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**President's Newsletter April 2018**

**1...**Gavin Loy and his IT Team will be updating all club computers on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2018. There is a large Windows 10 update waiting to be installed. Also the Management Committee has decided to install OPEN OFFICE the free installation, instead of purchasing Microsoft Office 2016. The reason being we still have Microsoft Office 2010 installed on our computers (we are removing Microsoft Office 2007 from our computers). Microsoft Office 2016 is very expensive now as Microsoft does no longer give huge discounts to Seniors Computer Clubs. Also it is expensive for members to purchase.

**2...**Our Publishing Class will still access Microsoft 2010 Publisher as usual. Open Office does not have a Publisher in their Office programmes. Also if you decide to download Open Office onto your computers, and have Microsoft Office also installed do not make Open Office your default programme till you are satisfied you are happy with it's operations. When searching for Open Office download on Internet, it is called Apache Open Office.

**3...**It is very important that you call the office to notify of your intent not to attend class on that day. As leaders tend to hold up class waiting for late students to arrive.

4...You must be a current Financial Member to attend any classes, so check to see at reception if you cannot remember if you have paid. Or if you cannot find your current name badge.

5...Volunteers are always needed to help with Reception, if you have some free time please contact Lorraine Kenny Reception Co-Ordinator. It will be Greatly Appreciated.

6...The new Classes for Term 3 are now on the notice board so please enrol in a class, your support by attending classes is needed to keep club financial.

7...There are many ways to connect your computer and/or devices to the internet. There is a Modem connected through Landline, Modem connect connected through wireless/ satellite, WiFi Modem, Mobile Phone hotspot. To name a few, but the decision is your personal choice on what is best for your situation in location and budget. But please shop around for the best deal for your requirements, as there are big savings to be made if you look and understand the deal before you commit.

8...The same for replacement or first time purchase for computers and/or devices. Shop around make enquiries and recommendation before your commitment to purchases as there are big savings to be made. It pays to research.

## **Your Club Needs You**

President Dennis