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## MPCMS CLASSIC CAR RALLY

Our Shed is organising a classic vehicle rally/run so our members can give their beloved classic, and not-so-classic, babies an airing. The event is also open to both partners and friends.

We propose the run will be through the hills south of Perth stopping for a morning tea break then culminating on a Member's private property on a lake near Waroona for a BYO picnic lunch. Toilet and BBQ facilities will be provided. Participants can then return home in the afternoon or camp overnight, returning the following day.

It is proposed we charge an entry fee of \$20 for each vehicle in order to raise some money for our Shed. Some drivers may appreciate some company on this run so if you would like to be a passenger you may like to indicate your interest in booking a passenger seat.

This event is proposed for Monday 20th April 2020. If you are interested please phone, email or message Richard Allen on the contacts:

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Please let Richard know your preferences, if you can assist in any way and your vehicle details. We will then provide final details for the event to attendees.

**Richard Allan**

**Auckland Mens Shed** (Courtesy Richard Lang's son-in-law)



Interesting to see the design and materials used for this Shed! Lots of timber used in NZ constructions and they also seem to have very creative and interesting designs for domestic and "commercial" buildings. Could we learn a lot from their builders and architects???

It would be interesting to see what activities they run in this Shed. The men at the cars appear to be unloading, not "fixing" so our auto work at MPCMS could be one they don't do?

## Changes to the Battery Collection Program

The WMRC has run a battery collection program in the community since 2009 and through that time has collected a total of 25.7 tonnes of used household batteries. Collecting household batteries for recycling both retains valuable resources and prevents contamination in and around landfills.

We are writing to let you know we are withdrawing the Battery Recycling bin provided to the Mosman Park Men's Shed.

If you wish to continue a battery collection, there are some ways you can do it:

- The WMRC provide free collection points located throughout the western suburbs for various items including batteries. The closest location to the Mosman Park Men's Shed is the SUPA IGA on Wellington Street, Mosman Park. Please visit our website for other locations [www.wmrc.wa.gov.au/education/drop-off-recycling](http://www.wmrc.wa.gov.au/education/drop-off-recycling)
- You may be able to drop off batteries at stores such as Officeworks or Aldi. The WMRC will collect the metal bin. If you still have any equipment related to the program (e.g. posters or a pull up banner) or have any queries, please contact us by calling the WMRC Communications and Education team on 9384 4003.

**Libby Eustance      Manager Communications and Education**

### **Paraprosdokians :**

First time I heard about paraprosdokians, I liked them. Paraprosdokians are figures of speech in which the latter part of a sentence or phrase is surprising or unexpected and is frequently humorous. (*Sir Winston Churchill loved them*).

1. Where there's a will, I want to be in it.
2. The last thing I want to do is hurt you ...but it's still on my list.
3. Since light travels faster than sound, some people appear bright until you hear them speak.
4. If I agreed with you, we'd both be wrong.
5. We never really grow up -- we only learn how to act in public.
6. War does not determine who is right, only who is left.
7. Knowledge, is knowing a tomato is a fruit. Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.
8. To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism. To steal from many is research.
9. I didn't say it was your fault, I said I was blaming you.
10. In filling out an application, where it says, "In case of an emergency, notify..." I answered "a doctor."
11. You do not need a parachute to skydive. You only need a parachute to skydive twice.
12. To be sure of hitting the target, shoot first and call whatever you hit the target.
13. Going to church doesn't make you a Christian, any more than standing in a garage makes you a car.
14. You're never too old to learn something stupid.
15. I'm supposed to respect my elders, but it's getting harder and harder for me to find someone older than me.

Sadly this is true!!! Spread the Laughter, Share the Cheer, Let's be Happy, while we're here!



### **Scone Men**

Prior to the most recent scares around Covid 19 these fine gentlemen, who have been making the scones for morning tea on Tuesdays for some time. took more care with their baking this month and showed the other members - so keen to have their weekly scones - that they were not just saying they were following regular OHS procedures but they were actually doing what they said.

So here is a photo to prove the point and everyone was left smiling, not just the bakers!!! Well done to the bakers for their consistent provision of the weekly treat and long may this continue despite George's problems with gout!!

## **Solar Radiance and Climate Change – Peter Mack**

Peter Mack brought some welcome, calm and scientific analysis of how radiation from the sun heats the earth; past, present and future. Even as the climate change debate encompassing man-made atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> rages, the natural long-term cycles of solar radiation just continue on.

Peter first described the internal magnetic environment of the Sun which enables sunspot prediction and tracking of potentially disruptive effects on worldwide communication systems. He referred to the solar storm and 'Carrington Event' of 1859.

Peter then explained the consequences of Earth's varying orbit around the sun, the annual oscillation of the Earth's axis and changes in solar output as they will affect our climate into the future. One new feature is the recent cyclical reduction in overall solar radiation that at present is masking much of the greenhouse warming arising from human activity. This effect will continue until about 2035, and thereafter will naturally reverse to effectively exacerbate any anthropogenic warming. The consequences could well be that the predicted global 'warming' (or most certainly more extreme global weather events) will reassert itself and climate change predictions will indeed come to pass.

Peter went on to lead a lively Q&A session as members explored some of the consequences of this temporary 'cooling' of the Sun on themselves and on their descendants.

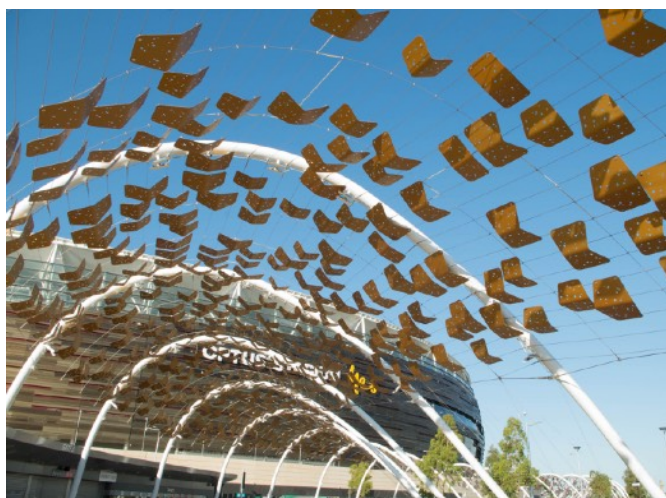
note: You are invited to seek the recent paper about the global warming debate by Shed member Rod Dale and Graeme Stephens.

## **Russel Giles**

### **Covit19**

This virus thing.! People buying cartloads of dunny paper. It's a bit over the top don't you think. Sure the virus will kill older people, probably including me (I'm 88). Last week I wrote this song, and gave it the world premiere on my ukulele at the Dunsborough Men's Shed sausage sizzle:

### **A Couple more Photos from Jim Lightfoot from the Visit to the Stadium.**



### **THE DUNNY PAPER WAR**

This is a story that is not funny  
If you want to visit your dunny  
Do not use your toilet rolls  
'Cos they've run out of them at Coles.  
Beware, this awful spreading curse  
Might land on you, or even worse  
It could invade the Dunsborough shed  
And then, by gosh, we'll all be dead.  
But do not panic, don't restock  
Your larder, do not watch the clock  
In mortal fear that might require us  
To give in now to this damned virus.  
Just listen, please, to my new lyrics  
That don't encourage more hysterics  
And you will find there's lots more rolls  
Next time you go to shop at Coles.

**John Slee Dunsborough**



## A little perspective...

### Virus ALERT

The English are feeling the pinch in relation to recent virus threat and have therefore raised their threat level from "Miffed" to "Peeved." Soon, though, level may be raised yet again to "Irritated" or even "A Bit Cross." The English have not been "A Bit Cross" since the blitz in 1940 when tea supplies nearly ran out.

The virus has been re-categorized from "Tiresome" to "A Bloody Nuisance." The last time the British issued a "Bloody Nuisance" warning level was in 1588, when threatened by the Spanish Armada.

The Scots have raised their threat level from "Pissed Off" to "Let's Get the Bastard." They don't have any other levels. This is the reason they have been used on the front line of the British army for the last 300 years.

The French government announced yesterday that it has raised its alert level from "Run" to "Hide." The only two higher levels in France are "Collaborate" and "Surrender." The rise was precipitated by a recent fire that destroyed France's white flag factory, effectively paralyzing the country's military capability.

Italy has increased the alert level from "Shout Loudly and Excitedly" to "Elaborate Military Posturing." Two more levels remain: "Ineffective Combat Operations" and "Change Sides."

The Germans have increased their alert state from "Disdainful Arrogance" to "Dress in Uniform and Sing Marching Songs." They also have two higher levels: "Invade a Neighbour" and "Lose."

Belgians, on the other hand, are all on holiday as usual; the only threat they are worried about is NATO pulling out of Brussels.

The Spanish are all excited to see their new submarines ready to deploy. These beautifully designed subs have glass bottoms so the new Spanish navy can get a really good look at the old Spanish navy.

Australia, meanwhile, has raised its alert level from "No worries" to "She'll be alright, Mate." Two more escalation levels remain: "Crikey! I think we'll need to cancel the barbie this weekend!" and "The barbie is cancelled." So far, no situation has ever warranted use of the final escalation level.

The Russians have said "Its not us"



### Colin Barnett - the March Talk to Shedders.

Almost seven and a half years after opening our Shed, Colin Barnett returned to address a Covid 19 depleted group of Shedders.

He started by thanking us for making several flag poles he had promised to schools around the State.

He related the history of his way into politics and his rise to Premier. The talk was peppered with many interesting and amusing events that occurred during his tenure.

A thoroughly enjoyable and informative 40 minutes and much appreciated by the 20 members present.

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