

# COMPUTER PALS FOR SENIORS, TURRAMURRA INC.

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# A Wise Person once said:

We all love to spend money buying new clothes but we never realise that the best moments in life are enjoyed without clothes.

Having a cold drink on a hot day with a few friends is nice, but having a hot friend on a cold night after a few drinks – PRICELESS

A recent study found that women who carry a little extra weight live longer than the men who mention it.

**REFURBISHMENT IN ROOM 2:** You will notice that there are some changes to our two rooms at the club. In Room two there are no longer desk-top computers - there are tables and chairs set out in an informal arrangement, which makes it more conducive to groups discussing iPads, tablets and other handheld devices. The Council has been very obliging with the re-arranging of the furniture and fittings. We are sure that members will find the alterations more appealing. Room 1 is still set up with desk-top computers which enables classes to carry on in a more formal teaching arrangement. Windows10 is now installed on all computers in Room 1 and ready for use.

# **GENERAL MEETINGS – 2 PM.**

Thursday 24 September: Howard Peak will be telling us how to make very professional-looking digital photo presentations on Power Point, and other uses of the program.

Thursday 22 October: Our very own Dean Simes will be giving us a greater insight into backing your computer – something we all should know.

#### **COMPUTER HELP SESSION:**

The dates for Help Sessions for these two months are Thursday 10 September and Thursday 8 October, 2-4 pm. These help sessions are a tremendous opportunity for members to come to the club rooms with any computing problems/queries they may have. There are always a number of tutors waiting to help sort out any problems.

## THE FOLLOWING ARE OUR MAINSTREAM COURSES:

• Course 1 - Basic Computing using Office 2003 OR Office 2007/2010: (four weeks course)

- ◆ Course 2 Word 2003 OR Word 2007/2010: (four weeks course)
- ◆ Course 3 Word 2003 OR Word 2007/2010: (seven weeks course)

## **Additional Courses:**

- **Desktop Publishing Using Word:** Tuesday afternoons (five weeks)
- Internet/Email: Thursday mornings and Friday afternoons (four weeks)
- Introduction to Excel: Thursday mornings (six weeks)
- Understanding Your Computer: Tuesdays (for more advanced students)
- Files and Folders: 3-week classes.
- Introduction to iPads/tablets and other hand-held devices. Wednesday/Thursdays
- W8.1.1: Further exploration of this operating system. Tuesday
- One-on-one refresher lesson/s for Courses 1 and 2 for XP, W7 or W8.1 (Friday morning)
- The Club also provides a service of transferring slides/transparencies and photos (prints) to a CD/DVD: Thursday and Friday. Contact Nilo (9416 5345) or Erich (9488 8418)

Short sessions now available: Attaching Documents/Photos to Emails; Transferring Photos from Camera or mobile phone to Computer, and Backing-Up Files.

The days that these courses are held may alter occasionally. Please be understanding, it all depends on the volunteer tutors' availability - they do have the occasional holidays and a life outside of Computer Pals! If the day for a specific course is impractical for you, ask if an alternative is possible. Some tutors have flexibility in the times they can present a course.

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.

One-on-one tuition may be arranged for some of these courses, and other topics - please contact either of the above people. Please be specific as to the nature of your problem so that a tutor clearly understands your needs.

#### **TUTORIAL NOTES AVAILABLE - UPGRADING TO W10:**

Notes, including screen shots, have been written to show the details of the process for downloading and installing the free upgrade to W10 for those who have W7 with SP1 or W8.1. These are available on request in an email to Margaret Ball, m2ball@iprimus.com.au.

#### TRAVELLING OVERSEAS?

For travellers, an iPad is a common companion to stay connected and stay in touch and Apple has launched a new SIM card service that will keep users connected when they are overseas. Apple SIM lets you choose a cellular data plan from the available providers in more than 90 countries and territories around the world including the US, Canada, UK and across Europe. The Apple SIM is available from Apple retail stores and will work with the iPad Air 2 and iPad Mini 3 Wi-Fi + cellular models. No matter which of these countries you travel to, there is no need to change the SIM card but simply choose a plan from the available providers that will appear on the iPad's screen. Apple has partnered with GigSky which has agreements with carriers around the world to allow Apple SIM customers find a plan that suits

their data needs and the length of their stay whether it's a day, a week or a month. "We're elated to offer iPad users a new way to stay connected around the world," said Ravi Rishy-Maharaj, Founder and CEO of GigSky

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#### AS WE GET OLDER:

- I think more about running away now than I did as a kid. The only thing is that by the time I have my glasses on and my teeth in I have forgotten why or where I am going.
  - Hmmm-I am not sure if I have free time on my hands or if I have forgotten something.
- I miss being the age I was when I thought I would have my life together by the time I was the age I am now.
  - Middle age is when you still believe you are going to feel better in the morning.
    - The older we get the more dangerous it is to sneeze.

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