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Introducing—SWADE New South Wales

ASCCA has pleasure in announcing a new program devised especially for its home State of New South Wales. Note the colour scheme of the new logo—depicting the colours of the State's floral emblem, the Waratah, but still keeping the overall SWADE themed logo design.

Based on the successful SWADE—Seniors West Australian Digital Expansion concept - in utilising the medium of video conferencing to support remote delivery of programs, ASCCA was successful in acquiring a Capacity Builder Grant in the Digital Mentoring category through Good Things Foundation's Be Connected program.

Due to start in July and run for 12 months, ASCCA and its in-house Digital Mentors will spread their wings far and wide across the State—in person as well as in clusters and/or via video conferencing in the more isolated areas in order to empower trainers in becoming confident digital mentors capable of supporting learners in the Be Connected program.

The Lead Digital Mentor for the program will be ASCCA's Director, Jennifer Willcox, who will meet with the Digital Mentors face to face as well as hold regular meetings via video conferencing in order to maintain the program, confer with the Digital Mentors and generally ensure the program is running according to plan.

ASCCA's Trainer Jean Martin has been selected as a Digital Mentor and newly appointed ASCCA Office Co-Ordinator, Mary Beno will provide admin support as the anchor. The initial team of three ladies will be responsible for the delivery and it is anticipated that more Digital Mentors will be recruited as the program settles in.

Watch this space for more exciting news coming your way soon!

Congratulations

Queen's Birthday 2019 Honours List

The Order of Australia,
Meritorious and Military awards

Members (AM) in the general Division

Nancy Deloi BOSLER
NSW

For significant service to seniors, and to the community.

ASCCA NOTICE BOARD

26 July   Digital Mentors: The heart of the Digital Revolution. Karstens, 111 Harrington Street, The Rocks, Sydney.   9am—5.00pm Volunteers Free– bookings required, www.leep.ngo/forum
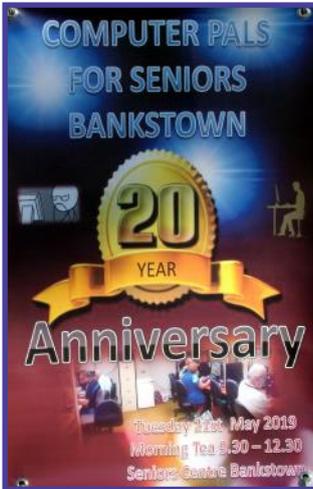
13 & 14 November   21st Australian Technology Conference for Seniors, Rydges World Square Hotel, 389 Pitt Street, Sydney

Australian Seniors Computer Clubs Association
ASCCA

The President and Board of Directors wish to extend a warm welcome to another new Club -

Hornsby RSL Computer Club

20 year celebration for Computer Pals for Seniors Bankstown

Members past and present gathered to celebrate the 20 years of service that Computer Pals for Seniors Bankstown has given to the Bankstown and surrounding communities. The club began at Georges Hall with old donated equipment and a few new but dedicated trainers. Bankstown Club amazed the emerging network of ASCCA's clubs when their tutors undertook training at TAFE.   They must have had the best trained trainers across the whole network.

The Club began to help local residents learn how to make the most of technology and continued on the way they started; in 2003 they received a Premier's Award and are still regularly being acknowledged for your work.

Judy Elias, who looks after ASCCA's social media platform and is President of Manly Club, represented ASCCA at the celebrations. Recognition was given to past members, duty officers, all the volunteers and trainers. Peter Smart, President, introduced Neville Cooper who started Bankstown Compals some 20 years ago.

Neville Cooper

Pat Collins, Peter Smart and Judy Elias

Ann Spinks

Visit from Korea

Visit from Korea   ASCCA was delighted to receive the following message:

I am Chae-Eun Jun, reporter of the Dong-A Ilbo, a Korean daily newspaper. Under the theme of "Smart Senior," Dong-A Ilbo is preparing a report that introduces many countries' solutions that cope with an aging society. We are going to visit Australia, the United States, Germany and Japan, and I'm going to report many sites where Korea can get help.

Han Dong-hee, director of the Research Institute of Science for the Better Living of the Elderly, introduced you to me. Ms. Han says the ASCCA is the biggest contributor to digital education for senior citizens in Australia. If we can learn from ASCCA's own solution and philosophy, and introduce them to Dong-A Ilbo's readers, It would be big glad to us.

ASCCA was happy to meet with Chae-Eun Jun and her interpreter, and host them during their short stay in Sydney. They visited Narrabeen and were welcomed by Allan Burrowes, President of Computer Pals for Seniors Northern Beaches and were able to watch a session of one-on-one training, view a trainers' meeting and enjoy lunch with the trainers. More importantly they were also able to interview several students and trainers. Judy Elias, President of Manly Computer Pals, also gave our Korean guests an interview.

During the next two days they visited ASCCA's Learning Centre in Sydney to see a group session being run by ASCCA's Trainer, Jean Martin. Again they were able to interview students. They also interviewed ASCCA treasurer, Bill Soper, and president, Nan Bosler before the monthly ASCCA Board meeting began. They participated briefly in the board meeting and took the opportunity to interview ASCCA's Vice President, Jennifer Willcox who was participating in the Board meeting via video conference from Western Australia.

We will await the published report with interest. Our guests were very impressed by the manner in which ASCCA provided the all important one-on-one basic training but then also in providing on-going learning opportunities which were certainly meeting our objective of empowering Australian seniors through technology.

ASCCA continues to cement relationships worldwide.

Square One Skills

Square One Skills was established by a group of University of Sydney Students passionate about making a difference through sustainable educational programs. They are working with ASCCA to provide youth volunteers to assist with lessons at Senior Computer Clubs.

They are eager to support ASCCA clubs through giving them an extra pair of hands in lessons and by providing a fresh perspective on technology as University students. We can't wait to join forces to harness the full potential of youth and Seniors working together to improve our community.

Isabella Barett and ASCCA Director, John Jakovcevic

Digital Photography Competition Update

Details of the 2019 ASCCA Digital Photography Competition including entry guidelines are now on the ASCCA website—https://www.ascca.org.au

Entry is normally only via email but if this proves to be a problem, entries can be loaded on the web (in Google Photos or similar) and the URL and covering information sent to the entry address photocomp@pcug.org.au

Entries can be submitted any time between now and the closing date of 1st September, 2019.

Pass on this issue of the ASCCA newsletter by printing copies for distribution, or make a list of all your club members with email addresses and forward it to them.
It is of interest to each member of every club, not just Committee members.

The newsletter can also be read and/or downloaded from our website:- **www.ascca.org.au**
You are welcome to copy items from this newsletter but acknowledgment of **ASCCA** is required.

Membership of **ASCCA** is open to all Seniors Computer Clubs, Organisations with a membership including Seniors, and organisations that recognise the value of computer technology for Seniors.

ASCCA membership rates :
1 - 20 members - Nil
21 - 40 members - $118
41 - 100 members - $180
Over 100 members - $310
All prices quoted include GST
Corporate Membership also welcome

If your club fits one of these categories and are interested in joining **ASCCA** please go to our website www.ascca.org.au or email office@ascca.org.au to find out how to start a club; or read some of the advantages of joining **ASCCA** if you are an existing club. An Application Form is available on the website.

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Contributions are welcome. Remember, this is **YOUR NEWSLETTER**.
Please take special note clubs outside Sydney and NSW. Please forward contributions by email to the editor.

NT SWADE

During June we have spent some time working with the team at the Alice Springs Library and BeingThere to prepare for Jenny's Digital Legacies workshop that she will deliver via video conferencing into the new Alice Springs ASCCA club in early August.
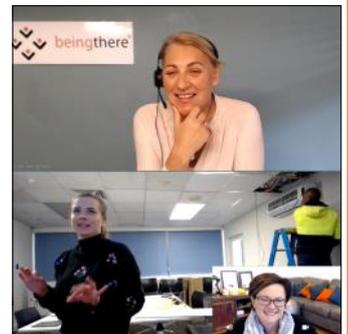
They are the first cab off the rank in the NT to take advantage of the ASCCA SWADE loan Video Conferencing kit and after a bit of to-ing and fro-ing between calendars, Pam, Tik and Enya from the Alice Springs Library last week managed to set up and test the connections in their workshop room.

We are excited for this session to be delivered into the Alice and are making sure the video conferencing experience is the best they've had so that they're keen to come back for more!

Accessing a well set up video conference provides the best experience we can offer with the connections available, bringing new learning and sharing opportunities into some very remote communities.

Photo right :

Enya, Pam and Tik (and the tradie fixing the Library's reverse cycle aircon - it was 0˚ in Alice overnight that day!)

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When ASCCA Founder and President, Nan Bosler recently received a letter saying "*It is my pleasure to inform you that your appointment as a Member (AM) of the Order of Australia (General Division) has been approved by the Governor-General in his capacity as Chancellor of the Order of Australia, with effect from 10 June 2019.*
The Governor-General has asked me to extend his congratulations to you", she was both excited and humbled.
For more than 50 years Nan has been involved in a large number of councils, committees, advisory groups, and other organisations, along with being a published Author and recipient of many Awards and Certificates. It is very fitting that she has been awarded this highest recognition in acknowledgement of her outstanding achievements and service to seniors and the community.

Congratulations from us all!!

ASCCA

13 & 14 November 2019, Rydges World Square, Sydney.   Mark your diary!

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