

ENDEAVOUR SHEDDER

Official Newsletter of the Endeavour Hills Men's Shed

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Welcome to the First Issue of the Endeavour Shedder

The purpose of this Newsletter is to provide information on the activities and events of the Endeavour Hills Men's Shed on a monthly basis. It is in no way intended to replace the Website, which should be the first port of call for those wishing to find out information regarding the

Endeavour Hills Men's Shed. We will also Endeavor to produce articles and items of interest for the Shed membership.

This is your Newsletter, please feel free to submit stories, items of interest or anything else that you feel may be of educational or enjoyment value to your fellow shedders, thank you.

Kind Regards

Vin Wragg

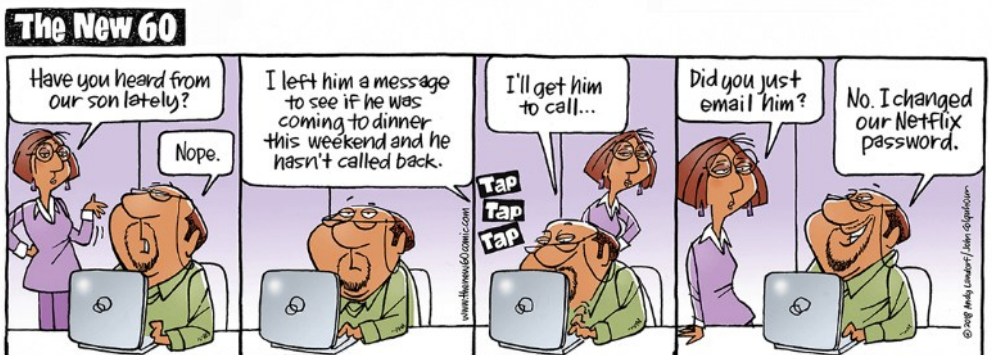
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Endeavour Hills Men's Shed Sydney Pargeter Reserve Open Mon to Sat 10am -3pm

[Endeavour Hills Men's Shed Website](#)



CALENDAR

October 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

[Click here for EHMS Events Calendar](#)

[EHMS Cleaning Roster](#)

Historic Events of October

Year	Event
1492	Christopher Columbus made landfall in the Americas.
1517	Martin Luther posted his Ninety-five Theses, sparking the Protestant Reformation.
1863	The English Football Association was formed, establishing the first rules of soccer.
1854	The infamous Charge of the Light Brigade occurred during the Crimean War.
1871	The Great Chicago Fire devastated the city.
1957	The Soviet Union launched Sputnik 1, the first artificial satellite to orbit the Earth.
1957	NASA (National Aeronautics and Space Administration) was established, replacing NACA.
1938	Orson Welles broadcast his radio drama "The War of the Worlds", causing widespread panic.
1990	East and West Germany were reunified after decades of division.
1993	President Boris Yeltsin shelled the Russian White House, ending a hard-line Communist rebellion.

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Visit to the Western Port Oberon Association Museum 18th of September 2025



A group of members and partners travelled down to Cribb Point and visited the WPOA. The Museum kindly opened specifically for this event and provided a morning tea for the attendees. A presentation at the start explained the effort and eventual failure to preserve the Oberon class submarine HMAS Otama. Despite this setback, the group has been working hard to preserve other historical ships and maritime artefacts. It is hoped that the MV Wyuna, which is currently berthed in Tasmania, will in future be berthed at the Museum to become the centre piece.

We all had a great time visiting and thank the WPOA for the warm and generous visit. We wish them well in their efforts to preserve important Australian Maritime History for future generations.

Thank you to Ian Cole for organizing this visit.



The MV Wyuna will be berthed at the Museum

Wal is clearly enjoying the morning tea.



Further information can be obtained by visiting the [Victorian Maritime Centre website](#)..More photos are available on this link [WPOA Visit](#)

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Ocsobber is an Australian fundraising initiative that encourages people to give up alcohol for the month of October.

The money raised by voluntary participants goes to Life Education Australia, the organisation behind the educational mascot, Healthy Harold. For over 30 years, the well-known giraffe has been teaching Australian children how to enjoy a healthy lifestyle by resisting participation in drug and alcohol abuse. During 2014, Ocsobber aimed to raise \$1,000,000 to help Life Education Australia and Healthy Harold go into even more schools across Australia.^[1] Ocsobber is also used as an opportunity to highlight the growing danger of binge drinking and alcohol abuse, particularly among young Australians.

The statistics provided by Life Education estimates that 3,200 Australians die as a result of excessive alcohol consumption each year, while 81,000 end up in hospitals for the same reason.^[1] The organisation behind this initiative is also hoping to promote more permanent changes to Australian drinking habits. Participants will not just help a good cause but also might enjoy other potential benefits from a month off alcohol including feeling healthier and fitter, weight loss and the chance to try new sober activities.



Australian National Flag history



At a recent meeting a discussion came up regarding the Australian National Flag, It's precedence over other flags when flown on Australian soil. I thought it may be an idea to look at the history of the National Symbol. If you support retaining it as the National Symbol or not, I believe it is still good to have an idea of the history of the ANF.

From Federation in 1901 to 1953, the Australian National Flag was in fact the Union Jack. In 1901, in response to a newspaper competition, the basic design of the Flag was formulated. In 1903 a slightly simplified version was submitted to King Edward VII, who approved it as representative of the Commonwealth of Australia, subordinate to the Union Jack.

Initially restricted to government and shipping use, it was first known as the Australian Blue Ensign. Gradually it came to be adopted as a symbol of Australia in general and in 1953 the Australian Flag act was passed, adopting it as the Australian National Flag in place of the Union Jack with precedence over the Union Jack when flown on Australian soil.

Components of the Australian National Flag

Blue Ensign



+

Southern Cross



+

Commonwealth Star



The use of the Blue Ensign was to originally to indicate that Australia was part of the British Empire, but has since come to represent historical ties to the United Kingdom in terms of political and juridical structure. The Southern Cross is used to indicate Australia's geographical position as a nation of the Southern Hemisphere . This symbol is arguably drawn from the Southern Cross Flag used at the Eureka Stockard. Lastly the Commonwealth Star is to indicate that Australia is a democratic federation of states and territories.

Arguments for retaining the current design as the National Flag or for changing it fall into two broad categories, The argument for retaining it basically states that even though the British Empire no longer exists and Australia is an independent nation from the UK, it is representative of those that founded and defended the Nation of Australia. The argument for replacing it is that it is not representative of modern multicultural Australia and not representative of pre European Indigenous cultures.

As citizens of this democracy, we are all entitled to an opinion on this issue. The main thing is that we all respect each others right to a differing view.



DOVETON SHOW



On the 21st of September a large group of Endeavour Hills Men's Shed volunteers worked at the Doveton Show to assist organizers in various roles during the day. The Show provided lunch, drinks and snacks during the event. Despite inclement weather, turnout from the public was large and with entry only a gold coin donation, the low cost was very appreciated.

A large variety of hobbies, crafts and arts from the local area were showcased. A good range of rides were present as well as an extensive craft market. Show Bags and novelties of course were present as well.

The vast majority of the public had a good time at this, the 20th Doveton Show staged. A big thankyou to all who assisted, especially John Thornton who did a lot of the organizing of the EHMS work force.



Art and Silversmith Group



phillipmartin.info



An Art and Silversmith group has been formed and meets on Monday mornings in the Social Area .If you are interested please contact Rodney James on [0461496669](tel:0461496669) .

The New 60

<p>I've got quarters for the meter... go make sure the restaurant keeps our table.</p> <p>OK</p>	<p>My husband will be here soon... he's just parking the car.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Download the app. 2. Enter location # on nearest meter. 3. Add time 4. Enter credit card information. 5. Add location 6. Choose payment method <p>but not limited to</p>	<p>Where have you been? Did you put money in the meter?</p> <p>No...but I left a note.</p> <p>couldn't figure out app. I'm 63.</p>
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By Ian Dudley

Our Men's Shed is investigating starting up a weekly Walking Football program.

Walking Football is soccer not Aussie Rules. Walking Football Victoria advertises itself as:

“All the things you love about football in a small sided game but with no running and no contact.”

The social walking football program creates a safe, enjoyable and inclusive environment for all to have fun.

Our Men's Shed's main aim is to provide an enjoyable form of exercise that will keep people healthy and active for longer. As the initiator of this program, I have never played a game of soccer in my life. Aussie Rules and cricket yes – but no soccer. So clearly, soccer skills are not required.

A few resources are available on the internet, such as

<https://wf4hvictoria.org.au/>

<https://www.linkedin.com/in/walkingfootball4healthvictoria>

<https://facebook.com/groups/wf4healthvictoria/>

<https://www.instagram.com/walkingfootball4health.vic?igsh=M2NtcGY5ZjM2cDB5>

Also, a search on [youtube](#) will show plenty.

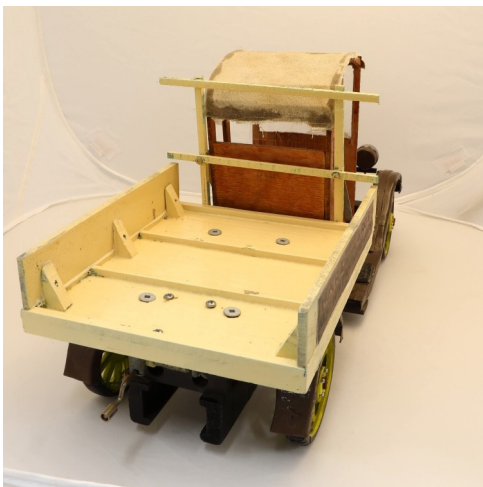


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Modeller's Corner

Modeller's Corner is being kicked off with Glenn Blackburn's scratch built 1/10th scale 1927 Chevrolet flatbed truck ,aka "Felix Flatbed". The original truck is owned by Hare & Forbes Machinery House and has been fully restored. Glenn built this model from a large amount of scrap material. He was assisted by Tony Bronsky and Vin Wragg in this project. Hare & Forbes Machinery House were so impressed with the final product that they brought the model for \$500 to be displayed in the Dandenong managers office. These funds, in the form of a gift card, were donated to the Men's Shed to be used to buy materials for other projects.

Well done Glenn!



*Glenn would like to publicly thank
Hare & Forbes Machinery House
For the generous donation of a
\$500 gift card*

Felix in her heyday



Felix today fully restored

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CNC Sub-Group Report

By Will Beattie, photos Peter Wallace

Our Learning GRBL CNC Engraving Machine now appears to be complete and operational.

Thanks to :-

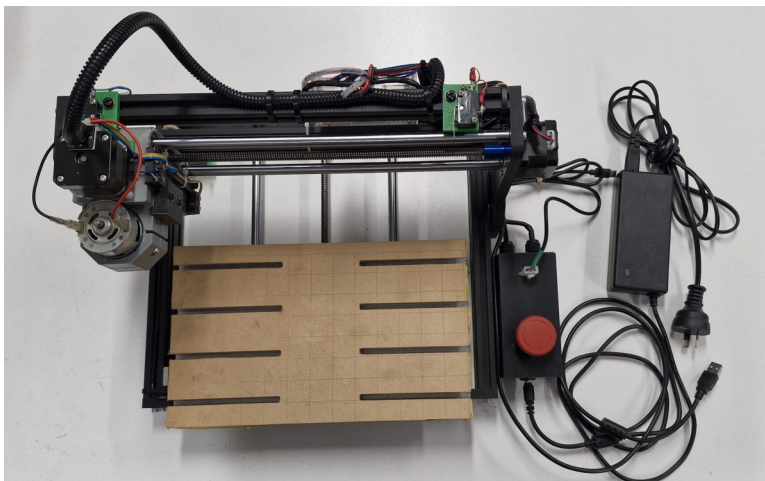
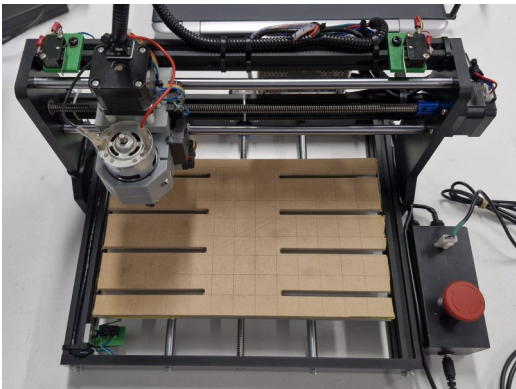
- **John Thornton** supplying the base CNC Engraving Machine.
- **Ross Blackburn** – supplying the 3D Printed Mounts for the Home and Limit micro switches.
- **Rommie Alday** – mounting and adjusting the mounts for the Home & Limit Switches to the CNC Machine.
- **Will Beattie** – supplying the Hardware and switches, testing and finding the Homing problem.
- **Peter Wallace** – for finally wiring the machine up beautifully (plus finding and fixing the Homing problem ... again).

I now have the unit back at my place so, I can familiarise myself with the GRBL interface.

I'll then be writing up some notes and gathering others who are better at presenting them:-

“An Introduction to GRBL CNC Homing, Probing and G-Codes G53-G59.

Queries regarding the GRBL CNC Engraving Machine [click here](#).



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The following invitations have been received from DAA



Help us celebrate
15 years of DAA!

Join us for our 10th Annual Conference
and a special celebration dinner

Saturday, 11th October at 9.30am
and at 6.30pm for the dinner
at The Dandenong Club

Tickets on sale here

<https://daa.supporterhub.net.au/events/daaconference2025>

CALCUTTA *Cup*

Come along and have some fun at the auction & raffle.

Make up a table of 10 & Contribute
\$10 each towards your table's Horse
for the Caulfield cup

- Friday, 17 October 2025
Doors Open at 6:00 pm
- Heatherton room
- neat casual,
or dress up for fun
- \$40 - includes 2 course meal
Drinks at bar prices

Proceeds of the Auction go to DisasterAid

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Sun, 5 Oct 2025 – Sun, 5 Apr 2026

Australian Eastern Time

Daylight Saving starts



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