

HURSTVILLE SENIORS COMPUTER CLUB



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"keeping up with our grandchildren"

NEWSLETTER

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CLUB NEWS

Thanks to Brenda Eggleton for organising the Computer Expo on 5 April, as part of Hurstville City Council's Seniors Festival activities for 2016 and special thanks to the members and groups who made it happen on the day and the visitors who attended.

It was a good opportunity to meet with members away from our normal computer club activities.

APRIL MEETING

Divesh Narayan from the Department of Human Services will speak about using myGov to access a range of Australian Government services, including Centrelink, Medicare, My Health Record, My Aged Care and Australian Tax Office at our April meeting.



Clyde Bevan Receives 2016 Banks Volunteer of the Year Award



At an awards ceremony at Club Rivers on Wednesday 6 April 2016, Clyde Bevan was presented with a 2016 Banks Volunteer of the Year Award by David Coleman MP, the Member for Banks, with Julie Bishop MP, Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Clyde has been a pioneer member of our Club since its inception in 1998 and has volunteered as a tutor for most of the time since then. He has served on the Committee for 14 years and as Vice President for the past 3 years.

We thank Clyde for his valuable contribution to the Club and congratulate him on receiving this award.

MARCH MEETING



Senior Constable Ray Kerridge, with **Kim Fenwick**, from St George Local Area Command spoke to us about "Safety for the Elderly". Senior Constable Kerridge's role is in crime prevention and he offered good advice on a wide range of topics, including:

- Don't purchase goods from strangers at the door,
- Don't let strangers into your home - always ask for identification,
- Travel with another person or other people,
- If someone tries to take your bag or purse, don't resist them.

Contact Police on:

- **000** for emergency situations,
- **131444** for non-emergency police assistance,
- **1800 333 000** to report suspicious or unusual activity.

CLUB SERVICES

- **Vince Blayney** is available by appointment on Mondays from 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm in the Annexe to assist members having trouble with their Windows computer settings, security or maintenance. Contact Vince by email at vincessages@gmail.com to take advantage of this useful service.

ADBLOCK PLUS

When the Club's web hosting account with Webcity was due for renewal recently, the hosting plan we were using had been discontinued so we had to transfer to a comparable plan. Since then, you may have noticed ads appearing on the Club's website.

If you find the ads annoying, Adblock Plus is a free browser extension designed to prevent ads, banners, pop-ups and video ads from being displayed on web pages.



Adblock Plus extensions for a range of browsers can be downloaded and installed from <http://adblockplus.org>. The site detects which browser you are using and installs the correct extension when you click on the large green button.



ACORN

Cybercrime is an issue which affects many Australians. As Australia's reliance on technology grows, the cost and incidence of cybercrime is expected to increase.

The Australian Cybercrime Online Reporting Network (ACORN) is a national policing initiative of the Commonwealth, State and Territory governments. It is a national online system that allows the public to securely report instances of cybercrime. It will also provide advice to help people recognise and avoid common types of cybercrime.

The ACORN is a key initiative under the National Plan to Combat Cybercrime, which sets out how Australian agencies are working together to make Australia a harder target for cybercriminals. The ACORN has been designed to make it easier to report cybercrime and help develop a better understanding of the cybercrime affecting Australians.

Common types of cybercrime include hacking, online scams and fraud, identity theft, attacks on computer systems and illegal or prohibited online content.

The effect of cybercrime can be extremely upsetting for victims, and not necessarily just for financial reasons. Victims may feel that their privacy has been violated, and that they are powerless. Unfortunately, as Australia's reliance on technology grows, the cost and incidence of cybercrime is expected to increase.

Have a look at the ACORN website at <http://www.acorn.gov.au/>

Mervyn Larsson Wins Craft First Prize at 2016 Sydney Royal Easter Show



At the Seniors Festival Computer Expo, Mervyn Larsson had an extensive selection of his pens, similar to the ones we present to our guest speakers.

Also on display was the magnificently hand-crafted clock that Merv worked on over a five year period and which won him a First Prize at this year's Sydney Royal Easter Show.

Congratulations Merv!!

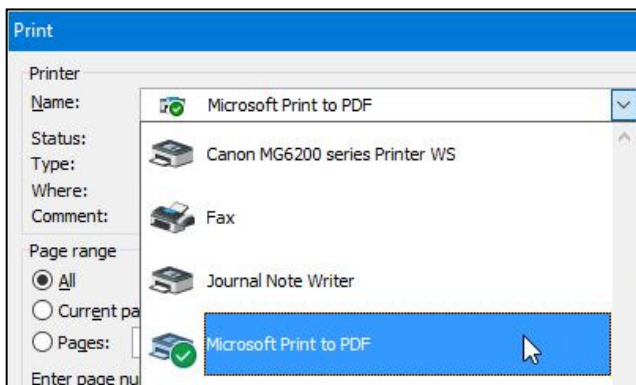
Tech TIPS

• PRINT TO PDF

Portable Document Format (PDF) is a file format used to present and exchange documents reliably, independent of software, hardware or operating system. Developed by Adobe Systems, the PDF specification is now an international standard and PDF readers are freely available. (A recent review of PDF readers is available at <http://tinyurl.com/yq8fstx>).

While there is a range of Adobe products designed to create PDF documents, there are many free programs that behave like a printer to output documents in PDF format. Website <http://tinyurl.com/h8vayag> suggests some.

However, Windows 10 now includes a "Microsoft Print to PDF" printer option. From any application just choose this option as your printer at **File > Print ...**



• SNIPPING TOOL

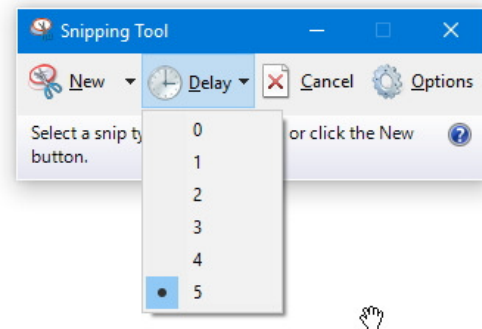
"A picture is worth a thousand words" can apply when you are trying to describe a computer problem. How can you capture a picture of your computer's screen?

The simplest way is to press the **Print Screen (Prt Scr)** key. This saves an image of the whole screen in a part of the computer's memory known as the clipboard. This image can then be pasted into a word processor document.

If you simultaneously press the **Alt + Prt Scr** keys, an image of the active window is captured, rather than the whole screen.

The Snipping Tool app that comes with Windows 7 and 8.1 includes options to select the following areas for capture: Free-form, Rectangular, Window and Full-screen. The Snipping Tool is located in **All Programs > Accessories** folder.

The Snipping Tool in Windows 10 includes an additional time-delay feature. With earlier versions, you couldn't capture a window with a menu displayed. A click to open a menu immediately triggered a screen capture. With the Windows 10 version, you can set a delay of up to 5 seconds between clicking the mouse to display a menu and the actual image capture.



THINKING OF MOVING?

<http://onthehouse.com.au> is an excellent website for researching property prices. Just enter the street or suburb of your location of interest to discover historical property sale prices in the neighbourhood, based on state government property sales data.

Mathematically calculated market values, based on publicly available property data and past sales histories sourced from state governments, property owners, real estate agents and other third party data sources are also provided.



THE CLUB

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The Hurstville Seniors Computer Club was formed in April 1998 to teach Seniors how to use computers. Clubrooms are in premises provided by the Hurstville Council in the Hurstville Seniors Centre, and in an Annexe in the MacMahon St. building. Tuition is held during week-days in an informal atmosphere - cost being a minimum. We are an entirely voluntary organisation, the aim being to help fellow Seniors.

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Monthly Meeting Hurstville Seniors Centre
91 Queens Road, Hurstville
1.00pm, last Wednesday of the month (except December)

Fees
Joining Fee \$20
Annual Fee \$15
Training Fee \$4 per session

PATRON	Mervyn Lynch OAM
PRESIDENT	Pamela Samuels
VICE-PRESIDENT	Clyde Bevan
SECRETARY	Lilly O'Brien
TREASURER	Geoff Turton

TUITION IS IN ONE HOUR SESSIONS

If you can't attend your booking, please let your Tutor know.

Mondays Marilyn Richardson

Tuesdays Geoff Turton

Wednesdays *No lessons on meeting day* John Shortland

Thursdays Geoff Turton

Fridays Marilyn Richardson

Technical - Advanced and Basic Ted Crichton
Mondays at the Annexe

Digital Imaging Group Geoff Turton
First Tuesday in the Clubroom 1.30pm

Genealogy John Shortland
Second Wednesday at the Annexe 1.00pm

Web Design Group Fred Scott
Third Wednesday at the Annexe 1.30pm

Video Editing Group Ted Barnett
Friday Annexe 9 - 11

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BIRTHDAY BOYS and GIRLS for MAY

Have a great day!

Beryl	Leverington	6-May
Mary	Blount	7-May
Barbara	Grimley	7-May
Noel	Heffernan	11-May
Dawn	Lee	17-May
Patricia	McGrath	18-May
Julie	Tsiliris	18-May
Pamela	Donnet	19-May
Mabel	Wardrop	20-May
Robin	Ireland	21-May
Jean	McCormick	22-May
Lilly	O'Brien	23-May
Dora	Kester	27-May
Merv	Lynch OAM	27-May
Fred	Scott	28-May
John	Shortland	29-May

WELCOME to our NEW MEMBER

Josephine Adam

For printing our monthly newsletters, we thank:

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