

We're Nominated for Award

A letter came this week from the Mayor, Celia Wade-Brown announcing that we've been nominated for the Wellington Airport Regional Community Award.



That's a great honour, and if we are successful in this area we could find ourselves in for the Trustpower National Award.

The award ceremony is on Tuesday 6 August. We'll let you know how we get on.

Mayor to Visit

Another date to put in your diary is Wednesday, 31 July at 12.00 when we are scheduled to have a formal visit by the Mayor, Celia Wade-Brown.



She has been promising to come for some time now, but as you might expect the Mayor's diary is pretty full and this year fuller than most as it's election year.

A good turn out of members would be helpful and we might even lash out with a few scones.

There's No Hole in Our Bucket

If you've ever tried to lift or move the big scrap wood bucket by the drop saw you will have noticed that everything falls out. This is because the "bucket" is a recycled washing machine bowl with the drive motor removed. Why no motor? Well that's

because of Robin, but that's another story. We've been meaning to mend the hole for about 6 months now but never had the time, or the energy. Today everything changed

Today we were joined by another new member, Tom Ward. Tom's a builder by trade. He obviously likes a clean workshop because he'd only been there for five minutes and picked up a broom and began a sweep. That's when he found the hole in the bucket and ten minutes later it was mended.



Thank you Tom. We need more people like you.

A Glasshouse Made of Drink Bottles

The Aro Valley Community Group want to build two glasshouses using recycled soft-drink bottles. They've asked the City MenzShed to help with the project by building the frames for the glass houses.

We've had a couple of sessions with the Aro Valley team working out how the project will work. We've now got a general agreement on the design and in the next few days will be taking delivery of timber and hardware to start the task.

It looks like Don, George and John will run the project. We'll be building four walls and a roof as separate units that can be trailered to the site for assembly. The units will need to be screwed together so that they can be disassembled and moved when necessary.

Anyone who's available when the material arrives will be welcome to help. We will need to cut 100 x 50 timber to specific lengths, nail together and brace each unit.

Space will be tight but we're reasonably sure we can get there.

Supervisor's Room Getting Used

It was encouraging to see the Supervisor's Room getting some use at last.

Some wag suggested it was called that because you can keep an eye on what's going on in the workshop by looking through the internal window we installed



If you close the door the temperature is bearable, but if it gets too cold there's a fan heater kindly provided by Stuart.

New Website Address

Our website address has changed. We were on the Wellington Community Net where we got a free address and free hosting. Unfortunately WCN has been suffering from regular breakdowns and these prevented us from communicating with members.

The new address is:
www.citymenzshed.org.nz

If the MenzShed is one of your saved addresses you may need to change this in your records as the old site is no longer there

The MenzShed is open to all Wellington men, but especially those in the older age group.

We offer a place where you'll find companionship, and a chance to revive your old skills, or learn new skills.

We help Kindergartens, Plunket, Refugee Services and other community groups by repairing and painting broken furniture. We have a great collection of tools.

We meet from 10 to 1pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and from 12 to 3pm on Wednesdays.

You will find us at the old Chinese Mission Hall, 46 Frederick Street.

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