

# COMPUTER PALS FOR SENIORS, TURRAMURRA INC.

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## It's hard being a blonde (and challenged by technology)

"I would like to buy a pair of pink curtains" — "certainly" said the salesman.

He shows her a wide selection of lovely designs, but she has a problem making a decision.

"What size do you need" he asks. "twenty-two inches" she replies.

"That sounds very small. What room are they for?"

"They are not for a room, they are for my computer monitor. It says it has Windows"

## **GENERAL MEETINGS (fourth Thursday of the month, 2 pm)**

**Thursday, 24 March**: A speaker from Microsoft will be giving a presentation of new innovations

**Thursday, 28 April:** Annual General Meeting (see below) Followed by a digital presentation of Margaret Ball's trip to Bangladesh

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) <a href="mailto:m2ball@iprimus.com.au">m2ball@iprimus.com.au</a>, or Sue Black, (9144 2206).<a href="mailto:susanjblack@optusnet.com.au">susanjblack@optusnet.com.au</a>

- 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 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.

The Club still offers the valuable service of converting transparencies and photos to digital form onto a CD. Please contact Nilo Filipetto on 9416 5345 or Email: <a href="mailto:nlfilipetto@optusnet.com.au">nlfilipetto@optusnet.com.au</a>, or Erich Schuller on 9488 8418 or Email: <a href="mailto:eschull5@bigpond.com">eschull5@bigpond.com</a>.

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: Thursday 28 April 2016 at 2 pm.

A couple of positions on the Committee will become vacant for the coming year. If you think you could come forward and offer to help with the running of the club we would very much appreciate hearing from you. We are now in our sixteenth year of operation, and the current Committee has been in office for most of that time (and we are all getting older!!!!)

### MICROSOFT'S NOTICES OF W10 FREE UPGRADE:

• For many months notices about the free upgrade from W7 and W8.1 to W10 (free until late July this year) have been regularly showing on computers. Generally these have been advisory, but also are designed to facilitate the upgrade.

- As part of the February updates a W10 download is included. It does not automatically install. This is an "Accept or Decline". Depending on the computer this can be up to 3GB in size.
- For those who do not intend to move to W10 and wish to stay with their present system Microsoft provides instructions for disabling the W10 upgrade. This is rather technical and most club members would probably not be comfortable doing this.
- An alternative which is easy to use is a free program GWX Control Panel. For advice on this please contact Margaret at <a href="mailto:m2ball@iprimus.com.au">m2ball@iprimus.com.au</a>

Worried about the Catalyst program on WiFi safety? For a response by Australian medical experts see this article –

http://www.pcauthority.com.au/Feature/415247,do-wi-fi-and-mobile-phones-really-cause-cancer-experts-respond.aspx?eid=19&edate=20160218&utm\_source=20160218&utm\_edium=newsletter&utm\_campaign=daily\_newsl\_etter&nl=daily\_newsl\_etter.

### **COMPUTER HELP SESSIONS:**

The first Help Session for the year will be on Thursdays 10 March and 14 April, 2-4 pm.

**COMPUTER REPAIRERS:** (please keep a note of these as they won't be included in every newsletter):

- CompuParts & Services P/L, 63 Hunter St, Hornsby. Tel: Ismet on 9482 2582. Computers at the Club are supplied by this company. Ismet does not make home visits.
- Lawrence Lam, Tel: 8812 2266: Mobile: 0418 602 338; Email: <a href="mailto:llam.lcs@gmail.com">llam.lcs@gmail.com</a>
- ➤ YS Computing, Tel: 9888 9352, Mob: 0419 801 307 free home visit and assessment, then quote
- ➤ Shepp Computers, Tel:9487 5443, Mob: 0402 026 464 \$129 for home visit
- ➤ Eric You, Pymble Computing Services, Tel 9440 8078, Mob: 0403 008 190, <a href="mailto:pymblepcs@hotmail.com">pymblepcs@hotmail.com</a> \$85 per hour for home visit, followed by \$40 per 30 min.
- Russell Parton, Tel. 0412 566 370. \$70/hour within 10 km from Lindfield.

The Club does not especially recommend any one repairer, but some of our members have used them and have been very satisfied. Here is an indication of the hourly rate before taking your computer to their premises or having them visit your home

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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: Norma Kelly
John Richardson
Dean Simes

#### Marital Bliss (or Revenge)

Husband to Wife – "Whenever I get mad at you, never seem to get upset. How do you control yourself?"

Wife replied – "I just and clean the toilet". Husband comments "How does that help?"

Wife: "I use your toothbrush"

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Renewal of Membership Fee: January – December 2016	
Name:	Address:
Telephone No.	Email:
Single: \$65.00	Married Couple: \$100.00 (Please circle relevant amount)

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