes starts a company?**  
*Monkey business.*

**My girlfriend keeps accusing me of cheating.**  
*She's starting to sound like my wife.*

## SHED — EVENTS



On the same day as our shed AGM our President signed a 3 year lease with the Uniting Church of Australia for the area occupied by our sheds plus the community garden area. This is approximately double the area we have previously occupied. Thanks go to shed past president Rob Johnson, previous committees and Bruce Binnie from UCA for bringing this to fruition.

## GUEST SPEAKER



On Friday 29th September our speaker seeker David W invited Saji from Nurse in Need to speak to the members about the work the organisation does in the community.

The NFP group offer support by home visits to the sick & elderly under the NDIS scheme and looking after such things as dressing of wounds and attending to general needs of the patients.

## SUPPORT OUR SUNNYBANK DISTRICT MEN'S SHED SUPPORTERS



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**HOURS:—**  
**Mon, Tues, Wed & Fri:—** 8.00–12.00 ✕ *All trades and activities*  
**Thurs:—** 8.00–12.00 ✕ *Toy making & woodwork activities*  
**Alternate Saturdays:** ✕ *Music Groups "Splinter" ✕ "Old Chisel"*

**MANAGEMENT EXECUTIVE MEMBERS**



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**COMMITTEE MEMBERS**



**Membership & Welfare**  
**LANCE B**



**Activities Officer (TBA)**



**Grants**  
**MIKE L**

**SUB COMMITTEES:**  
**Shed Supervisor/Maintenance:**  
 Chair Des B  
**OH&S Officer:**  
 Chair David L  
**Projects Officer:**  
 Chair Maurice M  
**IT inc website & social media:**  
 Chair Sam R  
**Site Manager: Warwick V**

Chair of each sub committee will have at least two members on the sub committee and report, in writing, to the committee each month. Please consider helping with the running of YOUR Shed.

**LOOKING FOR A MENS SHED?  
 CALL IN AND WE WILL SHOW  
 YOU AROUND  
 AND HAVE A CUPPA AND CHAT**  
*Covered footwear is required*