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Online Meeting Held Tuesday 12th May 2020

President Sue opened the second online Computer Club meeting at 12 noon. During the morning 22 members participated in the meeting. Sue again asked members to use the chat function for questions and comment.

The meeting was advised that a webinar will be held at 2.00 pm this afternoon to assist and provide information regarding the functioning of Zoom meetings.

Electronic Lounge: Tom said that he had been approached by a mother asking if he could provide laptops for two of her children. Unfortunately at this stage he could help with only one.

This led to a discussion regarding the return to school with reference to availability of laptops. Laptops supplied by the Electronic Lounge in some instances need to be plugged it to electricity mains. Tom said that he would endeavour to rectify this situation where he can. Tom also said that he had received several more laptops from Helen Hassan and had returned some to her for distribution to the elders participating in Living Connected.

Question Time: Colin asked that when using two monitors how to enable the mouse to change directions. David went through the settings needed to solve Colin's problem.

Best Buys: Tom managed to source a double phone adaptor for Noel from Officeworks for approximately \$20 plus \$5 delivery.

Rhonda told the meeting that she had approached her car insurance company about a discount on her premium because with the current situation she wasn't driving her car as much. The company obliged her with a discount. Bob also said his insurance company also gave him a discount on his caravan insurance because he was only using it for ½ the year.

With the current restrictions on movement, the discussion centred on buying online. Members were purchasing all types of items such as groceries, vegetables and meat etc and having them delivered.

Learned Since Last Meeting: Richard showed the meeting a Pentium1000 Starter Kit from 1995.

Some people have tried the Hall & Oates website also the YouTube video "The Show Must Go On" and found them entertaining. **Favourite App: CovidSafe** although not everybody's favourite app was discussed. Several members were either having difficulty with it

Favourite App: CovidSafe although not everybody's favourite app was discussed. Several members were either having difficulty with it or couldn't download it. David from something he had learned from last meeting said that apparently the app can only be downloaded on Android and Apple phones of later generation.

Tom Wills gave informative information about how the app functions.

Go to this website for more...

https://www.abc.net.au/news/science/2020-05-06/coronavirus-contact-tracing-app-covid-safe-lockdown-lift/12217146

Heather said that she had passed on older phones but there was difficulty unlocking them and that providers charged a premium to do this. It was suggested that Ebay had a site that would unlock them cheaply.

One of David's favourites, MusicBee, a music manager and player that makes it easy to manage, find, and play music files on your computer. David gave a demo of the program.

Favourite Website: Sue's favourite is the ATO Website. It not only assists her with her work but it has a lot of useful information. David's website is Ebook Hunter. This app allows you to download ebooks for free.

You Tube Videos: Keasty suggested "Rinse the Blood from My Toga" from Wayne & Schuste, also Kerry "Scull" Okeefe videos. David liked Billy Birmingham and the 12th Man. Rhonda's pick was "Robin Williams"

NBN Update: Several members are experiencing internet and landline dropouts. Keasty suggested that everybodymonitor internet speeds and dropouts and report the results to the meeting.

Facebook Page: It would be good to see more contributors to the Facebook page.

Discussion Items: With Covid19 restriction in place this discussion was mainly about online entertainment. It was noted that the free to air stations all have streaming facilities online such as SBS On Demand, ABC Iview, 9Now, 7Plus along with others. Netflix, Stan and Fox etc are pay to view platforms.

David thought that Lego Masters was enjoyable and entertaining. Rhonda suggested Batavia Revealed on SBS On Demand (https://www.sbs.com.au/guide/article/2018/08/09/batavia-shipwreck-craziest-australian-horror-story-youve-never-heard) and Mike was keen on AirJaws, about the great white shark . (https://www.nationalgeographic.com/animals/2019/07/killer-whales-orcas-eat-great-white-sharks/)

President Sue thanked all that participated and advised that the next meeting would be online on Tuesday 19th May commencing at 10.00am. Logon available 9.45 am.

Tom Wills said any member who required a camera or speakers to join in, please contact him.

The meeting closed at 12.06 pm.

***** ONLINE MEETING TUESDAY 19th MAY****

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