

Noises From The Shed



To All Shed Members, Families and Friends, Have a Happy and Safe Festive Season.

Camping Group Activities.

Our Camping Group has wrapped up its final adventure for the year, with Yallingup proving to be both a convenient and stunning destination. Four caravans and two tents made the journey into this beautiful South West region — along with a special visitor who joined us all the way from the USA!

With campfires off the menu, Caves House became our social hub, and the group enjoyed several coastal walks, including the picturesque Meelup Trail from Dunsborough to Meelup Beach. For those looking for a bit more adventure, an off-road outing led to the iconic 3 Bears surf break south of Cape Naturaliste, followed by even more spectacular coastal walking.

But before Yallingup, members also rolled into the [Red Dust Revival 2025](#) at Lake Perkolilli near Kalgoorlie. Held every three years, this unique event celebrates historic racing cars from 1914 to 1939, recreating the grit and excitement of early outback motor sport. Dust was absolutely guaranteed — but so was an unforgettable experience for vintage vehicle enthusiasts.

If you have any questions or would like to join the group, please contact **Robert Bassett – 0435 712 228**



Dust to dust followed by the clear air and sky on the ocean front. This trip seems to have encompassed a great deal of the Australian diverse scenery.



Travels With Tony.

Tony Barr recently travelled into the wilds around Lake Eyre with some of his family. He came across some really interesting sights and fauna and the photos below will give some idea of the kind of country he spent some time.



Old Ghann railway siding



Tribute to Australia's first Mosque in Maree



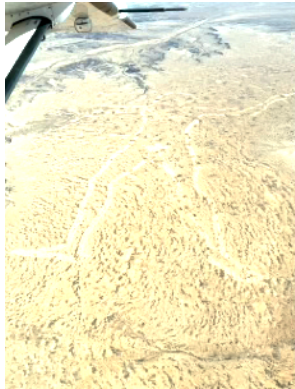
The Camp



Sunrise on the Birdsville

Maree Man from 5000 feet Northern feeder river to Lake Eyre Afghan Monument

Sunrise at Maree



And a prickly little customer Tony managed to get close to!!

Project Completed, with help, by Rod Dale.

"Two candle stands for St Lukes Anglican Church, Mosman Park, designed and made by Rod Dale with assistance from Tony Brown, who helped source suitable timber from the Shed's stock, and Richard Longly who prepared the computer program for the CMC machine to cut the trefoil patterns in the base supports. The spindle was too long for the Shed's lathe and was turned by George Macfarlane-Reid in South Fremantle."



You can't make this



Chair Report

The Shed has been busy in the run-up to the Christmas holidays.

The Shed again hosted the local RSL for its annual Christmas lunch. About 40 guests enjoyed a full multi-course dinner, along with Shed hospitality.

The Shed's annual Christmas dinner was held this year at the Mosman Park Bowling club with about 100 members and partners in attendance. The evening included a 3 course dinner, music by the ShedBoys - Bruce Varley, Matt Granger, Peter Bartlett, Derek Parkin and Jamie McKinnon, door prizes and 5 stories about the Shed, each providing a different perspective on the Shed.

Members are hurriedly completing gifts they are making for family and friends.

Members of the community have been coming to the shed to buy gifts that have been made by shed members, including wooden toys.

Demand for Shed jobs is continuing to be strong, with projects ranging from repairs to new builds.

Shed members are continuing to serve as volunteers with other community organizations, including hospitals and food charities.

We are looking forward to the holiday season and then again serving the community.

Best wishes for an enjoyable, safe and nourishing holiday season.

Paul Smith Chair MPMS

Visit to Maritime Museum

There is probably no better way to be shown through any gallery than by a docent who setup the exhibition and participated in the design of the building in which the gallery is housed. The Tin Canoe to Australia II gallery visit at the Maritime Museum of WA at the Fremantle Port on Wednesday 26 November was one I was glad I did not miss. Arranged by David Russell the visit was superbly co-ordinated by Mike Lefroy who has, since the museum's inception, been a passionate and devoted profiler of the history of wind and wave sports in W.A.



If you have ever wondered why John Sander's boat Perie Banou II is pitched at such an angle with a figure of him on the foredeck with a sea anchor mounted high on the ceiling of the museum then you've missed your opportunity to find out and If the quiz night question "how many can openers did John take with him on the three year journey" then you missed out and just in case you have always wondered what was the significance of the moment John Bertram emerged from the port side front hatch of Australia II, then your should have been there at the tour. Also, the secret code indicated by the askew placement of a Yellow (unroadworthy sticker) on the windscreen of a vehicle and the illustrious history of who started their sailing careers in the Cadet dinghy were all revealed by Mike who was a masterful story teller.

An all too brief diversion to the whaling Gallery enabled us to view the Catalpa's long boat and for Mike to introduce his small tour group to the almost incredulous history of the Freo Gaol break by the 6 Irish Fenian prisoners. To learn how such a caper was able to be co-ordinated from the other side of what was then a very far away world and the part played by lady luck was enthralling.

Updates on the coming and goings of the "Endeavour" and the "Dufkin" Ships,



both built in WA, was also noteworthy as was the information regarding the dismantling of the Port Cranes and the trials and tribulations of having a permanent Oberon class submarine on display in the warm WA climate.

The two and a half hour visit passed in a flash and was one that should have been compulsory attendance for the Shed's Yachties and Boaties alike. I hope Dave can organise another visit in the not too distant future and members and our families can be cajoled to coming along for a great outing.

Gray Porter

Shed Christmas Dinner @ The Mosman Park Bowling Club in Pictures - Courtesy Paul Whiting



Full House



Chair Paul addresses the masses



What to choose???



Is George not happy with the food or his photo being taken?



Chair Paul introduces "Story Time"



Jenny Lalor recounts an early survey to much laughter



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