



## **VERY IMPORTANT NOTICE**

## FOR A NUMBER OF REASONS THIS COULD BE THE MOST IMPORTANT SPECIAL NOTICE TO DATE THIS YEAR

- 1. SPRING IS ON THE WAY IT'S NOW A MONTH SINCE THE SHORTEST DAY WHICH MEANS THAT DAYLIGHT LASTS ABOUT A MINUTE LONGER EACH DAY. THAT DESERVES A CELEBRATION!
- 2. THE SOCIALISING SPACE IS FULLY FUNCTIONING AND THE WORKSHOP RECONFIGURING IS GOING VERY WELL. THROUGH THE SERIOUS EFFORTS OF OUR MEMBERS THAT MEANS THAT BY THE END OF THIS WEEK, THE FIRST DEDICATED WORKSHOP BAY WILL BE AT WORKING FITOUT STAGE. HOORAY!!! ANOTHER REASON TO CELEBRATE!
- 3. OUR ORIGINAL LICENCE TO OCCUPY WAS SIGNED OFF ON 28 JULY 2010, SO WE HAVE BEEN PRESENT ON THE SITE NOW FOR 3 YEARS NEXT SUNDAY.

  CELEBRATION TIME!!
- 4. THE SUPPORT OF KCDC COUNCILLORS HAVE BEEN CRITICAL FROM DAY ONE AND WE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO HOST SOME OF THEM ON TUESDAY 30 JULY FROM 11AM TO SEE WHAT WE HAVE ACHIEVED WITH THE SPACE AT THE OLD DEPOT THAT THEY HELPED US WITH. ANOTHER BIG HOORAY!

SO TO ALL MEMBERS, IT'S TIME TO RESERVE TUESDAY 30 JULY FROM 10AM FOR A SPECIAL CELEBRATION. GOOD TEA, COFFEE, SCONES, CAKE AND WHATEVER TURNS UP WHILE WE ALL CATCH UP ON THE PROGRESS, MEET UP WITH ONE ANOTHER AND OUR KCDC SUPPORTERS AND TALK ABOUT THE PLANS FOR WHAT NEXT. STAY AROUND FOR LUNCH TOO AND WE WILL FIRE UP THE BBQ AND BURN SOME SAUSAGES TO WRAP IN BREAD FOR LUNCH.

**CELEBRATION IS THE WORD FOR TUESDAY 30 JULY** 

IF YOU HAVEN'T BEEN ALONG FOR A FEW WEEKS YOU WILL BE VERY SURPRISED AT WHAT HAS BEEN ACHIEVED. NEW SPACE, NEW MACHINES, NEW FACES TOO. THIS PAST MONTH HAS SEEN AT LEAST 4 NEW MEMBERS SIGN UP.

I HAVE ALSO TAKEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADD ANOTHER COUPLE OF ITEMS OF SPECIAL SIGNIFICANCE.

A SMALL GROUP OF PEOPLE HAVE BEGUN THE PLANNING FOR MENZSHED KAPITI TO HOST THE NATIONAL MENZSHED CONFERENCE, 14 – 16 MARCH NEXT YEAR. AS WE FIRM UP OUR PLANS WE WILL BE CALLING UPON OTHERS FOR HELP. SOME HANDS HAVE ALREADY BEEN RAISED AND IF YOU HAVE EXPERIENCE WITH CONFERENCE ORGANISING PLEASE LET US KNOW.

WE HAVE SECURED FACILITIES AT EL RANCHO TO MAKE ATTENDING VERY AFFORDABLE FOR DELEGATES FROM NORTH CAPE TO THE BLUFF.

ONE OF OUR VERY SKILLED MEMBERS HAS JUST COMPLETED A DRAFT WEBSITE FOR US. WATCH THIS SPACE FOR THE BIG LAUNCH. IT'S GOT TO BE GOOD FOR US AND EXPOSURE FOR OUR COMMUNITY.

AND FINALLY - BIG FANFARE

TARAH!!!! TARAH!!!!

MENZSHED KAPITI OPERATES A FINANCIAL YEAR BEGINNING 1 JULY THROUGH TO 30 JUNE. THAT MEANS WE ARE NOW INTO THE NEW FINANCIAL YEAR AND ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE DUE (EXCEPT FOR NEW MEMBERS SINCE APRIL).

IT'S JUST \$20 PER YEAR TO BECOME AN ACTIVE MEMBER OR JUST A SUPPORTING MEMBER RECEIVING NEWSLETTERS.

OUR MUCH LARGER SHED FACILITY NOW COSTS US MORE THAN \$300 PER YEAR AND OUR POWER NEEDS TO BE PAID TOO SO YOUR AFFORDABLE SUBS HELPS MAKE THE PLACE HAPPEN.

See you there next week on Tuesday 30 July starting 10am AND any Tuesday or Thursday morning after.

Cheers

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