

ComputerPals - Newcastle

Where Seniors master technology

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Dates to Remember

Friday, 6th July:
Enrolment Day - 9.30am
till 11.30am

Friday, 13th July:
Laptop Assistance -
10 am to 12 noon

School Holidays
begin on 7th July
School resumes 23rd
July.

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President's Report - June

With the winter school holidays approaching ComputerPals tutors are looking forward to a short break from classes. The Laptop Assistance Session will still be held as usual on the 2nd Friday (13th July) from 10 am to 12 noon.

Next term's timetable of classes is being constructed and will be ready for our Enrolment Day on Friday 6th July. If you have a request send us an email or drop a note in the suggestion box in the clubroom.

Thank you to all the members who braved the frosty morning for our June Members Meeting and Morning Tea. We were pleasantly surprised by the numbers, especially after many members sent in apologies due to prior engagements. Those who attended gave good feedback following discussion about the future of our club. We look forward to hearing from anyone who has suggestions to offer for ways to encourage more participation and any areas in which we can improve.

The next big event on the calendar at ComputerPals is the **Annual General Meeting and Lunch** which will be held on **Friday 10th August** at Cardiff RSL Club starting at 11am. Put the date on your calendar because we would like as many members as possible to join us. Cost and payment details will be sent out soon.

At the Annual General Meeting all committee positions will be declared vacant. This is your club and you can have a say on who is on the committee, but only if you are a Financial Member. Please take advantage of the Nomination Form on our website under the 'Home' tab in 'Constitution and Forms'. These forms are also available in the clubroom. If you know of someone that you think should be on the committee, put in a nomination!

Many new and continuing members have already taken advantage of the Early Bird Bonus for memberships paid by 31st August 2018. The Bonus allows a free class up to the value of \$12.00 or a discount off any course of a value greater than \$12.00 and expires on 30 June, 2019.

Thank you to members who have joined 'BeConnected' attached to ComputerPals Newcastle. The easy to follow online courses are good revision and provide easy homework for our members. If you want to know more about 'BeConnected' just ask our tutors.

Sandra Keen — President

DIGITAL PHOTOS AND CREATIVE WRITING COMPETITIONS

Entries are open NOW

Start putting your entries in with a completed entry form.

Closing date is Monday 15th October, 2018

Entry form and full rules (go to the website)

2018 DIGITAL PHOTO COMPETITION

Categories:-

1. People / Portrait
2. Landscape / Seascape
3. Photo Travel / Journalism
4. Macro
5. Open

CREATIVE WRITING COMPETITION

The topics are:-

Prose – You can enter one story only for each of the three topics:

1. Open Topic – You are invited to submit your best piece of writing
 2. Tourist (s) – A general treatise on Tourists in general or a personal memoir from your own travels.
 3. Fences – Whether you sit on it, hide behind it, or built it yourself - tell us the story of YOUR fence
- 1,000 words or less for each of these topics.*

Poetry – You can enter one poem only for each of the same three topics

4. Open – A poem about anything you choose.
5. Tourist (s)
6. Fences

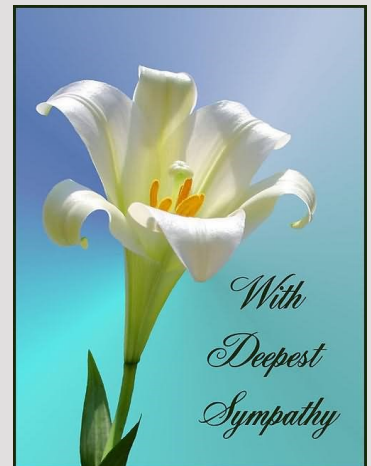
Any style of poetry may be entered, using no more than 350 words each topic.

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

Next MemoryPals will be held on Monday 6th August. If members have any special requests for help with Family History searching or compilation of information please drop us an email.

WriterPals

Everybody has a story to tell...

School holidays begin again on Friday 6th July with our Enrolment Day being our last activity for Term 2. A lot of us have “Grandchild Duties” and some are harbouring germ colonies which need to be eradicated. With this in mind, our next Writerpals meeting will be on August 13th. Please join us then at the clubroom.

If you have questions about our competition or need help with getting your entries organised, come along and we will do our best to help you.

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

Next meeting will be on Monday 20th August starting at the clubroom.

We have been defeated by the weather the last two meetings. However, we will try again to do the train to Wickham and photograph changes to the surrounding area. Bring your cameras ready for action.

TabPals

There usually a good attendance at TabPals in the clubroom

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



To contact the Roster Team or the Treasurer regarding rosters or payments use:

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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—

Apparently you can't use 'beefstew' as a password.

It's not stroganoff.

"Today is Sunday"

Share this on your facebook wall. Within 7 days you'll get another Sunday. It really works.

One of my friend ignored this message & he got a Monday within 24 hours..

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.



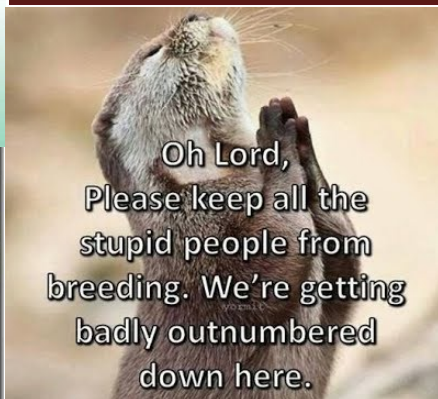
COMPUTER TECH SUPPORT? ALRIGHT... I'VE REMOVED ALL OF MY COOKIES... NOW WHAT?



A graffiti artist put a road runner tunnel on a wall & someone tried to drive through it.



I always knew I'd get old. How fast it happened was a bit of a surprise, though.



IT CAN'T BE MONDAY ALREADY, I haven't finished the weekend



WARNING
approach with caution, I'm unsupervised today and full of caffeine and bad ideas !!!

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