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Dates to Remember

Monday, 9th April

Morning Tea in School Hall - Guest Speaker is Jenny Samuels from Senior Rights Service.

Bring your friends

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Writerpals and Memorypals - 1 pm

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Australian Seniors
Computer Clubs Association **ASCCA**

President's Report



Do hope you enjoyed the Easter break and the return to Eastern Standard Time, but escaped being caught out on April Fools' Day. This year school holidays do not start until Friday 13th April so we still have a couple of weeks of Term One left with some very popular Question and Answer sessions in the last week.

Welcome to all the new members! We trust you are enjoying your learning time with ComputerPals. If there is anything we can do to assist you, please let us know. Feedback is important.

This week sees the start of the NSW Seniors Festival (Seniors Week). **Our special event** is on **Monday next, 9th April**, commencing at **9:30am** in the Islington Public School Hall. We hope to fill the Assembly Hall for our **Morning Tea** especially since we have a presentation by Jenny Samuels from the Seniors Rights Service. Jenny will speak on Retirement Accommodation and we will have the opportunity to ask questions about seniors' rights. The Term Two class schedule will be available by then and there is the chance to enrol. Morning Tea will be delicious as usual so gather up friends and invite them along.

At this time of year we start thinking about the ASCCA (Australian Seniors Computer Clubs Association) creative writing and digital photography competitions. Unfortunately ASCCA is not conducting these competitions this year. Our keen writers and photographers would like to continue the tradition of a competition so hone your skills because, by the beginning of Term Two, we should have some news of a local competition for you. If you have any ideas for judges (voluntary, of course) for these competitions please let us know.

Let's Do More Together through ComputerPals

Sandra Keen — President

A big part of Online Security is simple COMMON SENSE

I am noticing more and more scam calls coming through on my mobile phone - The same control principals apply.....**HANG UP!**
If you don't recognise the number - think twice about answering the call. If it is genuine, the caller will usually leave a message and you can call back.

Remember - a phone call is an invitation to talk, not a royal command. Pesky calls can be blocked.

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Have you ever wondered what those texts say?

Here's a list of some common Text Shorthand and Meanings ...

2G2B4G	Too Good To Be Forgotten	KNIM?	Know What I Mean?
2G2BT	Too Good To Be True	L2G	(Would) Love To Go
2MOR	Tomorrow	LHM	Lord Help Me
4COL	For Crying Out Loud	LI	LinkedIn
AAR	At Any Rate	LMAO	Laughing My A-- Off
ADDY	Address	LNT	Meaning Lost In Translation
AFP	Away From Phone	LOL	Laughing Out Loud
BBL	Be Back Later	M\$	Microsoft
BBS	Be Back Soon	MOO	My Own Opinion
BION	Believe It Or Not	N2M	Nothing Too Much
COB	Close Of Business	NFS	Not For Sale
CR8	Create	NOYB	None Of Your Business
CSL	Can't Stop Laughing	NVM	Never Mind
CTC	Care To Chat?	OMG	Oh My God
CTN	Can't Talk Now	OTOH	On The Other Hand
CYA	See You Later	PCM	Please Call Me
CYE	Check Your Email	PXT	Please Explain That
DBAU	Doing Business As Usual	QFE	Question For Everyone
DIY	Do It Yourself	QQ	Quick Question
DKDC	Don't Know Don't Care	RBAY	Right Back At You
DTRT	Do The Right Thing	RLY	Really
DUR?	Do You Remember?	RME	Rolling My Eyes
DXNRY	Dictionary	ROFLOL	Rolling on Floor Laughing Out Loud
EOD	End Of Day	RYS?	Are You Single?
EOL	End Of Lecture	SIMYC	Sorry I Missed Your Call
ETA	Estimated Time Of Arrival	SMDH	Shaking My Damn Head
FB	Facebook	SMH	Shaking My Head
FBOW	For Better Or Worse	STFU	Shut The F Up
FTL	For The Loss	TFS	Thanks For Sharing
FTW	For The Win	TGIF	Thank God It's Friday
FWB	Friends With Benefits	TMI	Too Much Information
FYI	For Your Information	TTYL	Talk To You Later

.... And there are many more!

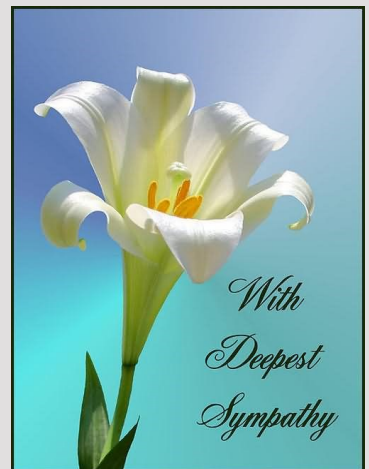
Best Wishes

For all our members who are celebrating birthdays and anniversaries - hearty congratulations !



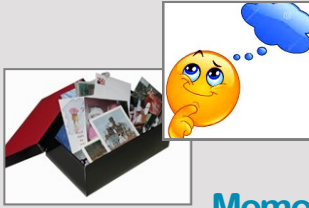
To those who are ill we send our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

Condolences



To those of our members who have lost loved ones recently, please accept our sincere condolences. You are in our thoughts.

Special Interest Groups



MemoryPals

Our new group meets on **first Monday** of each month at 1:00pm in the clubroom. Reminisce about your childhood memories and learn how to preserve them.

WriterPals



Our Creative Writing group is for enthusiasts, not experts. We meet on the **second Monday of each month** at 15 Hubbard Street, Islington. Meetings are from 1:00 pm. until we go home!



DigiPals

DigiPals is an active group of ComputerPals members who meet on the **third Monday of each month** at 1 p.m. in the Islington clubroom to explore digital photography.

TabPals



If you have a portable device: iPad, Android tablet we have a Special Interest group called TabPals.

The **fourth Friday of the month** is our regular meeting **Apple devices** at 11 a.m, **Android** at 1pm in the clubroom.

MemoryPals

This month we have a great idea shared by our Tutor Mitzi Gordon.

Come along on Monday 9th April –after the Morning Tea to learn more about Mitzi’s sharing and meet the Writerpals group. Enjoy the break between the two events by bringing a bite to eat and have a chat until we start at 1pm.

WriterPals

Everybody has a story to tell...

This month we are having a joint meeting with the Memorypals group as their meeting was missed on Easter Monday.

We will be meeting in the Computerpals room after the Morning Tea which will be held in the school hall.

It would be great if we had a few fresh faces and new ideas.

Everyone has a story so how about sharing yours.

We meet on the 2nd Monday of the month at 1pm, and all are welcome - with or without stories in hand. There is no obligation or pressure to share anything you have written.

DigiPals

Digipals people watch your inbox for an email from Barry who will let you know where and when the next get together is.

Digipals group meets on the 3rd Monday of the month at 1 pm.

TabPals

There usually a good attendance at TabPals but please note we meet on the 4th Friday of month (this is not always the last Friday).

You will learn things you weren’t even aware that you didn’t know!
Apple users—tablets and phones—meet at 11 am
Android users—tablets and phones—meet at 1pm

Bring your device fully charged AND your questions.

ComputerPals Mission

Our mission is to educate seniors in the use of computers as a way of enriching their lives and making them more self-reliant. We bridge the generation gap and assist seniors to find ways to benefit the community through their collective experience and knowledge.

Contact Us



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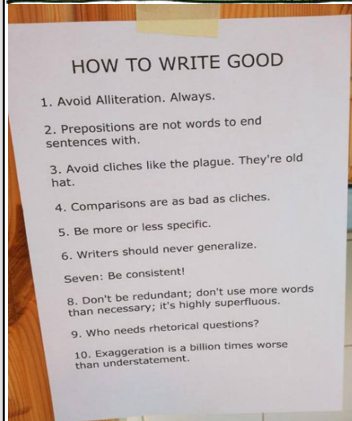
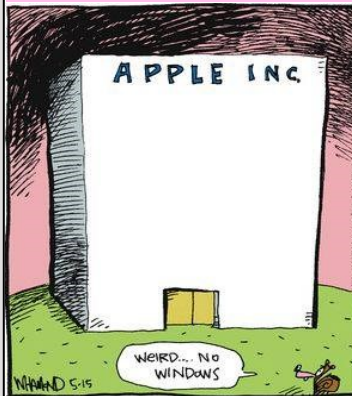


Wendy Cripps-Clark

These people are all volunteers who also teach classes at Computerpals. We ask that you take this into consideration when your phone call is not answered immediately.

Funnybone—

Yawning is your body's way of saying 20% of battery remaining.



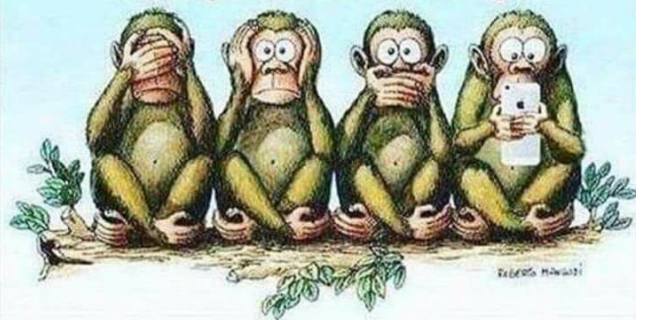
Four levels of crazy:

1. Talks to self
2. Argues with self
3. Interrupts self while arguing with self.
4. No longer speaking to self.



SOMETIMES I PRETEND TO BE NORMAL.
but it gets boring.
SO I GO BACK TO BEING ME.

Finally the fourth ape! He is the sum of the first three:
He sees nobody, hears nobody and speaks to nobody.



How to wash a cat

1. Put both lids of the toilet up and add 1/8 cup of pet shampoo to the water in the bowl...
2. Pick up the cat and soothe him while you carry him towards the bathroom.
3. In one smooth movement put the cat in the toilet and close the lid. You may need to stand on the lid.
4. At this point the cat will self agitate and make ample suds. Never mind the noises that come from the toilet, the cat is actually enjoying this!
5. Flush the toilet three or four times. This provides a 'Power-Wash' and 'Rinse'.
6. Have someone open the front door of your home. Be sure that there are no people between the bathroom and the front door.
7. Stand well back, behind the toilet as far as you can, and quickly lift the lid.
8. The cat will rocket out of the toilet, streak through the bathroom, and run outside where he will dry himself off.
9. Both the toilet and the cat will be sparkling clean.

Yours Sincerely,

The Dog

An outback preacher said, "Anyone with 'special needs' who wants to be prayed over, please come forward to the front by the altar."

With that, an old Aboriginal man got in line, when it was his turn, the Preacher asked:

"Mulrunji, what do you want me to pray about for you?"

Mulrunji replied, "Preacher, I need you to pray for help with my hearing."

The preacher put one finger of one hand in Mulrunji's ear, placed his other hand on top of Mulrunji's head, and then prayed and prayed and prayed.

He prayed to the 'Almighty' for Mulrunji, and the whole congregation joined in with great enthusiasm. Voices were raised in fervent prayer and song. After a while, the preacher removed his hands, stood back to catch his breath and asked, "Mulrunji, how is your hearing now?"

Mulrunji answered, "I don't know. It's not 'til next week!"