

MEN'S SHED COMES TO WIELD?

Men's Shed Mission

The "UK Men's Shed" is a registered Charity (Number 1162409) with the objective to help men in communities to connect, converse and create. The objective is to have fun, be a good cause in the community for the benefit of men's health and wellbeing. Wield now has the opportunity to establish a "Men's Shed" which could be registered with the National Charity if we have enough interest to establish a sustainable Group.

Setting Up

The establishment of a recognised Men's Shed should not be assigned to just one or two people who have an interest in the opportunities this type of activity could bring. It needs collective support and responsibility to succeed. Membership should mean a partnership, where the administrative work and the benefits are equally shared.

Possible Activities

There are a number of opportunities available to members of a Men's Shed, especially the proposed Wield Men's Shed. If we can get enough interest and sponsorship we intend to establish one.

Proposed Wield Men's Shed Activities Could Centre On.

Wield Based Activities (Using facilities available in the village):

- Wood Working: Creation and Repairing Wood related items. Low tech wood work.
- Creation and Repairing Metal items – Involving low tech metal work.
- Learning useful skills; e.g. Plumbing /Electrical work.
- General repairs (to be expanded upon as the Wield Men's Shed group develops).

Away from Home Activities:

- Men's Shed Days Out: For example, a tour of Portsmouth Dockyards; Air shows etc.
- Men's Shed Learning Days: Fly Fishing; Shooting; Water Sports; Motor Sporting.
- Men's Shed Shows: Motor Show; Garden Shows; Films/ Theatre.
- Men's Shed Academic: Learn a new skill through winter lectures given by other members of the local Men's Shed.
- Men's Shed Other: Suggest an activity get a group together and let's do it.

First Project (Subject to Funding)

The suggested first Wield Men's Shed Project is to build a multi-purpose work shop at the Village Hall.

- Convert the disused and derelict Village Hall Outhouse.
- Take down the roof and supporting rotten timbers. Replace the entire roof structure and re-tile.
- Refurbish the outer and inner walls, including insulation / cladding.
- Seal the floor area.
- Establish power circuits and lighting.
- Decorate and fit out.

Time Frame: 1 year from start of the project.

Interested? Talk to

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