



Sunnybank District Community Men's Shed Inc.

Website : www.sunnybankshed.org

Men in sheds, building communities, working shoulder to shoulder.

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New Shed in sight!

The committee has accepted a quote to supply & erect the shed. We are moving forward and getting closer!

Before, During and After



It was the morning of Thursday, 3 March. Just before 7:30 the trucks arrived. Des, Con, Bruce and I watched on as Brendan and his men from GDE Tree Services ably and expertly, I might add, set about removing the 5 trees. His Sumitomo Excavator took care of many branches. It was even able to push most long trunks over with the roots intact. The tree feller donned his harness and with his ropes and chainsaw scampered up. He made sure to attach a rope over a fork before cutting, ensuring he could bring branches down slowly and carefully where he wanted them. No damage was done to our old green bench near the driveway or to any other property. Their mulcher wasn't overly large but still managed to dispose of branches of up to 30 cm in diameter. By 9:30, with nothing to show for their presence but a little sawdust on the ground (and a truck full of it), they left. Mission accomplished!



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Location : Hillcrest St, Sunnybank Hills– Adjacent to Sunnybank Uniting Church parking area.

Postal Address : Unit 5 / 62 Pinelands Road, Sunnybank Hills. QLD. 4109



This shed is the initiative of the Sunnybank RSL Sub Branch and the Sunnybank Uniting Church.



Do you know much about



At the end of February we were pleased to welcome to the shed Grant Fraser from the Red Cross. At any one time there are 600-800 volunteers working for Red Cross throughout Queensland. They are involved in sheltered workshops, daily phone calls to the elderly, accommodation services, emergency services, blood collection and disaster relief.

Over the last couple of years the Red Cross has helped out at disasters at St George, Roma, Mitchell, Dalby, Rockhampton, Bundaberg and towns under threat from cyclones. They have assisted in establishing 10 cyclone shelters throughout Queensland which can withstand winds up to 306 kph.

If you ever find yourself in the path of a cyclone or a flood, there are a number of steps you can take to prepare.

1. Be informed. Keep updated on what is happening around you.
2. Have a plan in case you are stranded without water, power or food for 3-4 days.
3. Prepare an emergency kit containing drinking water (3 L per person per day), a whistle, spare blankets and a wind-up radio. Save onto a disk copies of your wills, family photos and the name and phone number of your family doctor.
4. Contact those living around you to make sure they are OK.



Bunnings Barbecues

The next BBQ will be at Bunnings Rocklea on Sunday 8 May.

If you are able to help out for 4 hours either in the morning or afternoon please see Con to add your name to the list.



There is a possibility of running a barbecue there on a Friday. Once again, Con is the man to see.

Any ideas?

We are searching for ideas of small projects to be made from wood. The comfort crosses are finished for now. We could make walking sticks. If you get inspired, please drop your idea in the suggestion box in the office.

Can you help?

Bruce is wanting help selling badges etc for the RSL for ANZAC Day. You will be required for two and a half hours at the Calamvale Central Shopping Centre.

From The Committee

- ◆ Your membership fee for 2016/2017 will remain at \$40.
- ◆ A letter of thanks has been written to a lady living nearby for her generous donations to the shed and garden. She was clearing her shed out in order to sell her house.
- ◆ Mike reports that the finances are in good shape.
- ◆ Warwick says that 7 Little Libraries have been completed and 8 more are on their way.
- ◆ Mike and Pete report that the shoeboxes are completed for TADQ.
- ◆ The Australian Charities and Not-For-Profits Commission (ACNC) has let us know that they are simplifying their procedures.

DATES for 2016

Committee Meetings **3rd Friday** each month
April 15
May 20
June 17

Shed B-B-Q s – **last Friday** of the month
—next one **29 April**
27 May
24 June

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