# MENZSHED NEW ZEALAND

#### MINUTES ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MONDAY 20 MAY 2019 AT 7:30PM AT GOTOWEBINAR

**OPENING AND WELCOME:** John Bush - who chaired the whole meeting.

ATTENDED	Shed (North to South)
Andrew Wilson	Massey
Terry Moore Bernie Ward Keith Hanning	Auckland East
Warren Sly	Thames
Keith Dickson	Regional Rep
Warren Taylor	Mt Maunganui
John Bush	Eketahuna
Murray Campbell	Henley
Bob Chambers	Greytown
David Chapple	Manawatu
Dave Adamson	Foxton
Tony King	Otaki
Peter Blackler	Kapiti
Don Gray	Plimmerton
Archie Kerr	Naenae
Brian Cameron	Havelock
Alan Kissell	Waimea
Roger Bowman	Tapawera
Ray Hall	New Brighton
John Cook	Timaru
Nick Wilson	Taieri Blokes
Gerard Kenney	North Dunedin
Ian Miller	Regional Rep
Peter Bailey	Invercargill

#### **APOLOGIES:**

**Sheds:** Kaitaia, Dargaville, Warkworth, Howick, Auckland Central, Whitianga, Hamilton, Morrinsville, Paeroa, Otorohanga, Whakatane, Hastings, Dannevirke, Wanganui, Feilding, Upper Hutt, Eastbourne, Cheviot, Oxford, Motueka, Redcliffs, Rolleston, Oamaru

**People:** Bill Witt - Pauanui, Paul Russell - Levin Tony Winter - Thames, Dave Mayes - Havelock, Trevor Scott - New Brighton, Richard Rendle -Bishopdale, Howard Wilson, Lyndon Forrest -Akaroa., Shane Hollis, Linwood.

**MINUTES OF 2018 AGM:** Roger - following review by the executive, the minutes were distributed to sheds by email 31 May. No feedback received. Moved Roger Bowman/John Bush that the minutes be accepted as a correct record. Carried.

#### **MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES:**

Feedback regarding procedure introduced for shed applications. See Appendix 1.

#### **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:**

In the absence of a Chairman, the annual report presented is a joint effort from the executive. See Appendix 2. Moved John Bush/Roger Bowman that the report be accepted. Carried.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT: (Peter)

See Appendix 3. The report is still to have a review. Moved Peter Blackler/Roger Bowman that the report be accepted. Carried.

#### **ELECTIONS:**

Results of Regional Representatives elections (Roger)

Region	Nominee Shed	Nominating and Seconding Sheds
Northland, Auckland (Two year term)	No nomination received - see note below.	
Waikato, Bay of Plenty, Gisborne (One year term)	Keith Dickson Mt Maunganui	Mt Maunganui Katikati
Taranaki, Hawkes Bay, Manawatu-Wanganui, Wellington (Two year term)	No nomination received - see note below.	
Marlborough, Nelson, Tasman (One year term)	No nomination received - see note below.	
Canterbury, West Coast (One year term)	Trevor Scott Oxford	New Brighton Timaru
Otago, Southland (Two year term)	Ian Miller Taieri	Taieri North Dunedin

Ian and Keith were declared elected. Following Trevor Scott's election as Chairman, the Canterbury, West Coast role is now vacant.

Note: Rule 8.2.2.d provides for MENZSHED NZ to work with member sheds in the region to fill vacancies, this activity will now start.

Elections for: Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary, Support Services Candidate Statements - Appendix 4.

Role	Nominee & Shed	Nominating Seconding Sheds
Chairman	Trevor Scott	Kapiti
(One year term)	New Brighton	Taieri
Treasurer	Peter Blackler	Tapawera
(Two year term)	Kapiti	Kapiti
Support Services	John Bush	Henley
(One year term)	Henley	Featherston
Secretary	Roger Bowman	Tapawera
(Two year term)	Tapawera	Motueka

Treasurer, Support Services and Secretary's nominations received at close date 20 April. As no other nominations were received. Moved Roger Bowman/AlanKissell that the nominations be accepted. Chairman: Rule 8.2.3.d provides for vacant officer positions to be accepted from the floor at an AGM. A nomination for Chairman received after close date.

Call for other nominations - none.

Moved Roger Bowman/Peter Blackler that the nomination for Trevor Scott be accepted.

Peter Blackler thanked Bernie Ward, David Chapple and Trevor Scott for their service as regional representatives.

## **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

- Remits none received.
- Other general business- none received.
- Location of Registered Office (Rule 2.1) At the address of the Secretary 17 Lakehouse Cres, Richmond.
- Membership fee (Rule 7.2) At a committee meeting on 29 April, the MENZSHED NZ executive supported the Treasurer's recommendation that no change to the current \$25 fee is needed.
- Appointment of Reviewer (Rule 12.1) Peter advised that David Miller has agreed to undertake the review.
- The place of 2020 AGM will be Dunedin during the Conference.

## **CLOSE: 7:58**

## **Appendix 1 - Shed Applications**

At the 2018 AGM, Remits were passed providing a process for sheds to apply to become a member shed, and "The National Executive may, in its absolute discretion, determine whether a shed applying for membership under Rule 7.1 meets the intent of being a shed as specified under Rule 4.3."

As part of the changes, it was agreed that:

- the proposed authority will not be used to cancel any existing membership.
- the executive to prepare guidelines as to how this authority will be implemented and distribute to sheds.
- the executive to not act in secrecy decisions and reasons why an application declined to be made available on request.

Since the AGM....

- no existing shed memberships have been cancelled.
- the <u>website</u> was modified with guidelines as to how a shed might meet the membership criteria.
- at a Committee Meeting 25 June this process and criteria was established:
  - *In processing applications for membership, the executive of MENZSHED NZ will take into account;* 
    - the recommendations of the regional representative,
    - the intent of the applicant shed (aims, objectives, marketing and operation) and
    - any other information as required to reach a decision.

The evaluation criteria is that;

- the applicant shed is a legally established or auspiced organisation,
- the shed's primary purpose is to provide an environment for men for their personal growth and wellbeing.

- Since the new process was implemented:
  - seven sheds were accepted without inquiry,
  - two sheds were accepted after visit or inquiry by regional representative,
  - one shed application did not meet criteria. The applicant was operating as another organisation and did not have plans to establish a shed. Applicant invited to reapply if the organisation met our criteria in future.

## Appendix 2 - Executive Report to the 2019 Annual General Meeting of MENZSHED NEW ZEALAND INC.

While the Chairman's position has been vacant for most of the year, the executive team have stepped up to fulfil that function, assisted by regional representatives keeping in regular contact with sheds in their region.

My, how we as an organisation have grown, from the first national gathering in Masterton 2010 at which time no more than twenty Men's Sheds had been identified in New Zealand. And now it is so much easier for a shed to start up. We have plenty of experience under our belt and people willing to share the stories of how they went about structuring their shed. Add to that funders are becoming more familiar with what Men's Sheds are doing in communities right around the country.

The table shows the progression since 2014 – a healthy increase in start up/operational sheds identified. And 75% of the current sheds are members of MENZSHED NZ.

Sheds Database February 2019									
Item	26/10/14	30/9/15	31/3/16	30/9/16	31/3/17	30/9/17	31/3/18	30/9/18	Current
Sheds & Initiatives	69	93	107	109	117	121	124	126	132
Member Sheds	32	43	67	76	81	82	91	92	99

Men's Sheds have been accessing any number of the benefits made available exclusively to member sheds, one of the more recent has been formalising the relationship with Cabot's who will provide on an ongoing basis up to 10 litres per year of their premium woodcare products to each member shed.

Couple that with the brokered insurance package provided by Rothbury and sheds are winning with some great savings. The more member sheds that join the insurance package, the greater the benefit for all through keeping premiums lower, so we hope you can say that your shed is in? The executive welcomes suggestions and offers from Corporates to enhance the benefits to our member sheds, thus reducing operational costs and enabling more projects to be undertaken by those sheds in their community.

Another new one, the Ozito products offer of ex demonstration/superseded model items had its challenges not just in the logistics area, but it was a good learning exercise. It will be interesting to see what becomes of their offering in future, which they have indicated will be ongoing.

Throughout the year MENZSHED NZ receives more than 1000 requests for information and most of these are dealt with via email or phone and in the main it is individuals wanting to engage with either the national organisation or an individual shed. New and emerging sheds are also very active in requesting information to assist in their sheds development and operation, and that's where the team approach comes in to provide the most informed responses. The number of contact requests dealt with by your Executive team continues to grow to become almost a daily occurrence.

Again teamwork and wider experience is the key to providing timely assistance and advice. The quarterly national newsletter is just one of the vehicles that sheds can use to promote what their shed is doing by submitting an article. Then if the newsletter is distributed by sheds to their wider membership it can become a talking point and inspiration of what a shed can do. So don't wait to be asked, send in your story and a couple of photos and keep each edition full of the good stuff you blokes are doing out there.

On the international scene we maintain our relationship with AMSA staff, and share news with Men's Sheds colleagues in Canada, Ireland, UK and Australia.

Now looking forward twelve months we hope to see you all in Dunedin for the MENZSHED NZ 2020 Conference and AGM. Special thanks for the great work being done by Ian Miller and the team to make the next conference another great opportunity to share great ideas, motivation and mateship.

We don't have staff, all of your national team are volunteers doing what they do because they truly believe in what Men's Sheds are about, so a special thanks to all of them. Those who are not seeking re-election, we thank you for all your time and efforts. Those taking up a new role welcome on board, we are sure you will enjoy the journey.

To all of you Sheddies in all of our member sheds around New Zealand it is great to hear of the projects you undertake in and for your communities, the sharing of knowledge and experiences and especially the laughter that comes from blokes engaging as they do shoulder to shoulder enhancing your health and wellbeing.

Men's Sheds are truly a global phenomenon and are here to stay.

MENZSHED NZ Executive Team



#### Statement of Financial Performance for MENZSHED New Zealand 1 April 2018 to 31 March 2019

	31 March 2019	31 March 2018
Operating Income		
Membership Subscriptions 89	2,370.00	2,225.00
Funding Fairdinkum Sheds	500.00	500.00
Funding Carbatech	250.00	250.00
Donations from member sheds	1,115.00	70.00
<u>Total Operating Income – Current Account 00</u>	4,235.00	3,045.00
Less Operating Expenses		5.
Domain Name / Website Hosting fee	138.57	138.57
MENZSHED Domain name registration, renewal, upgrade	24.73	24.73
GoTo Conference Meeting fee	159.12	162.24
DIA Annual return service fee	51.11	
Keith Dickson Travel expenses	84.80	99.40
Trevor Scott travel expenses Ashburton meeting	121.80	127.80
R Bowman GoTo Meeting fee		160.24
Ian Miller travel expenses	80.00	
David Capple Travel expenses	32.00	
Domain Name and Web Hosting	138.57	
Net Operating Expenses Current Account 00	830.70	712.98
Net Operating Surplus (Deficit)	3,404.30	2,332.02

Conference 2018 Income	31 March 2019	31 March 2018
Conference Registrations	4,285.00	12,680.00
Carbatech Conference Donation		1,500.00
Fletcher FairDinkum Conference Donation		3,000.00
Manakau Beautification Soc Conference Donation		1,000.00
Rothbury Conference Donation	500.00	
	4,785.00	18,180.00
Conference 2018 Expenses		
Deposit St Kentigerns College		500.00
Refund Johnston Registration		270.00
Registration Refunds	525.00	
Conference reimburse EJ Easton expenses	823.46	
Conference Compas group catering	16,309.30	
MK Singh Refreshments	500.00	
Reimburse I Roger refreshments	50.00	
Reimburse P Cressey (speaker flowers, gifts)	125.00	
Image Concepts signs and programmes	256.22	
St Kentergen Trust Conference venue	3,571.00	
	22,159 <u>.98</u>	770.00
Conference 2020 (Dunedin) Deposit St Hilders Collegiate College	700.00	

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#### <u>Financial Statement – MENZSHED New Zealand Incorporated</u> <u>At 31 March 2019</u>

Kiwi Bank Accounts	<u>2018/19</u>	<u>2017/18</u>
Current Operation Account 00		
Opening balance at 1 April	4,475.17	2,643.15
Plus net operating surplus	3,404.30	2,332.02
Less Deposit paid for Conference 2018 St Kentigerns College		(500.00)
Less Deposit paid for Conference 2020 St Hilders Collegiate Dunedin	(700.00)	
Less transfer to OnLine Saver Account 02	(6,000.00)	
Closing balance at 31 March	\$1,179.47	\$4,475.17
OnLine Saver Account 02		
Opening balance at 1 April	\$ 6,020.91	\$5,931.33
Plus deposit transferred from Current Account 00	6,000.00	
Plus Interest	135.73	89.58
Closing balance at 31 March	\$12,156.64	<u>\$6,020.91</u>
Conference Saver Account 01	017 002 14	¢ 00.00
Opening balance at 1 April	\$17,993.14	\$ 80.08
Plus net interest	4.29	3.06
Plus Conference 2018 Donations (Carbatech, Fairdinkum, Manakau Beaut)		5,500.00
Plus Conference 2018 Registrations	4,785.00	12,680.00
Less Johnston Registration refund		(270.00)
Less Conference 2018 expenses	(22,159.98)	
Closing Balance at 31 March	\$ 622.45	<u>\$ 17,993.14</u>

I certify that this financial statement was presented to and accepted by the members of MENZSHED New Zealand Incorporated at the Annual General meeting held by video conference on 20 May 2019.

This financial statement for MENZSHED New Zealand was reviewed by Mr David Miller on

Signed .....

Peter Blackler Treasurer MENZSHED New Zealand Inc Registered Charity Nr CC49919

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## Appendix 4 - Candidate Statements.

#### Nomination for Support Services position - John Bush



**Employed** as Shed Coordinator at the Masterton Henley Mens Shed since the Shed opened on 22nd June 2009. The Shed is purpose built and has a membership of approx 130.

**Background** a Fitter & Turner by trade John has extensive experience in maintenance and diagnostic engineering, coupled with a number of years involved in Industrial law, and management roles in wood products remanufacturing. John is also qualified in Loss Control Management -

Health & Safety Systems a major part of his present role in the Masterton Henley Mens Shed, along with managing the many community projects undertaken at the Mens Shed and scheduling a range of Mens Health initiatives and other activities for men.

**Shed activity** has been developed on a number of fronts ranging from Men's health sessions, Tutorials are run on many practical aspects within the shed. Shed users complete individual projects and fundraiser items as well as enjoy the fellowship of Men and the opportunity to chat over a cuppa, or the latest offering from their pizza oven.

**National body** - role is the provision of advocacy and being the vehicle for the sharing of resources that encouraging communities to create their own Shed styled around the Men in that community. John's particular interests are to support the development of Safety within Sheds, gain sponsorship and a range of benefits for member sheds and ensure that blokes can feel that their Shed is a place of Men's wellbeing. John has been involved on the national scene of Men's Sheds since the first national gathering in Masterton in 2010.

#### Nomination for Secretary – Roger Bowman



Kia ora.

1950s vintage and spent most of my career in the financial services sector in work locations spread between Hamilton and Invercargill. Enjoying the family role of grandparent now, but sadly none of the grandees live in NZ.

I am a founder member and secretary of the Tapawera shed (about 50km inland from Nelson), established 2013. The shed owns a former scout den which has transitioned to a suitably equipped shed. We have great relationships with local community groups and the Tasman District Council. I moved to Richmond a couple of years ago, and starting to get a little more involved at the Waimea shed.

I have enjoyed serving as Secretary for MENZSHED NZ since 2014. It's a busy and interesting role organising meetings, attending to website and shed inquiries and maintaining the shed database and website pages.

I'm committed to Men's Sheds being primarily for the support, health and interests of men.

## Nomination for Treasurer - Peter Blackler BE(Elect)



Born Marton 1943 - grew up on a small farm, moved to Wellington Feb 1961 to commence career with Civil Aviation Administration. Moved to Waikanae in 2005 after 37 years in Island Bay.

Married with 3 children and 7 grandchildren.

Retired 2011 after more or less 50 years with the Civil Aviation Authority in NZ.

Trained as a radio technician then progressed onto Radio and Navigation Aid Engineering and technical management.

The last 21 years before retiring developing and managing the rewrite of aviation safety rules for Civil Aviation in New Zealand.

I have had a keen interest in things mechanical and electrical from a very early age.

I have a significant collection of old machinery – stationary engines, Puch motor scooters, Massey Harris Pony tractor, Austin Maxi, valve radios, clocks, sewing machines etc.

Treasurer of the Ministry of Transport social club for 9 years early 1980s.

An active member of the Wellington Vintage Machinery Club and Treasurer for the past 15 years. Foundation member of MenzShed Kapiti mid 2010 and Treasurer past 7 years. I am very involved in the organisation of the Shed facilities and working with the local Council to further develop the facilities. MenzShed Kapiti has around 90 members with 35 to 45 or more attending on each of our operating days.

I have been Treasurer for MENZSHED New Zealand since it was established and will be pleased to continue with my support for Men and their Sheds throughout New Zealand.

## Nomination for Chairperson - Trevor Scott



Retired after a great career in education spanning forty years. Our family moved around NZ during that time and at present our children, one lives in Denmark, one in Australia and one in NZ.

I became interested in men's sheds over twelve years ago and travelled to Australia to learn more about them. Attending conferences and visiting sheds. On my return we established the McIver's Oxford Community Men's Shed. That was eleven years ago. I have been involved in spreading the word about men's sheds in Canterbury since then. I have helped to establish a number of sheds in Canterbury and shared many resources that I have obtained with sheddies.

I have been the Canterbury Westland rep for two years and helped set up the conference run in Christchurch a few years ago. I have also been a presenter at Menzshed conferences.

Last year after ten years of chairing the Oxford men's shed trust I stepped down and am enjoying being just a member. I also am a member of the New Brighton shed. This year I was greatly pleased to be awarded a member for life of the Oxford shed.

I am also a life member of the American Classic Car Club. A love of the yank tank has been another interest of mine for over thirty years.

I look forward to continuing involvement in Menzshed NZ.

## Appendix 5 - Q&A Session, following the close of the AGM.

Question	Response
Ray Hall, New Brighton How many existing member sheds been identified that do not fit the membership criteria and have those identified been advised of that?	Within the agenda document regarding the membership criteria, is this statement "As part of the changes, it was agreed that: the proposed authority will not be used to cancel any existing membership." Therefore, the executive did not undertake a review process.
Archie Kerr, Naenae How much time is spent by exec members on MENZSHED NZ business, and is there a case for increasing the annual fee to cover a paid coordinator.	Peter Blackler advised that the mileage allowance had been increased for RR travel. The committee members serve because they enjoy the work and do not expect payment. Perhaps a matter for wider discussion at 2020 Conference.
Women in Sheds. Several questions and comments.	<ul> <li>MENZSHED NZ does not have a policy regarding participation by women in men's sheds, whether as full members, casual members, attending classes or dropping in. That is a matter for sheds to decide.</li> <li>When processing applications for membership, the executive of MENZSHED NZ will take into account; <ul> <li>the recommendations of the regional representative,</li> <li>the intent of the applicant shed (aims, objectives, marketing and operation) and</li> <li>any other information as required to reach a decision.</li> </ul> </li> <li>The evaluation criteria is that; <ul> <li>the applicant shed is a legally established or auspiced organisation,</li> <li>the shed's primary purpose is to provide an environment for men for their personal growth and wellbeing.</li> </ul> </li> <li>The "primary purpose" is the key.</li> </ul>