



*Odds and Ends  
from the Shed*

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## Wellington Community - Network Down

You may wonder why you've been sent the newsletter direct instead of the usual email that its available on our web site.

The reason is that the Wellington Community Network, that hosts our web site and about 400 other community sites, is down. The company that hosted WCN, the International School of Business and Government has changed hands and the new CEO has changed internet provider to cut costs. She also said she did not know they were hosting WCN.

I don't know what will happen next, but I suspect this may be the end of WCN in which case all the community sites such as our would have to pay for a new domain name and web-hosting. Can we afford further on-going costs? May be not as today also came the news that the City Council has rejected out latest funding application.

## We've been Short-listed!

I was invited to put forward ideas to help the elderly people of Salford in Lancashire, UK. There is a prize of \$1,000 for the winning concept.

I couldn't pass up an opportunity slike that so I told them about our City MenzShed. This morning came an email saying we'd been short listed and *"we would like to invite you to meet local leaders in Salford on Wednesday 22nd May 2013, 1pm until 5pm British Summer Time at Community Room 1 Eccles Gateway, 28 Barton Lane, Eccles, Salford"*.

I don't think they noticed the application came from Wellington, New Zealand.

## Rest Home to Visit

Standby for a visit Thursday week (23 May) by some of the men from the Kilmarnock Heights Rest home in Berhampore. They'll be coming about 10.30.

Let's make them welcome, give them a cup of tea and I might bake a few scones. Our social room should be finished by then. Steve has been plastering and painting, and I've been trying to install some lighting. We need a good sweep in there, put down the carpet, bring in the table from the kitchen and bring down some chairs from the store up above. Please help if you can.

## Gift Vouchers

If you took part in the Victoria University research project into mens' friendships, you'll find an envelope with your name pinned to the kitchen wall. Inside a gift voucher for \$20 at New World or Buntings.

## Treasury Change

This weekend our Treasurer, Ian Shearer is off to northern Scotland for a six month assignment helping the Scots to set up a new wind farm. Ian, who a fellow of the Institute of Professional Engineers has been involved with the development of wind farms for many years now.

Don't worry the Treasury is safe, George Sutton has been coopted as a Trustee and Treasurer until the AGM in about a months time. More on that closer to the time.