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## Next Meeting

Wednesday 4th August 2010  
7.30 PM Workshop

### Newstream Articles

Deadline : 10 Days before Meeting

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*Keep Membership database up to date.*

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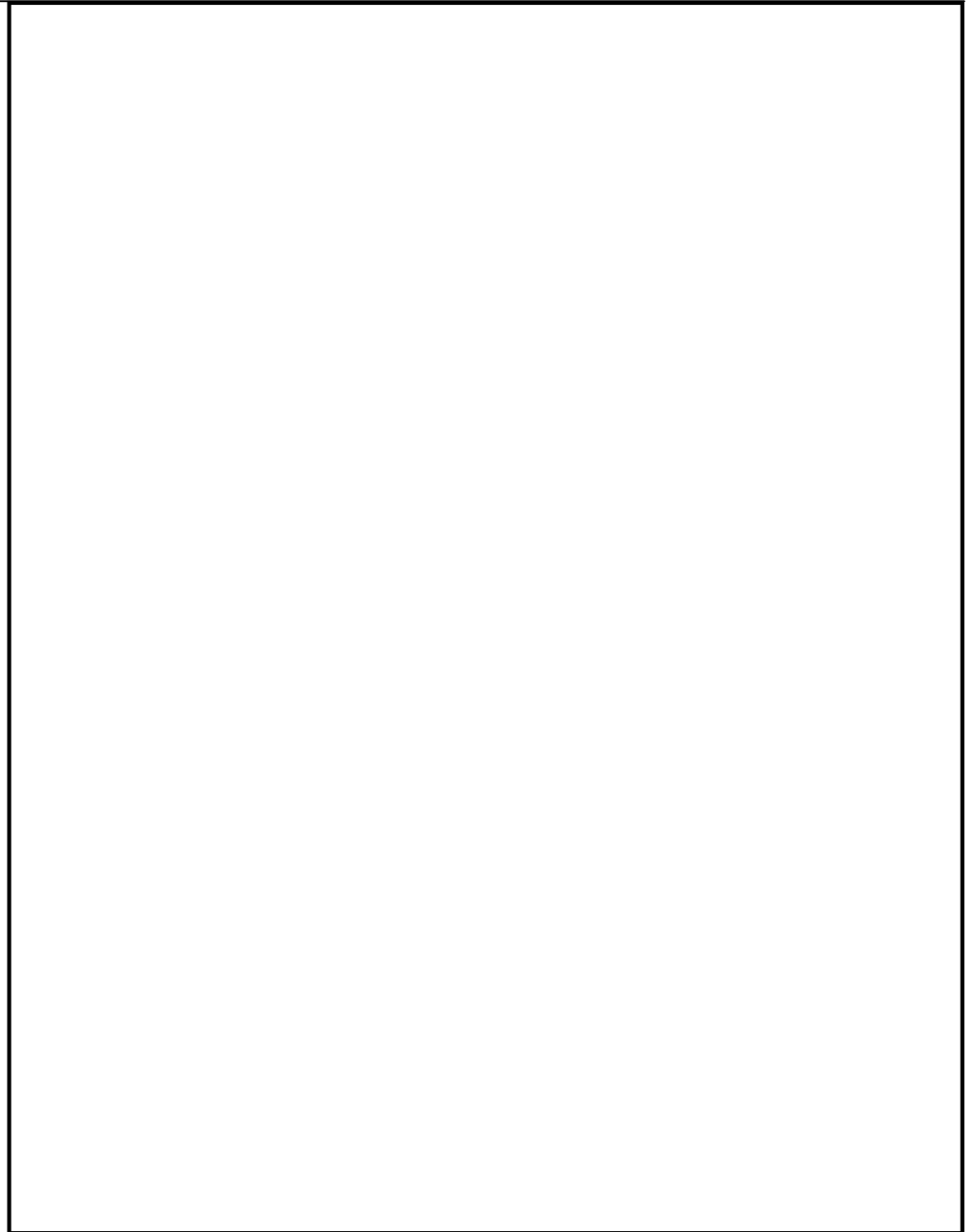
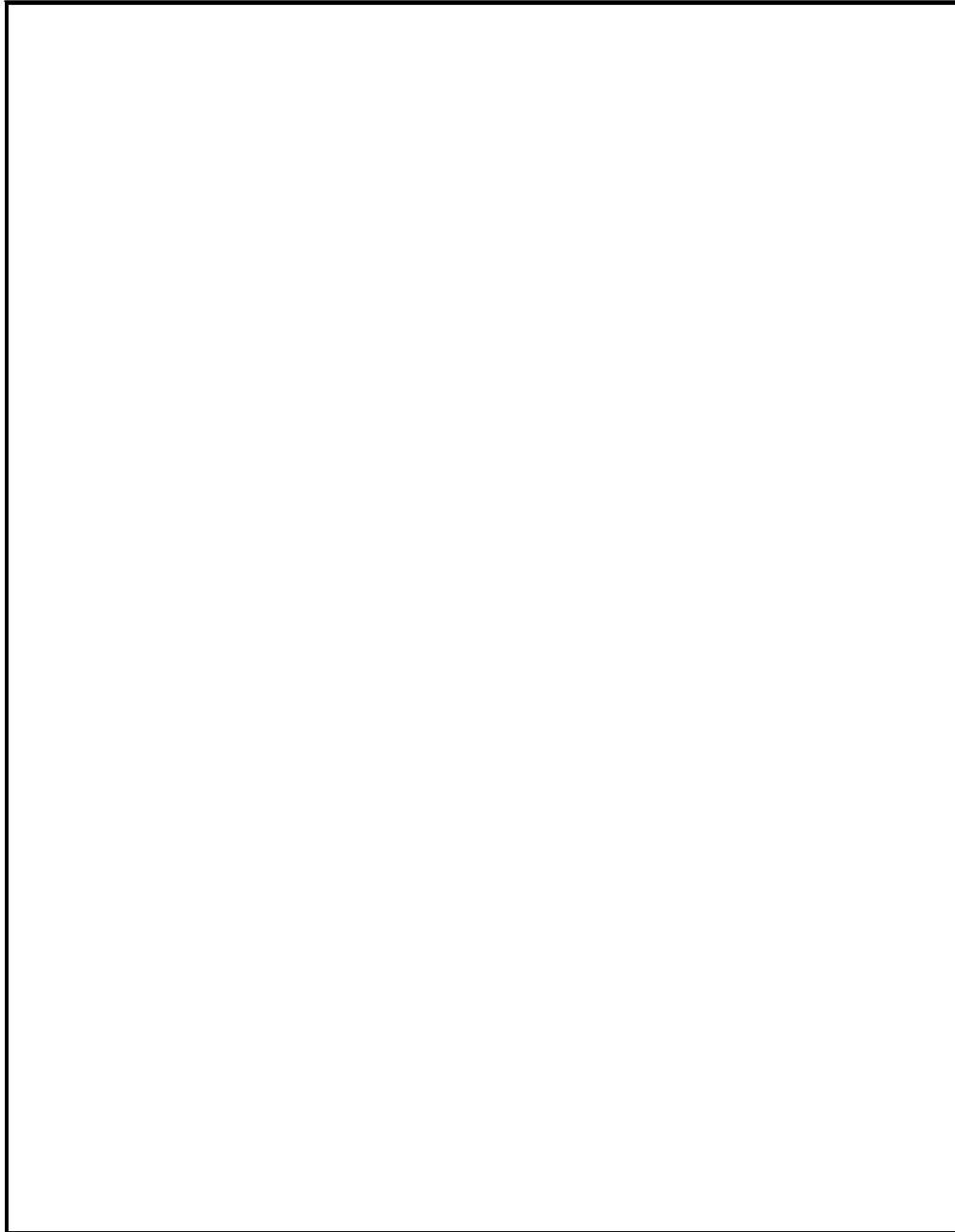
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## OPEN NEWSLETTER – august 2010

### JUST VISITING!

Considering the recent bouts of icy and rainy weather it is little wonder that your regular newsletter editor has headed north for a few weeks in search of a warmer climate. So for this month I'm back in the chair.

Since my last newsletter about a year ago the world of computing has continued its rapid rate of change with the most notable feature being the arrival of the new operating system Windows 7.

For our club (*and some of our members as individuals*) this has presented some challenges in terms of getting the new 'OS' to deal with some of the older hardware and software. I have made the observation that one can only beat one's head against the wall for so long and sometimes one must be prepared to compromise or be driven to the point of insanity.

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In the July issue of the newsletter Rob Tierney mentioned some members' concerns that Windows XP was to become defunct because Microsoft was ceasing to support the older 'OS'. It may interest you to know that one of my own special purpose computers is still running Windows 98 and it works just fine. If it stops working it is more likely to be a hardware problem and not a consequence of Microsoft withdrawing support—which occurred about five years ago.

As someone who has spent a lot of time resurrecting older computers for members, friends and 'clients' I can tell you that a lot of support for computer users is available beyond the boundaries of the Microsoft empire.

*Dennis Murray*

### TELEMARKETER'S NIGHTMARE

Most of us have had the experienced of being rung up at the most inappropriate time by someone trying to sell us something us that we don't want. Or alternatively our computers are bombarded by all sorts of messages letting us know that our PC is going to suffer some catastrophic failure.

Recently I had a call at work from a helpful soul who told me he was going to save my PC from all the spyware and malware that originates on the Internet.

The first thing I asked this 'bloke' was how he even knew I had a computer. Then, after hearing his sales pitch for a few minutes I politely told him that his program could not possibly help me.

"How do you know that sir?" he responded.

The deafening silence was broken by the sound of hanging-up when I told him (not so politely) -  
"Because I have a Macintosh!"

### GET WELL SOON

To those members and tutors who have had some form of illness over the last couple of months I'm sure that everyone in the club wishes you a speedy and complete recovery.

If you don't feel like coming to classes remember that help for your computing queries may be just a phone call or an e-mail away.

Please keep in contact with the club and let us

### OPEN MONTHLY MEETING

AUGUST 4th, 2010

Please take this opportunity to have an input into the way the club operates into the future.

Do you have a suggestion for a new class topic?

Would you like to take on a small volunteering role to help with the club's day-to-day functions?

Are there ways in which we can provide better services to members?

Then come along to the next OPEN meeting and make your views known.



LAUNCESTON COMPUTER GROUP  
MONTHLY MEETING WEDS. AUGUST 4  
AT 7:15 pm

All members of LCG and OPEN are welcome to attend this evening.

With our President and Treasurer both being away I must confess to being unsure whether a guest speaker will be present.

But from previous experience sometimes an impromptu discussion between the members present can be just as informative and entertaining.

Hope to see you there.

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### Launceston Computer Group

28th August 2010

#### DISK 2000 - Your Library on Disk



Disk 2000 is now available. The change from a floppy disk to a CD has enabled us to include much more in the way of games, information and utilities. Existing members can upgrade to the new CD version for just \$1.50. Ask at the club or contact Judy via the e-mail address shown below. This disk is free of charge to all new members.

#### AVAILABILITY OF LIBRARY

**At present the Shareware Library is only available during the club's opening hours.**

Speak to one of the tutors at the venue -  
Studioworks, 1 Pipeworks Road, South L'ton.

Email: [opencomputing@bigpond.com](mailto:opencomputing@bigpond.com)

#### OTHER CLUB RESOURCES

In addition to the 'physical' library OPEN and VICTOR may be able to provide members with a variety of freeware programs as an alternative to downloading from the Internet. Free antivirus programs such as AVG can now be as large as 80 Megabytes and would take hours to download for someone who only had a dial-up Internet connection.

There are also quite a few video tutorials and ASCCA teaching material on our server and these can be quite helpful in explaining how certain programs and utilities work.

PLEASE NOTE THAT IN 2010 ALL OF JUDY'S MORNING CLASSES WILL **START AT 10 AM** AND NOT 9 AM AS IN PREVIOUS YEARS

#### FAMILY HISTORY ON-LINE

August 11 – 1 pm to 3 pm

August 25 1 pm to 3 pm

Judy Hall and the team will guide you through the processes required to research your ancestry.

New information is being added to our resources on an on-going basis to help you trace your family's origins. Contact the club for more information  
Classes are limited to 8 people.

#### SPECIAL CLASS AUGUST 18

10 am to 12 noon

**How to scan your pictures and documents and save them to CD or DVD**

No matter what your interests in computing are, the procedures involved in scanning documents and burning CDs and DVDs are handy skills to have.

Come along and see how its done.

#### VENUE TELEPHONE NUMBER

Don't forget that the club telephone is available during class hours.



\*\*\*\*\* **6343 4928** \*\*\*\*\*

Members and tutors can be contacted at the clubrooms **during class hours** by telephoning the number shown above.

Monday to Friday 10am – 3pm

Tuesday evenings 7pm—9 pm

#### GRAPHICS

Please check the registration sheets at the club to find out if there are places available.

The dates for the next classes are :

**Graphics Workshop August 4**

**10 am to 12 noon**

**Basic Graphics August 11**

**10 am to 12 noon**

**LEVEL 2 & 3 GRAPHICS**

With Paint Shop Pro 7 and 8

**Wednesday August 18 1:00 pm to 3.30 pm**

This class is designed for people who have completed the Basic Graphics classes, and involves more advanced features of the Paint Shop Pro graphics programs.

Numbers are limited to 8 people. Please check the notice-board or contact the club for details.

## OPEN Session Times

At Studioworks, 1 Pipeworks Rd, L'ton

**Standard Sessions \$5.00**

**[Some special tutorial materials may incur additional charges]**

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### SPECIAL WEDNESDAY SESSIONS

Please register on the sheets – numbers may be limited

Monday	10 am –12	General & Beginners
	1 pm – 3 pm	Basics and Beyond
Tuesday	10 am –12	O-Learn & Beginners [all day]
	1 pm – 3 pm	Mac [all day]
	7 pm–9 pm	Basics (Night Class)
Wednesday		Special sessions or Meetings
		As for mornings (see rosters)
Thursday	10 am –12	General & Beginners
	1 pm – 3 pm	General & Beginners
Friday	10 am –12	General &
Additional afternoon sessions as shown at right ---->		

Date	Time	Topic	Details
August 4	10 am–12 noon	Graphics Workshop	An extra session for members doing the Basic Graphics course.
	1 pm onwards	<b>OPEN Monthly meeting</b>	<b>Have your input into how our club operates</b>
	7:15–9:00 pm	<b>LCG Monthly Meeting</b>	<b>Workshop-Presentation subject to be advised</b>
August 11	10 am–12 noon	Basic Graphics	A class for members learning Basic Graphics techniques.
	1 pm–3.30 pm	Family History	<b>Use the Internet and our in-house CDs to trace your family history.</b>
August 18	10 am–12 noon	Scanning and Burning	Learn the useful skills of Scanning documents and burning the information onto CD or DVD
	1 pm–3.30 pm	Level 2 and 3 Graphics Class	<b>Use Paint Shop Pro version 7 or 8 to perform advanced graphics tasks.</b>
August 25	10 am–12 noon	Family History	
	1 pm–3.30 pm	Graphics using Paint Shop Pro 11	
EXTRA AFTERNOON SESSIONS Classes for		Additional classes are being held on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons from 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm and on Friday afternoon from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. (except first Wednesday of each month)	

## COORDINATORS CORNER

Whether you are just starting your journey in the world of computers or have been travelling it for a while you never stop learning. Quite often a phrase I hear from new students when I ask them "What would you like to learn?" the response comes back "EVERYTHING".

We can only but scratch the surface - when think you know the answer the question has changed.

There is a relatively new term that is floating out there in cyberspace and that word is "CLOUD" and were not talking about the fluffy white type.

This is as simple a definition on CLOUD COMPUTING as I could find - it has many different forms.

- Ø It uses the Internet as a method of access. That is, it is hosted in a way that uses the internet to deliver whatever the service is to you.
- Ø You don't own it. Essentially you rent it or perhaps lease it. This means you pay monthly (generally) for what you use.

So the next time someone says that they use Cloud Computing, you will know that they are not necessarily off on another planet.

### Microsoft Office 2010 (but for how long?)

It does not seem that long ago since Office 2007 hit the shelves - now Office 2010 is out!

Personally I have really struggled with Office 2007, the main reason being that many of the 'tools' are not found in the same places as in previous

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### From previous column ...

A lot of us do not like change - I am one who likes to keep using a piece of software that I am comfortable with until I am dragged into using a newer version.

Something that I came across during the month was the difficulty that a student had when wanting to delete a certain file from her computer. No matter what either of us did the file would not budge. It was literally locked to the program.

I love using Google to find out information and 'Mr Google' did not let me down. I found a great little free program called UNLOCKER but it only works for Windows XP.

The basic concept is that you tell UNLOCKER what file you want to unlock from the program and within seconds it's done. But you would only use it if you really needed to, and knew how to use the program. If you are not sure ask us at the centre.

That is all for this month ... next month will be information for Seniors Week in October.

Till next time

Happy Computing

Rob Tierney

### A LITTLE MORE ON 'CLOUD COMPUTING'

It is interesting that Rob has raised the subject of Cloud Computing in his column. In July the business that I work for received a letter from a well-known Internet company promoting the benefits of its on-line products.

The idea is that instead of buying an expensive set of office programs you would just log on to a website and use (for instance) the 'Cumulus' word processor or the 'Stratus' spreadsheet.

And instead of saving your documents on your computer or on the U: drive as we do at OPEN you could, if you wanted, save them on a 'sky drive'.

In reality your documents wouldn't be floating around in cyberspace but would actually be saved on huge computers (sometimes known as server farms) belonging to the respective Internet companies.

This is an extension of current practice which sees some businesses electing to store their data off-site in the event that some form of catastrophe was to befall them.

I must confess to being a little cautious about having my personal data stored on the Internet.

### OPEN OFFICE TRICK

Did you know that the latest versions of Open Office can read Office 2007 documents? Very handy if somebody sends you a 'docx' or 'xlsx' file that can't be read by your earlier version of Word or Excel.

\*\*\*\*\*  
 \* **VICTOR PHONE NUMBER 0408 174 235** \*  
 \* **Contact the Coordinator Rob Tierney for** \*  
 \* **assistance with computer problems at home** \*  
 \* **(Bookings are subject to availability of tutors.)** \*  
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OPEN COMPUTING  
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD  
7<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2010  
Meeting Opened 1.10pm

PRESENT:

Judy Hall (Chair), Karia Wicks, Margaret Carrington, Janet Headlam, Eleanor Horder, June and Bert Hazzlewood

APOLOGIES:

Rob Tierney, Tom Olsen, Sandra Viney, Jay Dawson, Laraine Rist

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Moved by Margaret that the minutes be accepted, Seconded by Eleanor

BUSINESS ARISING:

June is to thank Pilot Light on behalf of the tutors, for their grant of \$2,000 which has been distributed to them to help cover some of their travelling costs.

There is a direct link to Volunteer Connect now on B Server Home Page.

Disruptive member in LCG Tuesday Evening class is still continuing to be disruptive.

Barry replaced a plug on one of the heaters. After making enquiries, we have been informed that it is normal for these plugs to become fairly warm during prolonged use.

We made a card thanking the Wednesday class for their donation of \$40 for Australia's Biggest Morning Tea  
Eleanor moved and Margaret Seconded that the over-

drawn Heritage Isle account be looked into.  
Eleanor is to complete a list of tutors who are available for call out.

CORRESPONDENCE:

IN: Corporate Express Statement  
My State Statement  
Clifford Craig Medical Research-Receipt and letter of thanks.

Heritage Isle – overdrawn account

Telstra – Account

ASCCA – Application for funding for help for travel to ASCCA conference.

My State new Cheque Book

ASCCA - Membership Renewal

**ASCCA – Newsletter**

**Kay Dawson – letter of thanks to N.C.W. for the \$2,000 grant which was distributed to tutors.**

OUT: Clifford Craig Trust Donation \$55.00

Telstra – account cheque

Brian Selby – Letter of thanks for computer parts.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

The Financial Report is attached for your perusal. Iris moved that the report be accepted and that the statements be passed for payment, seconded by Eleanor.

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

Rob's letter to the meeting.

My apologies for not being able to attend this month's

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meeting. OPEN reached a major milestone last week by signing up our 1,000<sup>th</sup> member. Thank you June and those who started the club nearly nine years ago and thank you to everyone who keeps OPEN running. Volunteers and students, without you, there would be no OPEN.

For those who are unaware, we are now recording all our meetings on our new voice recorder. If there are any meetings you have missed and you would like a copy of the meeting, just let me know and a copy can be burnt for you.

The next organizational meeting for Seniors' Week will be Friday 30<sup>th</sup> July at 1pm. This meeting will focus on advertising. All are welcome.

Australia's Biggest Morning Tea raised \$176.50 and this has been banked. Thank you to all who donated.

Iris said that if we were interested at some future date, Corporate Express might be able to supply us with a photo copier, supply toner, service it and in return charge us 10cents per copy. Iris is to confirm this.

June received an email regarding seminar at Centre Link on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July which Margaret and Rob will be attending.

Judy said we are due to upgrade the projector to a higher resolution one as it is an old 640x480 VGA model. It was agreed that research would be undertaken and quotes received from Sony. Karia moved that this be undertaken

and it was seconded by Iris.

Judy said cost of "Ancestry Re Search" has gone up to \$449.95 and is due on 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2010. An alternative program, UK Heritage Plus at \$279 would be a good deal and would be quite satisfactory. ASCCA has been asked if they know of a cheaper way to access Eleanor moved that if ASCCA cannot advise us of a better deal, then we should register with UK Heritage Plus. Seconded by Karia.

Judy said our old subscription will have to be cancelled and in 3 weeks and she will use our new debit card to open an account with UK Heritage Plus.

June suggested we have closer ties with Linking Tasmanian Seniors and suggested Kay Dawson be a good person to contact.

Meeting closed  
2.10pm

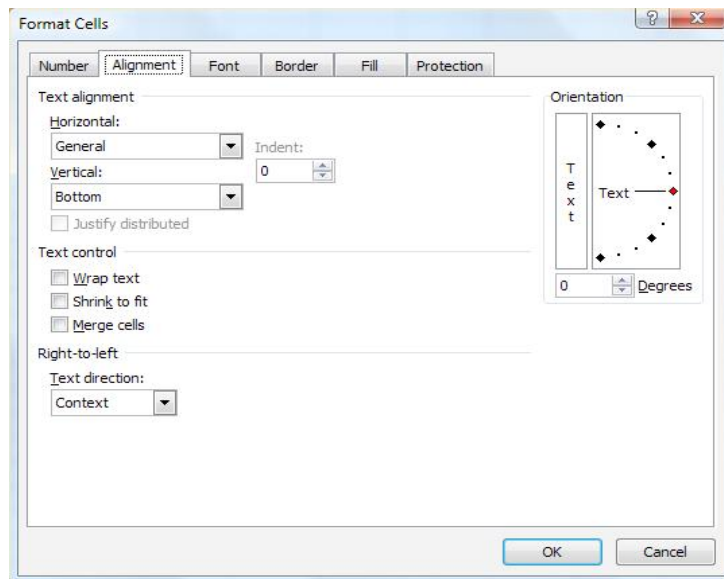
Next Meeting will be held on  
Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> August 2010  
At 1pm

## INDENTING CELL CONTENTS

Microsoft Excel allows you to format the contents of a cell in a myriad of ways. One of the formatting options you can apply is to indent the contents of a cell by a certain amount. This is similar to indenting done in a word processor, such as Microsoft Word, except that the indenting is specified in a number of characters, not in a linear distance such as inches or points.

To set the indent to be used in a cell, follow these steps:

1. Select the cells you want to format.
2. Display the Format Cells dialog box. (In Excel 2007 display the Home tab of the ribbon and click the small icon at the lower-right corner of the Number group. In older versions of Excel choose Cells from the Format menu.)
3. Make sure the Alignment tab is selected.



The Alignment tab of the Format Cells dialog box.

4. In the Horizontal drop-down list, choose Left (Indent). If you are using Excel 2002 or a later version, you can also choose Right (Indent).
5. Using the Indent control, specify the number of characters by which the cell contents should be indented from either the left or right side of the cell. You can pick any whole number between 0 and 15.
6. Click on OK.

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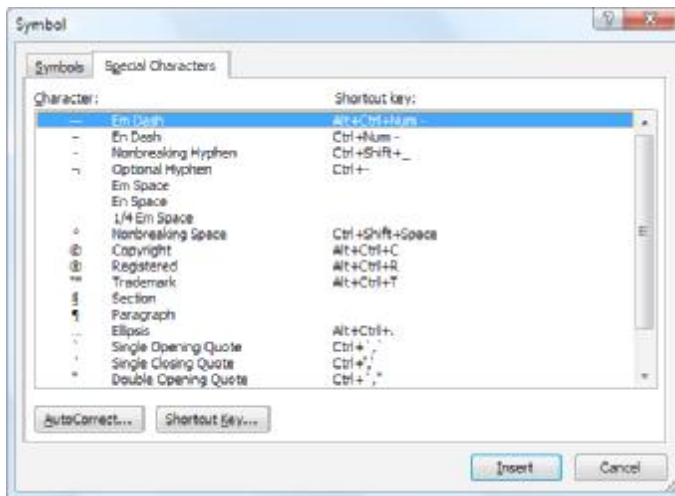
## Inserting a Non-Breaking Hyphen

When Microsoft Word calculates line length and wraps text to the next line, it tries to wrap (or *break*) the line at a space or a hyphen—a dash. Sometimes, however, you may not want Word to break a line at a dash. For instance, dashes are used in telephone numbers, and you might not want a line to break in the middle of a telephone number.

The answer is to use non-breaking hyphens instead of regular dashes when you don't want Word to break a line at the hyphen. To do this, hold down the **CTRL** and **SHIFT** keys as you type the dash (this is the same as typing **CTRL** and an underscore). Word will then not break the line at that point.

You can also insert a non-breaking hyphen by following these steps:

1. Choose Symbol from the Insert menu or, in Word 2007, display the Insert tab of the ribbon, click Symbol in the Symbols group, and finally click More Symbols. This displays the Insert Symbol dialog box.
2. Click on the Special Characters tab.



*The Special Characters tab of the Symbol dialog box.*

3. Highlight the Nonbreaking Hyphen character.
4. Click on Insert.
5. Close the dialog box by clicking on Cancel.

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## Another Myth Shattered



## TEXT EFFECTS IN WORD 2003 AND WORD 2007

Making ordinary texts look extraordinary has been possible for many versions of Word. Alas, the features can make ordinary text look awful – if you're not careful.

### *Word 2003*

Back in Word 2003 you had WordArt – a limited set of formatting features for text. It's somewhat hiding under Insert | Picture | WordArt.

There's a gallery of choices – most of which have been grossly overused. Choose one that's near what you want, enter the text, choose a font and size.

Office-Watch.com



To tweak some more, right-click on the WordArt and choose Format | WordArt.

### *Word 2007*

Initially, WordArt seems little different in Word 2007. Under the Insert tab, there's a WordArt button which opens up the same gallery options as in Word 2003.

The big difference is in the ability and ease of formatting. After

you've made the initial WordArt object, click on it to see a whole ribbon of options.

Some of the options available (from left):



- **Edit Text** – opens the initial dialog to set the text, font and text size
- **Spacing** – changes the horizontal spacing of the letters.
- **Even Height** – makes all letters the same height
- **Vertical Text**
- **Alignment** – some common options like left, center and right plus Word, Letter or Stretch justification.
- **Styles**
- **Color**
- **Outline**
- **Warp** – changes the path that the text takes across the box.
- **Shadow Effects**
- **3-D effects**

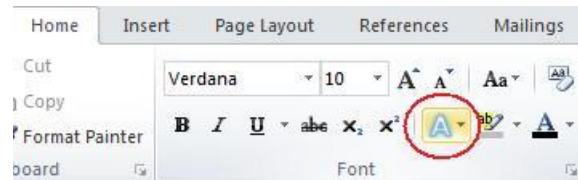
And finally there's formatting and positioning options for the entire WordArt box.

The big change is Live Preview which was introduced in Office 2007. With Live Preview you make selections on the ribbon and see those changes immediately appearing in the document.

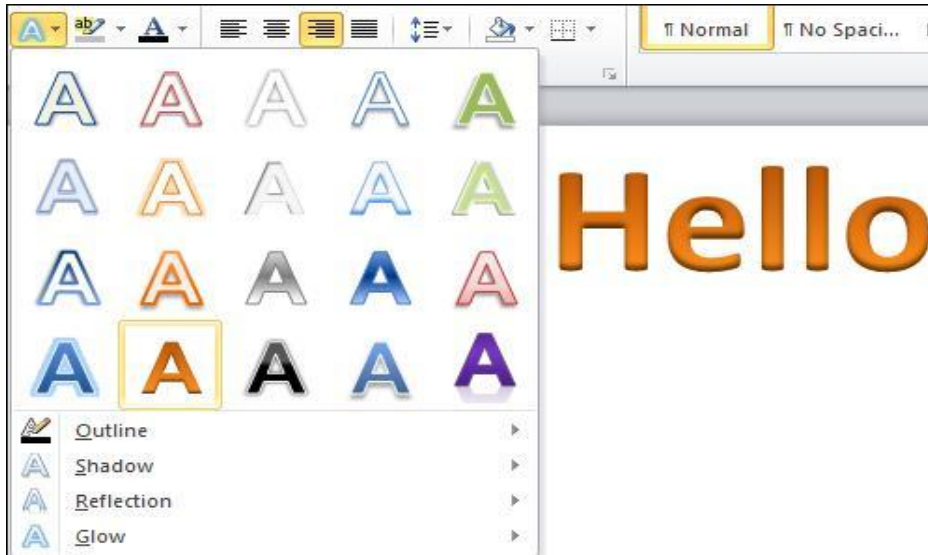
## MORE TEXT EFFECTS IN OFFICE 2010

Text effects in Word 2010 have wide range of options like applying shadow, reflection or glow to transform the appearance of text and give it an altogether new look.

To checkout available text effects type some text in a document. Select the required content to apply the text effect and on Home | Font menu click on "Text Effects" icon (refer below screenshot).



You will find variety of text effects categorized under Outline, Shadow, Reflection and Glow. A set of preset text effects are available which combines different combinations of glow, outline color, shadow and reflections. You can hover over each preset effect to see its preview on the selected text.



### Outline

If you want to modify the outline of text like make it dotted or more solid, change outline color then in the Text Effects menu hover over "Outline" menu to reveal available outline options.



Here select desired colors for the outline and choose the outline style. You can either make it solid or dotted. Again under each option you can vary the weight of the line and space between the dots. You can even go for the "No Outline" option to keep the text simple. Apart from the preset dotted and solid lines you can even customize to add additional line options. For this click on "More Lines" link located at the end of preset line options.



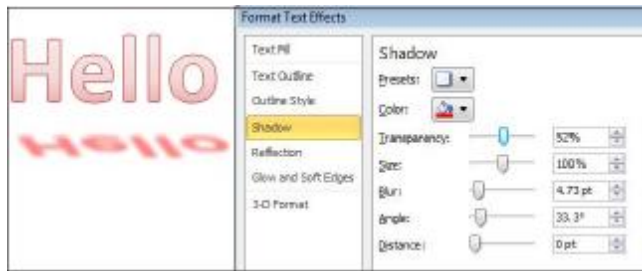
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In the "Format Text Effects" window that pops open under "Outline Style" tab you can specify line width, dash type, etc. After making the changes click on Close button.

## Shadow

Different kinds of shadow can be added to the text. To choose from the available preset options select the required text to apply the shadow and click on Home | Font | Text Effects | Shadow. Here hover over any of the thumbnail images of preset shadow options to see the preview. Then click on desired option. Shadows are applied in three ways i.e. outer, inner and perspective.



To customize preset shadow options or create new shadow click on Home | Font | Text Effects | Shadow | Shadow Options.

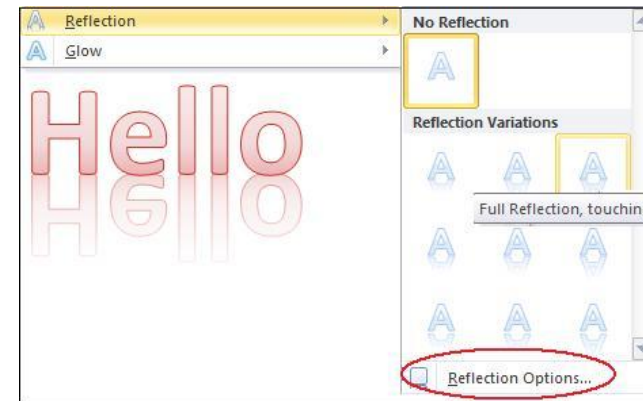
In the "Format Text Effects" window that pops open under the shadow tab you can give any color to the shadow and make changes to the size, transparency, blur, angle and distance of the shadow by moving the respective slider or entering a number. Once you add a shadow or make any changes to the preset shadow option you cannot revert back. The only option is to remove the shadow entirely. This holds good for other effects like Outline, Reflection and Glow as well.

## Reflection

Different types of reflections can be added to text. To choose from available preset options click on Home | Font | Text Effects | Reflections. Here there is a set of preset thumbnail options to choose from. Hovering over each option will show a preview and you can click on required option. There are variations in reflections like half reflection, full reflection and tight reflection.

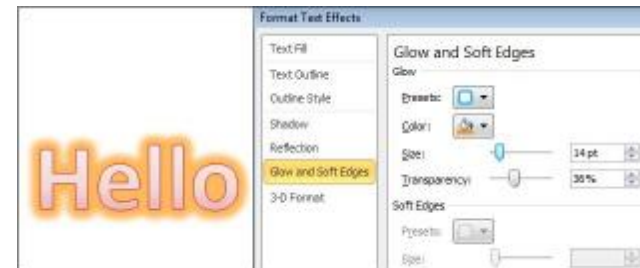
To customize reflection options click on "Reflection Options" link.

In the "Format Text Effects" window that pops open you can modify the Transparency, Size, Distance and Blur of reflection by moving the respective slider.



## Glow

Glow effect using different colors can be given to the text. Click on Home | Font | Text Effects | Glow, to reveal a set of preset glow variations. Hover over each thumbnail option to see a preview of the variation and then click on the required option. Apart from the given colors for glow you can choose additional colors by clicking on "More Glow Colors". To customize Glow options click on "Glow Options" link.

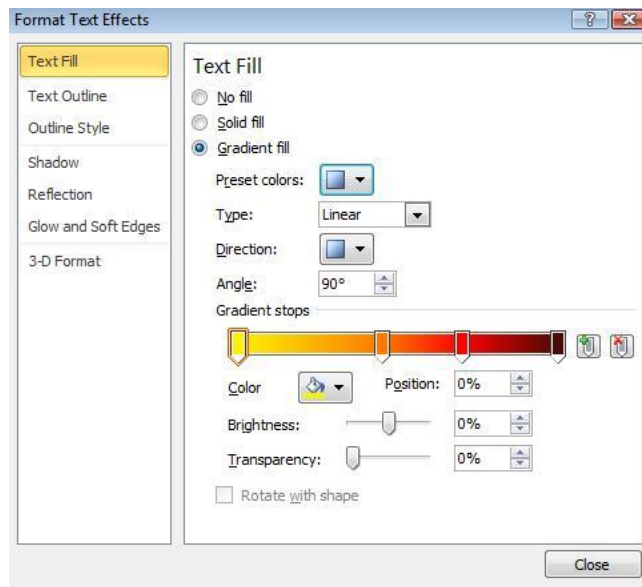


In the "Format Text Effects" window that pops open under "Glow and Soft Edges" tab you can modify the Color, Size, and Transparency and soften the edges.

## Text Fill

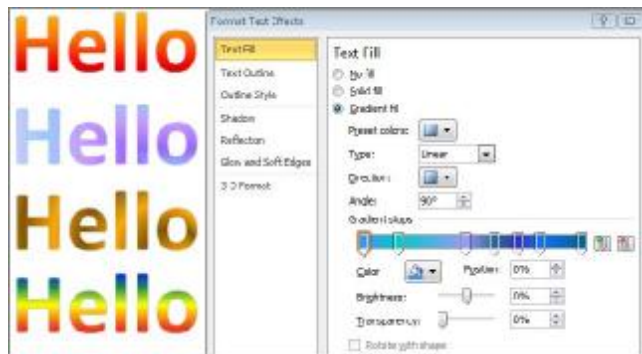
The "Text Effect" window can also be accessed by clicking on the small down arrow located in the Home | Font menu.

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In the "Font" window that pops open click on "Text Effects" link located at the bottom of the window.

In the "Format Text Effects" window that pops open under "Text Fill" tab you can select any colors to fill the text.



You have few preset color combinations as well to choose from. You can choose from

Solid fill and Gradient fill. In case of Gradient fill you can vary the direction, angle and type of gradient. Even the Brightness and Transparency of the fill can be varied. However preview is not available for any of the text fill options if the "Format Text Effects" window is opened by clicking on the small down arrow. Interestingly you can see the preview of text fill options if the "Format Text Effects" window is opened by clicking on Home | Font | Text Effects and choose any one of the four Text Effects from Outline, Shadow, Reflection and Glow. As explained above when you click on any one of the more options given under each text effects the "Format Text Effects" window will pop open. Here click on the "Text Fill" tab. You can see a preview of whatever option you choose to fill the text. This holds good for Text Outline and 3-D format effect as well. After making changes click on Close button for the changes to take effect.

### Text Outline

Likewise you can change the outline of texts under "Text Outline" tab in "Format Text Effects" window. Here again you can choose from solid or gradient outline and then choose required colors for the outline or select from the given preset colors. You can see preview of the changes made to the text outline.



### 3-D Format

There is another interesting effect to add to the text i.e. 3D effect. In the "Format Text Effects" window click on "3-D Format" tab.

Here you can add Bevel and alter its width and height, change the color and size of depth and contour of the bevel and choose from a range of surface for the bevel. Each combination will give different kinds of 3-D effect to the text thus making the text very attractive



## Basic Guide To Aussie Life

1. The bigger the hat, the smaller the farm.
2. The shorter the nickname, the more they like you.
3. Whether it's the opening of Parliament, or the launch of a new art gallery, there is no Australian event that cannot be improved by a sausage sizzle.
4. If the guy next to you is swearing like a wharfie he's probably a media billionaire. Or on the other hand, he may be a wharfie.
5. There is no food that cannot be improved by the application of tomato sauce.
6. On the beach, all Australians hide their keys and wallets by placing them inside their sandshoes. No thief has ever worked this out.
7. Industrial design knows of no article more useful than the plastic milk crate.
8. All our best heroes are losers.
9. The alpha male in any group is he who takes the barbecue tongs from the hands of the host and blithely begins turning the snags.
10. It's not summer until the steering wheel is too hot to hold.
11. A thong is not a piece of scanty swimwear, as in America, but a fine example of Australian footwear. A group of sheilas wearing black rubber thongs may not be as exciting as you had hoped.
12. It is proper to refer to your best friend as "a total bastard". By contrast, your worst enemy is "a bit of a bastard".
13. Historians believe the widespread use of the word "mate" can be traced to the harsh conditions on the Australian frontier in the 1890s, and the development of a code of mutual aid, or "mateship". Alternatively, Australians may just be really hopeless with names.
14. The wise man chooses a partner who is attractive not only to himself, but to the mosquitoes.
15. If it can't be fixed with pantyhose and fencing wire, it's not worth fixing.
16. The most popular and widely praised family in any street is the one that has the swimming pool.
17. It's considered better to be down on your luck than up yourself.
18. The phrase "we've got a great lifestyle" means everyone in the family drinks too much.
19. If invited to a party, you should take cheap red wine and then spend all night drinking the host's beer. (Don't worry,

he'll have catered for it).

- 20. If there's any sort of free event or party within a hundred kilometres, you'd be a mug not to go.
- 21. The phrase "a simple picnic" is not known. You should take everything you own. If you don't need to make three trips back to the car, you're not trying.
- 22. Unless "ethnic" or a Pom, you are not permitted to sit down in your front yard, or on your front porch. Pottering about, gardening or leaning on the fence is acceptable. Just don't sit. That's what backyards are for.
- 23. The tarred road always ends just after the house of the local mayor.
- 24. On picnics, the Esky is always too small, creating a food versus grog battle that can only ever be solved by leaving the food behind.



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