

Heathfield Men's Shed

November – December 2022

Welcome to the November and December edition of the newsletter

Latest news:

- We, together with Age Concern, have been awarded the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service and this was presented to us by the Lord Lieutenant of East Sussex.
- Membership of the shed is full and we now have a waiting list for new members.
- We have raised to date, £550 towards the purchase of a defibrillator for the Shed and are hoping to gain more funding soon.
- First Aid training has been arranged for another four members of the Shed and this will take our total trained up to ten. So we are well equipped to take care of any issues
- A total of 10+ members have now been DBS checked.
- We have a new retail outlet at Cade Street Nursery and they have taken bird boxes, bat boxes and bird feeders as initial products to try.



We have two new products, thanks to Bob for the hedgehog box and Terry for the book stand.

We have also been busy building a bigger nativity scene for outside the Fire Station, whilst the original installation and will be used inside St Richards Church, after it has been renovated.

We have also built a sandpit for Frant School.



We are now gearing up for Christmas with production of our popular reindeer already underway - bodies and legs are already being cut in preparation.



We are looking for a volunteer to be Santa for the children at Little Tinkers, any volunteers please speak to a member of the committee.



Members of the committee would like to wish all members of the Shed and their families a very Happy Christmas and New Year!

The last Shed session will be on Thursday 22nd December and we will reopen on Thursday 5th January 2023

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. NB: We might close early (around 2pm) if workload complete.

November

Tuesday 1st – Shed day

Thursday 3rd – Shed day

Thursday 3rd – ACH AGM 2.30pm Union Church

Tuesday 8th – Shed day

Thursday 10th – Shed day & Holy X stall

Monday 14th - HMS Breaky social, Hooks 9am

Tuesday 15th – Shed day

Thursday 17th – Shed day & erect crib scene – Fire St. 3pm

Friday 18th – HMS stall at Heathfield Xmas lights switch on 3 – 8pm

Saturday 19th - Heathfield Market stall

Tuesday 22nd – Shed day

Thursday 24th – Shed day

Monday 28th - HMS Pub social 7pm Runt in Tun

Tuesday 29th – Shed day

December

Friday 2nd - Scouts visit 7.30pm

Tuesday 6th – Shed day

Thursday 8th – Shed day

LT Grotto & Santa - TBA

Monday 12th - HMS Breaky social, Hooks 9am

Tuesday 13th – Shed day

Thursday 15th – Shed day & Holy X stall

Saturday 17th - Heathfield Market stall

Monday 19th - HMS Pub social 7pm Runt in Tun Xmas

Tuesday 20th – Shed day

Thursday 22nd Shed day

Tues 27th & Thurs 29th - Closed Xmas break

Re open Thursday 5th Jan 2023 – tbc

Help needed...

We are totally reliant on sales of our products to make the revenue to keep the shed going. We have a large number of markets planned between now and Christmas and we urgently need more help from members to assist on the stalls, either by selling on the day or by helping to lug kit to & fro before and after the stall, it would be very helpful. Please let Peter B or Nic know if you are able to help.

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.

Pictures from the Shed:

The Men's Shed table at the presentation by the Lord Lieutenant of East Sussex of the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service



Our night at the Lakedown Brewery Taproom



Upcoming Social Events:

Monthly breakfasts.....

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 is a regular event on the second Monday of each month, at Hooks café (near the market place). The date of the next Breakfast Social will be **Monday 14th November 2022 – 9.00am**

Monthly Pub Evenings.....

The next pub evening will be on Monday 28th November, The Runt-in-Tun, 7.00pm
No need to book, just turn up and enjoy a pint (or two!)

