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Your monthly update on WMS News and Events

Chairman's Foreword:

"May I wish All members old and new a very Happy, Prosperous and Healthy New Year.

We opened our doors on 3rd January with just a few members attending, however, numbers have quickly risen as members are venturing out once more. Not only are we getting previous members renewing their membership but are getting a steady flow of new visitors and applicants.

I believe that our Shed is a necessary and valuable resource within our community, especially at this time. I am proud to be a member of a group whose members not only involve themselves in the various activities and events but support each other during difficult times in their lives. So, thank you to all of you and long may we continue."

Malcolm Trayhorn - Chairman WMS.

Editorial:

"Welcome to issue 5 of "THE SHED JOURNAL"

To create and maintain an interesting and varied publication I will need member ideas and contributions. Therefore, if you can think of anything interesting or informative to include on a regular basis i.e., Scams, Gardening tips, Tradesmen etc. Please feel free to send me your ideas and I will consider them all.

If you come across an interesting article (not too lengthy) then please forward it to me. Members are also welcome and indeed encouraged to contribute small articles themselves (around 250 words with pictures) of days out, holidays, life/work experiences, hobbies, book or film review etc. I'm sure we all have a story to tell.

Should any materialise, I will publish one per month in order of receipt. Political, Financial, Religious articles will be closely scrutinised before publication. Defamatory articles will not be published.

Please advise of any errors/typos and feel free to send me your comments, good or bad. I strive to please.

If you prefer not to receive 'The Shed Journal' please let me know by return."

John Chamberlin - Editor Email: bjcoi8@gmail.com





Latest News on Shed Facilities and Amenities:

Main Social Room:

"The Main Social Room is where the majority of our members congregate to catch up with fellow shedders over a cup of tea/coffee. Groups develop for a game of cards, dominoes etc. although this is not all that goes on. Other members may just sit chatting about whatever comes up or perhaps read a magazine.

All are a friendly bunch and welcome other members to join in the discussion.

Members are reminded that it is important to come to the social room first to sign in and out."

John Chamberlin - Editor

The Metal & Carpentry Workshop:

"The workshop is progressing slowly but surely; several members have worked very hard to clear the area after our recent move.

We have several projects in the pipeline but are short of volunteers to get them started. So, if you are able to offer some of your time it would be much appreciated.

Several of our new members have shown an interested in woodworking, we welcome them and can perhaps use their skills."

Richard Adams - Workshop Manager

The Computer Room:

"Hello and happy New Year to all you fellow Techies.

I would like to say, it was nice to see new members taking an interest in what the Computer Group are doing. I am looking this year to have a more technical look at Desktop and Laptop Computers where members will be involved in completing minor repairs and maintenance tasks. The dismantling side will remain for those that just want to take things apart, and not forgetting we have a Printer section to help you with your problems.

You may be aware that I have made a few small videos which are currently available on YouTube, if you go on the YouTube Website and click on the search bar, type in The Shedder (that's my Channel name) you will find various videos, the latest of which is all about sorting your laptop out if you have an overheating problem. This video shows how using these steps can help fight against an overheating problem. I hope in the future to make more of these Videos showing how the Computer Group can help.

So, if you have any problems, Desktop/Laptop Computers or Printers, we will try to help. You are always welcome to bring your own Computer items in for the Team to look at your convenience.

May I wish you all a successful year and an enjoyable one with Wayland men's shed, 2022."

Jeff Heath - Computer Group Supervisor (WMS)





Member groups:

The Shutterist's

"We are a group of Shedders (The Shutterists), and we meet about once a month for an outing to a local place of interest where we walk, talk and take a picture or two, often partaking in a cuppa, food and even the odd beer. The Shutterists continually seek fellow Shedders to join our small and active group and you are very welcome to join us.

We allow all camera types, DSLR, Compacts, Mirrorless, Film, Phones, Pin Hole, Box Brownie, etc.

However, even though we are predominantly the WMS Photographic Group, cameras are not a pre-requisite for trips out. The Shutterists welcome all fellow members of WMS to come and enjoy our planned visits."

Interested? Contact Stewart Haile - 07775 694099 - email: shaile33@aol.com

The Shutterists 2022 Weekly Photo Challenge:

The Shutterists have now started their 2022 Challenge. Six Shed members have entered the Lion's Den, with the addition of Bob Darts who will be offering 'Critique' against each entry.

The idea behind this is to allow members to hone their photography skills based on informal 'critiques' of their images. Bob Darts has done something similar before and it basically involved reviewing an image and offering suggestions on how the image could or might be improved by making some minor adjustments when using the camera or making some slight postproduction adjustments in the computer.

Camera Handling
Tone
Colour (where appropriate)
Artistic effect

N.B.: It's important to make the distinction between the words 'Critique' and 'Criticism.' A 'Critique' is a supportive way of learning and if done correctly it can really work. It is <u>definitely not</u> a process that seeks to undermine a person's confidence or poke fun at their ability to take photographs.

The Shutterists are sure that all will benefit from this process and over time we expect an increase in confidence using our cameras and, hopefully, a real improvement in our photography skills.

Group Outings (The Photo Walk):

There was no photo walk to report on this month.





Photo Competition (Weeks 45-52):

The Shutterists have now progressed to the end of their 52-week challenge and I'm sure I speak for many in saying "Thank you" to the group for sharing with us, all the beautiful photographs taken during 2021.

I for one am really looking forward to the 2022 collection.

Here are just some of photographic entries from their final weeks:



Week 45 'At the Grill'



Week 46 'Ceiling Rows'



Week 47 'Branching Out'

Week 50

'Early Light in the Wood'





Week 49

'My Wall of Sound







Week 51 'Glittery Decoration'

Week 52 'Here's to Christmases to Come' & 'A Memory Celebrated'

Editor's note on groups:

Do you have an idea for a similar group? For example: A walking group, book club, classical music, a common hobby or perhaps a lunch club then please email me - bjcoi8@gmail.com and I will publish it here. Such groups will be supported by the Committee but arranged and run solely by the interested members.

N.B.: A group does not have to be several members; you may just find one other like-minded individual to start with and others may well join you later, they may just need that little nudge.





Trivia, Quiz & Puzzle corner:

January in history:

- 1649 King Charles I of England beheaded for treason by order of Parliament under the direction of Oliver Cromwell.
- 1801 Ireland added to Great Britain by an Act of Union, creating the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.
- 1879 Battle of Rourke's Drift, Natal, S. Africa. 150 British troops fought off 3-4000 Zulus. 11 VCs were awarded.
- 1912 Britain's polar explorers led by Captain Robert Falcon Scott reach the South Pole.
- 1965 Winston Churchill dies. Stated on becoming PM "I have nothing to offer you but blood, sweat, toil & tears." Post war he coined the phrase 'Iron Curtain', describing the barrier between Russia and the free west.

January born into glory or infamy:

- 1412 Joan of Arc (The Maid of Orleans). She inspired French troops to many victories during the 100 years' war.
- 1706 Benjamin Franklin Printer, author, publisher, philosopher, scientist, diplomat and philanthropist.
- 1756 Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Composer. Amongst 600+ compositions were 'Requiem' & 'The Magic Flute'
- 1832 Charles Lutwidge Dodgson (aka. Lewis Carrol) Author, famous for 'Alice in Wonderland' stories.
- 1841 Henry Morton Stanley Explorer. Purported as having said on finding missionary-explorer David Livingston in Africa, "Doctor Livingston, I presume?"

Joke

What do you call a woman with a screwdriver in one hand, a knife in the other, a pair of scissors between the toes of one foot, and a corkscrew between the toes on the other?

Puzzle

A man needs to cross a river with a boat that will only carry him & one other item. He has a chicken, grain and a fox. Left alone the fox will eat the chicken or the chicken will eat the grain. How?

Quote

"It is better to offer no excuse rather than a bad one." ... George Washington

Proverb

The wise man, even when he holds his tongue says more than the fool when he speaks.

The Six W's Quiz

Who

wrote and composed the well-known sevenmovement orchestral suite 'The Planets Op. 32'?

Why

is 'Tarmac' so named?

What

period in history saw the formation, reign and dissolution of the 'Knights Templar' order?

When

were these historical words uttered? "The Eagle has landed"

Where

would you be if you could see these 'geoglyphs' cut into the soil?





Which

Roman goddess is depicted on this famous statue?



"Answers are shown on the last page" John Chamberlin – Editor





Social programme:

Our social secretary, Malcolm Trayhorn is very adept at organising an excellent programme of events throughout the year. The fact that many of these are oversubscribed is a testament to their popularity. I'm certain however, that Malcolm would greatly appreciate suggestions and ideas for future events and outings from the membership, so please put your thinking caps on.

Malcolm Trayhorn - 01953 529531 - email: malcolm.trayhorn@gmail.com

Upcoming WMS Social Events & Outings:

"There were 33 people who attended the Christmas meal at Broom Hall on 17th December including members and their guests. It was a lovely evening, and a good time was had by all. We raised £147 in the raffle which was agreed by committee members in attendance to be donated to the Big C local cancer charity.

The Mince Pie and Mulled Wine morning on the 20th December was well attended, and we got through plenty of mulled wine and numerous mince pies, sausage rolls and cheese scones. Thanks goes to all those who supplied the goodies. The mulled wine, soft drinks, coffee and tea was supplied by the Shed.

I am looking to run a Quiz & Chips quiz night at the end of February and will announce full details after the next committee meeting.

Also, I will be proposing that we hold some sort of event during the four-day bank holiday in June to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee."







Malcolm Trayhorn - Social Secretary

WMS Social Calendar:

Events Programme	Date	Venue	Time	Cost (Subject to variation)

Pictures please

Not everyone is able to attend these events and pictures can portray the experience to other members. If you have any photographs taken whilst out on WMS trips and attending events organised by Malcolm Trayhorn, please forward them to him for possible publication either here or on our website.

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Other News, Notices & Interesting Articles:

THE INDISPENSABLE MAN

Sometimes when you're feeling important Sometimes when you're ego's in bloom Sometimes when you take it for granted You're the best qualified in the room.

Sometimes when you feel that your going Will leave an unfillable hole Just follow these simple instructions And see how it humbles your soul.

Take a bucket and fill it with water
Place your hand in it up to the wrist
Pull it out and the hole that's remaining
Is a measure of how much you'll be missed.

You can splash all you like as you enter You can stir up the water galore But stop and you'll see in a moment It looks just the same as before.

The moral in this quaint example Is just do the best that you can Be proud of yourself and remember There is **NO indispensable man.**

Festive Market Marshalling:

A big thank you to all who volunteered and assisted in the High Street marshalling during the Festive Market on Sunday 28th November. The Town Council acknowledged the assistance and support to a local community event by sending a letter of thanks.

Thanks to the following members:

Alan Diver, Gordon Williams, Jezz Hookham, Jim Payne, David Gambrell and John Pepper.





Business, Administration & Housekeeping matters:

Shed Opening Times:

Social Room and Workshop - Mondays and Wednesdays 0900 till 1200. Computer Room - Mondays and Thursdays 0900 till 1200.

Housekeeping:

Please assist other members and the committee by keeping the Shed tidy and helping with general chores.

Treasurer's Report:

"Shed funds remain healthy. The Workshop Fire-Door has been installed but not paid for as the outside work is still outstanding."

Les Waller - Treasurer

Memberships Report:

"Paid up members remain at 57. However, the membership fee for the rest of the year until the next AGM is now only £12.50 which might encourage a few of the non-renewers back, as well as new members.

Turnout at the Sports Centre has been low this month so far, hopefully it will pick up as the year progresses.

The new "signing in" laptop is working well."

Les Waller - Membership secretary

Committee meeting:

Next committee meeting is on Wednesday 26th January at 3pm in the Social Club Room.

Members can come along to observe and can submit questions to the secretary no later than Thursday 20th January. *Stewart Haile* – email: shaile33@aol.com

Health & Safety:

It is important that we know how many members are in attendance at all times. Please ensure that you visit the Main Hall to sign-in, do not just go to the Workshop/Computer rooms. Also please remember to sign-out.

All members have a duty of care for themselves and others whilst on the premises. Should you become aware of any issues please ensure that you inform a committee member at once. All accidents and Incidents should be recorded in the ledgers provided.

Wanted, For Sale & Free Notices:

Do you have an item for sale, for free or are you looking for something in particular? Please feel free to email the editor - bjcoi8@gmail.com with a price, picture and brief description of the item along with your contact details. I shall endeavour to list the item here.

Note: All transactions are **strictly** between two parties. WMS does **not** endorse or guarantee any items sold.





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Committee member Committee member Committee member

Solutions:

Gordon Williams:

Joke A Swiss Army Wife © © ©

Puzzle Take the chicken across first, go back and bring the fox, leave the fox alone and pick up the chicken,

leave the chicken alone and pick up the grain, leave the grain with the fox then go back for the chicken.

Who? The English composer, Gustav Theodore Holst.

What? 1118-1312. Formed by a French knight named Hugues de Payens & dissolved by Pope Clement V.

Where? Nasca Desert, Southern Peru. Theories range from alien landing sites to offerings to the gods for rain.

John Loudon McAdam first introduced his unique "macadamizing" method in the c.1820, the word 'Tar' Why?

was later added c.1902 by Edgar Purnell Hooley thus making "Tarmacadam' a.k.a. 'Tarmac'.

When? July 20th, 1969. Neil Armstrong sent the message from Apollo 11 after touchdown on the moon's surface.

Which? 'Libertas', the Roman goddess of freedom. She holds a torch in one hand and a tabula ansata inscribed JULY IV MDCCLXXV in the other, a broken shackle and chain lie at her feet.

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