COMPUTER PALS FOR SENIORS, TURRAMURRA INC.

One-up Manship
In a train from London to Manchester an American was berating the Englishman sitting opposite him.
"The trouble with you English is that you are too stuffy. You set yourselves apart too much. You think your stiff upper lip makes you above the rest of us. Look at me ....I'm me! I have a little Italian in me, a bit of Greek blood, a little Irish and some Spanish blood. What do you say to that???
The Englishman lowered his newspaper, looked over his glasses and replied, "How very sporting of your mother!"

GENERAL MEETINGS (fourth Thursday of the month, 2 pm)
Thursday 26 May – Joan Craymer will be speaking on "Creative Writing is fun", and a presentation "Painting with Words".
Thursday 23 June – Kate Langford from Woolworths will be speaking on the advantages of on-line shopping.

The following are the main topics the club feels that most members want to know more about. There are waiting lists on the noticeboard at the club rooms, but please feel free to contact either Margaret Ball, (9487 2679) m2ball@iprimus.com.au, or Sue Black, (9144 2206).susanjblack@optusnet.com.au

- Basic word processing in each operating system, creating folders and saving documents; formatting text; text and page borders; WordArt, inserting pictures into text, etc. etc.
- Internet/Email, internet banking/shopping on line, arranging travel, surfing the web, etc.
- Maintaining your computer and keeping it safe, and knowing its main components.
- Desktop publishing, and greeting cards using MS Word
- Excel spreadsheets for keeping home accounts etc.
- Digital photographs, camera to computer, and then how to use the photographs.
- iPads and other tablets, iphones etc.
- Basic use of the Apple computing system.
- Any other topic of computer literacy you would like to know more about.

One-on-one tuition can be arranged if required - Please be specific as to the nature of your requirement so that a tutor clearly understands your needs.

If you are unable to get to the club rooms, please feel free to ring Margaret Ball (9487 2679) or Sue Black (9144 2206) to make a booking. Also, if you are running late for a class please ring the club rooms on 9983 0774 so that the tutor knows whether you are attending the class or not

Nilo and Erich are still offering club members the valuable service of converting transparencies and photos to digital form onto a CD. Please contact Nilo Filipetto on 9416 5345 or Email: nlfilipetto@optusnet.com.au, or Erich Schuller on 9488 8418 or Email: eschull5@bigpond.com. The club is very appreciative of them giving up their time in this manner.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: was held on Thursday 28 April 2016, - the elected members of the Executive Committee are listed at the end of this newsletter. Thanks were given to Norma Kelly who has served on the Committee for nearly sixteen years.

COMPUTER HELP SESSIONS:
The next Help Session will be held on Thursday 12th May and Thursday 9 June, 2 – 4 pm. Tutors will be there to assist you with any computing problems you may have. *If by any chance you are unable to get to the scheduled help session, you may contact Sue Black or Margaret Ball (contact details above) who will arrange a time to suit a tutor and yourself. Please be specific about the topic you need assistance with.*

WINDOWS 10: For those who have WINDOWS 10 on their computers.
At present there are two classes for Windows 10 being conducted at the club. The first is a familiarity session – finding where things are and generally navigating in the system with a period for questions on particular aspects. In the second class attention is given to how to work with some of the features found in class 1. Put your name on the list on the notice board or contact Sue Black, Tel 9144 2206, email: susanjblack15@optusnet.com.au. A third class which will go further into W 10 can be offered if this is of interest. It is anticipated that not all who do class 1 will move on to class 2.

Those, and any others, who may want individual one on one help with W10 should also get in touch with Sue Black

The option for free upgrade from W7 or W8.1 which pops up onto the computer screen will be ending at the end of July. With the expectation that more members will be taking advantage of this, the club is now expanding what is offered for those recently moving to W10 or who may be doing so in the near future

CONFIDENTIALITY: Keep friends close and information closer.

You keep your home free of pests – do the same for your computer system. Having antivirus software that is updated regularly is a good start. Here are descriptions of a few common threats:

ADWARE: Software that is covertly installed on your computer and designed to deliver advertisements or other content which encourages you to purchase goods or services.

SPYWARE: Software that is covertly installed on a computing device and takes information from it without your consent or the knowledge of the user.

VIRUS: Malware designed to infect and corrupt a computer and to copy itself. Viruses can disrupt programs installed on a computer.

SCAM: A commonly used term to describe a confidence trick, relying on email or a website to deliver the trick to unsuspecting users.

MALWARE (Malicious Software): A catch-all term used to describe software designed to be installed into a computer system for the purpose of causing harm to you or others. This would include viruses, spyware, trojans, worms etc.

WORM: A self-replicating virus that does not alter files but resides in active memory and duplicates itself.

TROJAN HORSE: Malicious code that is hidden in a computer program or file that may appear to be useful, interesting, or harmless when using your computer. When this computer program or file is run, the malicious code is also triggered, resulting in the set up or installation of malware.

PHISHING (email/website): Fraudulent email messages or web sites used to gain access to personal information for illegal purposes, such as transferring funds or purchasing goods over the internet.

RANSOMEWARE: This is a type of malware which handicaps computer functionality, eg. through browser hijacking or encrypting personal data, and offers to restore the functionality for a fee, which is extortion. Paying the fee does not guarantee removal of the ransomware, which can lay dormant ready for attack in the future.

After reading all this, you will feel it is essential to keep your operating system, other programs and your virus data updated and be alert for phishing and malware traps. The class on "Maintaining your computer and keeping it safe" specifically deals with this.

For further information, please contact any of the following:

President:	Ken Doyle
Vice President	Dorothy Soper
Secretary:	Margaret Ball
Treasurer/Public Officer:	Patrick Bohr
Committee:	Ken Rowe
	John Richardson
	Dean Simes

A doctor met with an elderly patient. "So what did you get for your birthday?" she asked.
"I'm very excited," he said. "I got an SUV."
"Nice! What type?"   "The Socks, Underwear, and Viagra kind!"