

**COMPUTER PALS
FOR SENIORS
GALSTON AND DISTRICT INC.**

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THE PRESIDENT'S DESK



Well !! Another financial year is past.

The year ending **30 June 2005** has been a very successful year for our Club.

Applications for membership seeking tuition has been very high, particularly at the beginning of 2005, this has kept both committee and tutors very busy. Club operating expenses have continued to be well controlled.

The team work of the executive and committee members has made my task a very enjoyable experience this past year.

I sincerely thank each member of the team for their contribution to a successful year and I look forward to the continued development of our club.

Our AGM held 22 July saw all members of the executive and committee nominating for positions for another year, with Wilma Hickey standing aside to allow John Eland to join the committee. Thank you Wilma for your contribution throughout the year. **Greatly appreciated!!**

Welcome John! I look forward to your enthusiastic contribution as a member of the committee.

To our Tutors who give their Time, Knowledge and Skills, **very special thanks.** Through your efforts, we continue to provide one on one tuition. This form of tuition is a service unique to this club and continues to make a valuable contribution to our community. We are a very small **non profit** club by comparison to some other organizations offering computer tuition to seniors. All of our tutors and committee are volunteers who give their time, skills and commitment, without financial reward, in their endeavor to provide a much needed service to our community. As such we are able to provide a genuine **“value for money”** service.

So please spread the word to friends and neighbours.

We have recently set up an **Internet connection at History Cottage** which will enable tutors to provide Web Site and Email tuition from this site and demonstrate features at our workshops. So please bring along any questions to our work shop meetings and we will do our to best show you an answer or two.

Next Meeting: Our next Workshop/Demonstration /Discussion meeting on **Friday 23 September at 10.30am**, will include another interesting demonstration.

I hope to see you at our next meeting, with a little luck, I will have a chance to say G'Day !

Lindsay McIntyre

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FROM THE SECRETARY

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Will be at History Cottage, 412 Galston Road, Galston

Date: Friday 23rd September, 2005 at 10.30 am



Hello All

It was lovely to see you all again at the AGM. Thank you for coming. I would also like to thank all the people who are sending me items to include in the News Letter. It makes me feel that what I am trying to produce is being appreciated. It would be nice though to receive more Computer questions from our Pupils. I hope you all try the Internet Version even if it is just for practice. There is a lot more in the Internet News Letter because there is masses of space. So if you do not see your article in the Adobe News Letter, which is restricted in size, try clicking 'here' in my email to you where I attach this News Letter.

The Committee extends a welcome to all the recent **New Members, Bruce Conn, David Probert, Nick Sheerin, Jack Shelton, Moyra Gamblin, Myra Walter and Roslyn Stacey.** We hope that you enjoy your period of learning with us.

Rosemary

INTRODUCING VOIP (Voice Over Internet Protocol)

The Web address required is www.freshtel.com/firefly/

Follow the site information to subscribe. The Company is a **Melbourne based.**

The programme allows you to make telephone calls to anywhere in the world via satellite connections and the internet.

There are **no costs involved** in downloading the software. A standard microphone and speakers are required to be installed on your computer. You can if you wish purchase a USB Telephone instrument from the Company, but this is not essential.

You must however **register your credit card details** on the company's secure site and commit a small amount (\$10.00) of credit from your credit card.

You must also **select a "Firefly" telephone number**, this number must start with the numeral **8xxxxxxx**.

A useful tip is to use your current telephone number and remove the front numeral 9 and replace it with an **8**. This way it will be easy to remember.

You can then **download the software and commence use.**

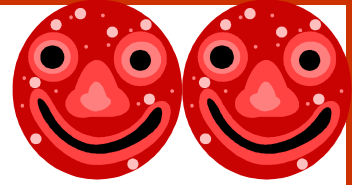
You are able to call between other Firefly users for free. Other calls are charged at different **rates per minute** depending on where they are. i.e. United Kingdom 5c/min, South Africa 13c/min. The rates to anywhere can be obtained from the site.

In order to enter **a normal telephone number** into your contact list you need to **add a + sign** in front of the number. This will allow you to call that number from the Firefly system.

A comprehensive **HELP** file is available from your Firefly Phone Pad which sits on your desktop.

John Eland

JOKES



DEAR LORD

Dear Lord, So far, I'm doing all right. I have not gossiped, lost my temper, been greedy, grumpy, nasty, selfish, or self-indulgent. I have not whined, complained, cursed, or eaten any chocolate. I have charged nothing on my credit card. But I will be getting out of bed in a minute, and I think that I will really need your help then.

HEARING PROBLEMS

An elderly gentleman had serious hearing problems for years. He went to the doctor who was able to have him fitted with a set of hearing aids that allowed the man to hear 100%. The old bloke went back in a month to see his doctor and the doctor said, "Your hearing is perfect. Your family must be really pleased that you can hear again." To which the gentleman said, "Oh I haven't told my family yet. I just sit around and listen to the conversations. I've changed my will three times!"

SEX OF A FLY

A woman walked into the kitchen to find her husband stalking around with a fly swatter. "What are you doing?" she asked. "Hunting flies," he responded. "Oh. Killing any?" she asked. "Yep, 3 males and 2 females, he replied. Intrigued she asked, "How can you tell?" He responded, "Three were on a beer can and two were on the phone."

MORE HEARING PROBLEMS

Joe was worried that his wife was going deaf, and his doctor suggested he test her at home. Before dinner, Joe stood five metres behind her and asked, "What's for dinner?" After no response he asked again from three metres – still no reply. Two metres, still no reply. From directly behind her he tried again. She turned around and roared at him, "For the fourth time, I said chicken!!"

THAT SINKING FEELING

A man and woman were having a romantic candlelit dinner in an up market restaurant when the waiter noticed the man slowly sliding out of his chair and onto the floor underneath the table. The woman seemed not to notice as he disappeared out of sight. The waiter not quite knowing what to do went across to the table and discreetly whispered, "Pardon me Madam but I think your husband is under the table." "No he isn't" the woman replied eyeing the waiter calmly, "My husband just walked in through the front door."



Letter to the Editor

Q. I received some stunning photos through email and I would like to use some of them as wallpaper. How do I do this?

A. First you have to save the image onto your hard drive. It is best to have a folder just for these. Then you must go to the Display Properties....Click Start - Control Panel - Display Properties where you will be able to change the Wallpaper/background of your desktop. There is a button labelled 'Browse'. Click on this and browse to the folder where you saved all your images. Choose the image you want to set as your wallpaper, then click OK until you get out of the Display Properties window. Your wallpaper should then be updated.

HOW TO STAY YOUNG

Throw out non-essential numbers. This includes age and weight.

Keep only cheerful friends

Keep learning - never let the brain be idle

Enjoy the simple things of life

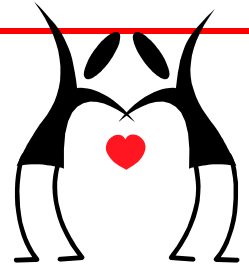
Laugh often, long and loud.

Surround yourself with what you love such as family, pets, keepsakes, music, plants, hobbies and so on.

Cherish your health

Don't take guilt trips

Tell the people you love that you love them.



Dale Rodham

Always Remember:

Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away.

Index Book to keep tips from News Letter



With all these wonderful tips we are continually receiving in the magazine, can I suggest that you purchase an alphabetical index and just jot them down. It is so easy to forget these tips until you need them and then not remember where it was that you read about it!

In fact anything you learn and note in your lessons can be easily found in an Index Note Book.

Letter to the Editor

Q. I produce documents using Microsoft Works and email them as attachments to friends, but many can't open them. Can you suggest a solution? I have Windows XP.

A. Microsoft Works saves files as Works files only. People who do not have Works will not be able to open them. I suggest you save your documents in DOC format.

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Dear Editor

Q. On my Internet Explorer, the bar at the bottom is missing (the one that shows you how much of the page has loaded and stuff). Could you guys please tell me how to get this back.

A. In Internet Explorer go to View — click Status Bar. A tick should appear next to Status Bar



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