

# SMSA Gathering & Day Conference Including SMSA AGM and the 'Scottish Men's Shed of the Year' Awards 2025

## DRAFT PROGRAMME

9:00AM—10:00AM	<b>Registration, Networking and Exhibitions in the Civic Hall</b>	
10:00AM—10:30AM	<b>Welcome, Introduction &amp; Housekeeping in the Council Chambers</b> Delivered by SMSA Chairman David Gardner & SMSA CEO Jason Schroeder	
10:30AM—10.50PM	<b>Ukulele Performance – Auchterarder &amp; District Men's Shed</b> Kick-start the day with a burst of energy and feel-good tunes—and the chance to toe-tap and sing along (with words on screen)—courtesy of Auchterarder Shed's ukulele group.	
10:50AM—11.30AM	<b>SMSA's 'Scottish Men's Shed of the Year' Awards 2025</b> Delivered by SMSA CEO Jason Schroeder, SMSA Chairman David Gardner and David Young of David Young Training <b>Finalists:</b> Dalkeith Men's Shed, St Andrews Men's Shed and Clyde Coast and Cumbraes Men's Shed	
11:30PM—12:10PM	<b>Presentations (with Q&amp;A opportunity) in the Council Chambers</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Presentation of Findings from the WIGWAM-S Project (Wellbeing in dIsadvantaGed, Working Age Men – Sheds)</b>—Delivered by Dr Danielle Hutcheon, Research Fellow at Glasgow Caledonian University</li> <li>• <b>Bridging Generations Film—Mintlaw &amp; District Men's Shed Intergenerational Project in partnership with Mintlaw Academy and Police Scotland</b></li> </ul>	
12:15PM—1:15PM	<b>Networking Lunch in the Civic Hall</b>	
1:20PM—2:00PM	<b>SMSA AGM Business in the Council Chambers</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction – David Gardner, SMSA Chairman</li> <li>• Approval of Previous AGM Minute – David Gardner, SMSA Chairman</li> <li>• Chairman's Report – David Gardner, SMSA Chairman</li> <li>• Treasurer's Report – Jon Searle, SMSA Treasurer</li> <li>• Approval of Accounts – Jon Searle, SMSA Treasurer</li> <li>• Chief Executive Officer's Report – Jason Schroeder, SMSA CEO</li> <li>• Election of Office Bearers and Appointment of Auditors – David Gardner, SMSA Chairman</li> </ul>	
2:00PM—2:10PM	<b>Civic Address: Depute Provost Andrew Parrott</b>	
2:15PM—2:45PM <i>First Allocated Workshop</i>  2:50PM—3:20AM <i>Second Allocated Workshop</i>	<b>Model Railways Projects from Sheds</b> Delivered by the Nairn Men's Shed's model railway group  <b>An Introduction to Shed-Wise—SMSA's Preventative Men's Health Workshop</b> Delivered by SMSA Development Officer  <i>Workshops are approx. 30 mins each with transition time to move to next session</i>	<b>The Community Asset Transfer (CAT) Process</b> Delivered by Community Ownership Support Service (COSS)  <b>Shed Essentials with Axminster</b> Delivered by Axminster Tools
3:25PM—4.00PM	<b>Q&amp;A and Closing Remarks</b>	

*This programme may be subject to slight changes.*

*A final version will be issued to SMSA members in due course.*