



February 2025 Newsletter

A successful **Monday and Thursday Shedding** collaboration meant that a set of chairs were restored by the gents on a Thursday, and upholstered by the Monday Sheddners, seen here using them whilst having a celebratory cuppa. The chairs went to the YMCA.



Another project **restoring chairs** was carried out by the Thursday gents, and here the last two are being collected by a happy owner, who made the Shed a handsome donation.



Our **Wednesdays in the Shed** are being well used. The every-other-Wednesday Woodworkers, a group begun some years ago by the Monday shedders for learning basic woodworking skills, have all finished a project making beautiful jointed wooden stools. They are now planning a new course under the guidance of our guest volunteer teacher Gary, and will be making jointed boxes. On other Wednesdays, a drawing and painting group is starting up. It's early days, we will see how it goes!



Fire Drills

Ian Williams completed a Fire Drill, on 06/02/25, with the Thursday Sheddners. Ian will be doing the same for the Monday and Wednesday Sheddners soon. Any Thursday Shedder who missed the session on the 6th is welcome to come to the Monday session. The date will be advertised as soon as it has been agreed. Being familiar with what to do in an emergency is really important.

Book Club

The next book club session will be on Monday 03/03/25. Sheddners will be talking about *The Last Runaway*, by Tracey Chevalier. Sheddners can buy, borrow or download a copy of the book. There is no need to bring a copy of the book to the review.

A talk

On Monday 20/01/25 Sheddners listened to a talk from Kylie Gallagher who works for the Children's Hospice South West (CHSW). CHSW has three hospices in the south west. Charlton Farm, Wraxall North Somerset, is our nearest hospice. We offered CHSW our fabulous rocking horse but they were unable to

accommodate it. They do however get some of our Project Linus quilts. Our next Coffee Morning, date to be announced, will be in aid of CHSW.



The ladies of the Monday Shed have made many quilts, small ones for the neonatal intensive care unit at RUH, some larger ones for the children's unit at Wraxall, and Marlene's superhero quilt went to Barnardos.