



# Newsletter

## April 2023

Welcome to the April edition of the newsletter, which heralds the most significant change to Alton Men's Shed since its formation. We have a new home. Alton Men's Shed will be officially taking possession of Edgar Hall along with Dementia Friendly Alton on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023.

**Saturday 1st April: 11:00 am till 2:00 pm**

The building is open for members to look around and discuss going forward. Come when you can, leave when you must.

**Monday 3rd & Tuesday 4th April**

Work in the Edgar Hall on both days 9:00am till about 4:00pm, getting things ready.



**It's all GO from Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April - So please get involved.  
It's your NEW Shed!**

**YOUR INPUT IS NEEDED TO HELP DESIGN THE SHED LAYOUT AND WHAT ACTIVITIES IT CAN BE USED FOR**

### Projects update

#### School planters

As mentioned in the last newsletter, this project has been successfully completed. The next step is to have some "Made by Alton Men's Shed" signs made and fixed to the planters to advertise our work in a prime location in the town.



#### Sessions with beavers and cubs.

A session is planned for May with the Anstey Beavers **Volunteers are urgently required**. Please see Mike Loxley for details.

Orchard House social and craft sessions on Wednesdays (11.00am to 12.00pm).

**Volunteers are urgently required.** Please see Mike Loxley for details. They are also interested in some planters so that the residents can get involved in gardening activities.

Allotment number signs.

This project is near completion. Many thanks to all those, who took part in their construction.

The following projects are pending:

- Constructing a gate for the dinner club.
- Building planters and compost bins for ALFI
- Holybourne Village Association bench renovation and associated tasks
- Alton Rugby Club tasks
- There has been an enquiry to construct a disabled ramp for a local resident.
- Tidying up of the Hospital garden

**Volunteers are required to lead and work on all of these.** For details, please see Dave Lackie in the first instance.

### **Social and Organised Events**

The dates of upcoming breakfast meetings at the Departure Lounge are: 20<sup>th</sup> April and 18<sup>th</sup> May 2023. Things start at around 10.00am. Please put these dates in your diaries.

Other dates for your diaries:

- Shedders' social on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2023 has been cancelled due to the fact that it is Good Friday. Future socials are likely to be at Edgar Hall. Watch out for details by email or WhatsApp.
- AMS committee meeting on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> April at All Saints' Parish Hall - 10.00am to 12.30pm