Ellon and District Men's Shed: November 2026

In the last few weeks we've had some good news on the funding front. We have been awarded money from the Government's Rural Communities Challenge Fund to replace our laptop and desktop computers and to buy a new planer-thicknesser machine.

Our computers are all old Windows machines with operating systems that will shortly not be supported. The computers are vital to the running of the Shed, to our IT drop-in sessions, and to controlling our 3D printers, laser engraver, and CNC machine. This funding is great news and will put us in a really good stead for the next few years on the computing front.

We have also been awarded £1,000 from Asda for the purchase of tools and equipment.



The Vespa scooter refurbishment is progressing – (compare this photo with the one in the last edition) the engine etc. are still being worked on. Once the Vespa is complete, work will begin on a Harley Davidson. For someone wanting to learn about refurbishing motorbikes, this is a great chance to come and learn.

We refurbish bikes for people, sell them (cheaply) or donate them to schools. Our main 'bike man' has moved away from Ellon – so if you are interested in bike or motorbike maintenance, please contact us. We'd be delighted for the extra help

The workshop has been working hard producing items ready for Christmas.







We have a few mud kitchens on order. The one in the photo is for sale.



We have also been making wheelie bin sheds (photo), log stores, storage cupboards and picnic benches.



Pétanque Club meets on Thursday afternoons @2pm (weather permitting). If you are interested, please get in touch or come along. Cribbage group meets on a Tuesday at 10.30.

'Digital Skills' drop-in sessions are on Mondays from 1.30pm. If you need help with your phone, laptop etc. just come along.

If you are interested in visiting the Shed, or becoming a member, we would love to see you – the Men's Shed is open 10am-4pm on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. The Women's Shed on alternate Wednesdays (2-4pm & 6-8pm). Please check our website (www.ellonmensshed.org) and Facebook (facebook.com/EllonMensShed) for updates on opening times etc..

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