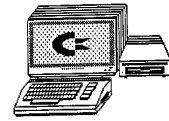


**SOUTHERN DISTRICTS COMPUTER
USERS CLUB INC.
OCTOBER 2005**



PRESIDENT'S PAGE

So another club year comes to an end. Tonight is our AGM where we start afresh, make new plans for the coming year, find new topics to explore and interesting subjects and speakers to enlighten us.

We have given ourselves a good foundation during the past 12 months, we are in a good position financially and your committee has provided us with an enjoyable programme that has satisfied all the members. Our classes have been well received and a special thanks, I feel, should be given to Vice President Dean Vice for the way he has managed the running and setting out the curriculum. He has spent many hours at home researching the necessary information needed for our classes. **Well-done Dean.**

Of course many others have toiled without complaint to ensure our meeting nights run smoothly. We are grateful to Ern Warren, who always looks after the coffee pot and makes sure every member and visitor is suitably provided for, and he just works away silently in the background with no fuss. **Many thanks Ern.**

Whilst on the subject of valuable members, your committee has given consideration to and granted the award of Honorary Membership to **Ern Warren** for his tireless effort behind the scenes and to **Mrs Val Greenfield** for her many years of assistance to the club in her capacity of Public Officer and general unheralded help she has given. In both cases these awards are well deserved. **Congratulations to you both.**

I could go on and on about the behind the scene workers and then miss one or two and that would be sad so I'll just say thanks to all of you who have spared a little time and effort and made the club work better

I must make mention of visiting, along with Dean Vice, Gordon Heyer and Rob Moulding, the Greenacres Computer Club. We were made extremely welcome and enjoyed a very pleasant afternoon. Their speaker for the day included a web host who amongst other things gave an interesting

talk about wine promotions, a subject we all enjoyed. Thank you to the Greenacres group.

To any of our members who may still be on the sick list or not feeling too well, we offer our hope that you will soon be on the mend and back with us. To those who are on holiday enjoying a break we say safe travelling and hope to see you in the near future rejuvenated and rearing to go.

We continue to press on with our Risk Management Programme to ensure that we are providing a safe and enjoyable environment for our meetings our demonstrations and our teaching facilities.

Next month it will be our pleasure to listen to Margaret Fuller impart to us how easily Xmas Cards can be made on your computer. This is a timely subject and one I feel we will all enjoy.

Another "Look Forward To" event on our calendar is of course the Xmas Meeting in December (21st) at Hillview Retirement Village. They have a lovely Recreation Hall up there and I'm sure with every one bringing a little supper to share it will be a terrific night.

The new committee will be meeting within 14 days of our AGM and we will be looking for fresh ideas so if anyone has a topic they would like discussed or a programme explained or demonstrated, now is the time to speak up and let us know.

This months Newsletter is taking on a bit of a revamp with Rob Moulding stepping in and trying his hand as Editor. Please let us know if you like the changes or if you have any good constructive criticism about what Rob is trying to achieve, for the Club.

As this is our AGM I intend to give a full report of our previous 12 months operation in my President's Report.

Ron Stephens
President.

CLUB NOTICES

S.D.C.U.C.I

MEETINGS are held on the third Wednesday of the Month, at
The Christ Church O'Halloran Hill 1708 Main South Road O'Halloran Hill at 7:30pm
Visitors most welcome.

Cost \$2 per family, which includes the Newsletter, coffee/tea & biscuits.
Subscriptions per Club's Year \$18. (Oct. to Oct.)

Novice and experienced computer users will be warmly welcomed

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Lee Edmeades	3rd
Rod Gasson	10th
Bill Fabian	15th
Bob Arthur	17th
Gaelyne Gasson	18th
Arthur Davies	29th



MEETING

TOPICS

October 19th

AGM

November 16th

Using a Greeting Card Programme.
Margaret Fuller.

December 21st

Club visit to Hillview Retirement Village.

Clearing The Recent Documents List

When looking in your Start Menu on Windows XP, you might have noticed an area called "My Recent Documents", which holds a list of all the documents you have recently opened. Some people might want to have this list clear to keep prying eyes from knowing what documents have been recently opened on your computer. To clear out this list, just follow these easy steps:

1. Right-click an empty space on the task bar located beside the Start menu button.
2. Now Left click Properties.
3. Left Click on the Start Menu Programs tab.
4. Left click the "Customize" button.
5. On the "General" tab, left click on the Clear button.

Now if you check the documents list in the Start Menu, it will be all cleared out. This will help keep your document history a little more private, obviously as you open and close documents in the future the list will build up again, but as you now know it is a simple task to remove them if you wish.

You can also hide the Recent Documents list so that it does not show in the Start Menu. To hide, follow the first 4 steps as listed above, then.

Left click the "Advance" tab.

At the bottom of this box, take the tick away from "List my most recently opened documents"

That's all there is to it, your Recent Documents list is now concealed from view.

In all cases you must left click the "Apply" and/or "OK" button as you close a window or dialog box.

Thought for the Month
When negotiating if you don't get it in writing, you probably won't get it.

Protect your Bank Details

Many members have voiced their concerns about using the internet for on-line banking. The latest version of Internet Explorer release with Windows XP has new security improvements aimed at protecting the computer user. When you connect to a site that is encrypted e.g. your bank or service provider such as Energy Australia, the data sent over the network is encrypted.

Internet Explorer has the key ability) to decrypt and display the information for those hackers that may want to explore what is on your computer.

If you don't allow Internet Explorer to save your banking details to your hard disk then it is nearly impossible for someone else to be able to get to that file through hacking into your computer and use your personal data.

It is safer for Internet Banking to tighten up your security on your computer by the following :-

- Launch Internet Explorer.
- Select the **Tools** from the menu bar.
- Then select **Internet Options...** from the drop down menu.
- Then select the Advanced tab.
- Scroll down and under Security find where it says **Do not save encrypted pages to disk**
- Check it with your mouse. – a green tick should appear.
- Click Apply and OK – this should return you to your Home Page. This prevents any of the information about your bank account or online transactions being saved to your computer and in turn limits the chance of anyone intercepting the information.

Thanks to Bob Starling (Retired Banker) Westlakes for this article which appeared in:—

'AUSTRALIAN SENIORS COMPUTER CLUBS ASSOCIATION January/February 2005. Newsletter.'

*The following is the Website of A.S.C.C.S.
www.seniorcomputing.org*

A young fellow living with his mum and dad won a million dollars on the Lotto, they all got excited.

The son said, " Naturally I want to share my good fortune with you both, so I am giving you \$100 each"

There was silence for a moment before the old man spoke.

"Well son, we've done a lot for you, it was always a struggle especially during the depression, and we never had much money. In fact we didn't have enough to get legally married"

" What " said the shocked young fellow "you mean... I am a ... "

" Yes son, and a bloody miserable one at that."

Help Wanted

A number of our members have made enquiries about using web cameras.

Your committee is asking for someone to help other members to set-up and use these cameras. This could be by giving a demonstration at a monthly meeting, or by offering one on one help to another member. Alternatively you may like to write an article on how to use web cameras which could be included in our newsletters.

Any help would be appreciated not only by the committee, but by all members of our club. If you are in a position to assist please have a word with President Ron, or Vice President Dean.

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PHISHING

What is phishing ?

Phishing [[View Webopedia Definition](#)]

The act of sending an e-mail to a user falsely claiming to be an established legitimate enterprise in an attempt to scam the user into giving private information that will be used for identity theft. The e-mail directs the user to visit a Web site where they are asked to update personal information, such as passwords, credit cards, social security, and bank account numbers, that the legitimate organization already has. The site is *bogus and set up only to steal the user's information*.

How to recognise a Phishing Scam.

It may not be obvious to the recipient that what is in their inbox is not a legitimate e-mail from a company with whom they do business. The '**From**' field of the e-mail may have the .com address of the company mentioned in the e-mail, and the clickable link may also appear to be taking you to the company's Web site, but will in fact take you to a *spoof Web site*. Looks can be deceiving, but with the phishing scams the e-mail is *never* from whom it appears to be.

The e-mail will usually contain logos or images that have of been taken from the Web site of the company mentioned in the fraudulent e-mail.

A clickable link will be inserted with text suggesting you validate your information. This link will not point to the Web site of the genuine company you deal with.

The Golden rule to avoid being phished is to never ever click the links with the text of the e-mail, make sure you Delete it immediately from your e-mail client. . Then empty your Recycle Bin. This will prevent 'accidental clicks.' from happening.

Also contact the genuine company to let them know.

*From: Citibank<@citibank.com>
To: ABC<@.xxxxx>
Subject: Citybank Alerting Service.*

Dear Citibank Customer

We were unable to process the recent transaction on your account. To ensure that your account is not suspended, please update your information by clicking [here](#).

If you have recently updated your information, please disregard this message as we are processing the changes you have made.

Citibank Customer Service

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Before the Copy Deadline please.

Christmas is coming.

Copy Deadline for the November Issue of our
Newsletter is Wednesday 9th November 2005

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Below are some Interesting links you may like to check out:

Gaelyne's Home Suite Home (<http://gaelyne.com/index.php>) The home page of our Club's Patron Gaelyne Gasson.

SPUG: (<http://www.springnet1.com/spug/>) Our Sister Club in Springfield, Illinois, U.S.A.

Remember when checking links on the Internet, that sometimes they don't work, because a computer may be down, or there may be too much traffic on part of the Internet. So, if a link doesn't work, try it a few hours later, or the next day.

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