



PARRAMATTA DISTRICT
Men's Shed Inc.

ABN: 20269837369



2023 - 2024 ANNUAL REPORT

Parramatta District Men's Shed Inc.



Some members and partners participating in extra curricular activities.

Our Vision

To improve men's well-being within the Parramatta district.



Our History

- Founded in 2012
- Granted charity Status in 2018
- Registered as a Deductible Gift Recipient 2020

Our History



Our Membership

70 Members



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SECTION 1 - AN OVERVIEW OF Parramatta District Men's Shed Inc**ABOUT US**

Parramatta District Men's Shed Inc is a part of the Men's Shed Movement and the Australian Men's Shed Association.

The Men's Shed movement started off as a health initiative, a place where a man can go and do things he's been doing all his life in the company of other like-minded men. It is also a place where a man can go to learn new skills. Over time, the backyard has reduced, and with that a man's shed is becoming more and more of a rarity. The Parramatta District Men's Shed provides a place for a man to have a shed, filled with tools and resources. And as a place for him to socialise.

The Parramatta District Men's Shed has many modern metal and woodworking equipment, much of which has been generously funded through grants from the government and other community organisations. Whether you're interested in metalwork, woodwork or gardening, the Parramatta District Men's Shed is the place for you.

Our membership come from a wide range of backgrounds from industry, clerical, education, health, legal etc., while some are still in employment. They all come together to socialise, maybe learn new skills and help make a contribution to their community through various shed activities.



OUR PEOPLE

Current Board Members

Name	Position	Dates acted (if not for whole year)
Reg Grove	Volunteer President	
Geoff Holmes	Volunteer Secretary	
Tony Pannucci	Volunteer Vice President	
Robert McKenzie	Volunteer Treasurer	
Gary Davis	Safety Coordinator	
Terry Fake	Member Representative	
Thomas Tu	Member Representative	



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Rob Colless
Public Officer

OUR SUPPORTERS



SECTION 2 - GOVERNANCE

STRUCTURE & MANAGEMENT

Parramatta District Men's Shed Incorporated is governed by our modified NSW Department of Fair Trading model constitution and Policy and Procedures documents. These documents define our Structure, governance, and operating procedures. The constitution is lodged with the Department of Fair Trading as required under incorporation.

We have a Governing Board which consists of annually elected (at the AGM) financial members, It comprises seven to eight members namely; President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Safety Coordinator and member representatives. The Board meets every month. There is also an Executive which comprises: President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. The executive meets on an as needs basis between Board meetings and reports directly to the Board.

There is also facility for sub-committees of which there are normally three; Commercial Engagement Team, Safety sub-committee and Maintenance Team. These report directly to the board on a monthly basis.

Parramatta District Men's Shed Inc. is registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC).

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Vice-Presidents report for the year 2023 2024

It's been a difficult year, we have lost our President Ian Robinson, expected but still very sad. One of our biggest fundraisers appears to have been discontinued so, who knows if they may bring it back.

We have learned to live with Covid and this has taught us to be more aware of sharing our germs with others and not to come to the Shed when sick.

On the positive side:

We received a couple of grants thanks to the board and Thomas Tu our Grants officer. A new CNC router and a new metal Lathe are a great addition to our assets.

We have also got a few good earning jobs from the O T team at Westmead, a big thanks to the project team. Keep it up, and yell out if you need more help.

We also had our 10th year anniversary, it was great to see a large turnout of members past and present. It was pleasing to see representatives of all levels of government attend, I think it's important for the shed's future. A big thanks to Rob Colless for his endless efforts.

Good to see a few members getting involved in outings again; thanks to Ron for organizing, if you have any ideas on places to visit, see Ron when he comes back.

A big thanks to the maintenance team for their patience and efforts to keep our machines working.

Last but not least I want to thank the board members for their efforts and support in keeping the shed going.

Tony Pannucci
Vice president

SECRETARY'S REPORT



Rob Colless – Volunteer Secretary

Secretary's Report AGM 2024

Membership at our 2024 AGM stood at 68 fully paid up members, as of 01 August 2024 we have a fully paid up membership of 65. We have a waiting list (all are at various stages of membership approval) of 2. Several members have moved to other locations and so not renewed. Our membership is remaining stable with some very talented new and younger members. We are looking a for a gradual increase this year.

Our website WWW.PARRAMATTADMS.ORG and our FACEBOOK page continue to grow with content and reach. It has also had an upgrade with more to come we continue to receive 1-2 new membership enquiry per fortnight through the website and some jobs from FB.

On the administration side there have been 11 Board of management meetings.

Our shed is very fortunate to have had an able and dedicated Treasurer keeping our shed on the straight and narrow to keep us living within our means...

We continue to get small to medium size jobs into the shed and some repeat orders to keep our members interested and bring some income to the shed.

We also continue to get a continuous stream of NDIS related enquiries, which have to be dealt with diplomatically so as to not overburden the shed.

Your Board of management strives hard to keep our shed a place where everyone is welcome and a place that members want to come back to. Not to forget the very entertaining and topical presentations by our resident technology nerd Ray Dowsett ... please keep these coming

And of course our excellent Board members (ably led by our President Ian Robinson) putting in so much of their time behind the scenes to run our shed and keep it ticking over and running very smoothly. Unfortunately we lost Ian after a 12month fight with cancer. Ian is sorely missed and his contribution to the shed will be always remembered.

Finally a HUGE thank you to all our membership who make the shed a place you want to be involved with, a place you can retreat to, a place "to do stuff, have a cuppa, have a joke and lively discussions". What a great team It is a privilege to be a part of and to promote our shed

Thankyou

Rob COLLESS

Volunteer Secretary

OUR OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Our vision is to **‘Improve men’s well-being in the Parramatta district’**

Our objective is to; **help as many men, as is possible, within the Parramatta district.**

To realise our vision and objective, the Parramatta District Men’s Shed evolved as a non-profit organisation and as part of the Men’s Shed movement – a movement to gain awareness of men’s health issues, and to provide a place for men to meet and make friend’s.

The men’s shed is a place:

- To socialize
- To learn new skills
- To hone the skills you have
- To share good company
- To use great tools
- To try new hobbies
- To work on your own projects
- To work on Shed projects
- To contribute to the community
- To be productive
- To just hang-out
- To have fun and enjoy yourself

In the Parramatta District Men’s Shed, you may see men making new things, fixing old things, or sharing their skills and knowledge with others. But most importantly, you’ll find an atmosphere of old-fashioned mateship among the members. The shed is a very relaxed environment... a place for men to come and relax, chat with others and share a cuppa.

SECTION 3 - OUR FINANCES

TREASURER'S REPORT



Robert McKenzie – Volunteer Secretary

Overview

In the year 2022-23 the shed posted a net gain of approx \$13,170.

In the year 2023-24 the shed posted a net gain in our finances of approx \$7,000. This was a good result given the uncertainty of the economic conditions. A number of one off sales in the previous financial year had contributed to the larger gain in that year. It should be noted that a grant that was received during the year has not yet been acquitted, which inflates our apparent financial gain for the year.

Income

The shed managed to raise income of over **\$16,000** which came mainly from

- Foundation and Heritage Day Events and other one-off opportunities.
- Annual subs and joining fees,
- Selling wooden goods, and
- Selling second-hand/surplus items.

Additionally, the shed received grants which has enabled the shed to implement a major upgrade to our CNC router. Other upgrades are planned for later in the current financial year.

The Shed owes all members who volunteered their time, labour and ingenuity (to generate income) a deep level of gratitude.

Expenditure

It generally costs around **\$11,000** p.a. to run and maintain the shed over the year. The major expenditures were related to

- Shed licence fee (rental of premises), and
- Member & asset insurance.
- Maintenance and supplies

Our annual member subscriptions do not cover the cost of opening the doors, let alone the cost of buying and maintaining equipment. So, once again, thank you to all those members who have helped in one way or another to raise additional income for the shed.

Balance Sheet

	30/6/2023	30/6/2024
Current Assets – Total	\$56,396	\$66,091
Current assets comprises of cash at the bank, petty cash, and creditor amounts.		
Current Liabilities	\$28,000	\$30,804

<p>\$26,000 has been put aside to go toward moving expenses. \$2,000 is for electric utility costs which has yet to be billed to the shed. \$2,804 grant monies are yet to be acquitted.</p>		
Current Assets – Available	\$28,396	\$35,287
<p>Available current assets comprises of total current assets minus current liabilities. That is, the amount that is available for the shed to spend on running and maintaining the shed.</p>		
Non-Current Assets	\$5,000	\$5,000
<p>This is the estimated current value of plant and equipment.</p>		
Total Assets: Current + Non-Current	\$33,396	\$40,287

Future Goals

It is important to put aside money to cover a move to new premises once Property and Development New South Wales have finalised it's plan for the precinct. The Board Members expect the cost of moving to be in excess of \$28,000.

Thank You

I would like to thank the PDMS Board for their support and encouragement. I would also like to thank Brian Wise of Watson, Erskine and Co, who acted as our pro-bono Tax Accountant.

Robert McKenzie

Volunteer Secretary

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Financial Overview

Item	30/06/2023	30/06/2024
Bank Balance \$	56,396	66,091

Financial Summary for 2023 / 24

Income

Item	Amount \$
Bank Interest	416
Donations:	420
Fund Raising Activities:	12,354
GST:	1,630
Overheads	128
Other:	23
Shed Fees:	5,847
Training	0
Grants	7,704
Total Income	28,522

Expenses

Item	Amount \$
Building Improvements	0
Fund Raising Expenditure:	2,489
GST Paid:	1,197
Insurances	2,024
Repairs and Maintenance - Machinery:	1,826
Other	239
Overheads	4,681
Shed Fees	0
Supplies	1,126
Training	0
POS Fees	41
Grants	5,204
Total Expenses	18,827

SECTION 4 - OUR OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION**HOW YOU CAN HELP****Make us known to your friends and relatives**

The more people that know about our Shed, the better chance we have to help men in need.

See our shed details at the web site: parramattadms.org

Become a member

We are always looking to assist men to obtain a sense of purpose and belonging

See our contact details in the 'CONTACT US' section or at the web site: parramattadms.org/contact/

Make a donation

We are always grateful to those who are generous to our cause. And be assured that 100% of all monies donated go to helping men's well-being in the Parramatta district.

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LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

Parramatta District Men's Shed 5 Year Plan

This plan is currently under review.

Strategic Objective	Strategic Action	Plan Status 2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
1.Membership Management	1.1 Plan and Review Member Profile	Annual Review	Annual Review	Annual Review	Annual Review	Annual Review
	1.2 Plan and Review a Communication Plan to attract Members	Ongoing updates	Ongoing updates	Update on Monthly basis.	Update on monthly basis	Update on monthly basis
		To be reviewed	To be reviewed	Full Plan review in 2020	To be reviewed	To be reviewed
	1.3 Plan and Review for Sustainable Membership	Target 75	Target 75	Target 75	Target 75	Target 75
		Act:	Act:	Act:	Act:	Act:
2.Partnership Management	2.1 Develop Community and Commercial (Suppliers, Sponsors) Partnership Plan	No. of Community Stakeholders with Partnership plans in place Act:	No. of Community Stakeholders with Partnership plans in place Act:	No. of Community Stakeholders with Partnership plans in place Act:	No. of Community Stakeholders with Partnership plans in place Act:	No. of Community Stakeholders with Partnership plans in place Act:
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		Annual Calendar showing Commercial Planning/Fundraising	Annual Calendar showing Commercial Planning/Fundraising	Annual Calendar showing Commercial Planning/Fundraising	Annual Calendar showing Commercial Planning/Fundraising	Annual Calendar showing Commercial Planning/Fundraising

		activities	activities	activities	activities	activities
3. Governance and Probity	3.1 Review Policies and Procedures	Annual Review	Annual Review	Up to date – reviewed monthly	Annual Review	Annual Review
	3.2 Plan and Review Budget and Forecast	Budget/Forecast updated	Budget/Forecast updated	Up to date – reviewed monthly	Budget/Forecast updated	Budget/Forecast updated
	3.3 Board trained and succession plan in place	Actioned	Actioned	Up to date – reviewed monthly	Actioned	Actioned
		Annual Review	Annual Review	Up to date – reviewed monthly	Annual Review	Annual Review



CONTACT US

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Mondays + Wednesdays + Fridays + Saturdays = 9.30am till 2.30pm

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