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An English Summer Day Out

Some of us often complain about the cold during winter in Sydney, but really our weather is very mild and our winter days are much longer and sunnier than they are in many of the great travel destinations of the world. Memories of a number of British summer days remind me I should not complain too much about being cold at home here in Sydney.

We have many amusing holiday photos that illustrate the British determination to enjoy a mid-summer day at the beach. We voted the Brighton, Blackpool,

Falmouth and Scarborough summer holiday makers as the most indomitable beach-goers we have encountered on our travels. While we wore our warm coats, scarves, hats and gloves, some people even paddled their feet and a few were brave enough or silly enough to swim.

Even funnier are the photos taken at Exford when we went to the local manor house to watch the start of the summer Hunt. It was cold and wet and the dress code was similar to that required for a mid-winter Rugby League match in Australia.



CONTACT LIST
Elected Management Committee

Joan Craymer	President
Patricia Beal	Vice-President /Guest Speaker Co-ordinator
Brenda Horne	Secretary
Joan Tumminello	Treasurer
Maureen McDonald	Membership Secretary
Arnold Burling	Equipment Officer
Lynton Bradford	Technical Officer/Webmaster

Standing Committee

Gwen Bradford	Newsletter Editor
Jeanette Masih	Website Editor
Barry McLeod	Supplies Officer / Assets Registrar

Special Interest Groups

Creative Writing.....Joan Craymer **Photography**.....Patricia Beal

Contact for Welfare: Helen Gardner

Club email address: **cps.epping@gmail.com**

**Each member of Computer Pals for Seniors - Epping Inc. is also a member of
The Australian Seniors Computer Clubs Association (ASCCA) www.ascca.org.au/**

This year seems to be rushing by even faster than 2016, so soon it will be September again and we can all enjoy our beautiful Australian spring. Meanwhile it is a good time to keep warm and catch up with all those fascinating computer projects like travel diaries, family history, sorting and enhancing photos and updating our financial affairs on our computers.

It is important for the continuing success of the Epping Computer Club for some younger and more energetic members with new ideas to come forward and volunteer. I will be in the Computer Training Room between 11.00am and 1.00pm on Friday 28th July, ready to talk with any member who would like to discuss the workings or the future of our club. I am hoping that other committee members and tutors will

also be available for at least some of this time. Come and tell us what you can do for the Club and also share your thoughts about what the Club can do for you.

Your Committee has met during the term break and confirmed the date for the 2017 Annual General Meeting of Computer Pals for Seniors - Epping Inc. It will take place at 10.00am on Wednesday 20th September in the Ron Matthews Room and will be followed by the usual General Meeting when we have Olga Chaplin, one of our own members as guest speaker. Olga will tell us about her wonderful newly published book. Please make an effort to attend. **Nomination forms for the election of the 2017/2018 Management Committee are now available.**

Joan Craymer.

Précis of Committee Meeting 6th July 2017



SYSTEMS AND EQUIPMENT UPDATE:

Thanks to Arnold Burling who has updated all the computers during the term break. Approximately \$400 is needed for new drums for the OKI printer.

FINANCE:

Steps are being taken to finalise the Budget. Joan Tumminello will approach a suitable person about auditing the Club Records to be presented at the AGM.

GENERAL MEETINGS:

July and August speakers are confirmed as previously advertised.

TRAINING:

Maureen McDonald reported that three classes proposed for Term 3 have been cancelled due to lack of enrolments.

SUPPLIES/REPLACEMENTS

Envelopes and inks were ordered and delivered. There have been several exchanges of printer by Arnold Burling who discovered problems which made them unsuitable. This resulted in a credit being received for one of the printer exchanges. Barry McLeod now has his own Officeworks card and officially takes over as Supplies Officer. Brian Kelly was thanked again for his generous work on the Committee.

MEMBERSHIP:

Latest figures show our Club membership now stands at 235.

WELFARE REPORT:

The latest welfare report was received from Helen Gardner.

ASCCA:

The ASCCA July Newsletter is now available on their website. A list of courses available at ASCCA was received and Patricia Beal intends to put her name down for a Google Photo Course. The club will reimburse her for the course.

EPPING CREATIVE CENTRE INC.

The regular Newsletter was received with Notice of increased fees and Note of AGM. Two delegates are needed for ECC Inc and should be present at the AGM on Monday 28th August. Two members have indicated their interest. Other members would also be welcome, if interested.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- ◆ A.G.M. - It was agreed to hold our Computer Club AGM on Wednesday 20th September. Nomination forms to be available at the July and August General Meetings. Nominations will close at 4.00pm on Tuesday, 12th September.
- ◆ After discussion it was agreed that our Club should put together a display for the Foyer Cabinet - Brenda Horne to contact Daphne about material for display and make a booking for one cabinet.

*Précis - Gwen Bradford
from Minutes prepared by Brenda Horne*



Today's Meeting

Gai Hardman

will be the Speaker at the July Meeting and the subject of her talk is under construction at the moment.....

The North-West Rail Link.

“Overview and Update on Sydney Metro”

Gai Hardman is the Manager Community Information Centre and Communication and Engagement, Sydney Metro.



Meeting - 16th August

The Speaker for this Meeting will be from the Department of Fair Trading who will tell us about.....

“Scams and Shopper's Rights”



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Annual Subscriptions

Your Annual Membership Subscription of \$30.00 for 2017/18 fell due on 1st July.

If you have not picked up your subscription envelope, it can be collected at today's Meeting.

Our Treasurer, Joan Tumminello, will receive renewals at our Meetings or you can hand in your sealed envelope with your \$30.00 enclosed, when weekly classes resume.

Please Note: We are not able to give change, so please insert the correct money (or cheque) and seal the envelope before handing to the Treasurer or when attending your class.

Alternatively please post your payment (cheque only) to...

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ASCCA Competitions 2017

Creative Writing/Poetry Digital Photography

The topics in each competition category along with the Rules and Conditions and Entry Forms, are on the ASCCA website for you to download. Just go to....

<http://www.ascca.org.au>

All entries must be received **prior to 4pm on Monday, 7th September 2017.**

Note: Digital Photographs must have been taken after 1st August 2016.

If you have any queries, please contact Joan Craymer (Creative Writing) or Patricia Beal (Digital Photography).

Notice of Annual General Meeting

Notice is given that the Annual General Meeting of the Club, together with the monthly Meeting, will be held on Wednesday, 20th September 2017 at 10.00am.

The AGM agenda will include election of the Management Committee for the 2017/2018 year. As per our Constitution, nomination forms for the election of officers shall be available at least fourteen (14) days prior to the AGM. All nominations shall be in writing and signed by nominator and nominee and handed to the Secretary at the Club at least seven (7) days prior to the AGM (4.00pm on Tuesday 12th September 2017). Nomination forms will be available at the July and August General Meetings.

.....*Brenda Horne (Secretary)*

Vacancies in Term 3 Classes

With our term break soon coming to an end, we hope our members are all ready for Term 3 commencing on **Monday, 24th July.**

There are vacancies in some classes and the enrolment book will be available at this meeting showing available places.

Important: *If you have already enrolled in any of our classes, please check you have made a note of the date and time of your first class. Also make sure you bring the correct Course fee for inclusion in the envelope you will be given on the first day of class.*

Contact: Maureen McDonald
or
Email: enrolcpe@gmail.com

THE NAMING OF APPLE COMPUTERS AND THE LOGO



Steve Jobs once finally revealed where the name "Apple" came from. On the naming of Apple, he said he was "on one of my fruitarian diets." He said he had just come back from an apple farm, and thought the name sounded "fun, spirited and not intimidating".

Steve Jobs and Steve Wozniak asked Rob Janoff, who had studied design, to create a logo for their first Apple products. When Janoff went to Steve Jobs with final sketches, everything went very smoothly, and the bitten apple has been the symbol of the brand ever since.

Some like to rationalise the bite with different stories. From pointing to the original sin, to the idea that it was in memory of Alan Turing, the father of computer science who, in 1954, was found dead with a suspiciously half-eaten apple beside his body. However, the designer of the logo himself has a different story.

"I was going for the silhouette of an apple, but to make it look more like an apple and not some other round fruit, I did what one does with an apple, I took a bite out of it."

Rob Janoff, back then, a young man, never imagined that Apple would become the brand it has, and his logo the most well-known, even more than Coca Cola and Google.

Ref: <http://www.logodesignlove.com/rob-janoff-apple-logo-designer>

Note: *The name Mac (or Macintosh) was named by Apple employee, Jeff Raskin, after his favourite variety of apple, thereby tying the whole fruit theme together.*

Creative Writing Report

"Moving House or Redecorating". The varied tales on this topic included a time when the water from the creek began to come through our writer's front door. As the family went to the back door to escape to higher ground, they saw a "literal moving house" float by close to their veranda, "to be caught by the rapid current before being smashed against the bridge".

Our next writer told of a friend who avoided the stress of moving house for 80 years. Then his daughter "placed him in a local aged care home." From there he went downhill very quickly. Another friend seemed to be bored and moved house six times before he finally announced; "This is my last move - the next stop will be the grave!"



In just five hours a team of experts packed 190 boxes with the chosen belongings of two dear friends. With a small selection of furniture, all were locked in a container. All leftovers were sold, donated or discarded. A time of grief followed for our author, her husband and a group of close friends, as they adjusted to their sad loss.

When returning to her family home to live with her husband of two years, our 4th writer had to understand and accommodate his dislike of bright colours. So the watermelon pink of the lounge/dining room became a soft dove colour. The music room was also redecorated and after months of hard work and planning all was ready by 5.00pm on Christmas Eve. Wow!

Next we heard the concerns of a writer who

has, in one week seen the sale of the house next door and the demolition of two houses across the street. After asking the question; "How many people have been bullied from their home and lost all contact with old friends, trusted doctors and other providers of care and amenities", she was off home to put a sign on her door to say; "THIS HOUSE IS NOT FOR SALE! NO ESTATE AGENTS PLEASE."

The next story, called "Moving House in the 21st Century" left us all in a state of exhaustion as it followed the move from the Olive Farm (see June "Trees"), through a long catalogue of rental and ownership motivated changes of abode. Next came Toowoomba, Redcliffe, Brisbane, Sydney, New Zealand and Tweed Heads and the 21st Century is not yet two decades old.

Then followed a delightful history of domestic renovation and design over the last six decades. From war-time cream and green, through her mother's "domestic servitude", to her discovery of wild multi-coloured palettes and on to our writer's first home and renovation disasters and dreams.

"Renovate or move - that was a recurring theme through our marriage of 50 years", wrote our final author. What a beautiful story of family, friends, neighbours, students and travellers who continued to fill the ever growing home with love, friendship and hospitality.

Next Meeting - Monday 7th August. The topic will be "Unwelcome Guest". We meet at 10.00 am in the Foyer Room and everyone is welcome. - Joan Craymer

The Digital Photography Interest Group chose two images for our
July Photos of the Month
Topic: "From a Different Viewpoint"



Visit our Website

***Did you miss our monthly Meeting?
Not enrolled in a class this term?
Then check our Club website at
www.cpepping.net.au***

You will find the latest monthly Newsletter, information on the current Term Courses and Timetable, coming dates and times for monthly Meetings and Interest Groups.....and much more!!

Our Club Welfare

Helen Gardner is our Club Welfare Officer - so please let her know of any member who would welcome a card or a friendly phone call.
Helen's details are on page 2 of this Newsletter.

Dates to Note in 2017.....add to your diary now

2017	Enrolments Open		Computer Class Dates	Weeks
	Start	Finish		
Term 3	Enrol Now!		Mon 24 Jul - Fri 22 Sep	9
Term 4	TBA		Mon 9 Oct - Fri 8 Dec	9

NEXT MEETING - WEDNESDAY, 16TH AUGUST 2017 AT 10.00 AM

8TH & 9TH NOVEMBER - 19TH AUSTRALIAN COMPUTER CONFERENCE FOR SENIORS

Come along - these Interest Groups are free and open to all members!

The following Meetings are held in the Foyer Room

Creative Writers' Group

MONDAY, 7th AUGUST at 10.00am

Topic: *"Unwelcome Guest"*

You don't need a story, just come along to listen
(Contact: Joan Craymer)

Digital Photography Interest Group

MONDAY, 7th AUGUST at 1.30pm

Topic: *"Landscapes/Seascapes"*

Please bring your photos on a flash drive
(Contact: Patricia Beal)

These Meetings are held in the Training Room

iPads & iPhones Special Interest Group

TUESDAY, 1st AUGUST 2017 at 10.00am

(Contact: Maureen McDonald)

Android Tablets & Android Phones Special Interest Group

TUESDAY, 8th AUGUST 2017 at 9.30am

(Contact: Arnold Burling)

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