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Mega raffle drawn at men's shed

THOUSAND of entries from near and far were in the running to win one of 17 prizes the Murraylands Mens Shed were raffling to raise funds.

On Friday, and about \$8000 later, the raffle was drawn by Member for Hammond Adrian Pederick, with the major prize of a Suzuki mini quad bike going to lucky winner Heather Galpin.

The money raised will go towards purchasing equipment to accommodate metalwork projects.

According to Mens Shed member Mick Loeckenhoff, the group had raised about \$65,000 this year, and over \$208,000 of voluntary labour

had been put into the construction.

"We have applied for six grants from the local, state and federal governments, and we have been successful with five," he said.

Member for Hammond Adrian Pederick praised the men and women who had been involved in the development of the shed.

"It's a fantastic achievement in just 12 months ... I congratulate everyone, whether they put in one hour or 300 hours of work; it's a true credit to everyone involved," Mr Pederick said.

The number of people joining the mens shed continues to grow, with the current total at 145 members.



Waiting for the draw: Bevan and Bev Schulz, of Murray Bridge, try their luck at the men's shed raffle.



Lucky winners: Adrian Pederick draws the raffle while Mick Loeckenhoff calls out the winners at the Murraylands Mens Shed fundraiser.



Patient: Ken Zadow, Lloyd Bennett and Snow Harris, from Murray Bridge, wait for their number to be called at the raffle draw.



Bruno Lablack and Allen Wegener, from Murray Bridge, catch up at the men's shed.



All smiles: Albert and Grace Henderson and Heather Crowhurst, of Murray Bridge, attended the raffle draw on Friday.