



1. **Opening of meeting** and greet attendees
  - a. The commencement of the formal part of the meeting was delayed permitting Mr Paul Robinson to present his suite of Club or Association management applications to the Committee. The beta version of the package was on offer at \$25 for any of our member-Sheds. COMMENT: *The question of the utility of the application to either TMSA or its member Sheds was omitted from the following meeting discussion and should be entered as a formal agenda item for the next meeting.*
  - b. Following the presentation, the meeting opened at 10.38AM
  - c. In attendance were: Andy Hocken, Bill Harman, Bob Thomas, Bruce Weller, Chris Jeffrey, David Seen, Fred Wales, John Bastick, Keith Ellis, Ken Sulman, Lyndley Chopping, Wendy Kennedy (EO)
2. **Apologies**
  - a. There being one absentee, the secretary was directed to note Mr Gray's absence. The Committee expressed its wishes for David's early recovery to good health.
3. **Minutes** of previous meeting
  - a. Minutes of the previous meeting had been circulated to the Committee together with a request for corrections. two corrections were noted and had been effected
    - i. At point 11, d, i and ii, delete "Thomas" and insert "Seen"
    - ii. At point 11, g, 1, delete "3. Mr Bastick"No other corrections being advised revised version stands for motion.
  - b. **Motion** for acceptance and endorsement: Moved, Mr Bastick. Seconded, Mr Thomas. Passed without dissent.
  - c. Business arising from last minutes being endorsement for publication without redaction. Agreed after some discussion. *The Secretary passed the PDF to Mr Jeffrey (and, for the record, to the rest of the Committee, following the meeting.*
4. **Correspondence**
  - a. *Incoming:*
    - i. The Secretary noted that the last meeting of the Committee took place on 16 January and since then there have been 219 inward and outward items (including "junk" mail), of which 136 were either of an administrative nature between members of the



- committee and covering such things as the emendations to the minutes, routine approvals to payment requests and the like or offers of services from third parties. The latter, where of interest to our purposes have been passed on.
- ii. 59 items were either initiated by the Executive Officer (and now, in response to the committee's directive, copied to the Secretary) and reported in the EO report below.
  - iii. Only 5 items emanated from our web site "contact us" page largely requiring details of local Sheds contact, and
  - iv. 5 were health related and have been handled on the basis of their value to the member Sheds. Our Health subcommittee may comment.
  - v. 12 entries related to decisions and approvals regarding the North West Get-together
  - vi. 3 items related to a request, to the treasurer, for registration of the Association's business name. This, rather than directly with the *ASIC Business Names Register* was from a third party. Messrs Seen and Weller sought clarification. *The business name was and will continue to be registered, largely to protect the Association's "brabnd", and this will be done direct with ASIC rather than through a third party and incurring "agency" costs.*
  - vii. Mr Seen noted that it was his understanding that the Association's exposure in the Bloke's Book would be a full page rather than that shown. He queried our future support of this organisation. *After some discussion this matter remains open it being the Committee's understanding that that TMSA was entitled to books – for distribution to member Sheds—to the value of \$1,000 and substantial exposure of our logo for \$500.*
  - viii. *(Remaining under investigation)* One matter –the question of GST on Shed fundraisers—was referred to the Treasurer in accordance with earlier discussion and will be dealt with in that report. *This matter was investigated by Messrs Bastick and Hocking who reported that their best advice was that the legislation and rules were not at all clear. Each Shed needed to*



*decide whether or not to register for GST (the threshold requiring registration was \$100,000 well over any reasonable level of sales of the vast majority of our member-Sheds) and then consider how they dealt with individuals fund raising activities. The "off the cuff" comfort offered was that any enforcement action for trivial amounts at issue (unlikely?) would be met with a media outcry. Issue now closed*

ix. The secretary provided Mr Gray with an extract of the Committee's resolution regarding the MSA presidential voting procedures. Comment and report below.

- b. **Motion** for acceptance of incoming and endorsement of outgoing: Moved, Mr Weller: Seconded, Mr Sulman: Passed without dissent.
- c. Mr Seen has previously queried whether it is possible to provide access to emails for interested Committee Members.
  - i. In an attempt to resolve this concern, the IT subcommittee was requested to determine whether an automated solution could be found. *Remains open.*

#### 5. **Finance report**

- a. Statement of Operations and DoCT accounts
  - i. Operations Account balance at 31 January 2020  
CR\$36,696
- b. DoCT balance at 31 January 2020 CR\$48,065
- c. Approval of account payments totalling \$11,650.82
- d. The matter of the \$2,250 award from Spirit of Tasmania was queried and occasioned spirited discussion regarding the fate of the Neighbourhood house-auspiced Devonport Shed. It seems quite clear that the House was referring enquiries to sole remaining Shed in Devonport. Payment to be made to that Shed in default of another option.
- e. Renewal of the TMSA post box falls due at the end of March. Whether that Association actually needed a postal address in this day and age was considered and it appears that certain legal requirements still need this. Ms Kennedy offered her personal address (and the imaging of any hard copy mail for electronic action) as an option, however this imposed a requirement for more or less regular change as the EO position moved on over the years. Mr Ellis mentioned the earlier option of a shared arrangement with the Community House organisation. Notwithstanding these suggestions, the



decision was taken to continue with the post box pending a fuller investigation.

- f. **Motion** for acceptance of accounts as presented and endorsement of payments made: Moved, Mr Seen: Seconded Mr Jeffrey: Passed without dissent.

6. **Presidents report**

- a. Urgent decisions made by the Executive
  - i. The President confirmed that, since the last meeting, no such decision or instruction had been made.
  - ii. The matter of the deletion of clause 13 has now had attention and the reallocation of the unspent \$1,196 to the publicity items detailed in clause 7a of last month's minutes has now been effected.

7. **Executive Officers report**

- a. Ms Kennedy had, previous to the meeting, circulated her report summarised the document and responded to comments and questions. (see Appendix 1 for the full text).
- b. Our strategy for 2020, in accordance with our fund agreements, must be to continue the alignment and association with like-minded organisations. *Note mention below regarding the Menzies Centre*
- c. Make sure that we get our name and brand "out there" in this context reallocation of some surplus funds (~\$1,100) for the purchase of banners displaying the new logo is a good start.
- d. This will include cementing relations with TASCROSS in proposed meetings
- e. Considering whether (with suitable support –Aurora Energy?) we continue the Art Prize in conjunction with our AGM.
  - i. It was agreed that this portion of the meeting should be repeated and that it was not too early to start planning
  - ii. *Subsequent to the meeting Ms Kennedy has commenced investigations*
- f. Together with Messrs Bastick and Ellis, Ms Kennedy met with the Menzies Centre regarding the Island Project (in which Mr Chopping indicated he was also involved) which is directed at investigating and publicising the impact of dementia on our society. Given member-Shed membership demographic, this action is of considerable interest to TMSA. Outcome of the meeting is that Menzies is to provide information for publication in our newsletter. *More to follow.*



- g. **Motion** accepting the report was moved Mr Weller: Seconded Mr Chopping and passed without dissent.
8. **Strategic gossip**
- a. Business arising from... nothing here.
  - b. North West
    - i. Penguin Shed has been served with notice of eviction dating to the end of June. Course of action yet to be advised
    - ii. Zeehan Shed are now to host the NW Gathering and there have been some 20 acceptances.
    - iii. The question of availability of defibrillators has been raised. The Committee commented regarding the federal level survey (results not published) and state government offer now believed to be closed)
    - iv. Mr Harman noted the approach from Dementia Australia (see mention of Menzies above)
    - v. Mr Harman also tabled a flyer he had picked up from a New Zealand library –publicising Sheds in NZ – and passed to EO for possible use in our own catchment area
  - c. North
    - i. Mr Thomas noted the TCF grant writing forum and a useful resource for Sheds and recorded that, in discussion, the TCF had queried whether there were (not?) enough Sheds. His response was that the only real measure of enough Shed was a grass roots issue and driven by whether the community needs were being met.
    - ii. Mr Gray (absent) passed along the issue of whether TMSA could or should act as mediator in internal shed disputes. Apparently East Tasmara had recorded this in the rules of association. *In general, the Committee agreed that the Association was not, nor were its usual committee members, qualified to act in that capacity*
    - iii. Also raised was the question of whether it could be appropriate to seek intervention by RAW. *The committee was of the opinion that this lay outside RAW's mandate. The question of whether TMSA should have a policy regarding dispute resolution is to be considered by the **Organisational Review sub-committee***



d. South

- i. Mr Sulman noted a number of Shed visits and the apparent wide interest in timber and building material availability (see also Mr Bastick's mention below)
- ii. Mr Hocken reported on negotiations regarding the South Arm Shed
- iii. Hobart Vintage Machinery's Penna venue was proceeding well
- iv. Mr Bastick mentioned building material availability from (at least one) major contractor and noted that, absent take up by Sheds, this could be expected to go to landfill. *Certainly some Sheds could be expected to take up this sort of offer, subject to space available for storage and transport options*

e. **Motion for acceptance** moved Mr Thomas: Seconded Mr Seen: Passed without dissent.

9. **Membership movement**

- a. New applications<sup>i</sup>
  - i. No new applications received however:
    - I. Latest information about the Central Hobart Community Shed suggests that site location remains a stumbling block but that efforts soliciting political and commercial support continue.
- b. Resignations and lapsed memberships
  - i. It was noted that we now had 59 fully paid member-Sheds with outstanding accounts which will be followed up.
  - ii. Waratah Shed noted as still outstanding and representatives resolved to try a personal approach

10. **Welfare health and safety**

- a. Nothing to report

11. **Sub-Committee reporting**

- a. **NOTE: The Committee recognised that the activities of the various subcommittees was, by its very nature, a work in progress, no conclusions could or would be drawn until the entire Committee has an opportunity to consider and vote on the form of the final outcome of any deliberations. Confidentiality is in place pending a formal statement by the Committee**



- b. National body (David Seen, David Gray, Fred Wales and Lyndley Chopping)
  - i. Following a special general meeting the national association had adopted the title of the Council of Australian Men's Shed and were looking to a new constitution.
- c. Rules of Association review (Bruce Weller and Robert Thomas)
  - i. No action since last meeting however Mr Thomas noted that following decisions by the Organisational Review body, it was likely that changes would need to be considered.
- d. Organization review (David Seen, Bob Thomas, Bill Harman and Fred Wales)
  - i. Mr Seen pressed for the circulated questionnaire "Position Description: Executive Committee Questionnaire" to be returned by committee-members
  - ii. Mr Seen emphasised that completion must be independent and was confidential.
  - iii. The opinions of the members would be collated and presented while preserving the anonymity of submissions. Response by 15 February 2020 is required.
- e. Health initiatives (John Bastick, Wendy Kennedy (ex officio), Lyndley Chopping, David Gray).
  - i. See also the EO report below and elsewhere in these minutes.
  - ii. We have spent about \$4,400 of the allocated \$8,800 budget –which was to be expended by July 2021—and approval was sought to fund a series of radio ads along the same lines as the successful TV campaign. Moved Mr Thomas: Seconded Mr Chopping: Passed without dissent.
  - iii. Mr Bastick spoke to the "Tool Box" proposal covering off the general approach so far preferred (standard format contact details for the various support organisations with which Sheds were likely to want contact) perhaps a folder house in a pseudo toolbox. Committee were encouraged to provide input and suggestions.
- f. Government liaison and strategic plan development (Keith Ellis, Andy Hocken, Wendy Kennedy)



- i. Usual (and should be regularly scheduled but subject to the department's availability) meeting with government
  - ii. Peak Body reporting requirement as noted in correspondence above.
- g. Information Technology (Keith Ellis, Chris Jeffrey, Keith Sulman and Wendy Kennedy)
  - i. Mr Jeffrey spoke in clarification of the membership database construction emphasising that, in no way had TMSA been committed to any expense.
    - 1. Work so far completed, and indeed, work going forward to proof of concept, is on a subject to approval basis.
    - 2. Before any final decision was made, the Committee would have the opportunity to the foundations and offer direction as to final outcome.
  - ii. With the purchase of two web "names" it would now be possible to make available two classes of email addresses.
    - 1. For individual sheds, a generic address for the officeholders of each Shed designated by individual shed name
    - 2. For the TMSA committee, a specific address for the office bearers and representatives designated by office, representative area or (perhaps) names.
  - iii. Publication of grant availability and items for sale are still on the list for inclusion on the website and information is forwarded to the Webmaster as it becomes available.

## 12. Other business

- a. Andy Hocken NIL
- b. Bill Harman NIL
- c. Bob Thomas: NIL
- d. Bruce Weller NIL
- e. Chris Jeffrey NIL
- f. David Gray Absent
- g. David Seen Noted the recent increases in in insurance premiums citing Jobs Australia \$28.60 per member. Apparently there has been a number of major claims in recent times



- h. Fred Wales NIL
- i. John Bastick NIL
- j. Keith Ellis NIL
- k. Ken Sulman noted the value of integrating sheds with a view to
- l. Lyndley Chopping NIL
- m. Wendy Kennedy NIL

### 13. **Bushfire appeal**

- a. Mr Thomas tabled a number of professionally packaged and labelled turned timber (with findings from Tas Turning Supplies) key rings. Longford Shed had set up a production line with intentions of turning these items out for sale at \$10 each with profits to go to the TMSA Bushfire relief account
  - i. Setting aside labour and some material costs, the profit would be of the order of \$7+ each
  - ii. Sponsors included Dulux Australia, Tas Turning Supplies and Tudor Pack n Wrap
  - iii. Packaging was "green friendly" and the printing done at Longford
  - iv. Mr Thomas indicated Longford's intention to make some 500 items and also noted that they would welcome any support from brother sheds either by way of sales or manufacture.
  - v. This topic generated considerable discussion and a number sales on the spot. Mr Thomas was commended for the initiative and in response sought support for the sales of the items –his approach for a local outlet had been turned aside.
  - vi. The Committee moved to support the Longford project voting a \$220 payment for purchase of (about) 100 findings. Moved Mr Wales: Seconded Mr Bastick: Passed without dissent.
  - vii. Suggestion was made that the items could be sold at the RAW tent at Agfest and Ms Kennedy undertook, in her negotiations with RAW (settling the question of whether our shared occupation would incur costs from Agfest organisers), to obtain consent to this proposal.



14. **Next meeting** is scheduled for 9 April 2020, subject to completion of the renovations, at Campbell Town **Mr Ellis could you kindly provide contact names for the Secretary please**
15. **Meeting concluded** at 1.30 pm



## Appendix 1 Executive Officer's October Report

18 February 2020

### **Overview:**

I'm now into my second year with TMSA. A brief snap shot would be - the first year, I hit the ground running, trying to find my way around our organisation, while also trying to gain acceptance and get a firm understanding of my role.

I have been reviewing our Strategic plan over recent weeks, and like all organisations working in this fast moving world, it's almost impossible to plan - when the landscape is changing so quickly.

Most Sheds that I have visited so far this year have had an increase in membership enquiries. Some of these Sheds are already running at capacity. While some are operating with a 'waiting list' approach, there are members that have a real concern that we may turn someone away that's in serious need of help.

A difficult situation. But this also highlights the importance of what we are actually providing to Tasmanian Communities. From the small amount of research that I have undertaken, the need for Men's Shed's is only going to get greater.

Our challenge is in finding the balance – providing that safe place for our members, without placing too much stress on our volunteers, and ensure the movement can continue to do what it does so well.

It would be fantastic if we could allocate a day where we collectively workshop the best way forward to manage effectively, what I see (at the coal face) a growing need for what we provide.

We have the capacity to be serious leaders in our communities.

### **General:**

**Meeting Dates:** We need to confirm our meeting dates as per recent email

Keith is away from 11<sup>th</sup> March – 9<sup>th</sup> May

Dave S is away from 18<sup>th</sup> March

It has been suggested that we forgo the March meeting and have an early April Meeting on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup>.

### **Suggested Dates:**

9 April/21 May/18 June/16 July/20 August/17 September/15 October/19 November/10 December

### **Recommendation:**

**That we adopt the above meeting dates and set a date for the AGM**

### **Meetings and Communications**

#### **Rural Alive and Well**

Keith and I had a fantastic meeting with CEO and Senior Staff Member of RAW. There's strong synergies between our organisations and we left feeling that a close alignment with RAW can only benefit our members.

I am presenting to their staff in March and they have offered us space with them at AGFEST

#### **Queenstown update**



As you all know, the NW gathering has moved to Zeehan given the on-going issues with Queenstown. Most of the problems, it seems are a result of their internal issues. The Secretary now has resigned from his position and the Shed. At the time of writing this report our Vice President is still receiving correspondence and can possibly expand on this

**Menzies Centre**

Keith, John and I met with representatives of the 'Island Study and The Wicking Centre' A full report will be sent to the Health Initiatives Committee, but basically we are presented with a fantastic opportunity to help spread the message that there is intervention and prevention possible when it comes to Dementia  
More info to follow

**South Arm update**

Things are progressing well now including Shed proposal being in Council's 2020 budget, South Arm Men's Shed will be hosting a stall for both informative and fundraising purposes at the South Arm Market on 1 March. We will be assisting with some merchandise.

**Riverside**

I met by chance with two new members of Riverside Shed which seems to be well and truly back on track under Bruce's leadership. They are busy fundraising as they need new premises (as we know) but it would appear that there is a lot of positive activity happening in and around this Shed.

**Book Cubby**

This wonderful project has certainly been bigger than anticipated but has finally been completed by Clarence Plains and Howrah Sheds. Congratulations to all involved.

**Upcoming meetings**

**Australian Medical Association**

Keith and I are meeting with CEO Lara Giddings to get a 'top down' view of exactly how AMA can assist us

**Neighbourhood Houses Tasmania**

Keith and I are hoping to meet with CEO and Jonathan Bedloe in the next few weeks.

**Living Boat Trust**

I'd encourage you all to visit this Shed if you can. It's all about boats of all sizes, hosting international competitions, and welcoming community members into their wonderful space on the river. They enjoy being part of TMSA and are happy to host any events, or member visits

**Kingston**

A shed that connects with community, also assists with placement of those with disability, very skilled in woodwork, almost running at capacity. Has a sound relationship with council and expansion is on the horizon

**Channel**



Always great to catch up with Pete Norris and his team including our Secretary Bruce, always a lot going on as the shed continues to diversify and meets the needs of its members and the community. The garden in particular is thriving, and there's a number of projects on the go

**Tasman**

Once again a pleasure to visit this Shed. Whilst they are in temporary premises, it is working very well and there's been an increase in Membership. President is working with Council on securing a permanent location. Don is also mentoring Shed member Mark to take over Presidency this year. Mark is a younger member who has a minor brain injury which has certainly improved since he joined the Shed. Don will continue to support Mark in this role. The local priest has joined the shed and was making rocking horses when I visited. The Shed is picking up quite a lot of community work

**Exeter**

Arrived at morning tea time, Shed Co-ordinator Trevor was in the process of inducting a new member. This shed has no issues whatsoever and there's a real sense of looking after each other. Their strong connection with community is obvious.

**Beaconsfield**

Unfortunately this Shed has endured 4 break ins – in three months. This has challenged their resilience but at the time of my visit, all seemed to be back on track. Insurance helped! Graeme (not President) who was at the last Northern gathering is still concerned about test and tagging and would like assurance that their Shed is doing all that needs to be done. There's a great collaboration happening with this Shed also with a gallery at Clarence Point.

**Beaconsfield House**

Meeting was with Janne Pilkington, Centre Manager of Beaconsfield Neighbourhood House. The plan is to continue with the development of a Community House, offering a broad range of activities, mostly centred on the community garden, but will offer wood work. There needs to be some clarification as to the name of their 'Shed' to avoid confusion in the community

**Deloraine**

Tim runs a very good Shed, and is well supported by the hospital. Membership is increasing and is diverse. John, one of the senior members of the Shed is also a member of Port Sorell Shed. Tim was keen to find out more about Defib's for his Shed.

**Longford**

It doesn't matter what time you visit this Shed, it's always busy! Lot's of projects on the go, but the Bush Fire Appeal that TMSA Committee Member Bob has been driving has been keeping members busy. Bob will expand on this...a fantastic initiative, and needs to be discussed in more detail by our Committee with a view to offering further support.

**New Branding:** Recently, Men's Resources Tasmania needed our logo for placement on their new publication. They couldn't use our old one because of the low resolution. We had to quickly supply our new logo. I'm hoping these books will be ready by Thursday.

My suggestion is that we launch the logo with Autumn Shed news. The publication will feature the new mast head and can include the rationale behind the new logo. On that day we change our Facebook page and promote our brand that way as well. Communication can also go to all Sheds on



that day advising them of this. The merchandise (if budget can support) outlined below, can be ready by March. Please note that all quotes are from Tasmanian small businesses.

**Quotes:**

**MERCHANDISE**

Tear drop banners x 4 with cross feet and water bag	<b>\$780 plus GST Typeface</b>
Pull up banners	<b>\$280 plus GST Typeface</b>
Bumper stickers x 1,000 Artwork	<b>\$45I plus GST AJ Printers \$ 80 incl GST GK Design</b>
Shed News Mast Head (new logo)	<b>\$300.00 incl GST GK Design</b>
Shed News Artwork – Typesetting	<b>\$450.00 plus GST AJ Printers</b>
Shed News Print x 16 pages Ecostar Silk 100% recyclable	<b>\$800.00 plus GST AJ Printers</b>

**CLOTHING** – please note the following quote is from Tas Tex Sheltered Workshop. There is a one-off cost to digitise the logo and \$8 to \$10 for logo on each item. Prices exc GST

Polo tops – royal blue	\$18.00
Chambray Shirts	\$24.50
Hoodies Royal Blue	\$27.00
Peaked Caps Royal Blue	\$5.50
Beanie (wool)	\$20.00

I have ordered a polo top, hoodie and beanie for me which I can show you at next meeting – at my cost of course.

**Shed News**

I have started on Shed News Autumn edition. Please send through any potential stories or photos. Please feel free to pass on your thoughts on how we can continue to improve our publication. I must say, I have noticed a lot more members reading it these days when I'm doing my rounds!

**Health Initiatives**

With the completion of the Television Commercial project, we will now move on to editing some of the stories that we captured during filming, for use on Social Media platforms, website and for induction audio visual and presentations.

The next stage which is part of what we agreed to in our report to Government is:

- Complete a 60 second induction video \$300 (completion of our induction audio-visual)
- 3 x30 second TVC's from the existing 45 second TVC's \$450 (re-edit existing to ensure some cheaper placements and more filler spots)
- 3 x CAD applications and fees - \$270 (commercial approval of re-edited TVC's)
- 3 x Release dubs to one station \$300
- 3 x radio version edits with voice over tag \$300 (radio versions as discussed)
- Approximately 10 x 2 to 3 minute story edits of individual interviewees \$2,500 (part of our story telling component as approved by Government)



- Files and master exports to be provided - \$150 (master copies of all)
- 1 x DVD compile video loop and 6 x DVD copies - \$175 (to be used at presentations or trade shows i.e. Agfest)

TOTAL \$4420 plus GST

Please note the above quote does not include GST

Note:

Community radio spots are between \$10 and \$20 per spot.

Commercial radio between \$50 and \$100 depending on time slot.

**Recommendation:**

**The above has been approved by the Health Initiatives committee and comes in well under budget. We seek the Committees approval to proceed.**

**Tool Kit**

Part of our submission to Government with regards to our Health Initiatives was the creation of our Tool Kit which is basically a box which houses 2 compendiums.

1. All relevant Shed information
2. All health related information

We need to discuss a prototype for the box, to be made out of recycled timber and perhaps the construction of the boxes can be carried out by a couple of Sheds. This is a budgeted project.

**Recommendation:**

**That we agree to move forward on the development of the Tool Kit.**

**Website:**

Chris now has the new logo and we can start to update our home page. Again, as part of our Health Initiatives agreement, we have an allocation of funds to spend on a dedicated health section on our website. When Chris and Jeanette have the time we can start work on this. I plan on visiting Dorset early in March and perhaps we could then make a start. This would be a project managed by the Media Committee in conjunction with Health Initiatives committee

**Social Media:**

Facebook page is updated on most days and continues to have a good following. However, Our Bushfire Appeal Auction was not successful. Only bids coming from VP and EO. Please continue to send your photos to me.

**Other:**

- Review of Strategic Plan (Committee meeting required)
- What do we want to achieve in 2020
- TMSA Branded Vehicle
- Dates for regional gatherings
- Agfest – do we want to take up this opportunity? I should have more details by Thursday but in brief, we have been offered space with RAW free of charge (we could make a small



donation to them) I would suggest three hour shifts for our volunteers and TMSA fund admission for our volunteers. I'm happy to do three half days.

- AGM – ongoing art prize
- Bushfire Appeal – Bob to update
- Calendar
- You Tube – Men's Shed Channel
- Why Men's Sheds are good for your health
- Blokes Book
- Progress Report delivered to Government
- Health Initiatives Report delivered to Government
- North West Gathering moved to Zeehan (fuel and salmon)
- Presentation to RAW by EO 23 March

**Dates to Remember**

March 27 <sup>th</sup> North West Gathering at Zeehan Men's Shed
April
May 7 <sup>th</sup> – 9 <sup>th</sup> AGFEST Carrick
June 10 <sup>th</sup> -16 National Men's health Week
July
August
September 6 <sup>th</sup> Father's Day Men's Shed Week (date not set as yet) 10 <sup>th</sup> World Suicide Prevention Day
October
November 19 <sup>th</sup> International Men's Day

**Summary:**

Our biggest challenge will be managing an increase in membership without placing any additional stress on our wonderful volunteers. While my shed visit report may read like a 'school report card' I am consistently impressed by the wonderful work that we do – and the way we do it.

Wendy Kennedy – Executive Officer

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i Under Rule 5 of the Rules of the Association (29 August 2019) a Member Shed must be **Incorporated** or **auspiced to another incorporated body**. The application must be signed by an **authorised representative** of the applica