Auckland Central Community Shed Newsletter August 2024

While Garry is away I'll have a play with all the news.

First of all, an important announcement. Another AED/Defribrillator training session has been organised for September 25th at 11 am. The first one was interesting, very informative and even entertaining. We would like as many members who missed the last session to attend this and especially Duty Managers. It is only an hour long and well worth the time.

We have also just run the first First Aid session, again well attended. This was put together to specifically address our operating environment and membership and would be considered as a guide to first response to any incident rather than a full first aid course. This was a two hour session down in our lunchroom followed by a BBQ. Another will be scheduled for those who missed it. Again, an interesting and worthwhile session with a small amount of attendee involvement, see the photo below.

Adjacent to all this we now have a very active Health and Safety sub-committee working to improve our operation including upgrades to our First Aid cabinet to meet new guidelines for attendances of over 25 members. You will also see some more automation for machine/dust extractor systems to minimise airborne dust by ensuring extractor systems come online with machine operation. Our initial trial with this on the Saw Stop and Thicknesser has been very successful so Rod Willis and co are rolling this out to some other equipment.



A couple of members have completed some very well executed personal projects. The first is David's coffee table for his niece. This has taken most of a year to complete and involved a lot of laminated wood and some large scale inlay of various tree sections scavenged from his neighbours prunings. As far as I could tell there was not a single straight line in the entire project.



The second is Ross's very minimal and elegant computer desk. Made 100% from recovered materials and a piece of furniture to be proud of.



So, keeping it short and sweet, don't forget, let Steve or myself know if you are attending.

AED/Defibrillator Training Wed 25th September @ 11am

Either in the Hub upstairs or possibly our lunchroom.

Please make an effort to attend, it is well worthwhile.