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#### **Vale Ray Beatty**

With sad hearts we advise members of the sudden passing of one of our most flamboyant members. Ray was an active volunteer, supplying our Monthly Meetings with presenters for many years, a regular contributer to PC Update, organising volunteers and active in many other facets of the group.



#### **Monthly Meeting Live Stream**

Tune in here at 7.00pm on Wed 7 October to view the Monthly Meeting live over the Internet. Test Transmission usually commences at around 6.15pm http://tv.mpcug.mobi

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## **President's Report**

#### **Melb PC Futures Meeting**

On Saturday 26 September 50 of our members met at Moorabbin to discuss Melb PC's future. Bill Ford planned and led the proceedings and we owe him a large debt of gratitude. Members present included SIG leaders, Honorary Life Members and current Committee members, with several others too. Bill has kindly written a report on the proceedings, which you can find on page5. I want to give pride of place to his report, and pause now only to thank all the members who gave up their time to attend the event, also the many others who, unable to attend that day, sent their apologies and offered their own suggestions (which helped to inform our proceedings).

#### **Microsoft's New Products**

At our October monthly meeting (Wednesday 6th) we will welcome **Jeff Alexander** from Microsoft, who will talk to us about Windows 10, which is the latest version of Windows. Many of our members have already installed it, and there has been vigorous discussion in the Yammer Group dedicated to Windows 10, as well as in the Windows Plus SIG. We expect Jeff to focus on the aspects of Windows 10 of most interest to home users; on the various privacy issues that have been widely discussed already; and on the way Microsoft will be managing Windows updates in future. He will also take questions from members.

#### Harry Lewis

This month we are launching a new offering for members: Office 365 ProPlus. Our existing Microsoft service, whose full title is 'Office 365 Enterprise E1', provides 'cloud' services — email, calendar, contacts, One-Drive among them — and even (via One-Drive) cut-down versions of the 'desktop' programs such as Word and Excel, which we used to have available to us only when they were installed on our own computers. However, the cloud versions of these programs are available only when we are connected to the Internet and using a web browser.

Since we first received the right to enrol our members in the cloud service, Microsoft has made a complete suite of desktop Office programs available to us for installation directly on our own computers. These are the full versions, and are usable offline as well as when our computers are connected to the internet. We have to pay for this new service, but at a substantial discount (as allowed by Microsoft to nonprofit organisations). Members who take up this offer will acquire the right to install Office programs on up to a total of **15 devices** (5 computers with Windows or Mac OS X, 5 tablets and 5 smartphones with iOS, Android, or mobile Windows). The program suite includes Word, Excel, PowerPoint, OneNote and [for Windows computers only] Access and Publisher.



Members are invited to apply for their own copies of Office 365 ProPlus by completing the form on page 4. The latest version of Microsoft Office, Office 2016, is available now to members who take up the offer.

Melb PC AGM: Wednesday 4 November Please put this date in your diaries now, and plan to attend. The agenda includes the normal annual business: our reports to members, and the report on Committee elections. In addition we have special resolutions on rule changes. Please note that under our current rules (adopted at our AGM in 2013) all voting in the elections is completed **before the AGM**. This year we have contested elections for our new President and Treasurer, so please register your votes in good time. The Candidates Statements and the Voting Forms will be published at: http://www.melbpc.org.au/ events/2015-agm-notices/

Before the AGM (which starts at 8.15) we shall have a presentation by Nicholas Hardman of Hardmargue Future Factories. It promises to be fascinating. He will be talking about the future of Australian manufacturing, and how his company is trying to address it as a design consultancy, design educator, and tech provider. Nick has told us that Microsoft seems to be taking the lead over Apple in proper design-led innovation. He will also touch on how he uses Office 365, in particular Yammer, for consulting and training. His presentation will use Sway, which is one of the tools we have available to us in our Office 365 Enterprise E1 service package. If you cannot attend the AGM for any reason, please complete and return the proxy

form. This enables you to vote on the special resolutions, and counts towards the quorum for our meeting. The proxy form is available online at http://www.melbpc.org. au/events/2015-agm-notices/

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#### Microsoft Office 365 ProPlus for MelbPC Members

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Subscriptions for Microsoft's desktop program suite Office 365 ProPlus are now available to Melbpc members at a reduced rate.

The programs included are; Word, Excel, OneNote, PowerPoint, Outlook, Publisher and Access. Members who take up this offer will be able to install the suite on up to 15 different devices: 5 computers (PC or Mac), 5 tablets (iOS/Android/Windows) and 5 smartphones (iOS/Android/Windows). The new 2016 versions are available now.

Microsoft Office ProPlus is available to members for an annual subscription, set for the first year and payable by members in advance\*. <u>Renewal for each year will reflect Microsoft's current price at the time of renewal.</u>

After payment members will be able to download the program suite onto their own computers using their Office 365 login details (the same as they already use for email and other cloud services). As long as the subscription is maintained, members will receive updates and upgrades to the latest version of Office.

Our existing Office 365 Enterprise E1 service provides the **'cloud'** versions of some Office applications: Word, Excel, PowerPoint and OneNote. These can be used during a login to Office 365 via the web. They do not include all of the features available on the desktop versions. Office 365 ProPlus provides the full versions of those applications, and others not available at in the cloud at all: Outlook, Publisher and Access. (Publisher and Access are not available in the Mac OS X version.) The ProPlus programs can be used when the computer is offline and not connected to the internet, as they are installed directly on the computer (or tablet/ smartphone).





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### The Preferred Future for Melbourne PC User Group Inc.

Review Discussion Saturday 26 September 2015, 10am –1pm Facilitator: Bill Ford Report of Meeting

The main meeting room was set up with five tables of 10 places to accommodate the 50 attendees.

#### 1. Introduction

People spent a few minutes writing their responses to the four questions below. Then, when finished they were asked to stand up and find another person that they don't know very well and share their answer to each question.

Q1 An out-of-work non PC interest I have is.....?

Q2 This is what I value in belonging to Melbourne PC User Group.....

Q3. The main challenge facing this organisation is.....?

Q4 I can make a positive contribution to today's discussion by.....?

I wrote up some #3 and #4 answers to serve as a visual reminder

**Challenges:** Growth; Smart phones; Technology Change; Survival; Lack of targeted advertising; Gaining and keeping members of all ages; Ageing membership; Value for \$; Future services and income; Keeping members informed; Lack of volunteers as members of Melb PC Committee or as SIG leaders **Positive Contributions to Today's Discus**-

**sions:** Preparing a vision for the future; Being positive and listening to others; Willingness to turn words into actions; Looking for ways to affordably better promote MelbPC; Thinking creatively



**Bill Ford** 

## 2. Key Strategy Setting Brainstorm (The Vision and the Task)

In order to save time I floated a possible vision based on what some people had suggested on Yammer or by email to the President, together with some of my own ideas.

#### 2.1 The Vision:

This is the year 2020 and Melbourne PC User Group is the most vibrant and exciting consumer IT group in the world: new members are rolling in and it is working well.

As an organisation:

- We are taking full advantage of developing trends in IT and as such we excite all sections of the community – the young, the middle aged and the elderly
- Specialists in all sorts of IT areas (e.g. new systems, devices and technologies) are happy to come along and educate our members in their particular fields of expertise.
- As a result we are the "go-to" place on Consumer IT matters; the first port of call for all media who want to know the impact of IT trends on ordinary consumers (Think of the RACV)
- Our SIG groups, staff and premises are

welcoming and new members immediately feel at home and are enthusiastic about continuing involvement — and our meeting places are accessible by public transport.

- We consciously educate our members and are paid by non-members in all aspects of consumer IT.
- We market our SIGs and education and training services, including the social aspects through advertising and social media such as Yammer, Facebook and Meetup or their successors

## 2.2 Action Planning in the Big Group using Brainstorming Rules:

(including "Nobody says: No; That will never work; That is a stupid idea; That will cost too much; That has already been tried: that's a great idea. Also, no clarification; zany ideas welcomed; build on others' ideas")

## What were the five things that we did in 2015 to get the vision realised in 2020?

I noted various strategies suggested by attendees to achieve their visions for Melb PC:

- Adopt a new name and image to encompass all technologies
- Expand membership by targeting schools, retirement villages and homes, outside clubs and organisation such as Probus, RSL, CWA, U3A, Universities and TAFEs with our advertising material and as, appropriate partner with them to get a wider spread of knowledge of MelbPC in the general community. Where appropriate work with IT retailers to promote MelbPC to customers; Link with Social media (Facebook, Yammer, Meetup etc.) and You Tube. [*This is an amalgamation of many suggestions brought together under one heading – "Focussed Marketing and Promotion of MelbPC"*]
- Sponsoring and adopting new technologies
- Go national by liaising and partnering with other groups and organisations
- Expand the number of Special Interest Groups; develop new online SIGS and other online communities and activities ( 2 suggestions amalgamated as "SIGS expansion")
- Develop a new membership management system, NBN friendly, and one that



could be used for promotions to members and to define who attends meetings and uses the facilities of Melb PC.

- Mentoring volunteers who wish to become Management Committee members or SIG leaders
- Monthly meetings during the day, especially targeting retirees
- Broadcast the monthly meetings at other times
- Head Office relocated to the centre of the membership demographic
- Market the availability of our current Head Office Premises for hire by outside organisations; improve the signage at Head Office; focussed offerings such as dynamic training to attract people who will pay to learn aspects of IT [*This is an amalgamation of a number of suggestions into one heading "Better use of our Head Office"*]
- Make our website professional and intuitive
- More social activities for members

## The attendees then voted on the top five suggestions, which were identified as:

- 1. Focussed Marketing and Promotions (unanimous)
- 2. Make our website professional and intuitive
- 3. Adopt a new name and image to encompass all technologies
- 4. Better use of our Head Office
- 5. SIGs Expansion

#### 2.3 Action Planning in Smaller Groups

Each table was randomly allocated one of the five key strategies

 Using the SMART goal setting procedures (that is — goals that are Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant and have a Timeline) they developed action plan mechanisms for delivering their strategy — writing down the action plans for reporting back, including what, how and when.

#### 3. Plenary Session — Reporting Back

Reported back action plans to deliver the five key strategies — one reporter from each table

*"These are the things that people think we did, starting in 2015 to achieve the vision that has been realised in 2020"* 

#### 1. Focussed Marketing and Promotions

- Facebook/Twitter presence
- Contact retirement facilities,U3As, CWA, Probus groups, genealogical groups, local councils, governments to link to our programs, promote MelbPC in Seniors Week
- Promotional material on You Tube, Vimeo, Meetup, etc. with opportunity for public feedback
- Liaise with retailers selling IT material including home entertainment, mobile phones, to distribute promotional material
- Nominate a media spokesperson as a MelbPC point of reference on IT matters

## 2. Make our Website professional and intuitive

- Spend \$10,000 in October on a professional graphic designer so that the web site is a good marketing tool
- Address non-members
- Full and up-to- date SIG information
- Reset slider time to longer
- Add a web counter

#### 3. Adopt a New Name and Image to encompass all Technologies

- Persuade members of the need
- Find five or more new names from which to select
- Market test candidate names with
   focus groups including non-members
- Choose ONE

NB THE ABOVE SHOULD OCCUR WITHIN A PERIOD OF 6 MONTHS — the old name would be used alongside the new name for a period of familiarisation.

#### 4. Better use of our Head Office

- Generate a list, understandable to nonmembers, of what we have to offer
- Add to offerings by moving some SIGs to HO premises
- Identify to whom to promote the use of our premises — probably in the local area/region initially
- Identify how to promote the HO usage to each entity on the Focussed Marketing list — by phone, letter, online, local paper, etc.
- NB URGENCY impacts NOW!

#### 5. SIGS Expansion

- Creation of new SIGs to include training in creating, using and promptly updating websites for each group
- Ensure that groups meeting away from HQ have sufficient space to take expanded membership
- Identify new technologies and seek to create SIGs to support them
- Set up SIGs in greenfield sites, new housing developments (This will also aid promotion and marketing)
- Mentor current and potential new SIG leaders and consider some sort of reward/ small benefit for their work
- Share speakers across SIGs where possible

#### 4. The Final Challenge — Where To From Here?

Melbourne PC User group needs a future directions group to start to implement the plan items identified in each of the five key strategies to move towards the vision, perhaps as members of the next Committee or assisting that Committee.

The names of volunteers and specific task offers made on the day:

- John Swale web site
- John Hollow marketing
- John Bade web site
- Dave Botherway Facebook
- Richard Solly online SIG groups
- Jim Hanna Finance & Administration

MORE are needed! Including volunteers for the Committee, which must set up a Future Directions Group including the above volunteers and others, to meet urgently and get to work in order that today's momentum is not lost!

Thanks to the participants who attended or, unable to attend, offered suggestions.

Bill Ford September 2015

#### Notice

Melb PC Communications with Members. With postage costs higher than ever the group has decided to cease using Australia Post mail for formal communication with members. Please note that all future correspondence will be via email.

Each member should take care to ensure the office always has your current email address.

## Monthly Meeting Wednesday 7 October

At seven o'clock sharp we have our main presentation of the night; **Jeff Alexander** on Windows 10

#### Jeff Alexander is from Microsoft Australia

(his title is Technical Evangelist, Windows Infrastructure).

Windows 10 topics he'll talk about include

- a) Home user advantages (vs Win-7 and Win-8), Cortana, performance, ease of use etc
- b) Privacy concerns (sharing Updates, Wi-Fi password)
- c) Controlling updates both Preload of Win10 update, and subsequent changes Jeff will take questions after his main presentation.

#### Major Raffle Draw

#### The draw for our Major Raffle will take place at 8pm during this meeting. Any members still holding tickets should return them to the Office by 5pm on Tuesday, 6th October.

http://www.melbpc.org.au/events/major-raffle-october-2015/

Melb PC Preferred Future After the break, Bill Ford will report on the discussion meeting held last Saturday, 26th September.

Q&A with Barry Martin Barry will answer your questions at our usual Q&A session.

Melb PC offer of Microsoft Office 365 ProPlus Our new offer to members will be explained. We are placing an application form for members on the website here: http://www.melbpc.org.au/members-area/ office365-proplus-offer/ and there is a copy on page 4 of this newsletter.

After the meeting, we get together for WAFFLE@FONG. The WAFFLE SIG ("**W**ine **A**nd **F**ine **F**ood **L**overs **E**vent") will be at FONG's Chinese Restaurant, 725 Centre Rd Bentleigh East, Corner of Francesco Street, Melway 77: J-1



## **Random Access**

**John Swale** reports on Questions and Answers from the opening session of the recent monthly meeting and from members' written submissions.



#### **Questions** and **Answers**

**Q:** I have recently taken over the mailing list for a club. We have 150 emails to send, often with attachments. I set up a Gmail account so if I go away another person can use the account and send out information. Gmail thinks these emails are spam and blocks them. I split the list in two but this did not work. I then split each of those in two and that seemed to work. I have three questions. (1) How long will it be before Gmail accepts the whole 150 addresses? (2) If two people are accessing the account from two different computers, is this likely to jeopardise the process? (3) Is there a better email system that will allow us to send all the emails in one go and it must be free?

A: (1) Probably never. (2) I don't think Gmail will allow simultaneous logons. Because Gmail and Hotmail are free they are paranoid about having their systems seem to be sending spam. That is why they have the limits screwed right down. (3) The only other option I can think of is something like the Australian Fastmail service which is not free, but is quite low in cost. Remember that the rules change over time and become tighter.

A 2: My experience with another system is breaking the lists down does work provided you don't send them one after the other. Leave if for 10 minutes before sending the next lot. A2: I was told that you should use the BCC to send them and avoid any text that looks like an instruction to avoid the spam detectors. This has been working for me.

[Ed: If you need to send out bulk email use a mailing list provider such as MailChimp, http://mailchimp.com/MailChimp is free to use if you are sending out less than 12,000 email messages per month to less than 2,000 recipients — MM].

**Q:** I have an ACER netbook bought in 2007 running Windows 7. I am trying to upgrade to Windows 10 and it tells me I can't upgrade because my machine doesn't have NX. What is NX and what does this mean for upgrading to Windows 10?

A: This problem arose with a number of low powered machines with the upgrade from Windows 8 to 8.1 as the required NX hardware was not present. This requirement continues in Windows 10. It is a subroutine in the firmware in the processor and the chipset. It is not a BIOS issue so cannot be fixed with an upgrade. The Atom processor netbooks are underpowered for Windows 10.

[Ed NX stands for No-eXecute and it prevents non-executable memory from executing malicious code. It must be enabled in the BIOS. A program CPU-Z will show if all the required hardware is present in your PC—JS] Q: I am still running XP on an old desktop. Now every time I turn it on, I get a popup saying "SearchBase has encountered a problem and needs to close. Send the error report to Microsoft?". I click "Don't send" and it goes away only to return a few seconds later. I just can't get it off the screen. What can I do?

A: Don't bother sending the error reports. No one ever reads them. SearchBase sounds like spyware. I would download SUPERAntiSpyware and ADWCleaner and run them. Between them they should find and remove the problem.

**Q:** I am trying to move my email from an old XP machine running Outlook Express to a Windows 7 machine running Outlook 2010. Outlook 2010 keeps saying it is working offline.

A: What you need to do is install Outlook on the XP machine. You do not have to activate it. Open Outlook and import the data and settings from Outlook Express. This produces a PST file which you copy and take to the Windows 7 PC. Import this file into Outlook 2010.

**Q:** I have some old VHS tapes that I want to digitise. On my old PC I had a video capture card that I could plug in and this worked well. I cannot get a similar card for my new machine. So I bought a USB stick with composite video cables to attach to the VHS player. This works but the video and audio are out of sync. I have tried it with different PCs and different software programs but nothing works.

A: Roger Wragg, who is videoing this meeting, has a great deal of expertise in this area. He has set up a system in the corner of the internet lounge to do just what you want. Talk to Roger about it.



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## Editorial

Members who attend the East SIG and a few other SIGs in that vicinity, will have seen this good looking fellow's face and



many will recognise him as Neil Muller. Some would have been utterly confused when last month I typed the name Miller beside Neil's photograph. It was a genu-

ine typo' and my apologies for any confusion it may have caused.

#### **Rule Changes**

Those who have been following events over recent times will remember we failed to reach a quorum at the Special General Meeting held on Wednesday 2 September, so the vote on rule changes didn't occur; it was rescheduled to be held at the AGM. If you cannot attend the AGM to vote on the rule changes, use the proxy form. The proxy also counts towards the quorum for the meeting. It is available on the next page and online at http://www.melbpc.org.au/ events/2015-agm-notices/



Gary Taig

One of the rule changes is to alter the number required for a quorum, so it's important that as many members as possible attend the AGM or vote by proxy. If you wish to review the reasons for the changes, refer again to **Geoffrey Keenan**'s explanation in Aug PC Update p4, or Sept PC Update p25.

On matters AGM, don't forget that under our current rules, when elections are held voting must be either snail mailed or hand delivered before the **deadline**, which is 3.00pm, Monday 2 November, two days before the AGM.

The Secretary's Online notices are at http:// www.melbpc.org.au/members-area/ events2/2015-agm-prot/ The voting slip is online at http://www.melbpc.org.au/ media/171379/melbpc-2015-voting-slippostal.pdf. The Returning Officer's Report is in this newsletter commencing page 26.

#### **Our Statement of Purposes**

The purposes of the Association are — to conduct on a non profit basis activities to help members use personal computers and other similar and related devices to achieve the following outcomes:

- advancing computer literacy;
- advancing education and the exchange of ideas;
- keeping members up to date on developments in computer and information technology and helping members to exchange information;
- representing members in public debate in areas of interest including law reform proposals;
- engaging with similar organisations; and
- carrying out activities that benefit the Association.

#### **Melbourne PC User Group Incorporated**

NOTE: A proxy to be valid must be received at our offices at Level 1, 479 Warrigal Road, Moorabbin 3189 by 4.00 pm Monday 2nd November 2015. They may be sent as hard copy, or scanned and sent as an email attachment to office@melbpc.org.au. In all cases the form must be signed by the member.

#### **APPOINTMENT OF PROXY - Annual General Meeting on 4th November 2015**

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(Being also a member of Melbourne PC User Group Incorporated).

**OR, if no person is named, the Chairperson of the Meeting** to vote in accordance with the directions on this form. If no directions have been given, then the Chairman will decide voting at the Annual General Meeting of Melbourne PC User Group Incorporated to be held on Wednesday, 4th November 2015 and at any adjournment thereof.

	SIGNATURE		
Note: The Motion numbers under refer to the Motion numbers in the AG	GM Notice.		
<i>Motion 3:</i> That Rule 2 (first paragraph only) be replaced with "The purposes of the Association are—to conduct on a non profit basis activities to help members learn and use systems and devices usin various technologies, especially computing, software, and communications technology (inc. the Internet and World Wide Web personal computers & devices), to achieve the following outcomes;	),	□ No	□ Abstain
<i>Motion 4:</i> That Rule 12 (1) be replaced with "The Association shall determine the amount of the annual subscription rates for each class of membership at a general meeting."		□ No	□ Abstain
<i>Motion 5:</i> That Rule 14 (2) be replaced with "The Committee may determine the terms of membership for student or concessional members. The members of the Association may vary such terms a conditions by ordinary resolution at a general meeting."	□ Yes	□ No	□ Abstain
<i>Motion 6:</i> That Rule 14 (5) be added as "Corporate Members. A corporation may in writing appoint two natural persons as its representatives and may replace representatives as required. A representative of a corporation shall have the same rights, duties a obligations as members including the right to appoint a proxy, however only one representative may become a member of the Committee." Then old Rules 14 (5) and 14 (6) be re-numbered as Rules 14 (6) and 14 (7) respectively.	□ Yes	□ No	□ Abstain
<i>Motion 7:</i> That Rule 31 (5) (e) be replaced with "to appoint an appropriately qualified person to review the financial statements according to the Act."	□ Yes	□ No	□ Abstain
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<i>Motion 8:</i> That Rule 32 be replaced with "(1) The Association shall hold an election to be conducted by postal vote or appropriately secure electronic vote immediately prior to the annual general meeting for the positions of President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary and eight other Committee members.	□ Yes	□ No	□ Abstain
(2) The notice for the election shall include nomination forms that stipulate the closing date and time for receiving of nominations, and the address of the Returning Officer.			
(3) An eligible member of the Association shall be nominated by two other members. The nomination must be in writing and be on the nomination form (or copy of it) provided to members with the notice of election and be signed by all three members."			
<i>Motion 9:</i> That Rule 37 (2) be replaced with "The quorum for a general meeting is the presence (physically, by proxy or as allowed under rule 36) of the greater of 30 members or 2% of the members entitled to vote."	□ Yes	□ No	□ Abstain
<i>Motion 10:</i> That Rule 37 (3) (b) (1) be replaced with "The meeting must be adjourned to a date not more than 35 days after the adjournment; and"	□ Yes	□ No	□ Abstain
<i>Motion 11:</i> That Rule 52 (4) be replaced with "Members nominating for positions may submit a statement of 200 words or less to the Returning Officer for publication on the Association's web site."	□ Yes	□ No	□ Abstain
<i>Motion 12:</i> That Rule 52 (5) be replaced with "A member may nominate for election for one or more officer position(s) as well as a Committee member position." and that Rule 53 (3) be replaced with "Votes will be counted on a simple majority basis for each Officer position and each committee position. Votes for officer positions will be counted first, and in the order President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Vice President. Where a person is elected as an officer and is the nominee in the election for any other office or as an ordinary member of the Committee, the second and any further nomination shall lapse. Votes are not transferable between positions."	□ Yes	□ No	☐ Abstain
<i>Motion 13</i> : That Rule 31 (1) (b) be replaced with "at least 21 days notice of a general meeting in any other case."	□ Yes	□ No	□ Abstain
<i>Motion 14</i> : That the numbering in Rule 74 be corrected, by replacing the repeated occurrences of the paragraph numbers (2) and (3) with (4) and (5) respectively.	□ Yes	□ No	□ Abstain
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Prepared by Geoffrey Keenan, Secretary

## **Special Interest Groups**

#### **SIG Meetings & Contact Details**

Updated: end July 2015 Amendments: please advise changes/corrections office@melbpc.org.au

#### Access (database) and Excel

Date (Feb-Nov)Second Monday of the month<br/>Incl. June Queen's BirthdayTime6.30pm – 8.30pmEmailaccess@melbpc.org.auLocationMelb PC HQ, Moorabbin.Convener(s)Craig Evans<br/>Craig\_Evans@racv.com.au

#### report by Craig Evans

Environment : Windows 7 with Access 2010 and Excel 2010 During our last meeting we discussed

1. A combo box showed an ID number in a column instead of a description.

The problem is in the table with the use of the Lookup feature. The field is a data type Number. The lookup will display the words we desire (street etc) in the table, however, the form will show the true value in the field, e.g. 19 instead of Chairs.

The solution is to remove the lookup Row Source then modify the query feeding the combo box to refer to the table containing the description we wish to see.

2. We enter text in a memo field and the HTML markers <div> and </div> are automatically inserted; most annoying. The memo field in the table was set to Rich Text and the form control of the memo field was set to Plain Text. Therefore the table auto added the HTML indicators. We changed the table to Plain Text to fix the problem.

3. A form needed commas counted in a description field with the result automatically displayed in a quantity field. We used the form's OnCurrent property and inserted the code below. We replaced the commas with null, the change in the length of the description tells us the quantity of commas.

```
If Len( Me!FldDscrn) > 0 Then
        Me!FldQty = Len(Me!FldDscrn) -
        Replace(Me!FldDscrn,",',"")
Else
        Me!FldQty =0
End If
```

Our meetings are usually Q&A, occasionally we have a demonstration of database or spreadsheet magic.

A detailed explanation of the topics above, and others, is available on our web page at http://www.meetup.com/Microsoft-Excel-Access-Moorabbin/ select the tabs. More - Files\*

#### **Ballarat**

Date (Feb-Nov)	First Thursday of	of the month
Time	7.30pm – 9.45p	m
Location	Midlands Golf (	Club,
	Heinz Lane, Bal	larat.
Convener(s)	Alan Pittard	5339-4235

#### Bayside

Date (Feb-Nov)	Third Thursday	of the month
Time	10am – 12noor	า
Email	bayside@melb	pc.org.au
Location	St. Stephens Church Hall, Cnr Cochrane Street and	
	North Road, Bri	ighton.
Convener(s)	John Morris	9583-4095

Graham Ackland 9589-6229

#### report by John Morris

Our September meeting was addressed by **Justine Raczkowski** founder and CEO of MyS4S (My Support for Seniors)

MyS4S, a commercial enterprise was established in 2015 to help seniors lead happier and healthier lives by teaching them how to connect with people and services using free voice and video platforms such as Skype. Details of MyS4S can be found on http://www.mys4s. com

Question time was filled with discussion on Windows 10

#### **Beginners East (BEAST)**

Date (Feb-Nov)	Third Sunday of the month
December	Second Sunday
Time	10am – 12.30pm
Email	beast@melbpc.org.au
Location	Vermont South Community
	Centre, 1 Karobran Drive,
	Vermont South.
Convener(s)	Dave Botherway
	daveb@melbpc.org.au

#### report by Dave Botherway

#### **Recent Acquisitions**

A 128GB USB stick ex Aldi – great for Offsite backup of a complete Laptop or PC. Usual advice: be sure to attach a lanyard to minimise the chances of it being lost. An AirMouse / Dual Keyboard providing remote keyboard functions for Smart TVs.

#### Windows 10 Scam

With many people having 'reserved' a copy of Windows 10, the next step for most would be an email from Microsoft saying it was now available for them. Alas, scammers have seized on this expectation, sending bogus emails with attached a zipped 'Windows 10 Installer'. Opening that file could result in a new CryptoLocker takeover of their PCs. Don't touch it!

Warnings have been posted on many sites – including PC World and a high-priority alert from the Australia Government site, 'Stay Smart Online'. Dave then showed a Screen Capture of how the CryptoLocker spam email could be opened, the resulting damage to files on a PC and the consequential ransom demand to restore those files.

One member who had opened a similar email was unsure as to whether he had been infected. Luckily the PC seemed still to be OK, and a scan using Malware-Bytes did not pick up any problems.

#### **Other Windows 10 Issues**

Now that Windows 10 is available, a number of Security issues are becoming evident.

One default option is that Software updates may be shared (uploaded) to other users – causing unplanned internet usage. We were shown how to disable this function.

Another default is Wi-Fi sharing – for people on our Contact lists. How to disable was also shown, however be wary when giving Wi-Fi passwords to visitors who may not have that function disabled.

Two members had been advised that their PCs could not be updated to Windows 10 due to Nvidia not having providing updated drivers to Microsoft. It seems the solution is to do an Install from the appropriate Windows 10 .ISO file, and then to obtain the updated video drivers direct from Nvidia.

#### **Favourite URLs**

To get estimates of taxi fares in many cities, go to http:// www.taxifarefinder.com Has details of many cities, and via RideGuru tab, can also show Uber-Black and Uber-X (maybe dubious) comparisons. For example, a trip from Melbourne Airport to Vermont South shows up as \$62 for Uber X, \$104 for standard taxi and \$141 for Uber Black! Tony-P is heading to Athens, and will give us feedback in October as to the accuracy of this system.

#### **Airline Safety Video**

Air New Zealand is renowned for its innovative In-Flight Safety movies. We saw the latest version (based on the Men-in-Black theme) to fit in with the forthcoming World Rugby Cup next month . .

#### **Presentation: Phishing and Spam**

After the break, **Bryan Paten** outlined some Phishing and Spam issues. These could be either unsolicited email or telephone calls – the general intent being to extract money from you.

He gave many examples, including some from the Black& White column of Herald Sun.

To minimise unsolicited phone calls, Bryan recommended the 1300 792 958 'Do-Not-Call' register, explaining that the initial registration hold for 3 years, with renewal then lasting 5 years. (NB. This service can cover both landline and mobile phones).

#### Other advice was:

**1.** Use Block Sender to block repetitive inbound spam email.

**2.** Use the bcc (Blind Carbon Copy) option when send-ing/forwarding to email groups.

**3.** Use disposable email addresses (ex Hotmail, Gmail etc) for one-off needs. An alternative method is www. mytrashmail.com

4. Be wary of any emails from Banks & Credit Card providers asking for account details, and DO NOT EVER use any embedded URL links. Instead, retype them yourself.
5. Check Bank and Credit Card accounts regularly looking for any strange transactions - contact your Bank ASAP for any irregularities.

**6.** Use good AntiVirus software – keeping it (along with Windows and Browser) regularly updated, preferably automatically.

#### Summary:

Be Alert, Be Safe... and the big one "If in doubt, Don't!"

#### Casey

Date (Feb-Nov)	Second Friday	of the month
Time	12.30pm – 3pr	n
Email	jwhit@jwhitak	er.com
Location	Narre Warren Library (Fountain	
	Gate), Overlai	nd Drive,
	Narre Warren 3	3805.
Convener(s)	Jan Whitaker	9705-9009
	Jan Weiner	9796-2807

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#### report by Con Lilley

We had a reasonable turnout for the September SIG Meeting which was scheduled to start with a short introduction by **Jan Weiner** on what she regularly uses her computer for at home, and the web sites that she visits. Jan's visual presentation which she had prepared, unfortunately could not be shown due to a malfunction on the laptop she had brought along and was incompatible with other laptops available so her presentation took the form of a general discussion of the websites that would appeal to members. She included the search engine duckduckgo.com, Babamail, GEMS for enquiring minds and other U3A sites, and the comments by **Bob Rankin**.

Our main Speaker was a nice surprise to all present and the subject matter seemed not to be on the same lines that we are used to but it was indeed a truly stimulating presentation by **Dr. Juanita Fernando**, an academic from Monash advising the Department of Health and Ageing.

Her subject concerned "eHealth" in Australia and the proposed changes to the electronic keeping of health records and the implications of a National universal personal history being maintained in digital format. The uptake of the National scheme has been disappointing and has changed from an "opt in" registration under the Personally Controlled E-Health Record system (PCEHR) to a rebadged "opt out" My Health Record (MyHR) for those who seek registration. There seems to be opportunities for limited exclusion for individuals who do not give permission for past health history to be included in the data base but all this is still under discussion with the Medical Profession and other interested parties.

#### **Casey Workshop**

Date (Feb-Nov)	Fourth Friday o	of the month
Time	12.30 - 3pm	
Email	weijan@westn	et.com.au
Location	Narre Warren L	ibrary (Fountain
	Gate), Overlan	d Drive,
	Narre Warren 3	805.
Convener(s)	Jan Weiner	9796-2807
	Jan Whitaker	9705-9009
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#### report by **Con Lilley**

The meeting on 25 September was well attended and several members had their laptops put through "house-keeping" procedures with old programs removed or updated and general clean-up.

In spite of many people using the Library Web connection, those wanting to use their free connection were able to do so and download data as required.

#### Communications

Date (Feb-Nov)	Second Wed of the month
Time	7pm – 9.30pm
Email	phil@melbpc.org.au
Location	Melb PC HQ, Moorabbin.
Convener(s)	Phil Lew 0418-567-019

#### **Digital Images**

Date (Feb-Nov)	Third Friday of the month
Time	10am – 12noon
Email	bockey@melbpc.org.au
Location	Wadham House,
	52 Wadham Parade,
	Mount Waverley.

Convener(s)

#### East

Date ( <b>Feb-Dec</b> )	Second Thursday of the month
Time	7.30pm – 9:30pm
Email	east@melbpc.org.au
Location	Eley Park Community Centre,
	87 Eley Rd, Blackburn Sth.
Convener(s)	Paul Woolard 9877-1059
	lan Dewhurst 0438-480-500

Ian Bock

9807-3701

#### report by Neil Muller

As always, the first session was Q&A and with **George Skarbek** back on deck this month.

**Q:** If I use Acronis to copy my hard drive, will that transfer the operating system?

**A:** Absolutely, the full operating system and by default if you have a hidden factory reset partition that will copy as well. However if you are using an old version of Acronis from 2013 or earlier and you want to bring back Win 8 or 10, Acronis will not bring back the boot sector. In this case you should get the latest 2016 version.

**Q:** After making an Acronis image I wanted to test if the image would work so I tried to transfer it to a second PC an old laptop. When I connected to the second PC I could see the image but could not install it. How do I transfer the image to the second PC?

A: You will need to create a rescue disk to boot from in your second PC. You may need to set the BIOS to boot from your optical drive first in the second PC for the rescue disk to load. The rescue disk loads a version of Linux and displays the Acronis menu.

You will most likely find that the second PC will then load Windows but in a very crippled mode, as the correct drivers for that machine are not loaded. For example it will load a VGA screen displaying only 16 colours and won't have any sound or internet. You will then have to download device drivers for the second PC and install them.

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Q: I believe you need Acronis 2016 to backup Windows 10. The problem I've had is obtaining the password for Acronis from www.ugr.com to upgrade my 2015 version.

A: There is no password, it's the installation serial number you need. As an existing customer you should have a user ID and serial number. Go to the download section and when installing key in your serial number and you should then be right. Acronis 2016 has a few trivial improvements over the 2015 version but I believe the 2015 version of Acronis may work with Windows 10. To download Acronis from www.ugr.com you need to indicate you are from Melb PC to enable you to buy Acronis at the discounted User Group rate of US\$25 or the family pack (3 licences) for US\$60.

**Q:** I wish to use a Bluetooth headphone and want to know whether any Bluetooth headphone will work? I tried once without success.

A: I would expect any Bluetooth headphones will pair but you will need to enter a password when pairing Bluetooth devices. This is usually 0000.

Our next presentation was by Stuart Bedford titled "Simple Movie Editing". Stuart had a four minute video taken with a mobile phone while on holidays and it needed improving. High end video software was considered too complicated and expensive for this task. Windows Movie Maker is simple to use, it is free and proved more than adequate. If you upgrade to Windows 10 with Movie Maker already installed you should find it will work. If you download Movie Maker to a Windows 10 system some fiddling may be needed for it to work. Stuart's presentation demonstrated how to add a still picture to the start with a caption and music. He showed how to split and cut the video, insert an animated still photo, insert transitions and finish with a still image and rolling credits. Stuart noted care is needed when saving the file when selecting the correct format. The final video is a credit to Stuart and to the power of Windows Movie Maker.

The after break presentation was by **Brian Heywood** on Google Earth Pro. Google Earth Pro was previously sold for \$399 per year, but is now available for free to the public without purchasing a license key. Search for "gepfree" in Google and you should find it. If you have Google Earth already installed you will find the Pro version will install as a separate program. The Pro version is a different product and has many extra features. Many of these such as the GIS demographic data, parcel and traffic features are for the US only. Brian showed a number of excellent videos on Google Earth Pro in addition to his live demonstration. One of these YouTube videos titled "How to use Google Earth Pro for Beginners" may

be of interest to readers not at this meeting. Some of the extra features included; advanced measurement (path, area, radius and circumference), high resolution printing, exporting your journeys as a High Definition movie, spreadsheet importing, additional layers in the Earth gallery section of Google earth, a Voyager layer, timelines and printing with titles are just some. If any of these extra features are of interest to you then it's worth upgrading to Google Earth Pro.

#### East Workshop

Date (Feb-Nov)	Second Sunday	y of the month.
Time	10am – 2pm	
Email	eastwsh@melb	pc.org.au
Location	Wadham Hous	e,
	52 Wadham Pa	rade,
	Mount Waverle	ey.
Convener(s)	Ken Gubbins	9842-8875
	Jeff Webster	9078-0879
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#### **Essendon** — Main meeting

Date (Feb-Nov)	First Friday of the month
Time	9:30am – 12noon
Email	essendon@melbpc.org.au
Location	Nancye Kirchner
	Neighbourhood Centre,
	Doyle Street, Avondale Heights.
Convener(s)	John Guegan 9317-7114

#### Essendon — Open Forum

Date (Feb-Nov)	Second Friday of the month
Time	9:30am – 12 noon
Email	essendon@melbpc.org.au
Location	Nancye Kirchner
	Neighbourhood Centre,
	Doyle Street, Avondale Heights.
Convener(s)	John Guegan 9317-7114

#### **Essendon** — Various Topics

	(check website for details).
Date (Feb-Nov)	Third Friday of the month
Time	9:30am – 12 noon
Email	essendon@melbpc.org.au
Location	Nancye Kirchner
	Neighbourhood Centre,
	Doyle Street, Avondale Heights.
Convener(s)	John Guegan 9317-7114

#### Essendon — Multimedia/General

Date (Feb-Nov) Time Email Convener(s)

**SIG Currently in Recess** 7pm – 9pm essendon@melbpc.org.au John Guegan 9317-7114

#### **Everything Apple**

Date (Feb-Nov) Time Email Location Convener(s)

Fourth Sunday of the month 2pm – 4pm everything-apple@ausom.net.au Melb PC HQ, Moorabbin. Julie Ackland

The emphasis is on Apple iDevices (iPod, iPhone, iPad, AppleTV, Time Capsule Airport Extreme) and helping people understand the Mac environment.

#### **Genealogy East**

Date (Feb-Nov)	Third Sunday of the month
December	Second Sunday
Time	1pm – 3.30pm
Email	dav123@virginbroadband.com.au
Location	Vermont South Community
	Centre, 1 Karobran Drive,
	Vermont South. 3133.
Convener	David Andreassen

The Genealogy East SIG is for those beginning genealogy and for those who are advanced but need more knowledge to move ahead. Members' trials, tribulations and expertise are openly discussed and freely shared in this self-help group.

#### Hardware

Date (Feb-Nov)	Second Friday of the month		
Time	10am – 12 noon		
Email	kcording@bigpond.net.au		
Location	Wadham House,		
	52 Wadham Parade,		
	Mount Waverley	<i>.</i>	
Convener(s)	Kelvin Cording	9438-1047	
	Bill Dair	9955-4551	

#### **Hardware Workshop**

Date (Feb-Nov)	Fourth Saturday of the month
Time	10am – 12 noon
Email	barrymar@melbpc.org.au
Location	Melb PC HQ, Moorabbin.
Convener(s)	Barry Martin

#### iHelp

Date (Feb-Nov)	Approximately 6 monthly
Time	7pm – 9pm
Email	help@melbpc.org.au
Location	Melb PC HQ, Moorabbin.
Convener(s)	Dave Simpson
Current Web address:	http://melbpc.org.au/ihelp/

Current Web address: http://melbpc.org.au/ihelp/ iHelp SIG

Many members have their default Home Page set to www.melbpc.org.au/isp/ This of course no longer works with the new website, so it is suggested you now change this to www.melbpc.org.au/help/ In Internet Explorer just click on the Cogwheel symbol, then select Internet Options|General|Home Page.

#### Linux

Date (Feb-Nov)
Time
Email
Location
Convener(s)

Second Tuesday of the month 7pm – 9pm linux@melbpc.org.au Melb PC HQ, Moorabbin. James Cox 9885-5503

#### **Linux Workshop**

Date (Feb-Nov)	Second Tuesday of the month
Time	4pm – 7pm
Email	linux@melbpc.org.au
Location	Melb PC HQ, Moorabbin.
Convener(s)	James Cox 9885-5503

#### MACE

(Melbourne Atari Con	nputer Enthusiasts)
Date (Feb-Nov)	Third Sunday of the month
Time	10am – 2pm
Email	maceatari@gmail.com
Location	Melb PC HQ, Moorabbin.
Convener(s)	Andrew Boschan
	0400-851-613

#### **Macedon Ranges**

Date (Feb-Nov)	Third Sunday of the month
Time	2pm – 4pm
Email	colinspc1@yahoo.com.au
Location	Further Education Centre,
	18 Hamilton St, Gisborne.
Convener(s)	John Hunter
	0406-868-226

The Macedon Ranges members have a common interest in computers and range from beginners to technicians with the sole aim of sharing knowledge, experiences and helping each other. The SIG is a general purpose group that is free flowing and may or may not have a specific subject to discuss each meeting. There are times a special guest is invited to speak on a particular subject that has been requested by a group member. At other times there may be special instruction and demonstrations on particular software or hardware. Members can also bring along any hardware they are having problems with for the group to try and resolve.

#### **Microcontroller**

Date (Feb-Nov)	Second Wed of	f the month
Time	7pm – 9.30pm	
Email	microcontrolle	r@melbpc.org.au
Location	Melb PC HQ, M	loorabbin.
Convener(s)	Phil Lew	0418-567-019
	John Hollow	0417-031-164

Microcontrollers are small cheap computer chips which measure or sense input (e.g. temperature, door-open) and control outputs (e.g. displays, motor control), i.e. all combinations of analog and digital, input and output. They need very few other components to function, and are in many products (e.g. cameras, cars, toys).

Our group is for people to develop microcontroller projects (including the software-programming), gadgets for fun and more serious purposes. We make machines, using microcontrollers, and other electronics, to do things. We cater for all levels of knowledge, novice to experienced — members helping members. The Wednesday meeting involves discussion and presentations. The associated Saturday Workshop is informal and hands-on.

#### **Microcontroller Workshop**

Date (Feb-	Nov) Second & Fourth Sat of mo	nth.	
Time	12noon - 5pm		
Email	microcontroller-workshop@melbpc.org	.au	
Location	Melb PC HQ, Moorabbin.		
Convener	s) John Shirt 0409-568-2	267	
	Rob Brown 0419-285-8	806	

The Saturday Workshop is a *Creative Space*. It is a space to express your creativity. Its development depends on those who are involved and their interests. The workshops are centred around microcontrollers but are not limited to microcontrollers. If you are looking for a space that facilitates sharing of ideas and support, a place where you can express your creativity, then this SIG could be what you are looking for.

#### **Mornington Peninsula**

Day (General)	Meeting		
Date (Feb-Nov)	Third N	Third Monday of the month	
Time	ïme 9.30am		
Email	peninsula@melbpc.org.au		
Location	Mornington Information Centre,		
	320 Ma	ain St, Mornington.	
Convener(s)	Terry Said	0427-750-327	
	lan Thomson	iaroth@netspace.net.au	
	Colin Ackehurst		
	colin_a_ackehurst@bigpond.com		

#### **Mornington Peninsula Digital Imaging**

Third Monday of the month
12.30pm – 2pm
peninsula@melbpc.org.au
Mornington Information Centre,
320 Main St, Mornington.
Lloyd Lobbe

#### **Mornington Peninsula Family History**

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Third Monday of the month 2pm – 4.30pm peninsula@melbpc.org.au Mornington Information Centre, 320 Main St, Mornington. Colin Ackehurst colin\_a\_ackehurst@bigpond.com

#### **Multimedia Home Entertainment (MHE)**

Date (Feb-Nov)	First Friday of th	ie month
Time	10am – 12 noor	า
Email	multimed@mel	pc.org
Webpage	http://www.me	lpc.org
Location	Wadham House	, ,
	52 Wadham Par	ade,
	Mount Waverley	/.
Convener(s)	John Hall	9803-2731
	Kelvin Cording	9438-1047

The aim of the group is to assist members in the installation and operation of PC based hardware and software to run and maintain Multimedia Home Entertainment systems. This would include such things as Personal Video Recorders (PVRs), Media Servers (including Windows Home Server), Internet streaming of video and audio, Sony PS3 and Windows X-Box home entertainment systems, and home networking and storage systems for playback of video and audio.

Attendees from beginner to expert level are all welcome. Members are encouraged to bring their own equipment to gain hands-on experience in setup and/ or maintenance.

#### Music

Date (Feb-Nov)	
Time	
Email	
Location	
Convener(s)	

Third Thursday of the month 7.30pm – 9.30pm music@melbpc.org.au

Melb PC HQ, Moorabbin. David Godfred Bill Sakell

#### Invitation by Bill Sakell

We have added some information on the new website's Music SIG, which includes contact information. More information is to be added, including some interesting downloads. We meet every month; come along and bring your instruments.

#### **North East Android**

Date (Feb-Nov)	Third Wed of the month
Time	10am – 12noon
Email	ne-android@melbpc.org.au
Location	Uniting Church Hall,
	19 Seddon Street, Ivanhoe.
Convener(s)	Colin Lampshire 9857-5372
	or 0413-640-408
	Kelvin Cording 9438-1047

#### report by Ron Cummins

Colin Lampshire welcomed us to this month's meeting which was very well-attended. There was one very interesting item that one member had bought on mail order from China for \$290. It was a tablet that operated in either of the two modes Ipad Air or Android. The meeting turned its attention to useful Apps. FX and ES are both file explorer programs with the former allowing the use of dual screen and the latter giving useful file size information. Just Watch is a program that can tell you what TV programmes are on different channels. Fing is another App.which gives you information on what device, program or user is currently operating on your modem. A word of caution was urged on members using Evernote as it tends to share your information rather widely. Colornote is an alternative App. that will allow you to colour your notes according to the way you may classify them. It will also allow the use of checklists.

After the break, **Dale Gardner-Berry** gave us a very interesting talk on the possible problems of using USB chargers, all nominally 5V, to charge Li ion batteries in a range of hardware devices.. He advised that the main cause of deterioration in Li ion batteries is overheating during charging . To assist in his experiment he had bought a multimeter called Charger Doctor that sat between the voltage supply and a Li ion powered device and measured both the voltage driving and the current drawn by the device. The hardware that he tested included a Sony Bluetooth, a Samsung tablet, Motorola telephone, Apple I Pad Mini, and a computer. He tested these in the fully-charged and half-charged states. He found that all drew 5.0 to 5.1 volts except the Samsung which drew 5.3v. He found that the only devices with the capacity to automatically turn off the charging were the Sony Bluetooth and the I pad Mini. A problem can arise when the device is charged at a higher voltage than designed and hence draws more current which increases the heating. On the other hand if the voltage is too low it does no harm but charging may be slow or is insufficient. His advice is to generally stick to the charger that is supplied and to recharge in a top-up way for short periods. This reduces the risk of overcharging, during a long recharge. The cost of the Charger Doctor was \$16.45 from Crazy-Sales. It will measure DC voltage between 3.5 and 7.0 v and 0-3.0 amps.

#### **North East Daytime**

Date (Feb-Nov)	Second Thursday of the month
Time	10am – 12.15pm
Email	neday@melbpc.org.au
Location	Uniting Church Hall,
	19 Seddon Street, Ivanhoe.
Convener(s)	Colin Lampshire 9857-5372
	or 0413-640-408

#### report by **Ron Cummins**

**Colin Lampshire** was back in the chair and opened the meeing by asking about new purchases. One member had a new Toshiba Satellit laptop and activated the free 60 day Norton scan and kept getting messages that his computer was unprotected. The next subject was Q&A and this then moved on to a general discussion. A Pay-Pal scam was mentioned where a member was asked to re-register and confirm his credit card details. However PayPal, like banks, NEVER gets in touch by e-mail. Another member complained that getting protocol right when setting up a new email account is getting more complicated. *Members were advised not to be in a hurry to action Windows 10 unless it came with new hardware.* 

After tea **Dave Botherway** entertained us with a polished presentation about TV Evolution in Australia from its commencement through to its latest products such as Stan, Netflix and Fetch TV. 1995 saw the advent of Cable TV and 2010 saw Free-to-Air move to digital which expanded the number of channels available from 8 to 28. This year also saw the introduction of smart TV sets which connect directly to the internet or media centre/PVR. All of this however is predicated upon the broadband supply to the equipment being sufficient in both speed and volume. A 90 min. movie in SD (720x576) only requires 1GB. In HD (1920x1080) it needs 4.5GB. In ultra HD (3840x2860) it expands to 16GB and needs 40 Mb/sec.

The expanded capability in cable and broadband has seen the introduction of Video-on-demand (Vod) and this looks to be the way of the future. The content suppliers have accepted this and have organised their bundles. Foxtel is sports orientated, Fetch TV has ESPN, BBC, and Nat.Geog, Netflix comes with programs like House of Cards and Walt Disney products, Stan has MGM, and Sony Pictures with no ads and Presto will stream TV and movies. Bundling is now common with ISPs with Phones, Internet, and TV combined, with different levels of data. Dave's advice is to look closely at the sorts of programs you want to watch. To find them he uses Justwatch.com. In summary, Streaming Vod is the way ahead, Free-to-air is struggling, there is fierce competition among content providers and ISPs and the latter try to lock in consumers. Finally it is confusing to the user. The focus needs to be on desired content. For instance it is possible to get some Foxtel and Optus content on Fetch TV.

#### North East Genealogy

Date (Feb-Nov)	First Tuesday of the month
Time	10am – 12.00noon
Email	negen@melbpc.org.au
Location	Uniting Church Hall,
	19 Seddon Street, Ivanhoe.
Convener(s)	Lynn Hammet
	lynnhammet@gmail.com

#### **Northern Suburbs Linux**

Date (Feb-Nov)	Third Monday of the month
Time	7.30pm – 9.30pm
Email	nslig@melbpc.org.au
Location	Community Meeting Room,
	Watsonia Library,
	4 Ibbotson St, Watsonia.
Convener(s)	David Hatton
	Stephen Davidson

#### report by Stephen Davidson

There was no Linux News video for this month's meeting. Our volunteer had been unable to complete his project due to pressure of business.

Instead of a Bits and Bytes session, we enoyed an open forum chaired by David Hatton.

David drew the attendees' attention to the email about the club meeting at Moorabbin on 26th September to consider future directions and some discussion followed. Topics raised included ..

- should our name should be changed - suggestions? - how to increase membership or slow the natural attrition in membership

- what major subject areas should be encompassed.

The next question from a member was how Linux might be interfaced to Windows Active Directory. Because the need is quite urgent, the suggestion was to use Windows for the time being, and plan and implement a Linux solution in a longer timeframe.

To finish up, there were a few specific questions about contacting members having skills in programming in perl and mailout systems.

After the social break, David Hatton spoke about installing and using Third Party Software with Linux. As an example, David went through installing and running FreeBasic, a program that is not in the repository used by Linux Mint (the distribution used for his demonstration).

After downloading the package from freebasic.net, the user should extract the various items in the downloaded package to a convenient directory using an archive manager, as FreeBasic comes in a .tar.gz archive. After

unpacking the archive, the user needs to read the file readme.txt. In this case, there are dependencies required, and these need to be downloaded and installed using the standard "apt-get install" method if they are not already present.

In this case, it is also useful to install an Integrated Development Environment (IDE). Fortunately, the Geany editor can fulfil this role and is easily installed using the standard package manager. It can also be tailored to compile and run various "dialects" of Basic, including QuickBasic, by configuring the FreeBasic compile time options using the menu entry "Build -> Set Build Commands".

FreeBasic has an install script, install.sh, which by default installs FreeBasic in /usr/local, a directory tree that is not accessed by the standard package manager. David installed FreeBasic in the default, but /opt is another possibility. Because the repository does not "know" about third party software, the user must update and maintain Third Party programs, such as FreeBasic, manually.

With the install complete, it was time to test the result. Fortunately, there are Quick Basic programs available within Melb PC, and David compiled and ran one of the DStars programs written by Ken Holmes. The attendees were fascinated by the resulting display of the relative motions of a group of stars, and almost forgot it was time to go home. Attendees thanked David for another interesting session.

#### Online

Date (Feb-Nov)	As you choose
Time	As you choose
Email	kazkev@melbpc.org.au
Location	Melb PC Newsgroups & Foru
Convener(s)	Kevin Martin — Evening onl
	5964-7627 or 0407-343-162

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## Programming

Date (Feb-Nov)	Fourth Wed of the month
Time	6.30pm – 9pm
Email	programming@melbpc.org.au
Location	Melb PC HQ, Moorabbin.
Convener(s)	John Viney

Tell us about the programs you are writing, wrote in the past, or give us ideas for interesting programs to write. We'll walk through the process of developing software, from user interface design to writing the code in computer language and testing. Different programming languages, techniques and tools will be showcased as well as scripts, plug-ins, extensions, markups, compilers, databases. Something for beginners and pros alike.

#### **Raspberry Pi**

Date (Feb-Nov)	Fourth Friday o	of the month
Time	10am – 12 noo	n
Email	raspi@melbpc.	org.au
Location	Wadham Hous	e,
	52 Wadham Pa	rade,
	Mount Waverle	ey.
Convener(s)	John Hall	9803-2731
	Lance Lloyd	9884-5559

#### Sunbury Daytime — New Users

Date (Feb-Nov)	First Thursday of the month
Time	9.30am – 12noon
Email	sunburydaytime@gmail.com
Webpage	
http://sunburydaytime	.wix.com/sunbury-pc-club
Location	Sunbury Senior Citizens Centre
	(back room),
	8 O'Shannassy Street, Sunbury.
Convener(s)	Kevin Hale 9740-5786
	John Fogarty

#### Sunbury Daytime — Advanced

Date (Feb-Nov)	Second Thursday of the month	
Time	9.30am – 12noon	
Email	sunburydaytime@gmail.com	
Webpage		
http://sunburydaytime.wix.com/sunbury-pc-club		
Location	Sunbury Senior Citizens Centre	

Sunbury Senior Citizens Centre
(back room),
8 O'Shannassy Street, Sunbury.
Kevin Hale 9740-5786 John Fogarty

#### Sunbury Daytime — Main Meeting

Date (Feb-Nov)	Third Thursday of the month
Time	9.30am – 12noon
Email	sunburydaytime@gmail.com
Webpage	
http://sunburydaytime	.wix.com/sunbury-pc-club
Location	Sunbury Senior Citizens Centre
	(back room),
	8 O'Shannassy Street, Sunbury.
Convener(s)	Kevin Hale 9740-5786 John Fogarty
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#### Sunbury Daytime — Maintenance &

#### Linux

Date (Feb-Nov)

Fourth Thursday of the month AND Fifth Thursday of the month.

Time 9.30am – 12noon Email sunburydaytime@gmail.com Webpage http://sunburydaytime.wix.com/sunbury-pc-club Sunbury Senior Citizens Centre Location (back room), 8 O'Shannassy Street, Sunbury. Kevin Hale 9740-5786 Convener(s) John Fogarty

#### Video Inner East

Date (Feb-Nov)	Second Monday of the month Incl. June Queen's Birthday
Time	7pm – 9pm
Email	videoinnereast@gmail.com
Webpage	
http://users.tpg.com.a	u/adslo8nb/vie/index.html
Location	Copland Room,
	Ashburton Library,
	154 High St, Ashburton VIC.
Convener(s)	Richard Balsillie 9809-4116

#### Video Production — Sony

Date (Feb-Nov)	Second Wed of the month
Time	10am – 12 noon
Email	rdwragg@fastmail.fm
Location	Melb PC HQ, Moorabbin.
Convener(s)	Roger Wragg
	Bob Flack

This group specialises in video editing and production using all SONY products, including VEGAS with both the Platinum and Pro versions. We cater for all members from beginners to advanced and work with all video formats from standard definition (SD) up to full high definition (HD) using both tape, DVD , and solid-state video cameras.

The following topics are covered: Sound track production using Sony Cinescore Voice over recording using both Vegas and Sound Forge, Basic picture composition, Lighting for video, Working with Sony DVD Architect to produce both DVDs and blu-ray discs. Upon request, we will look at the conversion of 8mm movie film to a digital format using the groups special conversion equipment.

#### Video Production — Pinnacle

Date (Feb-Nov)	Fourth Wed of the month
Time	9.30am - 12 noon
Email	tonypickup@optusnet.com.au
Location	Melb PC HQ, Moorabbin.
Convener(s)	Bill Johnson
	Tony Pickup

#### WAFFLF

#### (Wine And Fine Food Lovers' Event)

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Date ( <b>Feb-Dec</b> )	First Wed of the	e month
Time	9.30pm	
	(after the Mont	thly Meeting)
Email	phil@melbpc.o	org.au
Location	Fongs Chinese	Restaurant,
	725 Centre Rd	(cnr Francesco),
	Bentleigh East.	
Convener(s)	Phil Lew	0418-567-019
	Tom Rado	9807-4072

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Date (Feb-Nov)	Second Tuesday of the month	
Time	10.30am – 12.30pm	
Email	wasint@melbpc.org.au	
Location	Melb PC HQ, Moorabbin.	
Convener(s)	Richard Solly	

#### Website Design — Tutorials

Date (Feb-Nov)	Fourth Sunday o	f the month
Time	2pm – 4pm	
Email	webdesign@mel	lbpc.org.au
Location	Melb PC HQ, Mo	orabbin.
Convener(s)	Fleur Stephens	0407-330-963

The aim of the Web Design SIG is to help members build and manage web sites. So if you are creating, managing or designing a web site and need some help, drop in.

#### Website Design — Troubleshooting

Date (Feb-Nov)	Fourth Sunday of the month
Time	4рт – брт
Email	webdesign@melbpc.org.au
Location	Melb PC HQ, Moorabbin.
Convener(s)	Fleur Stephens 0407-330-963

#### Windows Plus

Date (Feb-Nov)	Third Saturday of the month	
Time	10am – 1pm	
Email	win78@melbpc.org.au (tem	D)
Location	Melb PC HQ, Moorabbin.	
Convener(s)	John Swale 0417-530-76	6
	Barry Stone	

#### Wyndham — General

Date (Feb-Nov)	Second Monday of the Montl	h
	Incl. June Queen's Birthday	
Time	7.30pm – 9.30pm	
Email	jpfh@melbpc.org.au	
Location	Room 3, Central Park Commu	I-
	nity Centre, Lonsdale Circuit	
	(off Franklin Blvd),	
	Hoppers Crossing.	
Convener(s)	Chris Hughes 9731-0891	
	John Healey	

This Group exists to provide local information and support to the South-West Region of outer Melbourne. We have Q&A sessions and coverage of PC hardware and software issues. There is a supper break with time for informal discussion. Visitors always welcome

#### Wyndham — Multimedia

Date (Feb-Nov) Third Tuesday of the month Time 7.30pm – 9.30pm Email jpfh@melbpc.org.au Location Room 3, Central Park Community Centre, Lonsdale Circuit (off Franklin Blvd), Hoppers Crossing. Convener(s) **Chris Hughes** 9731-0891 John Healey Yarra Ranges Date (Feb-Nov) Fourth Tuesday of the month Time 9.15am – 11:15am Email yrig@melbpc.org.au Japara Living and Learning Location Centre, 54-58 Durham Road, Kilsyth. Convener(s) Bryan Paten 0429-430-640

#### Report by John Sapsford

Our August meeting commenced promptly at 9.15 am with 10 members present; there were five apologies. It was decided there would be no workshop after the meeting today.

Shane Mason 9733-5390

Bryan Paten welcomed everyone. Members spoke on, showed some of their new acquisitions and displayed some new equipment. These included a Clune Drive HDD docking station and a Chromecast USB which turns your TV into a Smart TV.

A Raspberry Pi that Bryan had acquired was passed around for members to inspect. There is a Raspberry Pi SIG which meets in Glen Waverley. More details can be found in this Newsletter. **p21**.

There was a discussion about the decline of the Computer Market at Box Hill Town Hall. One member made the comment that the Computer Market at Springvale seemed quite lively, so it may be worth a visit sometime. We then went on to a discussion about illegal downloading of movies and particularly the recent court case in America concerning the 'Dallas Buyers Club'

This led on to a discussion about Window 10 downloads. Microsoft uses its version of Bit Torrent to download software updates. With this feature other 'clients' can download Windows 10 from your computer using up your broadband allowance. This feature and a number of other features can be turned off. Only one member had downloaded the Windows 10 software. The program wouldn't close down!

We went on to discuss broadband speeds. Examples of software that measured broadband speeds were demonstrated. A discussion of Visual Private Networks (VPN) followed. Their main use was to protect a user's privacy and anonymity on the Internet and for access to overseas websites that may be blocked to them by geographical restriction. Some of the best VPN services included ExpressVPN (https://www.expressvpn.com/), Private Internet Access (PIA), (https://www.privateinternetaccess.com/), Tunnelbear (https://www.tunnelbear. com/) and CyberGhost (http://www.cyberghostvpn. com/)

Gunter, a friend of the group, brought in a large box full of computer items he no longer needed, these were being donated to whomever wanted some of the items. Some disappeared quickly and a few were kept by YRIG for potential use at a later date. The rest were considered to be somewhat obsolete and therefore of no further use to anyone. After morning tea we had a discussion about borrowing any of the SIG computer items which are kept in the locked cupboard. Any member wishing to borrow one or more of the items will need to sign in for it/them in the new equipment loan register.

The meeting concluded 11.40 am after some interesting short humorous videos.

#### Yarra Ranges Workshop

Date (Feb-Nov)	Fourth Tuesday of the month
Time	11:30am – 1:30pm
Email	yrig@melbpc.org.au
Location	Japara Living and Learning
	Centre, 54-58 Durham Road, Kilsyth.
Convener(s)	Shane Mason 9733-5390
	Bryan Paten 0429-430-640 🗌

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#### Warning!

Some systems may have difficulties with the new update to Windows 10.

iHelp advises you should not install Win 10 until reports indicate the installation is reliable. This applies particularly if you are operating a critical system, and especially if you don't have a current backup.



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### **Melbourne PC User Group 2014 Committee Elections**

John Swale Returning Officer

The Committee Nominations were received by 4 pm on Friday October 2, 2015. At the Close of Nominations there was only one candidate for the position of Secretary and no election will be required for this position.

There was more than one nomination for the positions of President and Treasurer and an election will be held for each of these positions. There was no nomination for Vice-President. For the President and Treasurer positions the orders here and on the ballot paper were drawn by lot.

President John Bade Gary Taig Vice-President Treasurer Ian Rankin Jim Hanna Secretary Geoffrey Keenan

There were six candidates for the eight places available for general committee. Two of them have nominated for an Executive position. If they are both successful, there will be four people elected to general committee otherwise there will be five or six. Whatever the outcome of the elections for President and Treasurer no election will be required for general committee.

**General Committee** 

Charles Adams Stewart Gruneklee Philip Lew Don McKenzie Ian Rankin Gary Taig Therefore at the AGM I will declare the following people elected:

#### Secretary

Geoffrey Keenan **General Committee** Charles Adams Stewart Gruneklee Philip Lew Don McKenzie

The 100 words in support of the above nominations will be published on the website. I thank all the candidates for their participation. It is disappointing to see we did not have enough nominations to fill the committee positions. I hope some members will offer to fill those positions or to help on the sub-committees.

## **Candidates for President**

Name	John Bade
Member	11212
Proposed	Don McKenzie
Member	10649
Seconded	Philip Lew
Member	6021

I am a 24 year member, current committee member and 20 year SIG leader and presenter of Office365 and the value of Group's IPv4 addresses. The future of the Group and my five year plan, involves exploiting our assets and providing more services for our members. Priority will be given to a user friendly website, software deals for members, collaboration with other community groups, new Office system and a return to being an ISP by reselling NBN/ADSL broadband plans. We can achieve new members by offering attractive programs and services, enabling the Group to prosper for another 30 years.

Name	Gary Taig
Member	1767
Proposed	Geoffrey Keenan
Member	11819
Seconded	Ian Rankin
Member	15407

MelbPC has been through many ups and downs since the 1980s; those times have each featured different predicaments. I joined in 1987 and have been deeply involved in most if not all of the subsequent rescue activities. Currently we urgently need to arrest the decline in new member applications and a new initiative is addressing that. As president I undertake to steer the club through that activity by establishing conditions that enable it to happen; by guiding and driving MelbPC through the transformation into a new and exciting technology based community group. Vote Gary Taig before the November AGM.

### **Candidates for Treasurer**

Name	lan Rankin
Member	15407
Proposed	John Morris
Member	15348
Seconded	Barry Martin
Member	13519

Joined in 1994 and early in my membership volunteered at suburban swap meets. Moved into Training in 1997 becoming Training Coordinator in 1998. In 2000 took over the Shareware/Freeware portfolio, leading the small team that developed the Monthly Disc. Continued with this until September 2013. Joined the Committee in 2008 and became Secretary in 2010. In 2014 became editor of Melbourne PC Newsletter. Resigned as Secretary in December 2014 due to ill health. Recovered and became Treasurer in August 2015. Made an Honorary Life Member in 2006.

Name	Jim Hanna
Member	3753
Proposed	Bill Ford
Member	7056
Seconded	Barry Martin
Member	13519

I qualified as a Chartered Accountant in New Zealand and am also a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Secretaries. I have worked as an accountant in Canada, United Kingdom and Libya before settling in Australia in 1970. I was employed by Comalco for ten years, the Guide Dog Association for five years and, latterly, nine years with a Victorian research institute.

I have designed and installed main frame computer systems. I have been a member of MelbPC for many years and occasionally assisted a previous Treasurer. I feel that I should contribute some of my skills to the Group.

### **Candidate for Secretary**

Name	<b>Geoffrey Keenan</b>
Member	11819
Proposed	Ian Rankin
Member	15407
Seconded	Philip Lew
Member	6021

I have been a MelbPC member since 1992. I am an Electrical Engineer and worked as a Telecommunications Engineer with Telstra, mainly on large construction projects. Later I moved to a Marketing support role and participated in a number of strategic studies. I have been on Committee for two years and have initiated changes which have improved the Group's financial survival. I believe there is more to be done, and look forward to working with others having a similar attitude.

## **Candidates for General Committee** ...in alphabetical order

Name	Charles Adams
Member	36685

Proposed William Dair Member 26647 Seconded David King Member 5677

Name	Philip Lew
Member	6021
Proposed	Bill Sakell
Member	46677
Seconded	lan Rankin
Member	15407

No statement supplied

As a long-term regular attender at several SIGs, coupled with experience in two large successful US-based multinationals my assessment of Melbourne PCs longer term future is that it needs help. That is the reason I have offered myself by nominating for a position on the committee. If elected my objectives would be to

- increase the membership of SIGs, to increase the overall membership by targeting the retiree demographic, who currently constitute the majority of current SIG membership
- ascertain why Non-SIG members belong to • the club.
- evaluate the club's administration & facility needs for long term sustainability.
- make organization name relevant. •

Name	<b>Stewart Gruneklee</b>
Member	35386
Proposed	Roger Wragg
Member	7095
Seconded	Harry Lewis
Member	40839

As a long-time member and past committee member of MelbPC, I wish to see the club survive and thrive. The current committee has brought many long-term plans to fruition and there is much still to be done. I would like to contribute in whatever way I can to progress the club.

Name	Don McKenzie
Member	10649
Proposed	John Bade
Member	11212
Seconded	Philip Lew
Member	6021

No statement supplied

Seconded Member Proposed Member	John Morris 15348 Barry Martin 13519	
Name Member	<b>lan Rankin</b> 15407	

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The voting slip is online at: http://www.melbpc.org.au/media/171379/ melbpc-2015-voting-slip-postal.pdf

#### Neil Muller Writes about his East SIG Compatriot — Charles Adams

As a resident of a Retirement Village Charles Adams finds they are great for social interaction and facilities. Most people enter a Retirement Village before the age of 75. However a major problem for residents is that the contracts were written by the operators around 1986 and have not been updated since. Charles provides assistance to new residents and recommends anyone thinking of entering a Retirement Village fully investigate any contract before entering. There are dozens of different contracts for Retirement Village residents and Charles' computer has been invaluable in analysing these. During a recent presentation Charles displayed a number of graphs comparing these contracts showing how they heavily favour the Village and not the residents. He discovered all contracts had similar formats but differed greatly in their pricing. His analysis and commentary can be found searching Google for "Retirement Villages" + "Charles Adams". Most entries I found link to the www.agedcarecrisis.com website. Charles has and is currently lobbying Government for changes to the current system to better protect the residents.

#### Graham Hurford asks, "Should we change the name of the club to "The One Stop Data (Storage) Shop"

Presently the club offers fantastic data plans for tablet or device, equally fantastic mobile phone data plans. The new Office365 suite offers excellent data storage for email accounts and unheard of unlimited cloud data storage... and there is also the possibility of personal email domain names. All this from \$5.40 month (\$65 a year) to \$7.90 month extra (\$95 yr). Email and cloud storage are free to members of course. If a non member spots a MelbPC data plan that he likes, all he has to do is add on the \$5.40 month or \$7.90 month.

I believe the data storage and mobile phone plans are a huge member benefit (and of course a member retention device) and should be widely advertised to all and sundry. How's this?... I have a MelbPC 3G phone plan that gives me 6GB of data a month for just \$30.



The emphasis will be on Apple Devices (iPad, iPhone, iPod, Apple TV – and maybe even the Apple Watch) and helping PC users understand the Mac environment.

#### Next Meeting: Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October @ 2pm

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There will be a 10 minute tea break half way through and time for questions at the end.

Fourth Sunday of the Month (except Dec & Jan) 2:00pm-4:00pm @ Melbourne PC Headquarters, Level 1, 479 Warrigal Road, Moorabbin http://stg.mpcug.net.au/contact-us/

Convenor: Julie Ackland Assistant Convenor: Peter Emery Email to: <u>AppleSIG@melbpc.org.au</u> or <u>everything-apple@ausom.net.au</u>

Graham Hurford

## Windows 10 New

Windows 10 has been available as a free upgrade for eligible Windows 7 and 8.1 PCs from 29th July for up to one year. The screen captures are from the Preview version 10162 in mid-July — features are identical to the final July 29th release.

Windows 10 boots straight to the desktop (Figure 1), not the "Metro/Modern" screen as in Windows 8.



Figure 1 — Windows 10 Desktop as seen after boot up.

## Features

The new Start menu (Figure 2) combines the best features from Windows 7 & 8. The Windows 7 Start menu returns and is resizable. The program list "All Apps" is a vertical scrolling list in alphabetical order. When **Dave Botherway** demonstrated Windows 10 at the East SIG he disliked this feature.

On the right side of the Start menu is the "Metro" look of Windows 8 with resizable program tiles and familiar "live" tiles introduced in Windows 8. I've added a few programs to the start menu and resized



#### Neil Muller

their icons (tiles) to quarter size as seen in the Fig 2 screen capture. The Start menu can be resized as I have done or resized even further to take over the whole desktop to work in tablet mode. You can see in the screen capture that the desktop (Figure 1) is still visible behind the Start Menu.



Figure 2 — Click the Windows icon to display the New Start Menu outlined in red.

I believe the "Task View" icon (Figure 3 below) located on the task bar should prove a very useful new feature. When you click on "Task View" mini versions of all open windows are displayed on the desktop in the same proportions as when minimized. Clicking one of these windows opens it to its current size. It's a little like "aero" in Windows Vista but more user friendly.



Figure 3 — Windows 10 Task View

Commonly used features such as System, Devices, Security, Backups etc. are grouped together in "Settings". The Settings window (Figure 4 below) is accessed from the Start menu (Figure 2), and replaces the "Charms" bar of Windows 8. Control Panel can still be accessed for more options by right clicking on the start button.



Figure 4 — Windows 10 Settings Window

The "All Apps" menu (Figure 5) scrolls vertically and displays all your programs in alphabetical order.



Figure 5 — Windows 10 All Apps menu seen in expanded view

New to Windows is Cortana (Figure 6). Cortana processes spoken commands and responds with voice instructions. It may not be available immediately to Australian users, the reason given is that it is not yet fluent in Australian English! **Dave Botherway** demonstrated Cortana at a recent East SIG using a workaround and one he prepared earlier. I think all members of the audience were very impressed by the accuracy of Cortana's interpretation of Dave's spoken requests and the accuracy of answers given.



Figure 6 — Windows 10 Cortana digital assistant

MicroSoft Edge (Figure 7) is the replacement browser for Internet Explorer. It has a cleaner look, is faster and has a "reading view" to improve readability of web pages. You can add notes to the webpage being viewed and even send that amended page to friends.



Figure 7 — Windows Edge browser

Other new features in Windows 10 are: You can now have a four way split screen of open windows by dragging Windows to the corners. (As the author of this article, I personally prefer a program called WinSplit Revolution. It offers 2, 3 or 4 windows split, has greater functionality, variable windows sizes and works on Windows 10. See article Free Gems — PCUpdate Oct 2011).

Windows Hello does away with passwords relying on finger prints or face recognition.

Xbox One games can be played over a network on your PC.

MicroSoft has announced that the free upgrade to Windows 10 will have lifetime support for the installed device, available from, not on, July 29th. Some of the software necessary for the install will be downloaded in advance and the remainder later without the user having to do anything. Typical downloads are 3GB for 32 bit and

4GB for 64 bit versions of Windows. Once all the software is downloaded to your PC, you are asked when you wish to install. You can wait months if you wish as you don't have to install straight away. Corporate upgrades will now be progressive updates, rather than the previous destructive upgrades.

Other Windows Insider testers have found Windows 10 is easy to install from the ISO as a standard install and the preview versions have been 100% stable. Time to install will be approximately 30 minutes for a clean install or 60-90 minutes for an upgrade.

I haven't found anything that I dislike in Windows 10 and a lot I do like. Initially I will move my secondary PC to Windows 10 as soon as it is available and after time will then consider whether I'll upgrade my main desktop PC running Windows 7 to Windows 10.

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## **NEW OPTUS Wi-Fi** OPTUS **MODEMS AVAILAE**

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## **More Books for the Library**

Clemens Pratt, Librarian.

As I've remarked several times in the past, the MelbPC library at Moorabbin is gradually becoming obsolete due to the constant advances being made in computer technology. So there is a need to modernise our holdings, and I am pursuing several avenues for achieving this. One is to obtain complimentary copies of books from publishers, get them reviewed for publication in PC Update (and feedback to the publishers), and place them in the library.

The first such book is *"Windows 10 for Dummies"* by **Andy Rathbone**, kindly given to us by John Wiley & Sons Publishing. This has been reviewed by our member and assistant librarian **Choy Lai**, and you can read her review in this issue of PC Update. The book has been placed on the shelves in the library and is available for loan.

The following books (Listing 1) have been added to the library in September. Those in

the "for Dummies" series were obtained as specials from Aldi after our office manager **Dianne Vogt** alerted me that they were about to become available. They will fill some gaps in our holdings, and it will be interesting to note from our loan records in coming months, whether they are popular.

I've invited Melb PC members a couple times to suggest books for the library and was pleased to get a request for *"The Adobe Photoshop Lightroom CC Book for Digital Photography"* by **Scott Kelby** and only recently published in May. This is now on order and will appear on the shelves in due course; the person who suggested it gets first loan.

Have a look at the library web page at http://melbpc.org.au/services/library/ It has a photo of the library shelves and a link to an up-to-date listing of our holdings for your reference.

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Listing 1. Books added in September 2015.

#### Book Review **"Windows 10 for Dummies"** by **Choy Lai**

The title "Windows 10 for Dummies" is not meant to be derogatory! It is a beginner's book providing an easy guide to navigation through both the old and new features of Windows 10; for non-beginners it is a comprehensive reference. This book shows how to manage Windows tasks, troubleshoot problems and make quick fixes. It comprises seven parts:

- 1. Windows 10 Stuff Everybody Thinks You Already Know
- 2. Working with Programs, Apps and Files
- 3. Getting Things Done on the Internet
- 4. Customising and Upgrading Windows 10
- 5. Music, Photos and Movies
- 6. Help!
- 7. The Part of Tens

Icons in the margin highlight what's new in Windows 10, tips, technical stuff, warnings, remember and touchscreen. It is worthwhile taking note of the icons, as they help the reader looking for a particular aspect.

The "Start" button is back, with access to apps as well as settings, shutdown and restart options. Some features new to Windows 10 are:

Action Centre serves as a hub for system notifications, such as when Windows wants to let you know updates have been installed, and quick access to some key settings. Action Centre is a sensible, useful addition to the interface.

Windows Explorer to Win 7 is now File Explorer and enhanced with the addition of a Quick Access section. Folders that are

regularly accessed, right click them and add them to Quick Access. They are there in Explorer and just one click away.

A new taskbar icon called Task View is very handy. Click it and all your apps are tiled on the desktop. Alt-Tab is great at flipping between application windows. The Task View icon offers a two-click method of switching. The ability to swap between multiple desktops will prove to be indispensable. For instance, one desktop may have Word, PDF document, and Excel to view. Alt-Tab switches between these windows. A second desktop may have reports to write. Seriously, this is a beneficial new feature.

Another built-in application is Virtual Desktops. It runs several desktops on a single monitor. It does not take up precious system resources or space with the additional desktops because you are not creating a virtual machine. It provides more desktop space for separate task and enables quick access to what you need.

Internet Explorer has been replaced by a new browser, Internet Edge Universal Apps which make it simple for developers of Android and Apple iOS to convert their wares to Windows. These apps will run on Windows 10 phone, tablet, PC, laptop and X-box.

The last two parts of this book are great for problem solving. Worthwhile perusing to get some DIY repair.

For both the novice with no prior Windows knowledge and the expert, the book explains each step of its execution. It is simple and easy to follow. Being one of the early books on Windows 10, it provides a speedy way to become skilled in the latest Windows version.



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#### \*Melb PC Mobile Broadband Internet Terms and Conditions

A. Definition "Melb PC" means Melbourne PC User Group incorporated or its assignee:

"Member" means a financial member of Melbourne PC User Group and includes:

"Full Member" A person accepted into the Group after payment of the current full membership fee. or the related Student or Pensioner concession fee. a)

"Family Member" A domiciled spouse, partner, child' or relative of a full member accepted to participate in activities of the Group and use that Member's Internet account after payment of the Family Membership fee; b) the subscriber means the MelbPC full member who has accepted the Melb PC Internet Agreement and paid fees for the subscription period and includes both Full and Email account subscribers. (see Level of ridds" means the period in advance for which the subscriber has paid in full being one of the periods of subscription offered by Melb PC from time to time.

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B. Subscription type & Details.	

Subscription Type	Annual Fee or Monthly Fee	email & Newsgroup Storage or <i>Mail Quota</i> <i>(Limit)</i>	Browsing	Time Limit	Home Page Storage	Download Limit	When Limit Reached
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4G Voice and Data Plan \$35 4G Voice and Data Plan \$55	\$35 pcm \$55 pcm		Yes			2.5GB pcm 4GB pcm	Excess data usage on <u>all</u> <u>plans</u> costs \$10.00 per 1GB or part thereof
Email account (office365.melbpc.org.au)	\$0	Unlimited	nil		Nil	nil	

The above charges and details are subject to change from time to time. Limits and Time Quota: daily (non-cumulative) plus bonus time in non-peak periods. Email Account Subscriber (available to all Melb PC Members without charge)

#### C. Description of Service(s) General

Melbourne PC User Group Inc. A0003293V (Melb PC) Internet Service network (the Network) is a service owned and operated by Melb PC for its members. It is a subscriber-funded service administered by the Internet Management Subcommittee (the subcommittee). Function of the Melb PC Network: The primary function of the Network is to support the transfer of information to and from Melb PC members and the International community, subject to the terms of this

agreement

Access Software: The subscriber will need to acquire suitable mail, news and Web software from our shareware library or other resources. However, Melb PC makes available a configuration kit that automates his process for those who require it. Accounts: Accounts are issued only to individuals, not company names; Melb PC may reject an application without stating a reason.

Support: Volunteers offer their help in local newsgroups and via an Internet Help team with interaction through Web Boards, e-mail and direct telephone support. Duration: The subscription to the Network is for one year from the date of acceptance. It automatically terminates upon expiry of membership of MelbPC if that occurs earlier.

Acknowledgment: Successful applicants will include individuals whose forms are correctly filled out and whose funds have been transferred to the Melb PC Bank account. Net Etiquette: Melb PC endorses adherence to ("Net etiquette" or "Netiquette") as deemed by the subcommittee from time to time and to prevailing International standards widely accepted as suitable behavior for using the Internet.

#### D. Terms of Agreement

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The subscriber asks Melb PC to provide a level of Internet access and Melb PC agrees to do so. This agreement starts when an authorized officer of Melb PC has executed it and Melb PC has received a cleared payment for the subscription period.

- If the subscriber renews this agreement for a further subscription period, this agreement applies to the renewed subscription period unless the parties agree otherwise in writing.
- The subscriber acknowledges that: Continuity and speed of the Internet access depends on a wide range of factors many of which are beyond the control of Melb PC. a.
- Melb PC has no control over the accuracy of appropriateness of any information on the internet. Melb PC is not responsible for any material available on the Internet. b
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- The subscriber's Internet access may be interrupted by equipment failure, the need for routine maintenance peak demand and so on. Melb PC cannot guarantee that the subscriber will be able to secure access at any given time or that fluctuations in demand by other subscribers will not prevent the subscriber from using the full e. amount of the maximum daily time allowance on any given day. Melb PC cannot guarantee that subscriber's home pages will always be available.
- Dial up and Mobile Broadband Internet Subscribers are responsible for writing and uploading their own home pages and keeping backup copies of same. Melb PC does not back up these home g.
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- The subscriber will indemnify Melb PC against any liability, claim, action, suit, demand, loss, cost or expense arising out of or in any way connected with this agreement or Internet access, including without limitation 5. any negligence by Melb PC, its servants or agents. The subscriber will pay fees according to Melb PC's standard pricing list from time to time, and a copy of the list certified by an officer of Melb PC is conclusive evidence of the prices applicable at any time
- 6 Any notice given about any matter concerning this agreement may be given by clicking an accept button following the display of the agreement on a web page, by fax, e-mail or post at the last fax number email or postal address notified to the sender and is deemed to have been received at the time when it would have arrived in the ordinary course of the relevant type of transmission. 7.
- 8. Melb PC may change any term of this Agreement or make additional rules at any time by means of notification delivered in accordance with clause 9. Subscriber may refuse to accept any such change and terminate or her Internet access and receive a pro-rata refund for any paid subscription if a request to this effect this received within 14 days from the deemed receipt date of a notice of changes. Should a subscriber continue to keep using the service past the date of the notice deemed received as described in clause 9, the subscriber shall be deemed to accept the changes. A copy of the rules certified by an officer of Welb PC is conclusive evidence of the rules applicable at any time. The rules from time to time will apply as if they were set out in full as terms of this agreement The subscriber <u>must not</u> deliberately or recklessly do anything that damages Melb PC's equipment, software, setup or services.
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- 10. 11. The subscriber must not use Internet access to annoy, harass or harm other Internet users including sending of viruses either wittingly or unwittingly and the sending of spam or unsolicited bulk email. The subscriber must not use Internet access for any unlawful purpose or in any unlawful manner.

- Melb PC does not review any publications or communication and does not verify, endorse, or otherwise take responsibility for the content of same. Subscribers are legally responsible for their own publications and communications.
- 12. 13. 14. 15. The subscriber will keep safe and confidential any access numbers; codes or passwords allotted to them by Melb PC and notify Melb PC without delay of any compromise of that information. Melb PC may suspend or terminate the subscribers Internet access immediately if the subscriber breaches this agreement wittingly or unwittingly or fails to promptly pay any money owed to Melb PC or ceases to be a member of Melb PC.
- Melb PC may delete without notice any material found on its storage disks without giving any reason for doing so. 16.
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- Melb PC may make and keep any record it requires for the purpose of this agreement or the rules or for the operation of its services or as required by the law or its officers. The subscriber must not transfer, sell or share internet access rights, or allow the account to be used by any other person, other than those Melb PC Family Members who are listed on this application and 18. have paid the relevant charges.
- 19 The user's last name must be displayed in all e-mail and news messages. The user's first name or initials may be displayed as desired.
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- Commercial traffic, in the form of private messages and advertisements in newsgroups designated for that purpose, is permitted within the bounds of Net etiquette. The 'Organisation' field in private email or public newsgroup article headers must always be Melbourne PC User Group Australia, the name of the service provider. Any other organisation or business name is permitted only in the four-line (maximum) "signature" text that is optionally inserted at the end of the message or article. 21
- 22 The "From" field used in email and news messages may be the Melb PC assigned email address. e.g. jjones@melbpc.org.au or a "Spam-trap" address, e.g. jjones@notspam.org.au or, subject to Clause 22 an external address. e.g. jjones@hotmail.com.
- Melb PC may assign its rights and obligations to full Internet Subscribers under this agreement to an Internet access provider that is of equal standard to Melb PC and after notice of assignment is given to the subscriber, this agreement shall have operation as if it had been entered into between the assignee and the subscriber and Melb PC's rights (except for its right to recover any money owed to it immediately before the assignment) and obligations under this agreement shall be at an end. Services to Associate internet Subscribers shall be limited to the period Melb PC is able to provide them from its own 23
- 24. The parties submit to the law of Victoria, Australia in relation to any the interpretation of this agreement, or any dispute arising out of it.
- To the extent permitted by law and except as expressly provided to the contrary in this Agreement, all varianties whether express, implied, statutory or otherwise, relating in any way to the subject matter of this Agreement or to this Agreement generally, are excluded Where legislation implies in this Agreement any condition, or warranty and that legislation avoids or prohibits provisions in a contract excluding or modifying the application of or the 25 exercise of or facility under such term, such term, shall be deemed to be included in this Agreement. However, the liability of Melb PC for any breach of such term shall be limited at the option of Melb) PC, to any one or more of the following if the breach related to goods. the replacement of the goods or the supply of equivalent goods; the replacement of the cost of having the goods or goods and acquiring equivalent goods, or the payment of the cost of having the goods replaced to the vertices the supplying of the services again: or the payment of the cost of having the services supplied again. To the extent permitted by law and excepts as expressly provided to the contrary in this Agreement Melb PC shall not be under any "liability (contractual, tortuous or otherwise") to subscriber in respect of any loss or damage (save for only personal injury and death) howsoever caused. which may be suffered or injured or which may arise directly or indirectly in respect to the supply of goods or services pursuant to this Agreement or the act, failure or omission of Melb
- Accounts may be suspended without notice to stop transmission of network packets that threaten or have the potential to threaten the security or normal operation of any computer or device on the local or wider network. Such packets are categorised solely by the Internet Management Subcommittee. Users of accounts suspended without notice will be advised by telephone or writing within two working days of the 26 nature of the packets originating from their account. Lifting of the suspension will require the registered account holder to provide evidence of confirmed action being taken to prevent further the transmission of such threatening or potentially threatening packets.
- The Description of Service "Internet Access Agreement" and the services as described on this application form constitute the entire agreement between the partner and neither of them relies on any term, 27. condition, warranty, collateral contract, representation or promise not set out in those parts of these forms Authorised by Melb PC Committee, 1<sup>st</sup> September 2013
- 28.

# FANILY MOVIE NIGHT

Bring the kids and watch a classic movie. Have fun and help the club at the same time!



Number 5, one of a group of experimental robots undergoes a sudden transformation when struck by lightning. He develops self awareness and consciousness and a fear of the reprogramming that awaits for him back at base. With help of a new found friend, Number 5 tries to evade capture and convince his creator that he has truly come alive. Stars Ally Sheedy and Steve Guttenberg

## **Popcorn & Hot Dogs on sale!**

#### When?

Saturday 17th October, 7PM

## <u>Where?</u>

Melbourne PC HQ, Level 1, Unit 26, 479 Warrigal Rd, Moorabbin 3189

## **Booking?**

To make a booking, contact Graham Hurford at Graham.hurford2@gmail.com. Bookings are essential.





Meetings In October 2015										
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday				
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4	5	6 North East Genealogy (Ivanhoe 10am - 12noon)	7 Monthly Meeting Melb PC H.Q. Moorabbin 7pm - 9.30pm	8 East (Eley Park Community Centre - Blackburn South 7.30pm - 9.30pm) North East Daytime (Includes Photography & Digital Imaging Varince I Varn - 12noon) Sunbury Daytime (Advanced Users 9.30am - 12noon)	9 Casey (Name Warren Library 12.30pm - 3pm) Essendon (Open Forum 9.30am - 12noon) Hardware (Wadham House Mt Wavarley - 10am - 12noon)	10 Microcontroller Workshop (12noon - 5pm)				
11 East Workshop (Wadham House Mt Waverley 10am - 2pm)	12 Access (database) and Excel (6.30pm - 8.30pm) Video Inner East (Ashburon Library "pm - 9.30pm) Wyndham (Hoppers Crossing General 7.30pm - 9.30pm)	13           WASINT (investing) (10.30am - 12.30pm)           Linux Workshop (4pm - 7pm)           Linux (7pm - 9pm)           Melb PC Committee	14 Video Production Sony (10am - 12noon) Communications (7pm - 9.30pm) Microcontroller (7pm - 9.30pm)	15 Music (7.30pm - 9.30pm) Bayside (Brighton 10am -12noon) Sunbury Daytime (Main Meeting 9.30am - 12noon)	16 Essendon (Check website for meeting details. 9.30am - 12noon) Digital Images (Includes Photoshop Wadham House Mt Waverley - 10am - 12noon)	17 Windows Plus (10am - 1pm)				
18 MACE (Atari computers) (10am - 2pm) Beginners East (Beast) (Vermont South 10am - 12.30pm) Genealogy East (Vermont South 1pm - 3.30pm) Macedon Ranges (Gisborne 2pm - 4pm)	19 North Suburbs Linux (7.30pm - 9.30pm) Mornington General inc Q&A 9.30am - 12noon Digital Imaging 12.30pm - 2pm Family History 2pm - 4.30pm)	20 Wyndham (Hoppers Crossing Multimedia 7.30pm - 9.30pm)	21 North East Android (Ivanhoe 10am - 12noon)	22 Sunbury Daytime (Maintenance & Linux 9:30am-12noon Meeting also held on a 6th Thursday Maintenance & Linux 9:30am-12noon)	23 Casey Workshop (Nare Waren Library 12.30pm - 3pm) Raspberry Pi (Wadham House Mt Waverley - 10am - 12noon)	24 Hardware Workshop (10am - 12noon) Microcontroller Workshop (12noon - 5pm)				
25 Everything Apple (2pm - 4pm) Website Design (2pm - 6pm)	26 Deadline for November 2015 SIG Reports.	27 Yarra Ranges (Kilsyth - Meding 9.15am - 11.15am Workshop 11.30am - 1.30pm)	28 Programming (6.30pm - 9pm) Video Production Pinnacle (9.30am - 12noon)	29   30   31   Have A Question Post it on Yammer http://yammer.com/melbpc.org.au/						