



Australian Men's Shed Association

New South Wales

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ZONE 8 - NEWSLETTER - September 2015

Round 10 Shed Development Grants Announced

By now all sheds in the Zone who were successful with their applications in the last round of grants have been notified and I know of a number who have already started to spend their money. Eight sheds applied in the different categories and they were:

Category 1 – Tools and Equipment

Southlakes - \$1400 for a Defibrillator

Gosford - \$2000 for an Air Compressor

Umina - \$3500 for a Chisel Mortiser, bit set & Spiral Head Jointer

Wisemans Ferry - \$2500 for start up tools inc. a Thicknesser & Table Saw

Cessnock - \$5000 for a Metal Lathe & Band Saw

Category 2 – Building maintenance & Development

Muswellbrook - \$7000 for Power outlets, 3-phase power, kitchen wiring, extraction fans, lighting and security & exit lighting

Category 3 – Shed Activities & Programs

Branxton Greta - \$950 for Shed shirts & vests

For a total of \$22,350.00

Congratulations to all those sheds and I'm sure the funding from this round will be put to good use for the benefit of all your members.

Round 11 Shed Development Grants Applications are now open so if you missed out last round or chose not to apply then now is the time to prepare an application, which closes on September 18. The Federal Government has made changes for Round 11 so if you are thinking of applying then please check the categories as they are different with some items from earlier Rounds deleted and new ones included.

Information regarding this Program can be found on the AMSA website.

Newcastle Conference

There is still time to register your attendance at the Conference and I believe each shed will benefit from at least 1 member attending. A number of policy announcements will be made during the Conference and to have a member hear these will mean a greater understanding of issues that have the potential of affecting every shed.

Don't leave it too late to arrange for at least one representative from your shed to attend.

Shed Contact Information

Thanks to the 16 sheds that have returned the information I requested as to your current contact details and also the days and times your sheds are open. I'm assuming that if you haven't yet returned your new details, or let me know there are no changes it's because you are waiting for your AGM before getting back to me. I'm always the optimist!

This will allow me to keep in touch with you more efficiently and to pass on your sheds general details when asked. As I'm informed of any changes I alert AMSA who then update their database. As an example AMSA is presently negotiating with a magazine publisher to mail a copy of their magazine directly to sheds 4 times a year so for them to have your correct postal address on the database is important.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if I can be of any assistance.

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