



SHOWING THE WAY

Gerald Paterson working on signboard for a local orchard, Avorillo Park. Made from a hard wood supplied by the owner, the lettering has been formed with a pentograph coupled with a router.



SCHOOL GARDENS

Expanding its association with Omokoroa No 1 School, six raised vegetable gardens have been built at the school. Made from treated timber and lined with plastic, the gardens were cut out and prepared at the shed, and then moved to the school to be put together. Project leader Len Riggir is shown with Jerry Hale, Dick Megchelse, and Rod Galbraith taking a break from construction.

School Principal Craig Pentecost said that integrating raised vegetable gardens into the school local curriculum offers a myriad of educational, environmental, and social benefits. Students all across the School will have the opportunity to plant, grow, and cook using the produce grown in these gardens.



TAKING A TURN

Alan Lacey is turning up a piece of timber that somebody left at the Shed - may have been the leg from a billiard table. Alan is converting it into a cup shaped trophy, which will be used by the local Lions Club.



IN THE GARDEN

The potting shed has received a new roof cover, and Jed Whitehead gives the grapes a good prune. But not being a man to waste time, on a Thursday he suggested to Grant and Ivan that the floor of the shed should be paved. By the next Tuesday it was done using pavers already on site. It's a great little potting shed, complete with stakes, just waiting for tomatoes when it's a bit warmer.



THE SHAPE OF THINGS TO COME

The hide for the Cooney Observatory at the Cooney Reserve Bird Hide project is taking shape at the shed. Plywood and aluminium roofing will be applied for the roof and sidings. When complete it will be dismantled and moved to Cooney Reserve to be re-constructed on the platform which has already been completed.

NATURE'S PUTTY KNIFE

John Griggs has returned from nine weeks overseas, and wasted no time in getting straight into making more forms for local artist John Wilson's 3D paintings. He finds that using his finger is the best way to use filler – nature's putty knife..



SAFETY FIRST

Two new students from Omokoroa No 1 School started on 19 June – Harvey and Te Waiora - get a safety briefing before starting from Bill Boulton. A number of students have been involved in making pickle board bats, and a cart which will house the bats, and the nets and other equipment. The cart is at the painting stage and will be finished after the holidays. It will carry the MenzShed brand, and an aluminium plaque naming the six students who have been involved. The next project is already in the design stage.

The latest Menzshed Newsletter (May 2024) is available. There is great reading about Sheds from around the country. Log on to www.menzshed.org.nz, click on 'Shed News' and then 'Newsletters'. There is plenty of good ideas.....

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Mike's Mutterings.....

I would like to welcome new members Piotr Szparagolowski, Ian Reedy and Alan Jowitt to our club. Please make them welcome. I hope to meet you personally soon, guys.

It is great to see us financially healthy at the moment thanks to the great work many of you are doing in and for the Shed. Sales are going well and Allan Hughes has been successful again in obtaining grants for us to upgrade our machines and tools. Thanks, Allan.

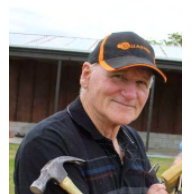
As noted elsewhere, our AGM is a bit over a month away. Your committee will be making suggestions on changes in the Constitution (thanks Tony Pollitt) and these will be forwarded to you all well before that date. If any of you also wish to change parts of it, please read the Constitution on how to do this and ensure your remit is before the committee asap. Remits will not be taken from the floor as all members must have time to consider them. There should be a "no surprises" policy during the meeting.

As this will be the last time I shall be chairing the AGM, I wish to advise you that I will be following Standing Orders and our Constitution. I was disappointed at some of the behaviour last year which may have been caused by the bad weather conditions creating noise inside the shed. To counter this we have decided to hold the meeting at the Settlers Hall and have arranged for a microphone to be present. A lot of us have hearing difficulties and the use of the mike should help to ensure that everyone will be able to take part.

I shall ensure that my annual report and other important reports are forwarded to you prior to the meeting, so that you will have time to digest them beforehand.

Take care, and I shall see you on Saturday 17th August if not before.

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The Shed is open -

9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

Trivia Questions –

1. What is the capital of Portugal?
2. When did the All Whites make their first appearance in the Football World Cup finals?
3. What do the initials J K stand for in *Harry Potter* author J.K. Rowling's name?
4. Who is New Zealand's Minister of Agriculture?
5. Who composed the music for *The Nutcracker*?
6. Which Kiwi book is the film *Hunt for the Wilderpeople* based on?
7. How many strings does a standard guitar have?
8. In which region of New Zealand would you find *Eighty Eight Valley*?
9. What is a group of crows called?
10. In what year and in which city were the first modern Olympic Games held?



KIRIBATI PROJECT

In February we were part of an international project to send tool boxes and tools to Kiribati, to assist in recycling car parts.

On 23 June we received this message

“Your tools have finally made it to Kiribati, and so a big thank you

to Omokoroa Menzshed for your contributions. Our new recycling centre is still under construction, so we will be storing all our tools and equipment until it is ready. We are hoping to have a New Zealand volunteer from VSA who will come up in a few months to help with setting up the workshop and overseeing tool use, care and operations. Thanks very much.....”

AGM NOTICE



The Shed AGM will be held on Saturday 17 August

11.30 a.m. at Settlers Hall, 334 Omokoroa Road.

Nominations will be sought in the near future for officers and membership of the committee.

Please think about whether this could be you, and

whether you could play a fulfilling role in this

important part of your community.

- Answers –**
1. Lisbon
 2. 1982 in Spain
 3. Joanne (Jo) Kathleen
 4. Todd McClay
 5. Tchaikovsky
 6. *Wild Pork and Watercress* by Barry Crump
 7. Six
 8. Tasman (30km southwest of Nelson)
 9. A murder
 10. 1896 in Athens, Greece