

# Shed West NEWS



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## Getting Access to the Shed

A contract has been signed with the Brisbane City Council, for Shed West to establish and organise a Community Men's Shed in Kenmore. BCC will initially pay us a total of \$12,000 in two increments, for this service we will provide.

Meantime we have to take out Public Liability Insurance before the BCC will hand over any funds. Finding a suitable policy with an insurer has not been easy, but we have recently applied to two interested, but different, brokers and we are hopeful good things will derive from that.

On Friday we learned that we cannot gain access to the green shed in the adjacent disused Council Depot at the top of Branton Street, until the Council re-zones the site for community use. Although it is several weeks since we applied for this re-zoning (with considerable help from Scotia Monkivitch) it could be a few more months before a decision is made. We will continue to meet at this former Kenmore South Scout Den in the interim, and pursue our weekly program of non-workshop events.

## Organising Other Things

We now have a Post Office box address: **PO BOX 391, Kenmore Q. 4069**

A Bank Account at the local Suncorp Branch, with nothing in it;  
and a cheque book.

An ABN Number: **96 470 536 843**

And a Tax File Number. (The ATO assigned it to Shed West, without us asking for one, which is curious, particularly as at this stage in our development we consider ourselves to be a "not for profit" organisation.)

We have reserved a domain name in the Internet: **www.shedwest.com.au**

Now we are looking for someone to develop and set up our website. Can any member offer any help or guidance with this project?

## More Help Wanted

We need some more volunteers to help out on the Steering Committee!

Malcolm Lewis has found he is over-loaded (he has a lot of community commitments as well as the Shed) and cannot continue as Secretary. Malcolm will go on looking after membership and project managed the acquisition of equipment, once we have a shed set up with it.

We have a volunteer for managing our Workplace Health & Safety and one for organising publicity, but we could do with some more assistance in organising the Tuesday programs.

Please speak to any member of the Steering Committee, to volunteer your services.

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## Forthcoming Events

### Activities

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Time:</b>	<b>Event:</b>
22 April	14:00	Tai Chi and Men's Health (Rob Jones)
29 April	14:00	Woodturning (Woodturners Society of Qld – John Shepherd)
06 May	14.00	Tai Chi and Men's Health (National Heart Foundation – Nick Keller & Digital Stories – Scotia Monkivitch)
13 May	14.00	To be advised (maybe "Who do You Think You Are")
20 May	14.00	Tai Chi and Men's Health (Beyond Blue presentation on Depression)
10 June	14.00	Meeting with a member from the Lane Cove Men's Shed (the first Men's Shed to set up in Sydney)
15 July	14.00	Community Consultation meeting

- Potential Presentations
  - Gardening (square metre garden)
  - Computer presentations on using software (eg: Excel, CAD, Power Point, Publisher, Word, etc)
  - Diabetes
  - Diet
  - Wood Carving
  - Make a Saw Horse (Steve )
- Potential Visits to other Sheds
  - Chermside facilities
  - Land reclamation (environmental)
  - Sunnybank Men's Shed
  - St Vincent De Paul Men's Shed
  - Lane Cove Men's Shed