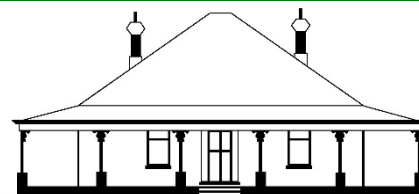


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MISSION STATEMENT

The Gosnells Community Men's Shed promotes and fosters men's health and well-being in a friendly and safe environment.

VISION

To be recognised as a progressive community-based organisation working in the community.
To be a place where men of all ages and backgrounds meet in friendship.

VALUES

A respectful and caring environment where participation in activities and contribution to the efficient and harmonious operation of the Shed are recognised as being of equal value.

Diary Dates – Coming Events!

(See details further on in NL)

24 th Feb	FREE End of Month BBQ at the Shed;
15 th Mar	Big Breakfast at the Shed;
31 st Mar	Wine & Cheese tasting evening at the Shed:

End of Month Social BBQ Friday 24th February

Come for a feed some good fellowship at the Social BBQ lunch being held at Lewis House on Friday 24th February commencing at 11:30am.

This month it will be a hamburger with salad and **will be free to members.**

Assistance required, as always, with preparation cooking and clean up.

This month fare is sausage in a roll, **FREE** including tea, coffee, cake and juice.

There will be a \$2 raffle.

For catering purposes please let Geoff Bowra know if you are attending.

It is important to note that **COVID 19** rules will need to be followed, including maintaining physical distancing and practicing good hygiene procedures.

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From the Chairman's desk: February 2023

Well, we are at the half way point for the current Management Committee, 6 months to go to the AGM.

I would like to thank Buster and Doug for their assistance with our heart attack patient last week. Arpad will be on light duties for a few months.

Congratulations to Phil Scott, Geoff Wiltshire and Ted Evans, on our successful kitchen upgrade in Lewis House.

Alan Gordon and Mick Atkinson have been busily extending the pathway in the back yard.

We have received a couple of very generous donations from members. Chris Brown for a near new whipper Snipper, Jim Ridgwell, Tom Miller and Andrew Farbey for gophers in response to Chris Beckett's plea.

Laurie Malton for the offer of the use of his ute for a couple of years, while he goes sailing.

No further news on the burglaries, but Glyn has done a great job securing the two sheds.

The Social Committee wish to try free end of month BBQ's to see, if we can boost numbers attending.

We have received a boost to our income from the City of Gosnells, who have booked our magnificent BBQ Team for two more community events, so please make a note in your diaries as we will be looking for volunteers on Thursday 16th March 2pm-6pm, Gaskin Road Park, Kenwick and Thursday, 20th April, 9am-1pm, Wilkinson Homestead, Gosnells.

Ray Smith
Chairman

Administration Assistant Required:

A position of Admin Assistant in the Shed office is currently vacant.

This is an important role at the Shed and involves taking telephone calls and enquiries, handling petty cash, membership enquiries and generally assisting in the office. A working knowledge of computers, copiers and other standard office equipment is desirable.

The position could be shared between a couple of members (and the salary of \$0 also shared).

This is an opportunity for any member to gain experience and understanding of how the Shed works.

Enquiries to Chairman, Ray Smith or Secretary, Phil Measday at the office.

Projects and Grants The Shed has had a Projects and Grants group for several years to advise on suitable projects and seek suitable funding through grants. This process has been particularly successful and is ongoing as we always seem to find additional needs (not wants).

The group seriously **needs** a few additional members to participate. It is an opportunity to contribute ideas and learn about the process involved.

Members interested can contact Geoff Wiltshire on 0407 995 895 or gelowi@bigpond.com.

Information and Technology:

If you have any enquiries or problems logging into the "Members Only" area of the Facebook page please contact me (Phil) or Membership Clerk (Mick).

Shed's website address is <https://gosnellsmensshed.org/>

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HEALTH & SAFETY REPORT

WELFARE REPORT

Good news: Arpad is out of hospital and now home and had been told to take it easy. Arpad has asked me to thank all those members who phoned the hospital to inquire about his well-being and offered to drive him home. We are all very glad to see how fast he has recovered.

Good to see John Townsend at the shed last week, well done John.

Good also to see Kev Munt around the shed after his accidental fall had put his arm out of action, we hope you look after yourself Kev.

Rob CAIRNS is booked to go into FS hospital for a long awaited operation, we all wish Rob well and hope the operation will be a great success, keep the old chin up Rob.

Spoke to Archie Hart who is getting better and hopes to be back at the shed soon.

PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF YOU ARE AWARE OF ANY MEMBER WHO HAS NOT BEEN TO THE SHED AND MAY BE ILL OR HOSPITALISED?

Do not forget the Covid is still out there and so the 5th jab is going to be available in couple of weeks so if you are eligible make it your priority to get it.

Alan Gordon

On behalf of *Graham Hughes*

*Kind regards
Graham Hughes
Welfare Officer 0419 514 631*

COVID AND YOUR HEART

While some people may have become COVID 19 complacent, for those who value their heart health, or have a chronic condition, there is every reason to stay informed.

Research at the University of Queensland has found that COVID 19 damaged the DNA in cardiac tissue, unlike influenza.

This research has categorically shown COVID 19 is 'not just the flu' and may have serious after effects, including organ damage.

For more information go to www.uq.edu.au/news.

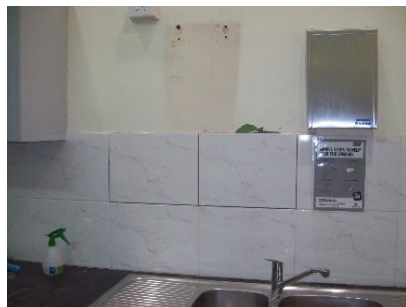
Mobility Scooter The Shed has acquired a small Pride electric mobility scooter for use by members on a short term basis when incapacitated. Members interested in taking advantage of the facility should enquire at the office.

KITCHEN RENOVATION

Members are advised the kitchen in Lewis house is closed temporarily while renovations are in progress. We are adding additional storage and bench space, a double sink and hand washing facilities to bring our facility 'up to scratch' for food handling.

The works should be completed by late February and members are requested to use the outside facility in the meantime.

These works have been funded by Men's Shed WA and Lotterywest, to whom we are extremely grateful.



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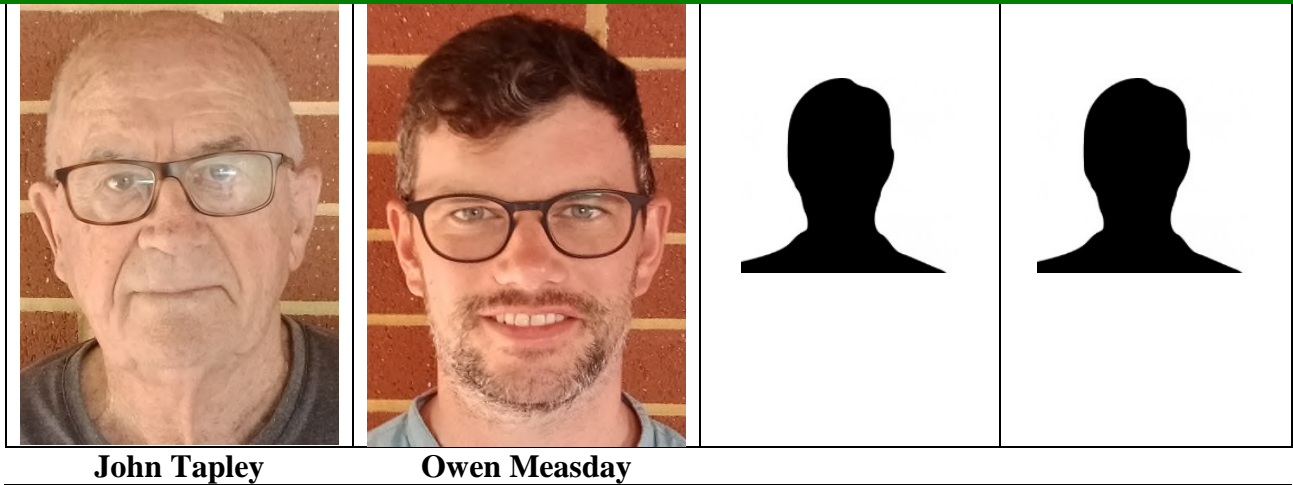
MEMBERSHIP:

There are 159 members (including the 10 life members) as at 9th January, 2023.
 22 new members have joined the shed since the 1st July, 2022.

Welcome to the following Shedders who have recently joined GCMS:-

John Tapley; Owen Measday;

Can any new members, who have not been photographed, please stop by the Office / computer room so we can arrange to take their photograph for their Name badges. Members below all recently had their photographs taken – Thank you!



HOUSE CLEANING:

Cleaning Roster

We are in need of more members to join our merry band on the cleaning roster. There are 16 of us on the roster working in pairs once a week on Mondays. At present, we are roster on once every nine weeks. The cleaning is not onerous and takes no more than one hour to complete.

Please volunteer at the front Office.

Roster for next 5 weeks.

20 Feb 23	Ray Smith	David McLean
27 Feb 23	Chris Brown	**
06 Mar 23	Ken James	John Miller
13Mar 23	Andrew Hoareau	Rob Shewan
20 Mar 23	Warren Standing	Graham Robinson

**** require a fill in for Arpad during his recuperation!**

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Sharpening Demonstration

A representative from **Carbatec** visited the shed on Tuesday 31st January at 10.30am

He conduct a sharpening demonstration. (Sales pitch on a nice piece of kit!)

This included sharpening chisels, knives, wood turning chisels and plane blades.

About 20 Members initially attended this informative session. Unfortunately having to stand around to watch took its toll on some members.



SHED MANAGEMENT:

Workshop Report:

We have had an accident in the workshop recently, when one of our woodworkers cut his thumb quite severely. This required a visit to Armadale Hospital and follow up treatment at Royal Perth Hospital. Our member is now on the mend. Accidents do happen and we should all be extra careful around any machinery and not become over confident in its usage.

Shed Management have decided to introduce a new system of safety instruction and induction to all new members. This will entail the new member reading and understanding the safety rules for each machine in the workshop, undertaking training on each machine and then an assessment of their competency to operate each machine before being allowed to operate any machine in the workshop. If any existing member would like to partake of this new system to sharpen their skills please see Chris in the wood shop.

Chris I'Anson
Shed Manager
Gosnells Community Men's Shed

This is has been copied from or January 2017 Newsletter and considered as a timely reminder!

WARNING!



Do not do this to yourself!

This was copied from the ABC News Website in December 2016. – Still relevant today!

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Gold Coast architect Andrew Armstrong is happy to be the DIY disaster pin-up-boy. *The 55-year-old was cutting a piece of hardwood in his home garage a year ago when the saw "kicked". He chopped off four fingers on his left hand. "I did not feel it to tell you the truth," he said. "I looked down and my fingers were gone. It happened in a split second."* Despite eight hours of microsurgery to re-attach the digits, they turned gangrenous and were amputated. Mr Armstrong hoped his story will help save someone else's fingertips. *"I think most people who are do-it-yourselfers, like me, you forget about the instructions that you bought five years ago," he said. "And every time you pull a tool out you really need to understand how to use it again."* **Same applies when using the power tools here in the Shed!**

SOCIAL SCENE

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES:

End of Month BBQ: The next End of Month BBQ will be held on Friday 24 February. This month it will be a hamburger with salad and **will be free to members.**

Eating at 11.30 am. Assistance required, as always, with preparation cooking and clean up!

Australia Day Morning Tea:

Australia Day An enjoyable morning tea at the Shed to celebrate Australia Day was attended by around 50 people, including about ten partners.



Wine and Cheese Tasting: The Shed hosted a successful wine and cheese tasting evening in 2021 and the event is to be repeated this year on Friday, **31 March**, from 6.00 to 8.00 pm at the Shed with a limit of 55 tickets available. The Oakover winery will be promoted with catering again arranged by Fine Wine Wholesalers. Tickets will be available from 1 March.

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Big Breakfast The date for the Big Breakfast at the Shed has been amended to Wednesday, **15 March, 2023**, commencing at 8.30 am. Partners are welcome, tickets available at the office at \$5 pp.

Big Breakfast at the Shed.



Wednesday March 15th 2023
- Food service from 8.30am

Ticket entry only - \$5.00 per head.
Partners Welcome

Menu
Bacon, eggs, sausage, tomato, baked beans,
mushrooms, toast, coffee, tea and juice

(If you require vegan or special diet please
indicate on sheet when purchasing ticket)

Strictly limited numbers so get your tickets early.

Tickets available from the office. No ticket, no breakfast!

Cancer Council Biggest Morning Tea:

Australia's Biggest Morning Tea Pencil in **Thursday, 25 May** for the Cancer Council fund raiser, Australia's Biggest Morning Tea. To be held again at the Shed with tickets going on sale on 1 May. This event will be open to members, partners and friend – the more the merrier. Tickets will be \$5 pp and participants are asked to 'bring a plate' (yes, with food on it, please!) Please advise Geoff Wiltshire on 0407 995 895 or gelowi@bigpond.com if you are able to assist.

Bunnings Sausage Sizzles In a similar vein, the Shed is considering a return to Bunnings to do the sausage sizzles as a fund raising activity. Bunnings have made the activity a little more attractive by increasing the price and returning to the front entrance where there is more pedestrian traffic. We would possibly endeavour to secure 3-4 Sausage Sizzles per year which would greatly assist our fundraising efforts. That will depend on Bunnings and how keen we are as a group. It will require a few committed volunteers to make it work. It is suggested that members who might consider being involved place their names on a folder in the Lewis House passage. If we get sufficient interest, a meeting will be arranged to discuss the matter further.

Other events planned include a possible evening of 'Golf Croquet' at the Gosnells Croquet Club and a visit to the SAS Museum at Swanbourne.

FUND RAISING:

Containers for Change The Shed has been collecting containers for over twelve months now and makes a few dollars while helping the environment. The initial flush of containers has dropped off somewhat but is still very worthwhile.

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It has been suggested that one way of increasing the flow of empty containers might be to encourage members to drink more. As that is not a healthy option, the alternative might be to encourage members to ask their neighbours to collect containers for us.

This could be facilitated by members supplying a carton or receptacle and offering to collect it on a regular basis. It is obvious that a large number of containers still go in the Council bins – and some locals go around and collect them on bin days.

If considering this suggestion, it is important that emphasis is placed on the Shed being a registered charity and involved in the community.

ACTIVITIES

GOLF NEWS December 2022 / January 2023.

Just a few notes from me having recently taken over as Chief Handicapper from Bill Hughes

On Dec 2 we had 12 starters at Armadale, with winner Bill Hughes, nearest pin Warren Standing, unluckiest golfer Bill Harris and Bill Davis sunk the longest putt. No pink balls or birdies.

On Dec 9 we had 15 starters at Armadale, with winner Steve Ferguson, nearest pin Lloyd Dungey, unluckiest golfer Tom Seaman and Tom also sunk the longest putt. Drew, Rob Shewan and Tom were pink ball winners pink or and Bill Davis scored a birdie.

On Dec 16 we had 10 starters at Hillview, with winner Charlie Fasolo, nearest pin Chris Banting, unluckiest golfer Kevin Cragan and Chris also sinking the longest putt. This was not a day for low scores.

On Dec 23 we had 10 starters at Armadale, with winner and nearest pin Bill Davis. Bill also sunk the longest putt. Warren Standing was the unluckiest golfer. No pink balls or birdies today.

On Jan 6 it was back to Armadale, with 7 starters. The day was won by Kevin Cragan, nearest pin was Lloyd Dungey, unluckiest golfer Bill Harris and Frank won another pink ball. No birdies this round.

On 13 Jan we were again back at Armadale with just six starters, winner again Charlie Fasolo nearest pin Rob Shewan, unluckiest golfer Frank Moloney. Frank distinguished himself by also sinking the longest putt and winning a pink ball. Again no birdies.

On Jan 20 it was a change of pace at Hillview, with 10 starters. The day was won by Steve Ferguson nearest pin was Ron Sutton, unluckiest golfer Kevin Cragan and a new Friday golfer Mark Tucker won a pink ball. No birdies this round but Ron also sunk the longest putt.

On Jan 27 we played at Armadale, with 11 starters. Winner and nearest pin was Ron Sutton, unluckiest golfer Bill Hughes and three golfers, Bill Davis, Phil Scott and Steve Ferguson managed a pink ball. No birdies but Steve sunk longest putt.

As can be seen by the number of winners, our handicap system must be working really well. Come and join us for a round of golf, you also could be a winner!!

Warren Standing

CYCLING GROUPS:

GOS GARBAGE CYCLING GROUP

No news is good news!

COFFEE CHEETAHS BIKE MOB

Hi Everyone! Our small group of riders continue to enjoy the Thursday weekly bike rides, with numbers from a low of three once, to about 10 on a 'very good -day!'. To be honest, the most we've had recently is eight, which is a 'manageable number', as we often cross busy intersections which can be tedious and tricky at times. As we now start our Summer rides at 8-00am to 'escape' some of the heat, we find more cars early on, with school traffic being the 'culprit', but not so much traffic when our Winter rides begin at 9-00am.

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Recently, we 'dared to be different', when instead of cycling on a Thursday, which was Australia Day, Graeme G suggested we ride on the Wednesday, which we all thought a great and logical idea, plus luckily no-one had an issue with the idea, and we had a great ride to the 'Duncan St' cafe in Vic Park, then we rode home, riding through the Curtin Uni campus, then past Riverton Bridge. One of our 'regular' members, Robbo missed a few rides as he was away in Melbourne and now we're missing John V, for a month or more, as he's caravanning again.

We'll probably continue with the 8-00am starts for another month, before 8-30 rides will begin..... At long last, the 'long-awaited' Principal Shared Path (PSP) along 'The Crescent' in Maddington is open, and almost completed, with only the line- markings to be done. This 600mts long stretch is truly welcomed by cyclists, as I personally have been advocating with the authorities for years to have the PSP made, but the reply was.....'We're concentrating on PSPs within the 10kms radius of the Perth CBD first '..... This PSP was 'just outside' that distance!

David Gardiner Photos Graeme Gurney



CGMS Walking Group:

Walk from the Shed every Monday and Wednesday mornings at 08:30.
All members welcome to join in!

Computer and Technology Group:

Technology Help Desk

Friday 9:30 – 12pm

Help in any area of technology including PC's, laptops, tablets, iPads, phone, camera, TV's, photography and any software package (Windows, IOS or Android).

Book a time slot:

Put your name down for the next available Friday's time slot and describe your problem on the whiteboard in the computer room. Consults are up to two and a half hours. No House calls!

I will require you to wear a face mask. No mask, no help.

Windows 10 Training
Classes started again Monday 6 February
Mondays at 9:30 – 12pm

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We have started Windows 10 classes again with three guys attending. The first class was an introduction to all the different types of computers that are available and what does the inside of a computer look like. We are have now moved on to basic Windows navigation. Part of the time is also allocated to answering any technology question where everybody can learn something new.

Free to all shed members.

André Hoareau

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TABLE TENNIS:

The competition at the table tennis has been keen of late with up to seven players battling our some great games. If you are at all interested, come and join us on Monday mornings at 9.00 to about 11.00 am. No equipment needed, minimum skill levels acceptable.

Geoff Wiltshire.



MUSIC GROUP:

No News is Good News.

My mind is like an internet browser. At least 19 open tabs, 3 of them are frozen, and I have no clue where the music is coming from.

MODEL GROUP:

We really do need a scribe who can give the Editor a few words each month to let all our Members know what the Model Group Members are doing. Group Leader Geoff Bowra is too busy with all his other commitments to this Organisation.

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Recipe

Creamy Mushroom & Pork Bow Ties with Parmesan Crisps



Serves 4

Ingredients:

250 g bow tie pasta (farfalle); 1 tbsp olive oil;
150 g Swiss brown mushrooms (or mushroom cups), sliced;
4 pork and fennel sausages; 300 ml cream; 1 egg yolk;
1 bunch of chives; 1 cup parmesan cheese, finely grated;
cracked pepper to serve:

Method:

1. Bring a large pot of salted water to the boil. Add the pasta and cook for 10 minutes or until al dente.
2. Prepare pork meatballs by slicing the end off each sausage and squeezing the sausage meat out to make grape-sized meatballs. Heat oil in a large frying pan over medium heat. Add the meatballs and cook for 2-3 minutes then add the mushrooms and cook for a further 2 minutes or until meatballs are cooked through and mushrooms have softened.
3. Add cream to the pan. Stir to combine then reduce heat to low and allow to simmer for 5 minutes or until thickened slightly. Add the egg yolk and stir through the sauce.
4. In the meantime, prepare parmesan crisps by placing 2 rounds of parmesan cheese on a piece of baking paper and microwaving on high for 1 minute. Repeat this process again to make another 2 crisps.
5. Add cooked pasta to the sauce. Stir to combine then add chopped chives. Serve with freshly ground cracked pepper and parmesan crisps.

Do you have a recipe to share??

NOTE: Dan, one of our elder Statesmen of the GCMS, has offered to run, free of charge, lessons in 'How to wash up your own tea or coffee mug'!
It appears that a number of members still think their mother is here to clean up after them!

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A very cranky old woman was arrested for shoplifting at a grocery store.

She gave everyone a hard time, from the store manager to the security guard to the arresting officer who took her away.

She complained and criticized everything and everyone throughout the process.

When she appeared before the judge, the judge asked her what she had stolen from the store.

The lady defiantly replied,

“Just a stupid can of peaches.”

The judge then asked why she had done it.

She replied, “I was hungry and forgot to bring any cash to the store.”

The judge asked how many peaches were in the can.

She replied in a nasty tone,

“Nine! But why do you care about that?”

The judge answered patiently,

“Well, ma’am because I’m going to give you nine days in jail — one day for each peach.”

As the judge was about to drop his gavel, the lady’s long-suffering husband raised his hand slowly and asked if he might speak.

The judge said, “Yes sir, what do you have to add?”

The husband said meekly,

“Your Honour, she also stole a can of peas.”

Free to a good home

I have this lockable drawer & metal cabinet, both **free to a good home**.

Just let me know by email if interested.



Brian Beech

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Wisdom from Phyllis Diller

Best way to get rid of kitchen odours: Eat out.

A bachelor is a guy who never made the same mistake once.

I want my children to have all the things I couldn't afford. Then I want to move in with them. Most children threaten at times to run away from home. This is the only thing that keeps some parents going.

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Pt 10. History repeats itself...maybe.

Imagine you were living in Gosnells at the turn of the 1900s, At long last – the completion of the Fremantle to Armadale line, via Jandakot, line, running to Armadale - and later beyond. A grand Opening was scheduled in 1900 when the first steam train left Fremantle. To honour this momentous occasion, free rides were given to all, special meat teas were given to local villagers, the local bands played whilst the nobs partook of the finest cuisine, accompanied by imported wines. Alas, Gosnells did not have its' own station on the competing Perth Line until 1905 (still standing, but derelict) and although trains had been introduced in 1903 the only way to hail a train was to wave – or put illicit detonators on the tracks. Not a huge problem, as you could hear the locos from Canning – a warning to stand by the line!

But what a special occasion! To give an idea of how rapidly progress was being made, here is a 1912 shot of the Governor, Sir John Forrest, on the opening day of the Trans-Australia Railway in 1917. Truly a memorable event!



Now let's run forward to last Sunday, 19th October 2022.

After many years of planning -originally muted 16 or so years ago when the Airport was being developed, but as recently as 6 yrs ago when the funding was made available and planning in earnest began, the airport line was finally begun in ????. Not QUITE the same scale of operations, and certainly top-hatted gentlemen with long beards were noticeably absent, but history has repeated itself... But Covid, collapsed tunnels, and labour shortages all added to the delay.



...Here comes the “A” team!

..Was it all worth it?



Time will tell. Forecasted passenger numbers are high. The facilities are excellent. My only complaint is that the walkway from the Terminal Station is far too long, cold, and windy.

Well, toot toot until the next times - the Byford extension from Armadale, the Airport – Kenwick link, the Thornlie – Cockburn extension, and who knows what next!

Chris Beckett, 9th October 2022.

GCMS are planning a social outing on 3rd April to check out the rail service to the Airport (from Gosnells) stopping at the Bayswater Hotel for lunch on the way home.

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Did You Know Pt 11 Cargeeg Bridge - Gosnells

First constructed as a private bridge over the Canning in @ 1906 to connect the two Cargeeg Properties, 105 Mills Road West and 41 Station Street, later known as Martin Farm, which was then developed as a Chicken Farm during the Inter-War years.

This property was originally associated with Cargeeg, and then with Edward Victor Martin (1901-1981).



George Henry Cargeeg was born in 1851 in Adelaide, one of ten children of an Baptist immigrant family (wives Anne Beer, Lousisa Selway and Jane Eddy) and was a prominent businessman, associating with the "honest" four behind the Gosnells Estate. In the 20s, after the Estate collapsed he was accused of selling useless, overpriced Land to Returning Soldiers. But was given the blessing of a Royal Parliamentary Commission His father Richard 1824 – 1907, died in Adelaide, which was about, having originated in Morvah, Cornwall, England



Edward Martin was born in the Goldfields and his parents relocated to the Gosnells area in the early 20th century. Edward Martin was a labourer who married Edna Rosa Wilby (1906-1978) in 1934. The extended Martin family were active community

members during the early 20th century when Gosnells was being established, and one nephew, Peter Martin, participated in the Dam Airstrikes. Edward Martin made a major contribution as a member of the Gosnells Road Board and Shire Council for 41 years and was Chairman of the Gosnells Road Board from 1950-1951. He was made a Freeman of the City in 1972. The Shire of Gosnells recognised his contribution by naming the suburb adjacent to his home 'Martin' in 1974. The suburb name also recognises more broadly his family who were pioneers of Gosnells. This property of two lots was developed by the Martin family throughout the 20th century and features buildings of different ages and building materials. The site includes two residences and several farm buildings that demonstrate simple construction methods probably dating from the inter-war period.



In November 1906, George Henry Cargeeg wrote to the Canning Road Board (precursor to the Gosnells Road Board) offering to build a bridge over the Canning River 'near Gosnells'. (The West Australian, 25 November 1905, p. 15.) . The Road Board agreed to allow Cargeeg to have the timber from the old Canning Bridge (unknown location) and for the board to supervise the work and pay for the supervision only. This bridge was under construction in early 1906 and completed later that year. George Cargeeg (1851-1925) had a large landholding along the river bank to Martin. Cargeeg owner of the Bon Marche business was active in the wider community, holding roles in the Baptist Union, YMCA and was a Justice of the Peace. Following the establishment of Gosnells Cargeeg released his subdivided property to the market. The blocks along Mills Road and Albany Road were quickly sold. The provision of a bridge at this location was undoubtedly an attractive feature of this subdivision. The bridge was replaced in 1939 by the Main Roads Department. The new bridge 300ft long and 16ft wide of jarrah and wandoo construction cost £3300, of which the £1300 was provided by the Gosnells Road Board. As noted in an article in the local press, 'the bridge provides a short cut from the hills to the Gosnells Station and will assist owners of quarries at the foothills'. The bridge was most recently

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resurfaced in 1996 with concrete and several service pipes are attached to the underside of the bridge. It is one of the few single lane bridges in the Perth metropolitan area. Historic Theme Transport and communications: road transport Associations: George Cargeeg

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE: The Bridge has historic value for its association with the development of Martin in the early 20th century

During WW2, The Bridge was named The Khaki Bridge by young children as it was a word they were hearing too often but was easier to pronounce! Nowadays it is called Rickety Rackety Bridge

Trove Events:-

March 19th 1909 Road Board finally takes over Br (Bridge)

1 Aug. CHECK 1908, Road Board Protestors “useless” to apply for grants, wrong location. Waste of Rates!

5/5/1908 Location and accesses resolved meeting public and road board

9/12/1905 Road Board allows Cargeeg to reuse old Canning Bridge timber (which one?)

11th August 1913 Road Board agrees to protests tie wire in wooden fence sides “for children

7/8/1928 - Nearly inundated

21/12/1934 - New bylaws heavy traffic banned

The future?

Of course, recent events like heavier and wider cars, and an ageing structure, have caused the Shire to rethink the future of the bridge. A new, two lane bridge is to be built, but with the present one preserved for walkers and bikes. Artists Impression. For more information, and “Have your Say” at <https://yoursay.gosnells.wa.gov.au/bridge>

Three builders, an Australian AU, an Englishman GB and an Irishman 🍀 were working on a city skyscraper.

The Australian opened his lunch 🍷: “Not bloody Vegemite again,” he said. “If I get Vegemite sandwiches 🍷 tomorrow, I’ll...I’ll jump off this bloody building.”

The Englishman opened his lunch 🍷: “Not cheese 🍷 again. If I get cheese sandwiches 🍷 again tomorrow, I’ll jump off with you.”

The Irishman opened his lunch 🍷: “Not jam again. If I get jam sandwiches 🍷 again tomorrow, I’ll jump with you guys.”

Tomorrow came. The Australian took one look at his vegemite sandwiches 🍷 and said: “That’s it.” he immediately jumped off the building.

The Englishman opened his lunch 🍷. “Cheese” he roared and immediately followed suit.

The Irishman tentatively opened his lunch 🍷 bag. “Oh no. Not jam, again.” He also jumped.....

At the triple funeral, the Australian widow sobbed away. “Oh, if only I had known he hated Vegemite...”

The English widow was also lamenting: “I didn’t know he hated cheese 🍷 so much.”

The Irish 🍀 widow was also perturbed 😞. I can’t figure it out.

Paddy 🍀 always made his own sandwiches 🍷 🍷”

We spend the first twelve months of our children's lives teaching them to walk and talk and the next twelve years telling them to sit down and shut up. - Phyllis Diller

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