

Hackberry Heckler

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Hackberry Men's Shed,
Carleton Place, Ontario.

*** FIELD REPORTS ***

*** PROJECTS ***



Drop in at Al's bench and you'll find a tractor being glued, wheels being fit onto a car or a tongue to a wagon. Visit Depot Central and you see how big the operation really is!

*** TOOLS ***



This little gem was found in one of our donation boxes. The knurled brass handle is all of 5/8" long. My Dad had the set of three which fit inside one another.

*** FACILITIES ***

This piece of scrap wood was found on the floor between the grinder and the heap. The gully was already badly congested, it didn't need additional hazards. Maybe another 'gem' of furniture was dragged inside, partly stripped and then; oops it's coffee time ...



Darren T. Loaned me this extended brush suggesting I try it on our drier exhaust. After turning the drier ON I was able to insert the brush at the outside vent and give it a good stir all the way down. Later I took it to the shed and ran it through some of the Dust pipes.



*** MEMBERSHIP ***



AGM: Ray - Wide Long Off



AGM: Al and Terry - Short Fine Leg

*** OUTREACH ***



The Ukrainian Childrens Choir performing at their November festival in the Arena.



The final tally of 'wooden hearts' many of us helped cut:

MEN'S SHEDS Ontario

<http://www.mensshedsontario.ca/>

During the week of October 22-26 MSO's Outreach Team was "on the road again" (humm Willie Nelson's song). Sunday we drove to Mississauga and settled in for the OACAO AGM. Monday, as part of the AGM's Trade Show, we set up a table and met "the public" (representatives from some 200 Senior's agencies across the province), hawking our wares and services from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. At 4:00 we met with 16 interested agency reps to show them how we can visit their community and guide local men in the process of starting a Shed. That was followed by an impact interview with HelpAge Canada (our funding partner) to reassure the Benevolent Foundation that we know what we're doing. A very long day.

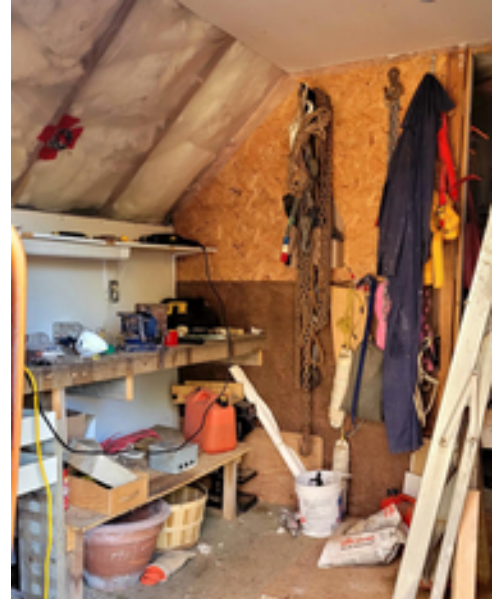
Tuesday we drove to Woodstock and had a luncheon meeting with the staff of the Senior's Centre there to set up a Launch Presentation in November. Then we drove to Cobourg to prepare for a morning meeting with the Seniors' Center there the next morning, also to set up a Launch Presentation there. Wednesday, after the meeting, we drove on to Peterborough where, on Thursday, we did a Launch Presentation for a second Men's Shed at Peterborough's Activity Haven. After that we drove home and collapsed from fatigue. In all, to this point, we anticipate having tripled the number of Men's sheds in Ontario since the Provincial Association (MSO) started two years ago.

Our next task will be to find others interested in helping to inspire men in other communities to start a Shed and to support Sheds that are running (these volunteers will be called Ambassadors). There is so much more than three

guys can handle, perhaps you'd like to volunteer to be an Ambassador. Stay tuned as we launch that program.

*** WEB ***

*** MISCELLANEOUS ***



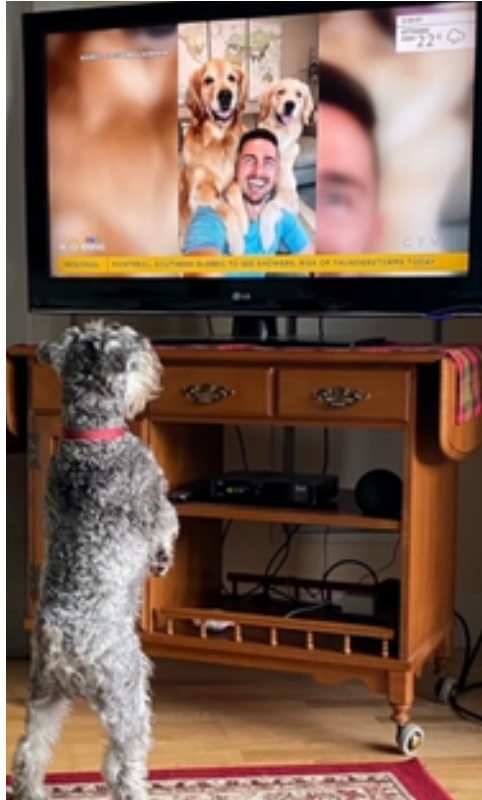
Doug J. Sent along this photograph of his cottage workshop. The media is the message!



Here is a lovely photograph from Tim's wedding to his wife Cindy, and his granddaughter Evelyn as her flower-girl. This was at Union Hall on Wolfgrove Road, West of Almonte. The Clayton Lake floating bridge mural in the background was painted by Laurel Cook from the Almonte Artist's group. Katherine and I had an early hand in this

when two projectors were set up with a photograph. A team of us had to draw the outline on the stage wall. We might have gone back to shade in the image but we didn't participate in the colouring which Laurel did later.

In the early years of our own marriage we camped on the old 12th line leading to this bridge. With a campfire readied to cook supper it started to rain so hard it put out the flames. We headed for the tent. Later in the night the wind gotten up and shook the tent so hard I suggested we head for the car. We'd just closed the doors when we saw the tent flattened to the ground but fortunately still held by the pegs.



Fergie not only has a dog which likes to watch television but it stands on two legs to do it!



I've installed this lazy Susan on my home work bench. It's cleaned up that end nicely, especially the cans full of steel rods which rather heavy to pull out.



Adrian F. Brought along some beautiful samples which were designed by his wife and made on a laser cutter.



Adrian also sent this photograph of a bottle of wine heading for Tasmania! The wood came from old drawers planed down to 8.2mm. The finger joints in the box were cut using a dado blade on the table saw and a modified jig which Martin W. had sent from New York, when he worked at the Guggenheim. The image on the lid was again created using a Laser cutter.

***** ARCHIVES *****

With thanks to those who've seen fit to send in photographs, articles etc.

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