

## Menzshed NZ Newsletter – April 2014 (part 2)

### Comment

The computer gremlins crept in during production of this newsletter, hence it is in 2 parts.

This newsletter has been pulled together from information provided by sheds and the executive of Menzshed NZ and it shows. As it is the first issue, the content has not been trimmed to only the newsworthy items. Bare with us, the next issue will be different.

### Website

Changes to the website include a reduced banner, modified menu structure and the addition of menu items including a page for sharing project information and the website statistics in the Library <http://menzshed.org.nz/library/website/>.

## More from the lower North Island – Region 3

### Henley Mens Shed

With a five day a week operation and 120 plus members doing a vast range of activities, along with community projects. Henley is well underway with raising the necessary funds and sponsorship to add on another 100 square metres to their purpose built Shed. See more about Henley @ <http://henleymenzshed.kiwi.nz>

### Featherston Menz Shed

Moved into a disused joinery workshop earlier this year and are getting on with doing stuff in the community. Later this year they will move into a relocated building in the Main St., a prime spot to attract members and supporters.

### Greytown Menz Shed

Have a building that is being worked on in the good old working bee fashion, and have notched up a few projects in the community. So it's steady as they go progress.

## More from the top of South Island - Region 4

Last month, Sheddies from Renwick, Picton and Blenheim travelled to Nelson where they were hosted by Waimea Shed. Trip included visits to a Craftsman's Woodwork shed, A home observatory and a large model railway and a BBQ lunch.

Sheddies were treated to view some exquisite works of wood art at Paul Troloves Woodwork Shed. These included carved rocking horses, carved roses and figureheads, grandfather clocks, wooden padlocks and combination padlocks with wooden mechanisms. Paul also demonstrated his techniques for chisel and plane sharpening.

A bbq at the Waimea shed was followed by visit to a home observatory where sheddies were able to view Venus and see the large holes in the sun through telescopes. Pikelets were cooked on hosts solar BBQ and several electrical and scientific exhibits were on display. Final visit was to a large model railway.

A great day was had by all. Renwick shed are planning a gold panning adventure for sheddies in May.

### Nelson City

A steering committee is being formalised to setup a menzshed in Nelson.

## **Takaka**

In Takaka a building has been offered for Menzshed to use. A public meeting has been proposed to setup a committee.