



**COMPUTER PALS FOR SENIORS
TURRAMURRA INC.**

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A Little Bit of Aussie Culcha

LOG ON – Adding wood to make Barbie hotter. LOG OFF – Not adding wood to barbie

MONITOR: Keeping an eye on the barbie. DOWNLOAD: Getting the firewood to the ute

HARD DRIVE: Making trip home without tinnies. KEYBOARD: Where you hang the ute keys

WINDOW: What you shut when the weather is bad. SCREEN: What you shut when its mozzie season

BYTE: What the mozzies do if you don't shut the screen. MEGABYTE: What the Townsville mozzies do.

CHIP: Hot or Cold. MICROCHIP: What's left at the bottom of the bag.

MODEM: What you did to the lawns. LAPTOP: Where the cat sleeps

SOFTWARE: Plastic knives & forks you get at Red Rooster. HARDWARE: Stainless Steel cutlery from Kmart

MOUSE: A small rodent that eats the grain in the barn. MAINFRAME: That holds up the barn

WEB: Spiders in the barn make. WEBSITE: In the barn or under the verandah

Roy Sim: As some of you already know, our good friend Roy Sim passed away on Monday 28 December after a long struggle with cancer. Roy had been involved with the Club since its inception early in 2001 – he got us started by loaning us our original seven computers, arranging for us to adapt another club's manuals, and steering us in the right direction right the way through. The club is immensely thankful for Roy's dedication to its progress – he will certainly be missed by us all.

This is the final reminder that membership fees are due. If you have not already done so, could you please use this renewal slip to accompany your 2010 fees. After 31 March 2010 any member who has not paid their fees will be classed as unfinancial – Remember that our courses are only available to financial members.

The following courses are available: Please put your name on the appropriate class list on the noticeboard in the foyer, and your place will be confirmed by phone the week before commencement. **There is a document on the board giving the different toolbars for Word 2003 and Word 2007 – please enrol in the class that teaches the program that you have on your own computer.** It is sometimes difficult to read the names and numbers on the list, so please write clearly (*we are all getting older!!!*).

Introduction to Computing: (six weeks course) Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

Working With Word: Thursday and Friday (four weeks)

Mastering Word: Monday and Thursday (six weeks)

Internet/Email: Tuesday and Wednesday mornings, Friday afternoons (four weeks)

Introduction to Publisher: Tuesday afternoons (five weeks)

Introduction to Excel: Thursday mornings (six weeks)

Digital Photography: Monday and Thursdays, mornings and afternoons

The days that these courses are held may alter occasionally. It all depends on the tutors' availability so please be understanding - they do have the occasional holidays and a life outside of Computer Pals!

SLIDES/TRANSPARENCIES:

The club has a scanner capable of transferring slides on to a computer and then on to a cd. To avail yourself of this, please place your name on the booking sheet on the noticeboard in the foyer. Transferring up to 100 slides usually takes about one hour.

COMPUTER HELP SESSIONS:

The next help sessions will be held on Thursdays 11 March and 8 April, 2 – 4 pm. This is a good opportunity to get any help you may need with what you have learnt in our courses, and with any other queries regarding computing.

CLUB OPEN DAY DURING SENIORS WEEK:

As usual, the club has arranged to have an Open Day on Wednesday 17 March 2010 – this coincides with Ku-ring-gai Council's activities for Seniors Week. Please make a note of the date and inform your family and friends of the occasion. The club will also have a stand at the Expo at St Ives Shopping Centre on Thursday 11 March.

COMPUTER REPAIRERS:

We can now advise that the supplier of computer parts and accessories to the club for many years can assist members with their computing needs. CompuParts and Services Pty Ltd are at 63 Hunter St Hornsby, and are happy to assist with repairs or upgrades, will build a new machine for a nominal labour charge or supply parts and accessories such as printers, modems, inks, cables etc. Their prices are quite competitive. Contact Ismet on 9482 2582 if you require more information.

Other repairers some of our members have used are as follows (*please keep a note of these as they won't be included in every newsletter*):

- Servant Pty Ltd (Thornleigh), Tel: 9980 9866, email: info@servant.net.au; www.servant.net.au
- Peter Harding, Tel: 9514 5496; Mob. 0405 118 035; email: guanylic@gmail.com
- YS Computing, Tel: 9888 9352, Mob: 0419 801 307
- Shepp Computers, Tel:9487 5443, Mob: 0402 026 464
- Peter Armati, Tel: 9878 1125, Mob: 0402 371 971
- Joran van der Smagt, JCR Computers, Tel: 8004 6043, Mob: 0403 492 043, joran@jcrcomputers.com.au
- Eric You, Pymble Computing Services, Tel 9440 8078, Mob: 0403 008 190, pymblepcs@hotmail.com

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

NEED A NEW COMPUTER? – CHEAP!

If you are a Centrelink card holder.you can avail yourself of an offer of a new desktop Computer with XP Pro operating system, MS Office 2003, a 17 inch CRT monitor, internet ready with new modem and up-to-date antivirus, all for \$250, including delivery. There are add-ons available – ring WorkVentures Connect IT, 1800 112 205.

General Meeting – Thursday 25 March, 2 pm
Question and Answer session

Annual General Meeting – Thursday 22 April, 2 pm
All positions will be declared vacant, and nominations for any position will be gratefully received before the actual date, or even on the day.
Followed by a Presentation by Jim Sweeting on how to back up files, drives etc.

For further information, please contact any of the following:

President:	Ken Doyle	9449 9160
Vice President	Norma Kelly	9144 3186
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	John Richardson	9418 1228
	Jim Sweeting	9449 4369

Bits and Pieces

*Money isn't everything, but it sure keeps the kids in touch.
I may be schizophrenic, but at least I have each other.
I am a nobody. Nobody is perfect, therefore I am perfect.
In just two days from now, tomorrow will be yesterday.
I want to die while asleep like my grandfather, not screaming in terror like the passengers in his bus.*

Renewal of Membership Fee: January – December 2010

Name: Address:

Telephone No. Email:

Single: \$65.00 Married Couple: \$100.00 (*Please circle relevant amount*)

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