

Welcome to the May and June edition of the newsletter

Since last writing to you, it has been really lovely to see the return of some familiar faces and attendance at the Shed sessions has been steadily growing.

We welcome two new members this month - Ken Foster and Paul Short who have already settled into the Shed routine and are busy helping us make items in the workshop.

The new extended sessions, which now include a lunch break between 12.30-1.30pm are proving to be a great success and allows for us to interact and socialise fully with members, whether they have been working on site all morning or whether they have arrived to join us just for lunch.

We have received some more new commissions- one from Holy Cross for wooden planters and trellising, and a private commission which John has taken on for an American style wooden rabbit which is used to welcome in the Spring season in the USA! Work is also continuing on the sales stall and wooden crates for the Union Church Community Food Project.

Some wooden banners for use in the Jubilee Procession had been commissioned by Brighter Heathfield and these were handed over by Peter B to Hugh Ashton of Brighter Heathfield at the recent pub evening – a good excuse to save on fuel and for Hugh to enjoy a pint or two with us!

We are very grateful to HKS for recently supplying us with some larger sized (10 foot long) pallets which we will be put to good use to complete the commissions at minimal cost, and thanks must also go to Mike 'the pallet man' Negus, who also supplied and delivered some pallets to site. We always require a steady supply of pallets and if anyone knows of any going spare, particularly the larger 6-10 foot ones, please let us know.

If anyone feels they can spare some time by becoming a member of the committee, a session supervisor or even to lead the project, please speak to Peter B, Nic, Roger or Phil at one of the Shed sessions to find out more.

Monthly Pub Evenings

The second of our pub evenings was held at the Runt in Tun on Monday 25th April. Our pub evenings will be a regular feature, taking place on the fourth Monday of each month. All are welcome to attend- no need to book, just turn up at 7.00pm and enjoy a pint with whoever is there! The date for the next pub evening will be Monday 23rd May 2022.



Monthly breakfasts.....

The first of our breakfast socials was held on Monday 11th April. As with our pub evenings, there is no need to book in advance for this event, just turn up and enjoy a breakfast with fellow Sheddors. This will be a regular event on the second Monday of each month, at Hooks café (near the market place) Those that came enjoyed a full English, and waddled out of the café somewhat fuller than when they entered! The date of the next Breakfast Social will be Monday 9th May 2022.



Diary of Events

Shed Sessions - every Tuesday and Thursday from 10.00am – 3.30pm to include a break for lunch 12.30-1.30pm – members bring their own lunch.

Monday 9th May – Breakfast Social – 9.00am Hooks Café. No need to book just turn up with an appetite! Members pay for their choice of food.

Thursday 12th May – Shed Session and Holy Cross market

Monday 16th May – Curry Night, 7.00pm
The Curry Inn

Please RSVP if you would like to attend to Peter B- Tel: (01435) 868388



Monday 23rd May – Pub evening, 7.00pm at The Runt in-Tun. No need to book, just turn up and enjoy a pint (or two) with your fellow Sheddors

Thursday 26th May - Wood Carving and Sculpting demonstration at the Shed by Simon Page. Simon has previously given demonstrations at Wilderness Woods, Wakehurst Place and talks at Brighton and Hastings Men's Sheds.

Thursday 9th June – Shed session and Holy Cross market

Monday 13th June - Breakfast Social – 9.00am Hooks Café. No need to book just turn up with an appetite! Members pay for their choice of food.

Monday 27th June - Pub evening, 7.00pm at The Runt in-Tun. No need to book, just turn up and enjoy a pint (or two) with your fellow Sheddors

During the month of June Simon Mack – a documentary photographer will be on site to take photographs of us and our projects. Please see www.stuartmackphotography.com

Curry Evening- Monday 16th May
7.00pm – Curry Inn



By popular request we are having a curry evening to enjoy a meal together! Sheddors pay for their own choice of food and drink.

Those wishing to attend must book a place in advance by letting Peter B know (tel: 868388) or at the Shed.

Subscriptions – Now Due!!!

These are now due and remain at £35 a year for full membership.

We have also introduced a new category of Social Membership at £20 a year. This will entitle members to copies of all newsletters and the opportunity to attend any social events, or lunch between 12.30-1.30pm on Shed session days.

Please pay by BACS transfer to Heathfield Men's Shed, sort code: 60-10-30 Account: 11692111 using your surname as the reference. If you are not intending to renew, please let Nic know as soon as possible.

Information and updates about the Men's Shed can be found on our website at:

www.ageconcernheathfield.org.uk

or by typing Heathfield Men's Shed into the search bar.

There is also an extensive gallery of photographs which you may enjoy browsing.

Market Stalls

Sales have recently been held at Holy Cross and the Farmers Market at the CoOp and both have been very successful. We have more stalls booked at a variety of events in the coming months and could desperately do with more help either on the day selling on the stall, or by collecting and setting up the stall beforehand. If you think this is something you could help us with, please let us know.



'The phantom shadow shopper strikes again!'

