

ASCCA Cyber Security Awareness Week Forum

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ASCCA Security Awareness Week Forum Program

10.00 am Registration — tea or coffee
 10.30 am Welcome and Introduction to the Open Forum, Nan Bosler
 10.45 am **ThinkUKnow** – Jason Jacobs. Solutions Specialist – Datacentre. Microsoft Australia
 Melissa Sevil, Australian Federal Police, Project Officer– Crime Prevention, High Tech Crime Operations
Question time
 11.45 am **Clubs Ask**: Previously submitted questions will be answered by the expert Panel – Jason Jacobs (Microsoft), Melissa Sevil (AFP), Kate Reynolds and Craig Tidmarsh (Microsoft), Darren Kane (Telstra)
 12.15 pm **"Make a wish Foundation"** - Christine Moore will provide a change of pace by sharing her volunteering passion.
 12.30 pm Telstra – Darren Kane, Director, Corporate Security & Investigations and Telstra's Officer of Internet Trust & Safety
 1.00 pm Notices, Close and service of a Light Lunch **RSVP essential.**

Who are our expert presenters?

After a warm welcome from ASCCA's President, Nan Bosler, the **ThinkUKnow—Online Safety and Security** Presentation will follow. ThinkUKnow is a volunteer run program by employees of Microsoft, The Australian Federal Police and Ninemsn. Their goal is to raise awareness of the fun that can be had online as well as the dangers and to show how help is sought if things go wrong.

The presenters will be Jason Jacobs. Solutions Specialist – Datacentre. Microsoft Australia, who has been involved with the program since the beginning and Melissa Sevil, Australian Federal Police Project Officer—Crime Prevention, High Tech Crime Operations, who has a degree in criminology and has been Project Manager for the ThinkUKnow Australia Program and website since 2008.

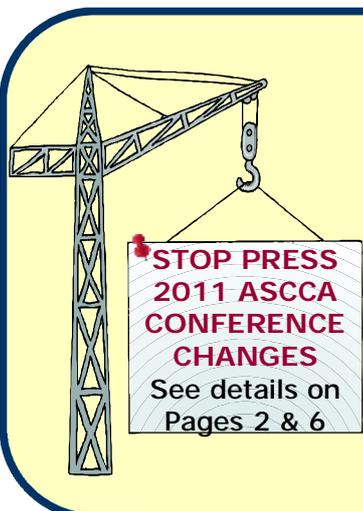
Jason and Melissa will also be involved in the panel of experts, along with Craig Tidmarsh,

Security Program Manager Microsoft Australia and Kate Reynolds, Security and Privacy Initiatives Lead Microsoft Australia and Darren Kane from Telstra.



As Director, Corporate Security & Investigations and Telstra's Officer of Internet Trust & Safety, Darren will make a presentation, "Getting on and logging on". He will show how the digital age brings with it great online social, educational and entertainment resources and experience and discuss the risks for everyone wanting to stay safe online—regardless of their age. Darren's background includes roles as a Detective Sergeant in the AFP and Assistant Director in the Australian Security Investments Commission. He also sits on the Federal Government's Consultative Working Group on Cyber-Safety.

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ASCCA NOTICE BOARD 2011

1 - 7 May Privacy Awareness Week - Privacy: It's all about you

9-15 May 2011 - National Volunteer Week - "Inspiring the Volunteer in You"

30 May –3 June 2011 - National Cyber Security Awareness Week

31 May - ASCCA Cyber Security Week Members Forum, 280 Pitt Street, Sydney

Thurs. 2 June—Telstra Connected Seniors Sessions with Peter Blasina, the Gadget Guy at Telstra Customer Experience Centre, Level 1, 242 Exhibition Street, Melbourne - *details soon*.

Unavoidable Change of Date and Venue for the 2011 ASCCA Computer Conference for Seniors! Please note the changes and accept our apologies — however, we hope you will find our new plans exciting and convenient—every cloud does have a silver lining! Wednesday 16 & Thursday 17 November 2011 - 13th Annual Computer Conference for Seniors to be held in Sydney at **Rydges World Square Hotel**, 389 Pitt Street, Sydney. Wednesday 16 November ASCCA Annual General Meeting & Competition Winners Announcement & Presentations - to be held at Rydges World Square Hotel at conclusion of Day 1 of the Conference - with arrangements for attendance by those not at Conference.

Launch of ACCAN's NBN: Guide for Consumers

The complete NBN Consumer Guide can be found online at www.accan.org.au/NBNguide.php.



Senator Stephen Conroy & ACCCA President Nan Bosler, who, along with Professor Michael Fraser, ACCAN Chairperson, spoke at the NBN Consumer Guide Launch in Sydney.

On Friday 8th April, Senator Stephen Conroy, Minister for Broadband, Communications & the Digital Economy, launched a consumer's guide to the National Broadband Network (NBN) on behalf of the Australian Communications Consumer Action Network (ACCAN) and The Internet Society of Australia (ISOC-AU).

ACCAN produced the guide with worthwhile input from individuals and groups interested in the implications of the NBN for all Australians, regardless of income, age or disability and it seeks to explain all about the development and implementation of the NBN in simple language without jargon. Holly Raiche, Executive Director of ISOC-AU said, "It's time everyone understood what the NBN can do. We were delighted to be part of this important step in explaining the future."

The guide can be found on the new ACCAN website and is available in web, print, audio and Auslan format. ACCAN's Chief Executive Teresa Corbin said, "The NBN is going to fundamentally change the Australian social, economic and cultural landscape in a way we haven't seen since the establishment of the electricity

grid" and she suggests the new publication will cut through the technical and political debate surrounding the establishment of the Network.

In launching the guide at ACCAN's Sydney office, Stephen Conroy said, "I will be telling everyone to download this. It is important for people to understand how the NBN will change lives."

ASCCA's President Nan Bosler has been very involved in the work of ACCAN and was a member of the inaugural Board. She contributed as a member of the Board for two years and among other things she chaired the Standing Advisory Committee on Consumer Affairs (SACCA).

Nan spoke as a representative of Older Australians at the launch of the NBN Consumer Guide. She said that she welcomed the opportunity to be involved in the launch, "Because this document produced by ISOC-AU and ACCAN is providing a soundly placed stepping stone that will for many begin their journey towards an understanding of the NBN and the way it will be able to take them and Australia into the future."

Thanks to Nan for her advocacy



Australia - "A Land Fit For Heroes"

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**Clearing Land
Bankstown NSW**
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**Soldier Settler's
Cottage Bankstown**
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We have all read and heard much about the wartime privations and sufferings endured by our Australian soldiers during overseas war service; but how much do we really know about the privations and sufferings they endured upon their return home to Australia. In recent times there has been research and recognition of the huge struggle these diggers faced and many records are now available at the various State Archive and Records Offices.

The [State Records NSW](#) are doing an excellent job to make new information available with much of interest now available online. In a Website "*dedicated to the memory Of Soldier Settlement in NSW ... NSW boasted the largest of Australia's Soldier Settlement Schemes and the NSW State archives record the bitter trials and enormous achievements of Australia's first soldier settlers.*"

[A Land Fit For Heroes? A History of Soldier Settlement in New South Wales, 1916-1939](#)

This is a website that aims to gather and share the real stories and heartbreaking challenges and occasional triumphs of those returning heroes who found an Australia that had changed irrevocably even as they had been changed by the horrors of war. Part of the goal is to encourage descendants of these people to share family stories and personal recollections that will add to our understanding of the problems faced; often alone and totally unsupported by the government which set up the schemes.

Billy Hughes, the war time Prime Minister who, as Repatriation Minister, represented Australia at the Paris Peace Conference in 1919 had promised to resign as Prime Minister in 1918 if conscription was not brought in and this he did. He also felt a great commitment to the

returning soldiers and promised they would return to "a land fit for heroes'.

In many ways the challenges faced by these men and women were similar to those faced by many struggling in regional areas today. "Isolation, financial hardship, drought and environmental degradation" continue to plague those on the land anywhere in this vast "Wilful lavish land" described so poignantly by Dorothea Mackellar in 1905.

The reality was that these settlement schemes were first designed to encourage enlistment after the losses of 1915 put an end to the rush to enlist. After the first objective to repatriate and compensate servicemen and women, came the idea of using them to open up and develop land in remote areas. Then, as the 300,000 demobilised servicemen and women returned to Australia this settlement scheme was seen as a convenient way to overcome the problems of their employment. During the war many jobs had been taken on by women who were being paid half the salary that men received for doing the same job just as efficiently and they were enjoying their new freedom.

To receive an allotment - with the land provided by the States and loans sponsored by the Commonwealth government - the almost 40,000 settlers had to agree to remain on their land for at least five years. Many of these untrained and unsupported people were also suffering from physical and mental disabilities as a result of their war service. The parcel of land was often too small, too poor in quality and totally unsuitable for farming as well as having no transport or infrastructure to process or market any produce they were able to coax from the

Excerpts from the Case Studies to be found at <http://soldiersettlement.records.nsw.gov.au/index.php/case-studies/>

"They say children are Australia's greatest asset, but on a small farm burdened with debt there is very little future for mine."
Elizabeth Cameron.

Walter Ash Diary

6 July 1931 - All that is left on the farm now is:-

1 wife – ill
1 child – well
1 damned lunatic – that's myself – fed up
4 horses – 4 cattle
innumerable reptiles crawling
2 dogs, kangaroos & foxes – number not known
1470 acres ducks, geese, swans, pelicans and sea gulls
25 acres dry land.
Hell: I'm fed up

12 July 1931-13 July 1931 - Rained all day. Haven't had any mail or newspapers for nearly 2 months. Wonder if they have started another war – it's better than this. Devil's number again, flood fell an inch.
19 July 1931 Oh Hell! Fed Up!

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land. A desperate letter written in 1929 by Elizabeth Cameron, who was the wife of a soldier settler at Boggabri, gives a tragic insight into the misery of these deprived people. "It was to my mind a cruel thing to give a man a block of land without water."

Everything seemed to compound the difficulties faced by the settlers in setting up and running these properties. In the immediate post war years the prices of livestock and machinery were inflated due to the effect of wartime shortages and during the 1920s as the Great Depression approached, prices paid for primary produce fell and this just added to the list of insurmountable problems facing so many soldier settlers. No wonder so many of these ill-fated people just forfeited or surrendered their land and many drifted back into the towns and cities to join the dole queues there.

Although some continued to squeeze out an existence for longer it has been estimated one third of the soldier settlers had abandoned, sold or left their farms by 1929 and only one third remained after 15 years on their land.

There were stories of success and these are also important to record. Some families still continue to successfully farm the land their ancestor took up as a soldier settlement block. Probably the successful farmers already had

some farming experience and were in good health when they took up their land.

The Government did learn many lessons from the widespread failures of the soldier settlement schemes after the first war and planned the scheme offered to second war returned servicemen and women to avoid many of those pit falls.

Larger and more viable holdings were offered and over time irrigation and other infrastructure had been generally improved. A small living wage and other incentives were offered during the first year until buildings were established and production under way. There was also more careful screening of the suitability of applicants with suitable health and sufficient farming knowledge being required. At the end of the year the settler was charged an annual rent. Later an interim lease which ran for from 3-4 years was replaced by a purchase lease at an agreed value with a low interest rate for 55 years.



Perhaps you can add to the stories being collected by the "A Land fit for Heroes" website. You should certainly explore the treasures available through our state and federal individual archive collections.

Are you a "Switched on Retiree?"

If you or someone you know is a hi-tech older Australian - Telstra wants you!
You could become the face of Australia's Retired & Wired generation
... and win \$10,000 in cash and prizes.

Most of our ASCCA members already know that you don't have to be a member of "Gen Y" to be digitally savvy. Now Telstra is searching for someone to help them spread the word about how easy it can be to use technology and how it helps people stay in touch with family, friends and the world. Telstra's "Switched on Retiree" winner will have the opportunity to show how much fun we older Australians can have using all the new technologies like our iPhones, Facebook, video calling, email, eReaders and all the rest ...

If you fit the bill, or you know someone who does, you can nominate yourself - or them - at www.Telstra.com.au/retired-wired. or facebook.com/telstra Entries open 1 May, 2011.



International Year of Volunteers
10th anniversary
2011

One simple quote perfectly characterises the positive aspects of volunteering. Eastern Palliative Care (Victoria) set out to improve the psychological and spiritual care of their patients by setting up a "Client Biography Service". In providing what they describe as "**An astonishing two way gift**" they have captured the importance of volunteering for the beneficiaries and the return "gift" that comes to the volunteer.



Volunteering - An astonishing two way gift

The United Nations has declared 2011 the International year of Volunteers Plus 10 (IYV+10). Australia's support was affirmed when our Governor-General, Ms Quentin Bryce AC, formally launched the celebration at a reception for volunteers at Admiralty House, Sydney in February. About 100 members and representatives of Australian volunteer groups attended the launch where Ms Bryce noted the undeniable impact that *"the sense of proximity and speed that the internet brings to our exchanges, with barely a distinction between the local and the global, unites individuals and now gives them the capacity to reach across the street and across the world."*

At the start of the 2001 International Year of Volunteers, the International Association for Volunteer Effort (IAVE) adopted a Universal Declaration on Volunteering at their 16th World Volunteer Conference, in Amsterdam.

We have certainly witnessed an amazing global humanitarian and compassionate effort on many occasions since that 2001 declaration which stated:

Volunteering is a fundamental building block of civil society. It brings to life the noblest aspirations of humankind – the

pursuit of peace, freedom, opportunity, safety, and justice for all people.

In this era of globalization and continuous change, the world is becoming smaller, more interdependent, and more complex. Volunteering – either through individual or group action – is a way in which:

- *human values of community, caring, and serving can be sustained and strengthened;*
- *individuals can exercise their rights and responsibilities as members of communities, while learning and growing throughout their lives, realizing their full human potential; and,*
- *connections can be made across differences that push us apart so that we can live together in healthy, sustainable communities, working together to provide innovative solutions to our shared challenges and to shape our collective destinies.*

We, as individuals and also as communities should acknowledge all volunteering efforts from the noble, to the relatively mundane; as we recognise that as with any type of building, the building of a civil society relies on the integrity of even the smallest of its building blocks or components.

Thanks to all Volunteers!



ASCCA is proud to be a Privacy Awareness Week 2011 partner — Privacy is all about you: What can you do to protect your personal information and the information of others you might handle as part of your job? You do have privacy rights and also responsibilities when handling the personal information of your customers, clients or club members.

Don't forget to check your online privacy settings - your social networking profile and your browser settings. Think about how much personal information you want to reveal before you do so and ask businesses what will happen to your information when you give it to them. Your information is yours and you are generally under no obligation to hand it over to anyone without knowing what they are going to do with it.

To find out more visit the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner's Privacy Awareness Week 2011 website: www.privacyawarenessweek.org.

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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 those Organisations that recognise the value of computer technology for Seniors. Cost of ASCCA membership is \$110 per year, including GST. Corporate Membership also welcome.

If you fit one of those 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 to download.

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Construction work at the Powerhouse - a new opportunity for ASCCA

There was great consternation when word was received from the Powerhouse Museum that they could no longer accommodate us for the 2011 ASCCA Conference which had been booked since the end of August 2010. However this problem has presented a wonderful opportunity for ASCCA to consider and implement an idea suggested by some of our interstate members at the last conference. They expressed a wish to be able to attend the ASCCA Annual General Meeting and asked if we would think about having the meeting after or during the Annual Conference.

So here is the silver lining—we have now booked the Rydges World Square Hotel for our Conference to be held on **Wednesday 16th & Thursday 17th November**. At the conclusion of **Day One** of the Conference, other ASCCA Members will be invited to join the conference delegates for afternoon tea - to be followed by the AGM and presentation of Awards for the Annual ASCCA Competitions. Although this will be a huge organisational task for our staff and volunteers the prospect of such a well represented AGM is exciting. We hope this unexpected change will offer exciting opportunities for our members from all over Australia to meet and exchange ideas, form new friendships and renew old friendships. Some of our interstate delegates stayed at the Rydges World Square Hotel during the 2010 conference and found it excellent.



You are encouraged to record this new date and inform your Club Members and other interested persons of the changes.

Welcome to Forestville Living Care Retirement Village

The Forestville Retirement Village, which is part of the Living Care Ministry of Churches of Christ in NSW, is welcomed as a new ASCCA Member Club in Sydney. There are about 33 members in this new club where the village residents are part of a close knit community where 33 units nestle in a quiet and beautiful environment near the Garigal National Park. From the village there are beautiful views of the largest National Park in suburban Sydney where a variety of native flora and Fauna have their home. This impressive expanse of bush and sandstone country was originally the home of the Guringai Aboriginal people and it covers an area of 22 km² from Middle Harbour Creek, north to Mona Vale and east to the Wakehurst Parkway.

A very warm welcome and the offer of support and encouragement is extended from ASCCA and all our existing member clubs.