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NEWSLETTER



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CALENDAR - September

Wednesday 4th	AMSA State Shed Gathering at Murray Bridge
Wednesday 11th	6.30pm Shedder and partners tea at Blue Lake Golf Club
Thursday 12th	10.30am Members Meeting
Tuesday 24th	10.30am Management Meeting
Thursday 26th	11.00am BBQ lunch

Also a visit from Caravan & Motorhome Association

If you would like to contribute information or an article to your newsletter, talk to Editor David N or email

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Power Drill



A power drill is found in every workshop, a wood workshop is no different. A carpenter needs a power drill every now and then. The power drill typically includes various forms of drill bits. These are interchangeable as per their functions and necessity. The power drills are of different types based on their functionality, power and size. They can be both corded and cordless. The mechanism of all the power drills is almost similar. The device is powered electrically to rotate the bit as fast as possible.

The power drills are generally used for drilling holes in wood pieces. Depending on the drilling bit, the hole can be of varying size and shape. It is also used for screwing fasteners.

Another very popular use for a cordless drill is to carry it in your caravan or camping kit to use on caravan legs and wind in tent/awning pegs.

News from the Editors desk

Greetings from Merredin WA

In our travels David has visited the Mens Sheds in

- Wongan Hills, small membership, shed in three sections, computerised metal lathe, various benders for sculpture.
- Dowerin, 5 members, woodwork in old fire brigade building recycling timber and restoring discarded furniture for sale, metalwork in old ambulance building next door.
- Wyalkatchem, 20 members, 5 active, 10c Container collection, large well equipped shed.



IT, CYBER SECURITY for SENIORS

David Hill— a longtime supporter of Mt Gambier Mens Shed and a highly regarded expert in the field of IT fraud and scams.

David based his recent shed presentation on the publicly available cyber security website by the Australian Government.

<https://www.cyber.gov.au/learn-basics/explore-basics/seniors>

Do you go online to stay in touch with loved ones?

Or do you shop and bank online? Or maybe you use your email or phone number on websites?

If you do any of these things, then you're at risk of being a victim of online fraud and theft.

Cybercriminals will impersonate government agencies and companies such as banks or utility companies. Their goal is to scam you into paying money or sharing your personal information. For instance, they may ask you to pay an up-front fee before a larger rebate can be transferred to you. They may even tell you that you have an outstanding debt or that there are problems with your government benefits, immigration papers or visa status and may threaten you if you don't pay.

5 tips to stay cyber secure

1. Make sure your smartphone, computer or tablet is up to date. This will help safeguard you from current cyber-attacks.
2. Whether your device is Apple or Android, or your computer runs macOS or Microsoft Windows, check if you've got the latest software. You can even turn on automatic updates to give you peace of mind.
3. Multi-factor authentication means you need two or more pieces of information to login. For example, logging into a website with your password then using a code sent to your phone.
4. A backup is a digital copy of your information. It means if you lose your device, or if it's stolen or damaged, you can restore your files and settings.
5. Don't risk losing your cherished photos and documents. You should back up often or, even better, set up automatic backups.

A passphrase is a more secure version of a password. They are made up of four or more random words. For example, "**purple duck potato boat**" Passphrases are easy for you to remember, but hard for cybercriminals to guess.

Scams are a common way that cybercriminals can access your accounts and money. They will often pretend to be a person or organisation you know. For example, a message pops up saying your computer has a virus. Scams are becoming more sophisticated and harder to spot.

To check if your email address has appeared in a data breach, visit:

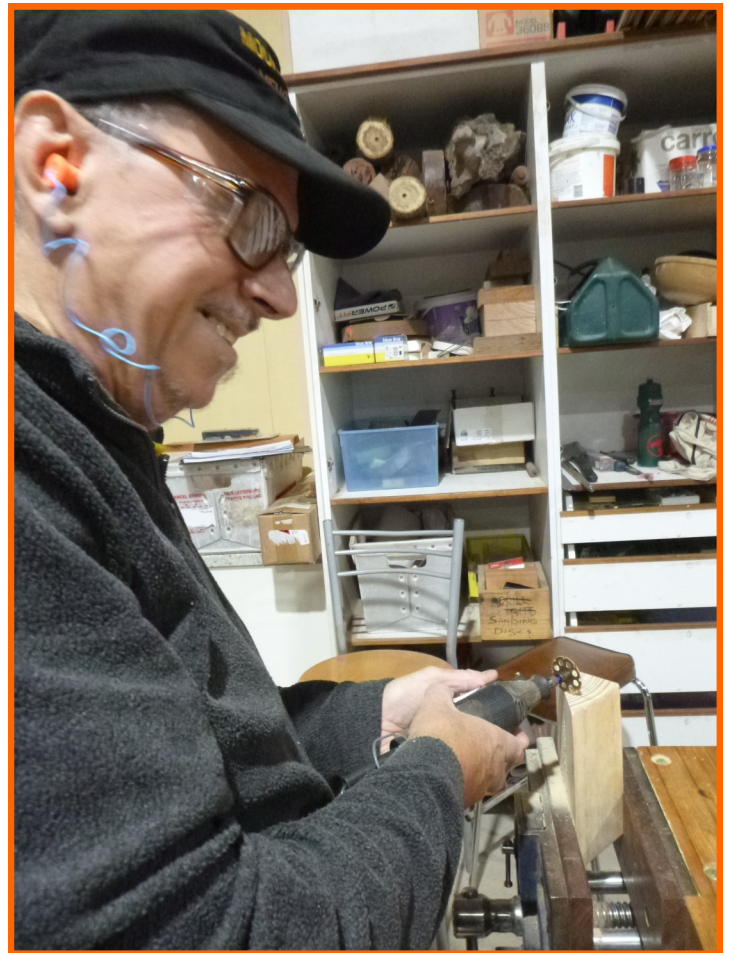
<https://haveibeenpwned.com/>

This is a safe site to try your passwords.

You can also check to see if your password is in the 1.5 million Common passwords on that site. That's right – there are that many common passwords.



Scott B displays his milled knife and handle



Shane S cutting the slots for a playing card holder

We like to leave Dad to his own devices, but he can't remember the passwords.



Above—Mat J cutting the mortice for an angled work table
Below—Mat J finishing off the work table



*People can't drive you crazy
if you don't give them the keys*



Only Don C could turn a half stem like this!



Dick P preparing a two part epoxy finish with Ian L learning the skill



DAD'S SURVIVAL KIT

Life Savers

for the many times you have been one

Tootsie Rolls

to help you roll with the punches

Starburst

for a burst of energy when you need one

Gum

to help you get through sticky situations

Snickers

to remind you to always keep your humour

M&M's

for the many, many thanks you deserve

HAPPY FATHERS DAY





Jeff R has the racking & iron sheets prepared for raised garden beds



Frank McA prepares a mudguard for a raised garden bed



Graham T shows his lacquering skills watched by Dick P & Glen B



Glen B lacquering his garden pot



Graham T lacquering his pot with Ian L watching



Bruce C admires the fire grate welded by Trevor A



Jeff R surveys the off cut steel ready for a skip bin



Don C cleans the thicknesser prior to fitting a new 'silent' cutter head



Ron P puts the finishing touches on a bird house



Ian L finishing a serving tray



Herman B converting an occasional table into a pot stand
'assisted by' John K

Life is like a Camera..

Focus on what's important,
Capture good times,
Develop from negatives, and
if things don't work out..
Take another shot!



Knowledge is knowing what to say.

*Wisdom is knowing
whether or not to say it.*

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