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#### Dates to Remember

Friday, 15th June Outing to Sydney

<u>Monday 18th June</u> Morning Tea 9:30 am

DigiPals 1:00 pm

<u>Friday, 22nd June,</u> <u>2018</u>: TabPals - 11 am & 1 pm

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Australian Seniors Computer Clubs Association

## **President's Report**

About this time last year we introduced the new fee structure and members were happy to support this so the club could meet its financial commitments. This year we are 'giving back' in the form of an Early Bird Bonus for any new member joining, or existing member renewing, by 31st August 2018. The Bonus will be for 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.

Be assured, the committee is continuing the search for a more cost effective solution to our accommodation. We have viewed many sites and although they meet some of our needs they fall short in other aspects. The costs associated with moving will be considerable, because we will have to purchase a number of laptop computers, so we must be sure of our tenure in any new accommodation. At our next Members Morning Tea, 9:30 am on Monday 18th June, the committee will outline progress made to date.

The change of season has brought with it the usual range of coughs, colds and viruses. If you cannot attend class for any reason please let our team of volunteers know by phoning 4961 6576 or emailing contact@computerpals.org.au This is particularly important because you may be the only one in the class and we don't want volunteers wasting time and petrol driving to the clubroom for no good reason. Credits will only be allowed if you contact us in reasonable time.

There are a number of timeslots available for classes towards the end of this term. Please contact us or put a suggestion in the box in the clubroom if there is a particular class you would like scheduled.

ComputerPals Newcastle exists to service the needs of seniors and we do this best if we know what their needs are; therefore, you need to communicate your needs. It is said, 'We do not know what we do not know!' If this describes you, then enrol in a Question & Answer Class - you will be surprised what you learn! There is a Q & A Class scheduled on Thursday 5th July at 12:15 pm.

Once again, Brenton has organised an interesting excursion to Sydney on Friday, 15th June. By now members should have received an email with all details and how to submit an attendance form.

Our Digital Photography and Creative Writing Competition details have now been finalised. Competition Rules and Entry Forms are now available. Let's have some fun and loads of entries.

Looking forward to seeing you at Morning Tea on 18th June. We have a guest speaker who will get us moving in our chairs as a way of keeping healthy—should be fun!

Sandra Keen – President

# A big part of Online Security is simple COMMON SENSE

Listen up 'sunshine', we don't mean to 'dragon', but scammers 'welcome' an easy 'password'. In fact, it's as easy as 'abc123'. So it's a good idea to change your 'passw0rd' to a 'password1' cannot guess so easily the next time that you 'login' from your 'qwerty' keyboard. Oh, and don't be tempted by a prince or 'princess' online offering a 'flower' and telling you to 'loveme'. It's better to be 'master' of your own destiny, and go 'solo'. Your IT system 'admin' will appreciate it.

The top 25 common passwords (via Stay Smart Online)

1. 123456	14. abc123		
2. password	15. admin		
3. 12345	16. 121212		
4. 12345678	17. flower		
5. football	18. passw0rd		
6. qwerty	19. dragon		
7. 1234567890	20. sunshine		
8. 1234567	21. master		
9. princess	22. hottie		
10. 1234	23. loveme		
11. login	24. zaq1zaq1		
12. welcome	25. password1		

13. solo

Care in avoiding scams is strongly recommended - do not engage in conversation or discussion - just hang up. If you have an answering machine, use it to monitor unrecognised calls.

Traffic infringement fines and taxation payment demands **do not come by email** and are scams. If you are in doubt, phone the relevant office - **NOT** the number in the email. They look a little bit like this. Do NOT open the attachment.

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# **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

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

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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 aroup 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 <u>Friday</u> of the month is our regular meeting Apple devices at 11 a.m, Android at 1pm in the clubroom.

# MemoryPals

At the recent MemoryPals meeting we investigated the internet site www.historypin.org

This website shows current photos of locations with older photos as overlays, giving a good perspective on the old and new.

Our next get together will be on 2nd July so bring along research projects for sharing and help.

# WriterPals

# Everybody has a story to tell...

Since there will be no ASCCA competitions this year, we have decided to organise our own and invite other local clubs to participate.

Judges for the poetry and story sections have been organised and topics set -3 topics for story and/or poem. When everything is finalised in the next couple of weeks, the details will be circulated and you can put pen to paper and share your talents.

Queens Birthday knocks out our next meeting day, so you can spend it writing instead.

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. Next meeting will be on 18th June, and we may have some photos to share taken on the club social outing to Sydney on 15th June.

Last meeting was held in the clubroom and revolved around discussion about the planned Digital Photographic Competition.

Lindsay demonstrated aspects of photo size and editing.

## 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.

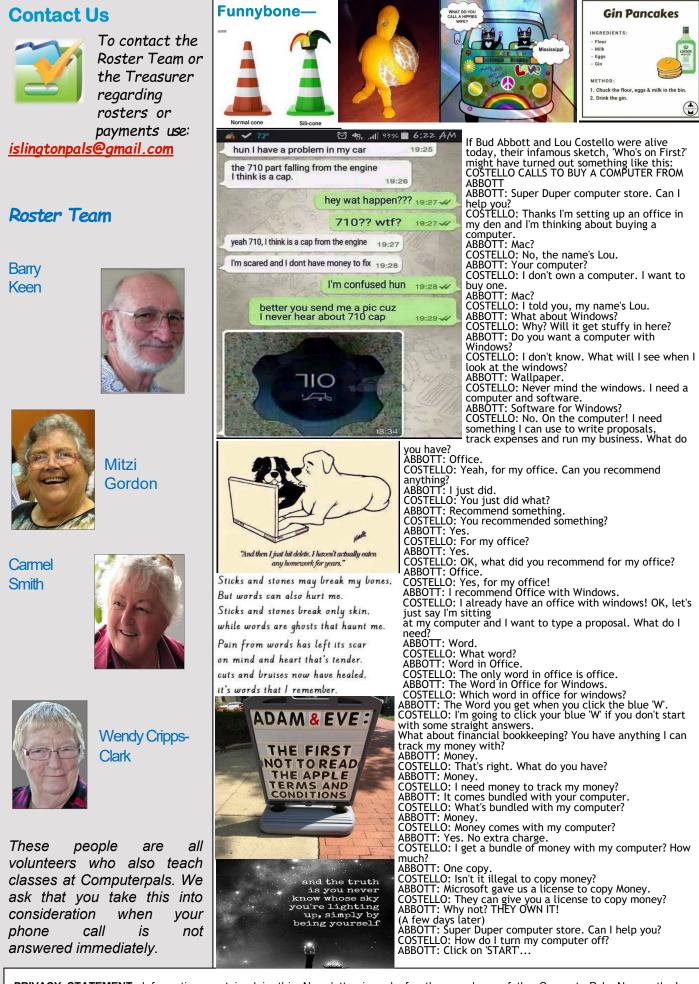
# **ComputerPals Mission**

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.

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