



SHIRE OF MUKINBUDIN

WA Men's Shed Conference 2009

The first WA Men's Shed Conference is happening and registrations are now being invited.

The conference fee is \$300 for AMSA (Australian Men's Shed Association) Members or \$450.00 for non members. AMSA membership is free and all that we require to get the discount is a completed AMSA membership form filled out and returned with your WA Men's Shed Conference registration form. Local Governments and other Departments are welcome to join the AMSA.

We require a separate conference registration form filled out for each delegate attending. Feel free to bring partners who may not want to attend the conference but who may wish to take advantage of the annual Spring Festival, the many activities and the fantastic wildflowers. As you will note, all meals except breakfast are covered in the conference fee. Partners can attend the Meet & Greet and the two dinners by nominating and paying for this on the form.

The conference includes an exciting range of topics including

"Men's sheds in community settings: the big picture"

by Keynote Speaker Professor Barry Golding

- ❖ Men's learning in WA through community organisations including men's sheds:
- ❖ "The Fremantle Shed Story" - hands on interactive workshop discussing the setting up of a shed with little or no funding!
- ❖ Funding - for start up and once the shed is up and running - presented by Lottery West, Department of Veteran Affairs and Country Arts
- ❖ Volunteers - the backbone of your organisation and the importance of succession
- ❖ Running the Shed - now its up and running; keeping it going!
- ❖ Occupational Health & Safety - the impact on the Shed
- ❖ Interactive Session - Different types of Sheds
- ❖ Interactive Session - Workshop requirements

An important part of this conference is the proposal for the formation of the:

Western Australian Men's Shed Association
as a member of
Australian Men's Sheds Association - (AMSA)



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Please use your form to book your accommodation. We have arranged a variety of accommodation ranging from self contained chalets, on site caravans and camper vans, billeted accommodation, motel units to shared accommodation. Please indicate your preference and we will try and accommodate you. Accommodation will be given on a first come first serve basis and then we will offer you an alternative if your preference is already booked. There are a number of towns only about a 30 minute drive from Mukinbudin and these have been listed on the form as well. Feel free to book direct with these towns if you would prefer.

Please pass the information of the Men's Shed Conference on to as many people as you can. A full program of events including a background on all speakers will be available shortly