**2015 Beyond Tools Men’s Shed Conference**

**What Makes Your Shed Work Best?**

The following are the suggestions from the conference participants.

* Friday after work social get together
* 1st Friday of month social & meal
* 2nd Thursday night of month sing along with wives & partners
* Midland No Shed, Tuesday morning social
* No Shed, meet for darts, cards, pool
* Monthly breakfast, including an informal update, discuss major projects and members raise issues
* Spit & dribble corner
* Bull session, discuss anything
* Singing group
* Laughter
* Passion
* Mateship, comradery
* Grass roots organisation & Men involved
* Facebook page
* Individual & community projects
* Projects must be requested in writing and approved by committee
* Don’t set deadlines for projects, avoid stress
* Best use of individual strengths
* Assess individual abilities & find volunteers
* Very few rules, just wear shoes and always two people present
* No Shed, use school manual arts room
* Tuesday morning, clean machines and sweep workshop
* Jobs requested are recorded in a book, date & who took message