

# COMPUTER PALS FOR SENIORS, TURRAMURRA INC.

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# Wonderful English from Around the World

Airline ticket office, Copenhagen: We take your bags and send them in all directions.

A Laundry in Rome: Ladies, leave your clothes here and spend the afternoon having a good time.

Hotel, Zurich: Because of the impropriety of entertaining guests of the opposite sex in the bedroom, it is suggested

that the lobby be used for this purpose.

Cocktail lounge, Norway: Ladies are requested not to have children in the bar.

**Restaurant**, Nairobi: Customers who find our waitresses rude ought to see the manager.

Hotel, Japan: You are invited to take advantage of the chambermaid.

# GENERAL MEETING - Thursday 27th July, at 2 pm

David from Samsung will be giving a presentation on the intricacies of smart phones and tablets.

This follows our disappointment at the cancellation of a speaker from this organisation at our April meeting. This should be of interest to a great number of our members.

It appears that tuition on the use of iPads/tablets and iPhones/smart phones is very popular. We are now liaising with Ku-Ring-Gai Computer Pals, and the following are the sessions available at both clubs at present.

Time	Where	What	Who
10 am Monday	Wahroonga	iPad / iPhone / iPod	Peter
11 am Tuesday	East Lindfield	Android tablet or phone	Alanah
2 pm Tuesday	East Lindfield	iPad / iPhone / iPod	Assunta
2 pm Wednesday	Turramurra	iPad / iPhone / iPod	Anne Worsley
10 am Thursday	Turramurra	Android tablet or phone	Dorothy
10 am Friday	Turramurra	iPad / iPhone / iPod	Anne Timmins

The other courses that the club has always provided tuition in are still continuing. To take advantage of any tuition at Computer Pals at Turramurra please contact: Sue Black on 9989 8062 between 10 am and 4 pm, or email her on <a href="mailto:susanjblack15@gmail.com">susanjblack15@gmail.com</a>, or if you would like tuition at East Lindfield or Wahroonga please contact Ku-Ring-Gai Club on 9416 9049

- 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.
- W10, class 1 introduction and familiarisation.
- W10, class 2 some settings and applications.
- W10, class 3 care and security
- W10, class 4 backing up
- W10, class 5 some other matters and recap
- 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.
- Basic use of the Apple computing system.

If you are unable to get to the club rooms, please feel free to ring Margaret Ball (9487 2679) or Sue Black (9989 8062) 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 Erick are still continuing the valuable service of converting transparencies and photos to digital form onto a CD. They are now able to scan negatives on to a CD, or you may bring your own memory stick. Please contact Nilo Filipetto on 9416 5345 or Email: nlfilipetto@optusnet.com.au, or Erich Schuller on 9488 8418 or Email: eschull5@outlook.com.

#### **COMPUTER HELP SESSIONS:**

The next help session will be on Thursday 13 July at 2 pm. The following ones will be on Thursdays 10 August and 14 September, all at 2 pm. Tutors will be available to help you with any computing problems you may have. Please make use of this valuable service – tutors are willing to give up their time to help you.

# **CREATIVE WRITING GROUP:**

The creative writing group is meeting at the club rooms at 10 am on the first Monday of each month. We welcome any 'creative' writers to come and join us for an entertaining morning – interesting refreshments provided. Contact Margaret Ball to find out what the topic of the month is – 9487 2679, m2ball@iprimus.com.au.

# Ransomware Attacks Networked Businesses – Lessons for the Home User

In May some networked businesses and other organisations were attacked by the ransomware called WannaCrypt. This infection entered and spread through the networks using a file sharing support feature which is part of all Windows operating systems.

A security flaw had been found in this program sometime earlier and this had been fixed by Microsoft in March updates. The affected businesses had not installed this update.

Then at the end of June there was another widespread ransomware attack. It was different from that of May. It is spread by a few methods including by the same file sharing (unpatched) feature used by the May ransomware. Most of those infected were using W7, but the file sharing feature is in all Windows systems, including W10.

For the home user with W10 automatic updating is integral. When switched on W10 checks the availability of updates to Microsoft programs, and about every 20 or so hours thereafter. When found they are downloaded and then installed in an inactive period, or earlier time if user initiates it.

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

- CompuParts & Services P/L, 28 Salisbury Road, Asquith. Tel: Ismet on 0404 086 555. 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

For further information, please contact any of the following:

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#### My Living Will

Last night my kids and I were sitting in the living room, and I said to them "I never want to live in a vegetative state, dependent on a machine and fluids from a bottle.

If ever that ever happens, just pull the plug".

They got up, unplugged my computer and threw out the wine.

The little b.....ds.