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Camden Men's Shed Receive Funding

The Camden Bicentennial Equestrian Park (BEP) Men's Shed will be getting much needed additional storage thanks to an IMB Community Foundation Grant and funding from the BEP 355 Committee.

The Camden Men's Shed applied for the grant in April this year and was recently notified of their success. The funding will be used at the Camden Bicentennial Equestrian Park, where the group meets, for the construction of additional storage to accommodate maintenance equipment and bench space. This extension will allow volunteers of the Men's Shed to undertake various manual tasks related to small equipment maintenance and construction of seats and structures at the Park. With the grant of \$9,700, and the additional allocation of \$5,300 contributed from the BEP 355 Committee, the works can now be completed.

The Men's Shed is part of the Bicentennial Equestrian Park Management Committee, a 355 Committee of Camden Council. 355 Committees are made up of dedicated volunteers who play an active role in the provision and management of Council facilities, such as the Bicentennial Equestrian Park.

Mayor of Camden, Councillor Lara Symkowiak congratulated the Men's Shed on their initiative.

"I would like to congratulate the BEP Men's Shed on applying for this grant and I would like to personally thank the thirty nine members of the Men's Shed who work in partnership with the BEP 355 Committee to make the Bicentennial Equestrian Park a premier visitor destination and fantastic facility for Camden. Without the support of such dedicated people, who voluntarily give up so much of their time, the community would not have the benefit of such a great venue Council could not afford to pay the Men's Shed for everything they do.".

The Men's Shed meet Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9am – 3pm at Camden Bicentennial Equestrian Park Clubhouse.

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