

Aldridge Shed steering committee and trustee meeting.

Minutes: Tuesday 8th October 2019

Present: Ian, Ivor, Mark, Trevor, Barrie, Derek, Jude, Gail, Alan and Paul Wright.

Matters arising from the last minutes.

The minutes from the last meeting were read and accepted.

Membership: 59

Financial report: See attached.

Health and safety training: Whilst the safe use of machine instruction has started it is felt that this would be better done as people join. Trying to train people on all the machines in one go is not practical as there is a lot of information to assimilate, especially for complete novices. No member should use a machine until the necessary safe use instruction has been completed for that machine, a banner to this effect to be made and displayed in the shed.

A banner is to be made that states that no one is to operate wood working machinery unless two or more members are present. (Ian to deal with)

Whistledown productions:

This was felt to be a success and went down really well with all concerned. The kind donation by Ivor of two pens to the presenter Beverly Turner, was much appreciated.

Coming events:

8th and 9th November 2019: Shed open day.

30th November: 1. Table top display/sale Santander, Sutton Coldfield.

2. Table top display/sale Krasif Aid, Aldridge.

Hardwood:

It is felt that not all hard wood is being paid for and therefore the door to the hardwood store will be locked and anyone wanting any will need to get the key and pay for the timber used.

Sewing machine.

It was proposed by Jude that the donated industrial sewing machine be passed on to some other organisation. Mend-it in Walsall to be contacted to see if they want it.

Clayhanger:

These premises are open on the 19th October for a 'family fun day'. Where possible the venue should be viewed to see if it is in fact suitable.

Young Persons pilot scheme:

The lady running this scheme is in hospital and the scheme has therefore been shelved for the foreseeable future.

Workshop:

The workshop is in a mess at the moment and only 2 benches are available for use. Many members are still not cleaning up after themselves. They need to be reminded to do so. A process of rationalisation is to be carried out, in both the workshop and the main wood store. Paul Wright has volunteered to spearhead this process.

Next Meeting: to be held on Tuesday 5th November 2019.