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14 Gormley Drive, Kingston

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Regular Activities:

Kingston Men's Shed is open Monday - Thursday from 9am to 12.30pm. Tuesdays are set aside for members of various retirement villages in our Kingborough Council area to visit and participate. This does not exclude members from attending and interacting with our elderly citizens, perhaps lending a hand with one of their projects, or just enjoying a coffee and chat.

The Primary School mentoring programme continues throughout the term.

News from The Shed:

The AGM of The Shed was held on September 17th, which included a presentation of reports from the Chairman and Treasurer (copies of which are attached), as well as election of the new committee for 2013/2014. It was very pleasing to see a good number of members take the time to attend and participate in the issues which arose, one of which was the relevance of the Association (see article on page ?). On asking for interest from members to nominate for positions on the board of the Association, one member has expressed interest in standing as Public Officer. If there is anyone else who would like to nominate, please let a member of the committee know as soon as possible.

Library : A nice selection of books and journals relating to woodwork, wood-turning, spindle turning and tools have been catalogued and are available from our library. Members can borrow for a period of one month at no cost. Please fill in the loan sheet with the book's number, together with your name and the date borrowed. If any of you have any technical material which you would like to donate to the collection, it would be most appreciated.

Up-coming Events:

Would members please note in their diaries that Monday 21st October at 1pm is set down for a **Special General Meeting of the Kingborough Community Gardens & Men's Shed Incorporated**. It would be appreciated if all members from both the Garden Group and The Shed would make an effort to attend, as several items will be raised and must be voted on by members. These include appointment of a Treasurer and Public

Officer; presentation and acceptance of the 2012/13 financial reports; and a resolution that an audit of the books is not required. A copy of the resolution will be emailed or posted towards the end of September and, as it must be passed by a three quarter majority present, it is important you are there in person to vote.

The following information provided by Mike Jackson will, hopefully, assist in providing members with a better understanding of the necessity for the Incorporated Association, as you are automatically members of it anyway.

KGMS Association Structure.

From discussions with members it has become apparent to the Association Committee that many members are not clear regarding the structure of the Association, specifically in how the two groups, namely the Garden and Men's Shed, relate to and interact with the Association. The following explanation will hopefully clarify the situation.

The Kingborough Garden and Men's Shed Association Inc. is the legal entity registered with the State Government and incorporated under the relevant acts. It has a constitution and committee which allows it to conduct business on behalf of the members.

It prepares the necessary annual financial and other reports required by law and makes purchases and payments relating to the common matters of the two groups, for example, property and building items, insurance, utilities and rates, where applicable.

In addition all grant applications, whilst not necessarily prepared by the Association are submitted by it as the incorporated body.

Election of officers to the Association Committee is open to all financial members and a balance is attempted to be maintained to ensure adequate representation of both group's interests.

The two groups, Garden and Men's Shed, operate as sub-committees of the Association Committee. They elect their own officers, control their own finances and report as necessary to the Association Committee.

Due to the difference in function the sub-committees set their own fees however a standard component, determined by the Association Committee, is levied on all members. This is designed to cover the common outgoings of both groups.

In summary the Association acts as an umbrella body for the necessary interface of the Garden and Men's Shed groups with external bodies. This allows for the actions of the two groups to have a common purpose where required whilst ensuring that the necessarily diverse functions of the groups are performed in the most efficient manner.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2012 - 2013

The second year of the Shed as an independent entity within the Association has been one of the development and refinement of our organisation, which will continue. An important part of that has been the outstanding job that Denis has carried out, with the assistance of three Daily Supervisors, as the Shed Co-ordinator. Many thanks Denis. Thanks also to Dave and his assistants who help to keep the workshop ticking over - Ross, Rod, Dave Newman, Stewart and the two Brians.

COMMITTEES

The main committee continues to be the basis of the organisation of the Shed, directing its activities and development and maintaining a strict control over our finances; for the latter we owe a vote of special thanks to our Treasurer Evelyn. Kevin has agreed to re-nominate for the Committee and we look forward to discussing his ideas and initiatives. A sub-committee has recently been formed to direct the construction of the extension; more of their activities later. Thanks to all those who give up their time to the committees to keep the Shed running smoothly.

FUNDRAISING

One of our main sources of funds has always been membership fees, which has shown a sharp decline recently. If you have any mates who might like to join us be sure to encourage them. The schools' mentoring programme continues to be a reliable source of funds, enthusiastically supported by the three primary schools currently involved. Thanks to Dave, Kevin and Bob for running this programme, which everyone appears to enjoy very much, both participants and spectators. Soft drink sales, thanks Paul and the others involved, continue to turn a profit as does the sale of material and unwanted tools and equipment to members. Danny is a valued contributor in this area! There has also been a steady trickle of paying jobs throughout the year, most notably the Santa sleigh and tombola drum - thanks to Kevin and all the elves involved. Hopefully these jobs will continue as our reputation spreads throughout the community. The Christmas raffle raised \$1400 - thanks to all who lent a hand either making prizes or selling tickets. Another is already in preparation for later this year and a Garage Sale is tentatively planned in the next month or two if it can be worked in around the building of the extension. Our current financial situation is sound but we cannot afford to be complacent; if any of you have any ideas that might turn a dollar please don't hesitate to bring them to the Committee.

GARDEN

The partnership between the Garden and the Shed has continued. Projects have included the rehabilitation of the bottom of the site, the construction of a shaded enclosure, assistance in the building of a barbecue area, which is ongoing, plus the almost daily maintenance of the site in general. Virtually all the present members have been involved in this activity at one time or another - thank you all, but especially the mowers and brush cutters - Steve, Danny, Les, Bob, Denis and others. However,

although these tasks are sometimes mutually beneficial it is clear that the Garden is a clear winner; this is something that will need to be re-negotiated in the future.

INDUCTION

A programme of assessment, induction and training has commenced and will be developed in the future. An ongoing review of Workplace Health and Safety has also been introduced. An inspection by Council Officers at some future time will serve to highlight any deficiencies or oversights in this review. As a by-product of this Robbie has completed a programme of testing and tagging of all of the electrical equipment we own and he has also created a detailed inventory of every tool tested. Well done Robbie.

ST ANN'S

The visits of residents from St Ann's continue and appear to be enjoyed by all concerned - thanks to Kevin, Neville, Ron, Aaron and all. A down side has been that the workshop has occasionally been overrun with wombats, but this problem has been dealt with in our usual calm and efficient way.

NEWSLETTER

More thanks to Evelyn for all the work that she has put into the production of the Newsletter, which has become a regular and welcome feature of the life of our Shed. If you can offer her any support, in a personal profile perhaps, please do so. Evelyn is also working with Julian on the creation of a website; this has been unavoidably delayed and with Julian's imminent departure back to the UK may well be further delayed, but if you have the skills to help in this area please let them know.

T.M.S.A. BARBEQUE AND OTHERS

Organised to welcome Bob Clifford as Patron of T.M.S.A. and to provide an opportunity for an exchange of ideas and information between sheds this was an outstanding success. This was due to the maximum effort put in by our members who ensured that it was also a showcase for the Kingston Shed - well done everybody. Thanks also to Denis, Aaron and others who organise our monthly barbeques, pleasant social events enjoyed by all who attend.

SHED EXTENSION

As you will all know the Tasmanian Community Fund has awarded us a grant of approximately \$40,000 towards the construction of an extension to the existing Shed. Thanks are due to Graeme, Evelyn, Dave and me too I suppose for labouring over a long weekend to get the successful application finished in time. However, the amount we have been granted is \$6,000 less than the sum requested.

Whilst our application was being considered by the fund a consensus evolved between those involved in the project that if it was successful we should seize the opportunity to increase the size of the extension to the maximum possible within the confines of

the original budget and the space available. This was agreed even if it meant that the final stages of the fit out might be delayed until further funding became available. The Fund readily accepted the new proposal, but sadly didn't offer us any extra cash.

Kingborough Council was approached for assistance by Dave and myself and through the award of a Council Grant they have in effect paid the cost of the excavation and Council fees; this has saved us \$4,800.

Kevin, with some valuable help from Rod, has also been busy. Through the good offices of Kingston Rotary Hazell Brothers have been persuaded to reduce the cost of the concrete for the slab saving us a further \$1,500. Rotary have also voted us \$1,000 towards the project.

All the necessary paperwork now rests with Council, and as soon as we have a start date the Fund will give us the grant. We have made a good beginning.

The next nine months are going to be very demanding. It will require a maximum effort by everyone if we are to progress the completion of the extension and at the same time maintain all the programmes and activities we are currently committed to. However, I am very confident that if we continue to work together and support each other as we have in the past we can create a Men's Shed that is a credit to all its members, that is a valuable asset for their use and for the benefit of the local community. Thank you.

Your Shed Committee for 2013/2014 is made up of the following members: Arnold Krieg, Dave Ellis, Graeme Euston, Dennis O'Flynn, Mike Jackson, Bob Davis, Kevin Clayton & Evelyn Black.

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Kingston Men's Shed

14 Gormley Drive
Kingston
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Profit & Loss [Cash]

July 2012 To June 2013

ABN: 64 401 343 853

TOTAL INCOME		
Membership		\$840.00
Association membership		\$475.00
General Donations		\$194.82
Garden Bed Sales		\$1,385.00
Sales of Shed Items		\$1,079.65
Small Community Projects		\$567.71
Christmas Raffle		\$800.00
Miscellaneous Income		\$180.00
Christmas Sleigh		\$500.01
Ticket Barrel		-\$300.00
School Mentoring Program		\$589.27
Shed Extension Project		\$4,633.35
Total TOTAL INCOME		\$10,944.81
Cost of Sales		
Gross Profit		\$10,944.81
Expenses		
Accounting Fees		\$431.82
Clubhouse Supplies		\$556.56
Discounts		
Discounts Taken	-\$29.74	
Dues & Subscriptions		\$20.00
Insurance		\$953.82
Maintenance		\$1,179.99
Printing & Stationery		\$327.78
Sundry Expenses		\$383.23
Tools & Equipment		\$632.37
Electricity		\$771.98
Gas		\$26.36
Total Expenses		\$5,254.17
Operating Profit		\$5,690.64
Other Income		
Interest Income		\$154.32
Reclaimed GST		\$425.00
Total Other Income		\$579.32
Other Expenses		
Net Profit/(Loss)		\$6,269.96

This report includes Year-End Adjustments.

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Balance Sheet

As of June 2013

ABN: 64 401 343 853

Assets		
Current Assets		
Cash On Hand		
My State Financial Bus A/c	\$1,296.31	
My State On Line Savings A/c	\$6,220.46	
Petty Cash	\$69.31	
Total Cash On Hand		\$7,586.08
Savings Funds		
Trade Debtors	\$560.00	
Total Savings Funds	\$560.00	
Total Current Assets		\$8,146.08
Property & Equipment		
Clubhouse at Cost		
	\$1,000.00	
Equipment at Cost		
	\$5,136.04	
Total Property & Equipment		\$6,136.04
Total Assets		\$14,282.12
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
A Krieg Loan account		
	\$1,000.00	
GST Collected		
	\$22.95	
GST Paid		
	-\$2,436.79	
Total Current Liabilities		-\$1,413.84
Total Liabilities		-\$1,413.84
Net Assets		\$15,695.96
Equity		
Member's Equity		
KCG&MS Inc		
	\$77.30	
Total Member's Equity	\$77.30	
Retained Earnings		
	\$8,833.25	
Current Year Earnings		
	\$6,785.41	
Total Equity		\$15,695.96

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