

Volunteer's Report
Monday 31st July, 2017



Volunteers :-

Phil Bevington, Jan Domanski, Pete Tanner, Bob Gray, Ian Goodall, Ken Bellman and Terry Hughes (1st shift).

Apologies:- Peter Legge, Gordy Bray, Phil Cleaton, Brad McNeilly, Byron Myer, Dave Butler, Brian Thorn, Bob Preston and Stephen Humphreys.

Another short report:

What started out to be the demolition of old offices in the greens shed ended up being an extended morning with some general gardening etc added in.

Not all Vols were invited to participate in the demolition as the work only required skeleton staff (just a figure of speech – mature age vols no longer have that lean skeletal look).

In addition, the spray gear is still in the repair shop, so **Phil Cleaton** and **Brad McNeilly** who were signed up (doing better than the Aussie cricket team!!), got a late reprieve.

The Demolition:

Team had clearance on the disconnection of electrics and I think a communication box of some size was relocated earlier by **Pete Southby**.

However, the issue of asbestos inspection remained outstanding as pointed out by our industrial relations rep. **Phil Bevington**.

Definitely not a substance to take lightly, and a google of asbestos listed under NSW Fair Trading is well worth a read. Apparently production of the toxic material ceased in full by 1985 but installation continued up to 1990. It can be found in many materials apart from the common perception of fibro sheets, including down pipes, gutterings, floor tiles, roofing, etc, etc.

With this in mind, a small team led by **Jan Domanski** and including **Pete Tanner** and **Terry Hughes** commenced removal of the timber (material substance confirmed) from the mezzanine structure.

I mean, it would be quite unfair to exempt our new vol **Terry** from what turned out to be a dusty dirty morning.

To be continued.....

General Gardening etc:

Ken Bellman and **Ian Goodall** collected their long pole and line and went off to remove one of those loosely hanging branches of some size from a tree behind the 16th green. I understand the event called for some ingenuity, provided by **Ian**, I would say. Otherwise it went smoothly with pole, line and participants returned in one piece.

Many golfers (perhaps not the A graders) and in particular our longstanding Saturday Marshall, **Ronnie Dewar** will be more than pleased that following longstanding discussions about slow play and lost balls at a starting hole, the vols **Bob Gray** and **Phil Bevington**, who were later joined by **Ian** and **Ken**:-

Removed the Lomandra Longifolia (aka Mat Rush or Basket Grass) from the 10th.

Also worthy of note, Ken mentioned that he played Saturday comp with one of our longstanding members, one **Arthur Kelly**, who recommended that the Kangaroo Paws at the 10th and 12th tees would do well if trimmed about this time of year.

Ken must have been excited when relaying the message, stating that we should trim the 'tiger paws'. Perhaps just a faux-pas, he many have been thinking about the 'poor tigers', his local footy team!!

According to 'Studley Folklore', **Arthur Kelly** was the teacher from Camden High who propagated and transplanted many of the trees adorning the course to this day.
A worthy accomplishment!

Welcome: to our new vol, **Terry Hughes**.

Rumour has it that **Terry** has been eyeing the 'Vos Estis' trophy for some time with the thought that it would compliment his Rothmans Medal, (if you are under say age 67, you may have to google 'Rothmans Medal'), won - 'a few years ago'.

Although, being a Cronulla man, history tells us there is normally quite some time between drinks in the Shire!!

Thank you must also go to our catering staff for a plentiful morning tea and to **Sue Walsh** for pointing out that **Ken** may have OCD upon observation of his neat packing of left-overs.

Volunteer's Trophy:-

"Studley Park – Order of the Shovel – Vos Estis Sal Terrae"

Ian Goodall is our man (pictured right)

And a busy man he is. Club Treasurer, long-time volunteer, part-time protagonist, 'trainee' pro-shop manager and a dapper dresser, some say!

Thank you, **Ian**.

Next Vol Day:- Probably 14/8.

Cheers,

Peter T. VCO, OOTS.

