

Bayswater Community Men's Shed Newsletter

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Welcoming a New Sponsor

Paul Ross has kindly offered to sponsor the shed this year offering \$1000.00 plus \$500.00 for every referral from a Shed member resulting in a house sold. Paul has also been very generous since the inception of the Shed.

A blue rectangular advertisement for Paul Ross. At the top, it says 'SELL YOUR HOME WITH PAUL ROSS' in white and black text. Below this is a portrait of Paul Ross, a man in a suit and tie. To the right of the portrait, it says 'PROUD SPONSOR OF BAYSWATER MEN'S SHED' in white text. Below the portrait, a black banner with white text says 'Paul Ross will donate \$500 to the Men's Shed for every referral sold'. At the bottom, it says 'ROSS REALTY 0428 571 050' in white text.

Lotterywest has been a major supporter of our Shed over the last 10 years. The initial grant we received played a crucial role in helping us establish the Shed, enabling us to acquire many of the machines we still use today. We've also benefited from additional Lotterywest funding through WA Men's Shed, to strengthen our operations.



Email scams

Scammers send emails pretending to be from the government, law enforcement and businesses. They make it sound urgent to get you to act quickly.

Scammers use the same logo and a similar email address as the real organisation. Scammers can also copy or disguise their email address behind the email address of an organisation or business to make the scam email look more real.

The true cost of scams is more than a dollar figure. Scams can have a devastating impact on victims' lives. The above information comes from *The Little Black Book of Scams*, produced by the ACCC, National Anti-Scam Centre program. A copy of this book is in the Member Lounge and also can be accessed online.

Signs an email might be a scam

The email:



Requests a payment but the account details are new or have changed since the last payment you made.



Asks you to log on to an online account with your username and password or to provide other personal information.



Was unexpected and includes an attachment with an invitation to open it.



Asks you to confirm your banking details to receive a refund or money you are not expecting.



Claims to have information about you or images of you and threatens to release them.



Offers to help you recover money or get compensation for a data breach or identity theft.

Steps to protect yourself from email scams

1. Check that the email is real by:



- contacting the person or organisation directly using contact details you've found yourself such as from the organisation's website or via their official app (never via a link).



2. Immediately stop contact with anyone who tries to threaten or intimidate you.



3. Never give personal details or pay anyone offering you:

- compensation or help to recover from a previous scam or data breach or,
- winnings, prizes or an inheritance.



4. Use multi-factor authentication when you can. This provides an extra layer of protection and means a scammer has to know your email password and a pin number sent to your phone to gain access to your email account.

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Why do we have Bitcoin ATM machines?

WE have three nearby, Bayswater LPO, Morley Up In Smoke, Woolworths Inglewood and the Ida Street Supermarket. Have YOU ever used a Bitcoin ATM.

Scammers who want you to make an urgent payment now ask you to use a Bitcoin ATM to transfer money, in the past they asked for gift cards.



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

October 4, 2025

Important Notice

Hi Everyone,

A quick note to remind you of the AGM to be held on Saturday 4th October 2025. At this meeting nominations will be called for President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and committee members. I invite you all to consider volunteering for one or more of these positions and carry on the many goals that the current committee has in place. The current Committee has done a tremendous job of improving our facility, I thank them for their commitment in what at times, can be a difficult endeavour. They have put in many hours in planning and implementing plans to improve safety and shed facilities. A special thank you to the Secretary and Treasurer who have by far the most difficult and time consuming jobs.

Faithfully yours,

Bill Vos

President

Men at Work



Adrian is attaching the top of the fire damaged sheoak table he is restoring.



Henk Doug and Barry fixing Henk's Garden Windmill.



Clive has built a dowelling machine and can be seen here installing safety guards.



Lloyd and Craig with some commission work to raise money for the Shed.



Henk is busy making Wheelbarrows to sell at markets



Ian builds another wood workbench .



Craig glueing up a cutting board

Works in Progress



Building Cupboards / Display cabinets in the Member Lounge



End cupboard to be removed to make space for a small fridge, giving access to a fridge by outside groups who use our Lounge.



Timber to make another workbench

As timber is being used we need less space to store timber, the last section of the rack is removed and half sheet storage to be created in one of the bays. Panels at the end and side of the rack will store clamps.

*I married my wife
for her looks
but not the ones
I'm getting lately*

Set up the CNC milling machine. The Laser engraver will be moved upstairs and the milling machine will take its place.



Our Priorities

The committee holds formal meetings monthly and many informal meetings on a regular basis to develop our Shed. Members are always welcome to write to the committee to make suggestions on ways to make the shed better. The Committee has developed both short and long term goals which we hope to achieve.

OUR SHORT TERM GOALS - These are items that we as members can achieve.

- ✳ Organise the storeroom, tools from the metal storage cupboards to relocated to the store, giving easier access to equipment.
- ✳ Three dust filters to be installed, the committee has decided on placement, we need to contact the City for approval to hang from the roof truss. Two will be hung under the dust extraction ducting and one above the woodwork benches.
- ✳ Fume extraction to the welding bay, we have the fan, motor and some ducting. Need a roof plumber to complete roof penetration and install ducting and an electrician to install power.
- ✳ Build a sharpening bench for slow speed grinder and oilstones.
- ✳ Sash Cramp and G/F clamp racks to be made at end of timber storage area.
- ✳ Build bench for radial arm saw and drop saw and complete dust extraction for these machines.
- ✳ New power sub-board and upgrade power for the woodworking machine area, all power points changed to industrial screwed plugs and sockets.
- ✳ Upgrade power tools to battery operated.
- ✳ Improve entrance, closing off workshop area, this will allow us to let community groups use our lounge and restrict access to the workshop area.
- ✳ Tidy the upstairs area, plan to locate the laser engraver and 3D printers in this area.
- ✳ New cupboards to left of fridge in the kitchen
- ✳ Cupboards/Display cabinets in Lounge area near Kitchen entrance. Install bar fridge in
- ✳ Lounge mini kitchen cupboards.
- ✳ Swap pool table for a smaller table, morning tea is becoming a little cramped on busy days.

OUR LONG TERM GOALS - The things we need help with.

- ✳ Improve lighting, we have some dark spots in which we need to improve lighting for member safety
- ✳ Safety rail for the mezzanine floor. Need to apply for funding
- ✳ Covered area over the entrance and roller door. More ventilated area for sanding, grinding and painting thus reducing fumes and dust from the workshop area. We hope to get a City of Bayswater Capital Works grant to fund this project.
- ✳ Evaporative airconditioning. Three roof units down the length of the workshop, two in the wood area and one in the metal area. We hope to get a City of Bayswater Capital Works grant to fund this project.

As you can see, the committee has created a huge wish list and spent a great deal of time in the endeavour to achieve these goals. We ask for your help in achieving these goals to make the Shed a better place.