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*** FIELD REPORTS ***

*** PROJECTS ***

Ross M has been busy of late with an African wood bowl, vase and another shot of those sleighs.







Sopwith Camel – Move afoot of late to box the Vickers Guns for the Sopwith Camel. This assembly became unstuck at the last disassembly so it was time for some TLC. Here are all the bits tucked away, inside their own little shell.

Below you don't see any fancy red felt in this original, just strips of leather tacked on where necessary. What about those tatty handles, lots of wood screws and metal supports for the corners.





Models – We've two models on the go at the moment. Al already has a few wings cut out for the Sopwith and there are drawings in the works for an Ocean Wave fire truck. Engine cowlings for the Sopwith were done on a CNC machine with the following image showing the router path for a 60 degree cutter.



There are three pages of drawings which you can have as PDF files should you be interested.

The fire truck is still in-the-works but here is one of the photograph I took at the station to help scale for some 2-7/8" diameter wheels which Al has found. They even have twelve spokes!



Again if you are interested we'll be able to send out PDF files or you can look over Al's shoulder.

**** MISCELLANEOUS ***

Jennifer Irwin who manages the Heritage Museum on Edmund St. has asked asked Geoff to correct the display showing the Leigh Instruments Crash Position Indicator. As this device has saved many lives around the world and continues to do so, and put Carleton Place on the world map he feels it deserves to get proper recognition. Credit should go to Harry Stevinson, the inventor of the device.

Geoff thinks putting together the display could be a

nice project for the Shed, including model-making, sketches and printing.

As background this is part of the Wikipedia article:

The crash position indicator (CPI) is a <u>radio beacon</u> designed to be ejected from an aircraft when it crashes. This helps ensure it survives the crash and any post-crash fires or sinking, allowing it to broadcast a homing signal to <u>search and rescue</u> aircraft.

CPI's became a requirement on some military aircraft and were often combined with <u>flight data recorders</u>. Today the beacon functions are normally fulfilled by the <u>emergency locator transmitter</u> system. The term "crash position indicator" no longer refers to the specific device, but any locator beacon. The CPI is ranked No. 48 in the list of the 50 Greatest Canadian Inventions.

*** FACILITIES ***

In August we had a very kind donation of a Huskey compressor along with 16 and 18 awg nail guns.

After an accident at the Table Saw the aft legs were raised a tad so the outgoing job clears the table!



Dust Collectors- Here are a few photographs of the dust trail. I'm usually just



dropping in to cut a bit of wood but often end up cleaning out collectors, ducts and intakes. Maybe everone's in such a rush these days to watch Dallas, there's no time to clean-up the mess. The first two were found in the table saw

pipe (blockage) and grill. You have to bend down to

see the intake from the Table saw, this first shows it **FULL**.





While the second shows **EMPTY.** To get from A to B you might have to clean

out the *grill*, the *pipe* and possibly the *intake* at the fan end. A similar blockage was also found at the joiner which has it's own window to see *inside*...

Table Saw – You'll find several pushers for the table saw, some on a shelf underneath and one hand painted by brother Martin hanging off the RHS. Several of these are showing signs of **MISSUSE**. We're not sure where it says such in the manual but we doubt the intention is to feed the pusher **THROUGH** the blade.



This pusher, made from an old Bat House template, has gone through the blade multiple times. An earlier volume of this newsletter has a photograph of a pusher which was spilt into two when it accidentally caught the blade. The split went along a diagonal grain leaving the end I was holding with a knife point. I'm not sure we ever found the other !!! If there isn't a thin enough pusher MAKE one or turn the wood around so the small cut is on the LHS.

*** OUTREACH ***

Of late we've been updating the salt & pepper holders for Good Food Co, with a celebration of their 25th anniversary. That's pretty good for someone on our main street.



Al has recently finished a garden sign for one of his lady friends. The colours were a tad nicer than those shown here.



*** MENS SHEDS Ontario ***

<u>H</u>ere's some cutting edge thinking among those of us trying to expand Shedding to other communities. I'd be happy to have readers of the Heckler share thoughts and comments on what follows which is VERY much in a formative stage. John P.

5 stages of a mature Men's Shed

The question has been asked:

"What is the difference between an established Shed and an emerging Shed?" and a follow up question is: "Who decides if a Shed is emerging or established?"

The short answer is: one has been around for awhile, the other is in the process of deciding what their Shed is going to look like.

Some say that is too simplistic and needs a more graded scale from getting started to being fully developed. So yours truly came up with the "5 stages of a Mature Men's Shed". I invite your comments that may impact how spreading Shedding progresses in Ontario and even across Canada.

In what follows, I have identified a few markers that describe Men's Sheds at various points of development. Not all markers need be present to qualify a Shed for that stage, but at least some of them should be present.

Five stages in MS from beginning to established.

<u>Stage I</u>

* an information meeting has been convened;

* there is a level of excitement at the meeting;

* plans are laid for a follow up meeting(s).

<u>Stage II</u>

* a Shed meets regularly on a scheduled basis that works for that Shed;

* a Shed has some mutually agreed upon leadership structure be it President and other traditional officers; a group of coordinators each of whom focuses on some part of Shed life; or a steering committee who share leadership responsibilities;

* a Shed has a bank account and treasurer (there WILL be expenses and there needs to be some form of income be it fees, donations, grants, project sales etc.).

Stage III

* a Shed has a home base (regular place(s) for meetings and activities);

* the direction the Shed's leadership proposes is regularly ratified/accepted by the full membership (Shedding is a bottom up organization and ideas come from the grass roots and/or are accepted by the grass roots);

* a Shed has a variety of projects to work on, each of which involves some of the men and when all men are regularly involved with some of the Sheds activities and projects.

<u>Stage IV</u>

* the Shed has a stable (regularly involved) membership of 5-50 men or more;

- * the Shed is known in the community;
- * the Shed may be incorporated;

* the Shed usually has at least liability insurance * a Shed has a process for passing the leadership torch.

<u>Stage V</u>

* a Shed becomes a Member Shed of a Provincial and/or National Association so that they are linked to a supportive network of Sheds;

* there is a contact person in a Shed with whom a provincial or national association can connect when there is information available that can be helpful to a local Shed.

At Stage III a Shed may be considered established. At stage V a Shed has a good chance of long range sustainability.

As to who decides whether a Shed is established or still emerging, because we are bottom up, the **local Shed** decides if it has enough "markers" to qualify as established. The Shed then notifies the Provincial and/or National association under which it operates and that body adjusts the designation on the website accordingly.

*** WEB ***

Crash Position Indicator: <u>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Crash_position_indicator</u>

Turtles:

https://millstonenews.com/a-happy-ending-for-somelocal-snapping-turtle-eggs

/*** CORRECTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS ***

Dave J. The turtle cages were infact built by Dave Thompson.

(There was another turtle story in a recent edition of *Millstone News. See Web link*)

