Auckland Central Community Shed (Inc) **SHED NEWSLETTER**



June 2022

Greetings all,

Activity at The Shed has grown very quickly and attendance is back to normal. There is a steady stream of applications to join and a growing demand to build community projects for various groups. As announced in the last newsletter Nikki, our Coordinator is moving on to start a new career path and we wish her well for the future. This means we need a new coordinator. This is a contracted paid position of 12 hours per week, 4 hours in the office at The Shed on Mondays and Wednesdays and some Sundays. The tasks are mostly administrative, communications with membership and project enquiries, records and usual office tasks. Nikki has put together effective and efficient systems to manage our administrative requirements. We may also need someone with Web skills to manage our website. This entails monthly uploads of the duty roster and newsletter etc using the WIX platform. If you have a partner or friend who might be interested in either or both of these positions please get in contact with myself or Nikki.

Our AGM takes place in The Hub upstairs on the 26th June at 2.00pm. Please make an effort to attend, the important offices have nominees and it's good to meet up with members who attend other sessions. I am to be nominated as Chairman so have been working with Patrick to become more familiar with the operations behind the scenes. We have a lot of communications with the Local Board Council, various health and safety departments and funding groups so there is a lot to learn.

I'm looking forward to a busy and productive year, a continued growth in community engagement and some interesting projects and tasks ahead. The Shed has an excellent team of Duty Managers to supervise and assist members and we have resources and tools to spare. See you there....

Brent Russell, Acting Chairman **JUNE MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS**. You should have received an email about Membership renewals due in June. There's a notice about it in the Shed entrance. It's still **\$150** (+ some of your valuable time) and the bank details are the same:

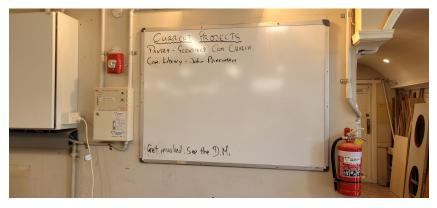
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COMMUNITY WORK. Community libraries and pantries (pātaka kai) are very popular in local communities at the moment. Nikki recently made some doors for the one in Waterview (see left) and Don has done so many now, he is keen to share his skills with other Members.

We have a board listing current community projects that The Shed has been asked to do. It's a good way to learn some skills whilst doing good for the community so see Don if you want to put your name forward to give it a go.





NEW MEMBERS. Please welcome our newest Members Harry, Toby, Lynn and Peter T. Harry is a structural engineer so is well placed to check our rat tunnels are up to standard \cong . Toby, Lynn and Peter are all looking forward to learning more by helping with community projects.

A reminder/for newbies that Fledgling Members have a yellow sticker on their badges so do look out for them and make them feel welcome by introducing yourself.

WANT TO HONE YOUR WOODWORKING SKILLS?

We would like to offer some workshops to Members who are keen to upskill in a slightly more formal way. WomenzShed instructor Sarah Murray, who has degrees and experience in design, cabinetry and carpentry has offered some time to teach the Community Shed Members too. If you have a particular skill you'd like to learn (joints? Sharpening chisels?!?), please get in touch. Numbers would be limited to 6 per $1\frac{1}{2}$ -2 hour session.

EQUIPMENT. We have a drum sander on its way. "A drum sander is a power tool that is generally usually used to sand flat surfaces, such as wooden floors. The cylindrical wheel (drum) has an abrasive material such as sandpaper attached to its surface, and the drum is moved at speed by an electric motor in order to sand the surface".

COMMUNITY WORK. MEMBER PROJECTS:



Brent has also been busy on the lathe. The vase shaped piece is Macrocarpa and kauri with copper inlay. The weird 'fungi' is green Bay tree wood turned and left to weather into whatever shape it wanted.

This is <u>Kaiwhare</u>. Made by Chris S (no he never stops working) for May Road School. It is purported to be the stingray that carried the ancestor to the Manukau Harbour and then became the guardian spirit of the Manukau Harbour. Made from scraps of Kauri and rimu. Mounted on a sheet of Plywood. Ka pai Chris.





Another one by Chris - he works in a Year 3/4 class once a week and all the headphones were in a tangled heap in the blue bucket on the floor. This saves so much time for the kids to collect. The pegs are made out of plywood after a useful suggestion by Don. Great idea!

Ka kite anō (See you again) NIKKI Newsletter Editor 😎

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