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Next Meeting

Wednesday 5th August 2009

Peter Clark

Black & White Photographs

Note Time 6PM

Newstream Articles

Deadline : 10 Days before Meeting

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Keep Membership database up to date.

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Co-ordinator of "VICTOR": Robert Tierney.

Webmaster/Content: Tom Olsen. OPEN Committee: Iris Meek, Harvey Tavener, Robin Walker, Barry Symons, Laraine Rist.

Meeting Held at 1/1 Pipeworks Road Launceston Computer Group, Inc.

Meeting Minutes

Date: *Wednesday July 1 2009*

Meeting

The president welcomed everyone and opened the meeting at 7.15.

Present

Ron Baker, Harvey Tavener, Eleanor Horder, Lou Horder, Glenn Gilpin, Julie Hjort, Judy Hall,
Laraine Rist (acting secretary), Ivan Turmine, Reinhard von Samorzewski,
Iris Meek(in chair), Pauline Hardy and Karia Wicks.

Apologies

Tom Olsen, June and Bert Hazzlewood, Janet Headlam, Mike and Sue Armes and Dennis Murray.

Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were taken as read. Moved Ron Baker/
Harvey Tavener.

Correspondence : Newsletters from ASCCA.

Business Arising

Esk Market booked by email for July 19.

Financial Report:

Karia presented the attached report which will be recorded. The June balance including Victor \$17,273.00.

Moved K Wicks/Ron Baker the accounts for payment totaling \$1429.15 including rent and ASCCA be ratified. Carried.

General Business

OPEN-Victor has raised \$215 at the club with member donations towards Australia's Biggest Morning Tea for Cancer awareness.

Newstream included a winter edition of the OPEN Newsletter due to Editor Dennis Murray's ongoing health issues. He is relinquishing the post for the present, but Iris and Ron will try to fill the gap for the next few months with next issue due September.

Judy, Ron and Glenn will take LCG equipment to Esk Market July 19, using Judy's table covers for the time being.

There has so far been no reply to Judy's email and at this stage we have not heard from Joel re Mac notes.

Seniors Week: Tom is looking into venues.

Judy Hall will be holding a class with the new slide scanner July 29 from 10-noon.

A Scanning Workshops will be held for Tutors and Students when time becomes available.

Ivan Turmine had a new Mac student referred by Adult Ed. 'Very pleased word is getting out about our club.

Karia is keeping track of student attendance to make room for those on waiting lists.

Judy Hall and Julie Hjort reported a new e Bay site *yyuda # 23230* which supplies very inexpensive printer cartridges of excellent quality. Pauline has offered to help Laraine with making up OPEN Wallets for new students and Tutors or any other area she can handle.

Iris thanked all tutors who took on extra tasks at the club, helping to smooth operations.

New box of paper and 60 new wallets purchased last week and new LCG brochures updated by Judy have been printed.

Dennis said at OPEN meeting he may be getting a printer that would be fast enough for Judy's tutorials.

Glenn Gilpin will try to contact Dr Rick Butler re speaking at one of our future meetings.

Ivan may be able to do a Mac "surprise" demo.

Ron Baker has bought the new Windows 7 which he can demonstrate in December.

Peter Clark *Black and White Photographs* is Guest Speaker August 5 at **6pm**. Supper will follow.

Meeting closed 7.45.

Next Meeting

Wednesday August 5 at special time of **6pm** due to closing time of Black and White Photographics.

Chris and Judy demonstrated Pinnacle Movie Maker and showed some of the photographs of England.

Signed:..... Date:/...../2009...

OPEN COMPUTING MINUTES OF MEETING HELD

1ST JULY 2009

Meeting Opened 1pm

PRESENT:

Rob Tierney (Chair), Margaret Carrington, Karia Wicks, Jenny Napier, Laraine Rist, Judy Hall, Iris Meek, Robin Walker, Eleanor Horder, June and Bert Hazzlewood, Dennis Murray.

APOLOGIES:

Tom Olsen, Janet Headlam, Harvey Tavener, Sandra Wing,

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Laraine moved the minutes be accepted, Karia seconded

BUSINESS ARISING:

Karia explained the reason for purchasing the new microphone was because members at the back of the room could not hear tutor during some classes. Purchase price \$115.95

Judy discussed new class she will conducting for people who did not comply with OPEN'S criteria.

After some discussion it was agreed that we purchase 3 copies of Microsoft Works 9 programs. Moved by Judy we purchase these programs and seconded by Eleanor.

Rob informed us that we raised \$215 at Australia's Biggest Morning Tea in aid of cancer research.

CORRESPONDENCE:

IN: ASSCA membership renewal of \$110.

Email asking if any one would like to go to ASSCA conference who would like to apply for assistance with travel etc.

Nan Bosker will be here during Seniors' Week whether or not we receive funding.

OUT: Get Well Card for Janet.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

June moved that the accounts be paid, seconded by Dennis. Karia said Robyn Courtney is now assisting her with the keeping of financial records.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

After some discussion it was decided that the application that was submitted with NEC for a grant for a senior's internet kiosk was not viable owing to the lack of space, lack of tutors to run it.

It was agreed that Margaret could be added to the OPEN key list.

Judy said she had purchased ink cartridges for herself at home from eBay member YYUDA 12230. She said she was extremely happy with them. It was agreed to look into further to see if purchasing cartridges from said ebay seller could be a viable option.

Dennis said temporary server would now be permanent.

He also added that members were plugging their headphones into the back of the computers amongst all the other cords instead of using the ports in the front. Tutors are to keep an eye on this and are to show members how to use these ports.

Dennis also said a friend of his had a printer that operated faster than the ones we already have. Would be of benefit for

Tutors to print their tutorials.

Dennis has downloaded Windows 7 to put on a computer to see what it is like.

MEETING CLOSED AT 2pm

Next Meeting will be 5th August 2009

Family History Web Sites & News July/Aug 2009

Hi everyone. So sorry I have not produced this family history newsletter for many months. Hopefully I will be able to bring you more interesting sites in the next few months. Many thanks also to the continuing help of Robyn Walker and Margaret Gilpin. Without their help I would have to limit my classes to much smaller groups.

On that note, if you need help during a class, please call out or fetch a tutor as we can get way too involved with what we are doing.

New or updated websites:

1911 British Census Online:

This census is now complete for England, Wales and the Channel Islands and also includes many military and naval personal stationed overseas.

<http://www.1911census.co.uk>

ANCESTRY.com.au

Now Available for \$2 per session

This includes all UK, Scottish and Welsh Census information,

Includes:

- British 1st World War records
- USA & Canada
- NEW Australian content including Electoral Rolls, Convict Records and Immigration Records
- Wales, Channel Islands Census
- England, Scotland Census
- Irish Records
- Jewish Death Records (NEW)

New Zealand Historical BMD Online:

Birth Search – You can search for:

- Births that occurred at least 100 years ago
- Stillbirths if registered at least 50 years ago.

Death Search - You can search for: Deaths that occurred at least 50 years ago or the deceased's date of birth was at least 80 years ago.

Surname searches include birth surnames, previous surnames as well as current surnames so you may see names that do not match your search criteria. If your search results do not contain the surname you are looking

for try including a Search To Date or Given Name.

Marriage Search -You can search for:
Marriages and eventually Civil Unions that occurred 80 years ago.

Due to the way our pre 1875 data is compiled, try the names you are searching for in both the bride and groom fields (see FAQ).

<http://www.bdmhistoricalrecords.identityservices.govt.nz/>
Home

The Christchurch Press - Death notice index 2000- 2007; 2008; and 2009 which is updated weekly. They are in Chronological order - need to search rather than scan an alphabetical list!! <http://www.stuff.co.nz/stuff/4635487a22801.html>

Discover more of your family history via our searchable indexes. Search unique genealogy online databases, which include database covering a variety of sources from directories and Almanacs in the 1800's through to early vehicle owners and more. Learn more about your family history today. <http://www.familytreeoz.com>

Longford is the main town in the Northern Midlands Municipality. The Council website has a cemetery both recent and some historical burials.
<http://www.northernmidlands.tas.gov.au/site/page.cfm?>

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www.interment.net/data/aus/tas/north_midlands/longford/index.htm](http://www.interment.net/data/aus/tas/north_midlands/longford/index.htm)
Tasmanian Graves and Campbell Street Goal Records
<http://gravesoftas.dynup.net/>

GERMANY

The site is described as a place for tips for Finding German Genealogy Records for your German-American Ancestor – maybe it will also be helpful for German-Australian ancestry? Suggestions for finding German genealogy records at the Family History Library, in German archives, and on the Internet.

<http://genrootsblog.blogspot.com/2009/03/tips-for-finding-german-genealogy.html>

POLAND

PolishOrigins Surnames Database - Search for people whose forefathers had the same surnames as your ancestors. Add your own surnames and places of interest, by registering for free or editing your profile, to let others find you and enrich your mutual experience. <http://surnames.polishorigins.com>

IRELAND

Irish Times newspaper archives online 1859 - present at:
<http://www.irishtimes.com/search/archive.html>

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TYRONE

The County of Tyrone Ireland Website is linked to the Co. Tyrone Mailing List. A community web-site of volunteers from the mailing list, who busily transcribe documents. Many Primary & Secondary source data. One of the best on-line. We have recently up-dated the site, and have much more to offer researchers.

<http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~cotyroneireland/index.html>

FRANCE

Births, Deaths, Marriages and other related records of the Haute-Saone region of France; 1700's through early 1800's.

<http://www.servancaute.fr/actes/>

NORFOLK - Norfolk Baptism Project

<http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~tinstaaf/>

Thousands of links to ENGLISH RECORD

http://www.pricegen.com/english_genealogy.html

FIRST WORLD WAR BATTLES

<http://www.awmlondon.gov.au/>

A great site for information on 1st World War battles.

NETHERLANDS FRIESLAND

An index to Friesland births (1811-1902), marriages (1811-1922) and deaths (1811-1942) as well as scanned images of some records (marked with an eye icon). <http://www.allefriezen.nl/en.html>

ITALY

Italian Family Search is a premier online resource for people interested in Italian Genealogy and Dual Citizenship. <http://italianfamilysearch.com/>

Wedding fashion from 1840 to present:

A site covering wedding fashions from 1840 to the present, run by the Victoria and Albert Museum in London. People can submit photographs of known weddings where they can name the couple and the date. Optional field include location, religion of ceremony, maker and designer of clothes. The aim is to have a database of images from each year covered which will provide a chronology of wedding fashion and help people date their own photographs. The site is live and contributions are sought and is searchable on all fields. <http://www.vam.ac.uk/weddings>

Launceston – Tas. Family History Society

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*Launceston FHS Library has reopened in new premises
45-55 Tamar Street Launceston, Next door to the Albert
Hall*

Enquiries to secretary

Tel 03 6344 4034

Email ltntasfh@bigpond.com

<http://users.bigpond.com/ltntasfh>

Tuesdays 10am-3pm

Saturdays 1st and 3rd 1.30 to 3.30pm

Launceston FHS Library holds many transcriptions of church records, the transcriptions of all tombstones & memorials throughout the state, many indexes to the Examiner Newspaper and immigration indexes.

Difference between http & https. MANY PEOPLE ARE UNAWARE THAT:

The main difference between [http://](#) and [https://](#) <HTTPS:// <https://> is all about keeping you secure. HTTP stands for HyperText Transport Protocol, which is just a fancy way of saying it's a protocol (a language, in a manner of speaking) for information to be passed back and forth between web servers and clients. The important thing is the letter S which makes the difference between HTTP and HTTPS. The S (big surprise) stands for "Secure". If you visit a website or webpage, and look at the address in the web browser, it will likely begin with the following: [http://](#). This means that the website is talking to your browser using the regular 'unsecure' language, so it is possible for someone to "eavesdrop" on your computer's conversation with the website. If you fill out a form on the website, someone might see the information you send to that site. This is why you never ever enter your credit card number in an http website! But, if the web address begins with [https://](#) <HTTPS:// <https://> , that basically means your computer is talking to the website in a secure code that no one can eavesdrop on. If a website ever asks you to enter your credit card information, you should automatically look to see if the web address begins with [https://](#) <HTTPS:// <https://> . If it doesn't, there's no way you should enter sensitive information like a credit card number. PASS IT ON. You may save someone a lot of grief.

Newbie Club Tutorials

Tutorial ... "Meet Uncle Earl"

Maybe you've heard the name "earl" used with stuff related to the Web. It's really a URL (You Are Ell). It's pronounced as three separate letters.

It stands for Universal Resource Locator. In order for your web browser to fetch a page for you, it has to know the address (the URL or earl) of the page it's fetching.

There are different URLs for different resources. When we use a URL to specify an address, we say that the URL 'points' to that resource.

When you point your browser to The Newbie Club at the following address... <http://newbieclub.com>... you're pointing to web site.

You don't actually see the name of the page in that URL, but it's there all the same. By the way, "newbieclub.com" is not a page name. It's a domain name. Page names end with the extension ".htm" or ".html" or some other abbreviation following a dot.

URLs can point to all kinds of resources, and not just to web pages. As you use the Net, you'll see the following two formats:

1. [scheme://hostname/description](#)
2. [scheme:description](#) Examples:
 1. http://adcopywriting.com/Tutorial_1_Intro.htm
 2. <mailto:support@newbieclub.com> The "scheme" (which is short for "addressing scheme") simply tells us what type of resource we're looking at. Most of the pages you encounter on

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the web will use the scheme shown in example one above. The URL uses the 'http:' scheme, or Hyper Text Transfer Protocol, to transfer web data from a host computer to your desktop computer.

You'll also see the 'mailto:' scheme, such as this:

<mailto:support@newbieclub.com> and others as well. There are news, ftp, and [file](#) schemes. They're not quite as common, and not seen as much.

Here's the meaning of each:

http Web page (hypertext)

mailto Mail address news Usenet newsgroup ftp File access via Anonymous FTP file File on your computer If you use your browser to view files on your computer, you'll see the 'file' scheme in action. You can do this now. Just type 'c:\' into your browser's address bar and you'll see a list of files on your computer. Magic!

And there you have it. A bit of the underpinning of the Net. If you've learned something new, we're doing our job. It's all calculated to make you a savvy user of today's technological marvel. Go get 'em!

Tutorial ... "Unveiling The Mysteries of Search Engines"

"Search Engines Explained" is a massive Free tutorial published on our Website at <http://www.newbieclub.com/se.php> They're big, they can be cumbersome, and they're mysterious to many people. But one fact is irrefutable ...

We'd be lost without them!

Search Engines are the power that drives the Internet.

Without them, the millions - billions - of facts and informative stuff we hunger for, would be lying around in cyberspace waiting for someone to bump into them.

Yet for most of us, the very size and complexity of Search Engines causes confusion and frustration when we attempt to use them. Hence this series of tutorials.

'Search Engines Explained' is split into three sections ...

1. Surfer's Guide To Search Engines
 2. Optimizing your Site for Search Engines
 3. How To List Your Site on Search Engines
- The Search Engines are continually improving their 'ease of use', and their submission rules can be quite complex even to experienced users. So complex in fact that a whole Internet industry has grown to satisfy the need for information and help on this vital subject.

Therefore the tutorials are in no way intended to be a finite guide, but rather an introduction intended to dispel some of the mysteries surrounding the subject. So if you're interested, go to <http://www.newbieclub.com/se.php> now.

Even if you have only a passing interest in the subject, your new found knowledge will have your next dinner guests absolutely riveted to your conversation:-)

Tutorial ... "Simple Tricks That Do Complex Tasks"

We're a mouse-crazed world. Before the invention of the mouse, everything on a computer was done using the keyboard. Today,

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you can still do TONS and TONS of stuff with the keyboard that you can never accomplish with your mouse. You just have to know how.

Excluding the little round buttons added to a keyboard to increase its 'one-touch' ability, most boards have around 105 keys. From an ESC key on the top left to an Enter key on the bottom right.

The spacebar is always in the middle of things, operated by your thumbs.

What can you do quickly with the keyboard? Well, right now, you can clear all of the stuff on your screen, safely minimizing it to the bottom of your screen where your Task bar lives (next to the Start button) by holding down the Windows logo key and pressing the letter 'D'.

The Logo key is on the bottom row... between the Ctrl and Alt keys to the left of the spacebar and to its right.

Try it. Hold down the logo key... press 'D'... and release 'D'... then release the logo key.

If you press the Logo key alone, nothing happens until you release the key. Press and release it to activate the Start Menu.

Want to copy some text from a web site and paste it into a word processor such as Word or Wordpad? Open the word processor... and open the web page... highlight the text with the mouse cursor... then hold down the Ctrl key and press the 'C' key. You won't see anything happen. Now, move to the word processor, click once where you want the next to appear to set

the cursor. Then, hold down the Ctrl key, and press the 'V' key. The text will appear. If it doesn't, you didn't highlight the text from the previous document (in this case the 'document' is the web page you are copying from.)

You can highlight text with the keyboard, too. Right now, make sure your cursor is located in the body of this email.

Doesn't matter where, this is only an illustration.

Now, hold down the Shift key... and press the right arrow key.

Hmm... magic! See the text being highlighted? It's being 'selected'!

Select as much as you desire, then do the Ctrl + C thing to copy, and Ctrl + V to paste. (Ctrl + C is shorthand for saying "hold down the Ctrl key while you press the C key.")

So there you go. I've only touched on the amazing things you can do with your keyboard One last 'trick' for you: Want to quickly view the System Properties of your computer? That is, see how much RAM you have, the amount of resources free, and more? Just press and hold the Windows Logo key while you press the Pause/Break key. The System Properties window should appear.

7%

Written By Regina Brett, 90 years old, of The Plain Dealer, Cleveland , Ohio "To celebrate growing older, I once wrote the 45 lessons life taught me. It is the most-requested column I've ever written." My odometer rolled over to 90 in August, so here is the column once more:

1. Life isn't fair, but it's still good.
2. When in doubt, just take the next small step.
3. Life is too short to waste time hating anyone.
4. Your job won't take care of you when you are sick. Your friends and parents will. Stay in touch.
5. Pay off your credit cards every month.
6. You don't have to win every argument. Agree to disagree.
7. Cry with someone. It's more healing than crying alone.
8. It's OK to get angry with God. He can take it.
9. Save for retirement starting with your first paycheck.
10. When it comes to chocolate, resistance is futile.
11. Make peace with your past so it won't screw up the present.

12. It's OK to let your children see you cry.
13. Don't compare your life to others. You have no idea what their journey is all about.
14. If a relationship has to be a secret, you shouldn't be in it.
15. Everything can change in the blink of an eye. But don't worry; God never blinks.
16. Take a deep breath. It calms the mind.
17. Get rid of anything that isn't useful, beautiful or joyful.
18. Whatever doesn't kill you really does make you stronger.
19. It's never too late to have a happy childhood. But the second one is up to you and no one else.
20. When it comes to going after what you love in life, don't take no for an answer.
21. Burn the candles, use the nice sheets, wear the fancy lingerie. Don't save it for a special occasion. Today is special.
22. Over prepare, then go with the flow.

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23. Be eccentric now. Don't wait for old age to wear purple.
24. The most important sex organ is the brain.
25. No one is in charge of your happiness but you.
26. Frame every so-called disaster with these words 'In five years, will this matter?'
27. Always choose life.
28. Forgive everyone everything.
29. What other people think of you is none of your business.
30. Time heals almost everything. Give time time.
31. However good or bad a situation is, it will change.
32. Don't take yourself so seriously. No one else does.
33. Believe in miracles.
34. God loves you because of who God is, not because of anything you did or didn't do.
35. Don't audit life. Show up and make the most of it now.

36. Growing old beats the alternative -- dying young.
37. Your children get only one childhood.
38. All that truly matters in the end is that you loved.
39. Get outside every day. Miracles are waiting everywhere.
40. If we all threw our problems in a pile and saw everyone else's, we'd grab ours back.
41. Envy is a waste of time. You already have all you need.
42. The best is yet to come.
43. No matter how you feel, get up, dress up and show up.
44. Yield.
45. Life isn't tied with a bow, but it's still a gift."

Its estimated 93% won't forward this. If you are one of the 7% who will, forward this with the title '7%'.

Friends are the family that we choose for ourselves.

Mean Moms

Someday when my children are old enough to understand the logic that motivates a parent, I will tell them, as my Mean Mom told me:

I loved you enough to ask where you were going, with whom, and what time you would be home.

I loved you enough to be silent and let you discover that your new best friend was a creep.

I loved you enough to stand over you for two hours while you cleaned your room, a job that should have taken 15 minutes.

I loved you enough to let you see anger, disappointment, and tears in my eyes. Children must learn that their parents aren't perfect..

I loved you enough to let you assume the responsibility for your actions even when the penalties were so harsh they almost broke my heart.

But most of all, I loved you enough to say NO when I knew you would hate me for it.

Those were the most difficult battles of all.

I'm glad I won them, because in the end you won, too.

And someday when your children are old enough to understand the logic that motivates parents, you will tell them.

Was your Mom mean?

I know mine was.

We had the meanest mother in the whole world!

While other kids ate candy for breakfast, we had to have cereal, eggs, and toast.

When others had a Pepsi and a Twinkie for lunch, we had to eat sandwiches.

And you can guess our mother fixed us a dinner that was different from what other kids had, too.

Mother insisted on knowing where we were at all times.

You'd think we were convicts in a prison.

She had to know who our friends were and what we were doing with them. She insisted that if we said we would be gone for an hour, we would be gone for an hour or less.

We were ashamed to admit it, but she had the nerve to break the Child Labor Laws by making us work.

We had to wash the dishes, make the beds, learn to cook, vacuum the floor, do laundry, empty the trash and all sorts of cruel jobs.

I think she would lie awake at night thinking of more things for us to do.

She always insisted on us telling the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth.

By the time we were teenagers, she could read our minds and had eyes in the back of her head.

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Then, life was really tough!

Mother wouldn't let our friends just honk the horn when they drove up
They had to come up to the door so she could meet them.

While everyone else could date when they were 12 or 13, we had to wait
until we were 16.

Because of our mother we missed out on lots of things other kids
experienced.

None of us have ever been caught shoplifting, vandalizing other's property
or ever arrested for any crime.

It was all her fault.

Now that we have left home, we are all educated, honest adults.
We are doing our best to be mean parents just like Mom was.

I think that is what's wrong with the world today.
It just doesn't have enough mean moms!

PASS THIS ON TO ALL THE MEAN MOTHERS YOU KNOW.
(And Their Kids)

