



**Annual General
 Meeting Minutes
 5 November 2021**

Date of Meeting	Friday 5 November 2021
Location	Via Zoom (Derek O'Leary)
In Attendance	<p>Delegates and Proxies as per attached list.</p> <p>Guests: Kate Kutty and Wayne Wigham, Black Dog Institute, Geoff Brooks, prospective Board Member, Akoonah Park Men's Shed.</p> <p>VMSA CEO - Derek O'Leary (by invitation)</p> <p>Note: Proxies were confirmed</p>
Apologies	None
Meeting Start	10:31am
Minutes of Previous Annual General Meeting	<p>Motion to accept the Minutes of Previous Annual General Meeting for 2019-2020, held Friday 30 April 2021:</p> <p>Moved: Tom Rolls, Craigieburn Men's Shed</p> <p>Seconded: Lindsay Oates, Mirboo North Men's Shed</p> <p>Carried</p>
<p>Introductions: (TD)</p> <p>Governor's Address</p> <p>James Merlino Letter</p>	<p>Video Message from the Governor of Victoria, Her Excellency, the Hon Linda Desseau AC</p> <p>Received with thanks from the president, Trevor Dobbyn, Ouyen Men's Shed</p> <p>Presentation of Letter from Hon James Merlino</p> <p>Received with thanks from the president, Trevor Dobbyn, Ouyen Men's Shed</p>

VMSA Annual Report	<p>Presentation of the Annual Report (Barbara Look)</p> <p>Motion to accept the Annual Report:</p> <p>Moved: Peter Bettles, Whittlesea Men’s Shed</p> <p>Seconded: Peter Broomhead, Casterton Men’s Shed</p> <p>Carried</p>
VMSA Annual Accounts and Auditors Report	<p>Presentation of the Auditor’s Report and Annual Accounts. (Derek O’Leary)</p> <p>Motion to accept the Annual Accounts and Auditor’s Report:</p> <p>Moved: Bruce Hurrell, Sunraysia Men’s Shed</p> <p>Seconded: Kevin Saide, Castlemaine Men’s Shed</p> <p>Carried</p>
Declare Board Positions Vacant	<p>Board Positions Vacant as follows:</p> <p>Lindsay Oates, Retiring</p> <p>Peter Bettles, stepping down and renominating</p> <p>Barbara Look, stepping down and renominating</p> <p>Trevor Dobbyn, stepping down and renominating</p> <p>Bruce Ward questioned:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whether Tom Rolls should be continuing as a Board Member, as he was a casual vacancy appointed prior to the 2020 AGM in April 2021, and has not nominated for re-election for 2022. After some discussion and reference to minutes, Tom stood down as a Board member. It was confirmed that the number of Board members can be between 5 and 9 members as per the New Constitution. • The members of the new Board are confirmed as: <p>Trevor Dobbyn Barbara Look Peter Bettles Peter Broomhead Russell Laurens Geoff Brooks Colin Proud</p>

	<p>Motion</p> <p>To confirm acceptance of nominations for Board members</p> <p>Moved: Wayne Lucas, Berwick District Woodworkers</p> <p>Seconded: Albert Achterberg, Hume Men’s Shed Sunbury</p> <p>Carried</p>
<p>General Business</p>	<p>Insurance for Men’s Sheds update (Derek O’ Leary)</p> <p>Derek confirmed that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gallagher will no longer provide insurance for VMSA Sheds after the current Gallagher Insurance year ceases at end of February 2022. • Jobs Australia is considering a package for Men’s Sheds which will potentially lower the excess on Public Liability. This and other proposed changes, if confirmed will be implemented by June 2022 <p>Derek O’leary has had some discussions with the Minister’s office about the possibility of VMIA broadening its potential coverage to all Men’s Sheds in Victoria. (VMIA currently insures many Men’s Sheds that are auspiced by Neighbourhood Houses, and other Government entities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The VMSA cannot make recommendations for insurance as it is not registered as an insurance advisor • Member sheds are advised to do their own due diligence to select the best solution for their needs and budget. • The VMSA will keep members aware of organisations that offer insurance for Men’s sheds. <p>Proposal to leave the membership fees the same for the next 12</p> <p>Unanimous agreement</p> <p>Carried</p> <p>Retirement of Lindsay Oates:</p> <p>Report by Trevor Dobbyn on the contribution of retiring board vice president and past president Lindsay Oates to Men’s Sheds in Victoria and to the VMSA.</p> <p>Expression of deepest thanks to Lindsay Oates for his years of dedication to the VMSA, the VMSA member sheds and their members.</p>

	<p>The Board on behalf of all VMSA members wished Lindsay all the best for the future and trusts that he will enjoy a long and happy retirement.</p> <p>Presentation of a glass trophy as a memento of Lindsay’s service to the VMSA, VMSA member sheds and their members.</p> <p>Lindsay said in reply that he was honoured and privileged to have served the Men’s Shed movement in various capacities over a number of years and emphasised the importance of Men’s Sheds to men’s health and well-being.</p>
<p>Presentation by Wayne Wigham - Guest Speaker</p>	<div data-bbox="518 790 799 985" data-label="Image"> </div> <p>Wayne Wigham is an Australian former champion professional rugby league footballer who played in the 1970s and 1980s. He played most of his career at the Balmain Tigers, but he also played for the North Sydney Bears and Western Suburbs Magpies. He mostly played as a centre, but also played the occasional game on the wing.</p> <p>Wayne has also run his own business with 40 employees.</p> <p>Wayne provided a compelling presentation about how he has spent a lifetime fighting depression and the lessons all men can learn from his lived experience. Wayne’s story is explained here:</p> <p>https://www.blackdoginstitute.org.au/resources-support/personal-stories/wayne/</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Those in need of help can go to the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Black Dog Institute ○ Beyond Blue ○ Lifeline ○ Other Men’s help lines • Black Dog Institute has self-help guides on its website here: • https://www.blackdoginstitute.org.au/resources-support/ <p>Kate Kutty thanked the VMSA for the opportunity for Wayne to be able present to the AGM and offered to provide a speaker for Sheds from The Black Dog Institute should they wish to do so.</p>

Meeting Closed	The president thanked delegates, the CEO and observers for attending and closed the meeting at 11:48am.
Next AGM	10:30am Friday 4 November 2022

Delegate Name	Shed	Email	Proxies Held
Trevor Dobbyn	Ouyen District Men's Shed	trevor@vmsa.org.au	Labertouche Wedderburn Lancefield Portland Cobram Port Fairy Keysborough Eynesbury Badger Creek Brimbank Akoonah Park Diamond Creek Eltham Darebin Sea Lake Benalla Aviation (14 Paid up Proxies)
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25 delegates
17 proxies

Quorum required 27

Sheds in Green are confirmed as being financial

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