19th Australian Computer Conference For Seniors

TO BE HELD IN SYDNEY ON WEDNESDAY 8TH AND THURSDAY 9TH NOVEMBER

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STOP PRESS

Amid all the work and excitement of bringing you the 19th Australian Computer Conference for Seniors, Nan Bosler and ASCCA's hard working volunteer Directors and staff have worked on and received a new Australian Government "*Be Connected Capacity Builder Grant*".
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WILL WE SEE YOU THERE?

Are you still wondering if you should attend ASCCA's 19th Conference? If so, once you read this quote from an email which Mark Young, ASCCA's hard working Technical Officer sent to Nan Bosler yesterday; it may help you to decide you should not miss this great opportunity. After finalisation of the 2017 program Mark wrote; *"I reckon that this is the best and most varied group of speakers that we have had since I have been at ASCCA. I thought that last year as well, **but this one is even better**."*

Nan began preparing for this conference even before the close of the 2016 conference and she has been working towards an even better event for this year. Other volunteers have been working hard in the background and Mark has been flat out working through the practicalities and details and keeping everyone informed of our progress through updates and news on the website.

www.ascca.org.au If you go to the website you can read about all the presenters and their topics. You can also book online or make enquiries on (**02) 9286 3871** or email ascca@ascca.org.au

Two of the latest confirmed presentations, add much weight to the importance of digital literacy, to help you stay involved and relevant in every part of your life, regardless of your age.

Matt Kelson, a Primary School Teacher and his Principal, **Greg Jones** will work with three **Tech Savvy Students** from **Mona Vale Public School** to present; ***"21st Century Learning in the Classroom!"*** Matt will present on how he uses technology in the classroom and the Principal will talk about the importance of implementing this technology, as his students demonstrate how they use the technology, both in school and in their daily lives.

Inspector Ben Shepherd from the **NSW Rural Fire Service** will talk on ***"Utilising technology to access emergency information"***.

NOTICE of ASCCA A.G.M. The Sixteenth Annual General Meeting of Voting Members of the Australian Seniors Computer Clubs Association ASCCA will be held at **Rydges World Square Hotel**, at 389 Pitt Street, Sydney on Tuesday, 8th November 2017 at 3.30pm. Afternoon tea will be available for delegates at 3.00pm.

Annual Reports & Election of Board Members & Announcement of 2017 ASCCA Competition Winners. All delegates attending the 19th Australian Computer Conference for Seniors are welcome to attend but must also RSVP for the AGM. Ph: 02 9286 3871 or ascca@ascca.org.au

An AUSOMe way to celebrate Victorian Seniors Festival

Melbourne's Apple Computer Club, **AUSOM Incorporated** held a very successful Open Day for their usual regular meeting on Saturday 7th October and invited Seniors to book and come along as part of Victoria's Seniors Festival celebrations.

There were 48 bookings made and 35 people arrived around 9.00 am and were welcomed with an AUSOM showbag—complete with club logo. There were various "goodies" inside, including several copies of the excellent Club Magazine which is full of interesting articles and news items each month. In each bag, there was also an information card and a form for a special reduced joining fee offer, lasting for just six months.

Committee member John Stewart made a short survey and told guests some of the "AUSOMe" things that membership could offer. Nine of the guests took up the offer of the reduced membership fee for six months and there was much anticipation among the current members

about helping these new people cross the digital divide and greatly enhance their computing skills.

The program for the day was exactly the same as a regular meeting except that the main presentation to all-comers, made by Julie Ackland was "iPad Out of the Box". With a number of the visitors being beginners or not very experienced users, this was certainly a great place to begin.

The photo above shows the Club President John Sullivan (centre) with four of the interested seniors who attended the meeting. Like any successful ASCCA Club Meeting, there was time to chat and enjoy the refreshments on offer. The picture below shows AUSOM's Secretary Susan Jenson talking with one of the visitors.

Thanks to Susan for telling us about the Club's successful Seniors Festival Meeting.

Day 1 – Wednesday 8th November

Time	Day 1 – Wednesday 8th November
8.30 am - 9.30 am	Registration - Tea/Coffee
9.30 am - 9.40 am	Introduction to Conference & Acknowledgement of Country - Nan Bosler OAM, ASCCA President; MC – David Bennett, ASCCA Director
9.40 am - 10.00 am	The New Digital Generation: Older Australians online - Julie Inman-Grant, eSafety Commissioner
10.00 am - 10.20 am	Official Opening - The Hon Tanya Davies, NSW Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Women and Minister for Ageing
10.20am - 10.40am	Getting the Most out of Windows 10 - Patrick Hines, Community Coordinator, Microsoft Australia
10.40am - 11.00am	What you need to know about the nbn - Amber Dornbusch, Head of nbn Local, NSW/ACT
10.00 am - 11.40 am	Morning Tea - Information Displays – Networking
11.40 am - 12.00 pm	Keeping kids safe online: The role of techsavvy seniors - Kellie Britnell; Program Manager, Office of eSafety Commissioner
12.00 pm - 12.30 pm	Tech Trends and Products - Charlie Brown, Technology Commentator
12.30 pm - 1.30 pm	Lunch – Information Displays – Networking

Concurrent Sessions	Choose 1 Presentation from each session to suit your interest
Double Session 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm Ballroom 3	Session 1 – Choose either this Double Session OR 2 Single Sessions; 1.1 Apple Workshop – Accessibility and Lifelong Learning
1.30 pm - 2.10 pm Hordern Room 1	1.2 Accessibility Technology helps better access to Community Life – Shannon Roos, Conexu Foundation
1.30 pm - 2.10 pm Ballroom 2	1.3 The Ark in your Pocket: How to keep your family connected for thousands of years - Warren Henry, Author
2.20 pm - 3.00 pm Ballroom 2	Session 2; 2.1 Samsung Galaxy Tablets - Kara Owens and Joel Thornton, Samsung Learning and Development Consultants
2.20 pm - 3.00 pm Hordern Room 1	2.2 Older Australians should play video games: Here's Why and How - Professor Jeff Brand, Bond University
3.00 pm - 3.30 pm	Afternoon Tea - For those people who have given RSVP for attendance at the ASCCA AGM
3.30 pm - 5.30 pm	ASCCA Annual General Meeting and Announcement and Presentations to the Winners of the 2017 ASCCA Competitions

Day 2 – Thursday 9th November

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8.30 am - 9.30 am	Registration - Tea/Coffee
9.30 am - 9.40 am	Welcome to Day 2 - Nan Bosler OAM, ASCCA President; MC – David Bennett, ASCCA Director
9.40 am - 10.10 am	Be Connected: Improving Digital Literacy of Older Australians - Yvette Sims, Branch Manager, Multicultural & Communities Branch, Dept of Social Services and Helen Milner OBE, Chief Executive, Good Things Foundation
10.10 am - 10.30 am	Machine Learning at Google and Beyond - Shane Treeves, Head of Social Communications, Google Asia-Pacific
10.30 am - 10.50 am	Consumer tips on nbn Internet of Things and staying connected - Teresa Corbin, CEO ACCAN
10.50 am - 11.35 am	Morning Tea - Information Displays – Networking
11.35 am - 11.55 am	Utilising technology to access emergency information – Inspector Ben Shepherd, Acting Media Manager, Media Services, NSW Rural Fire Service
11.55 pm - 12.10 pm	Time to get out your Lucky Door Prize Tickets
12.10 pm - 12.30 pm	The Digital Economy: Opening up the Conversation - Francesca Astolfi, Acting GM, Digital Economy, Dept of Industry Innovation and Science
12.30 pm - 1.30 pm	Lunch - Information Displays – Networking

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Double Session 1.30 pm - 2.40 pm Ballroom 3	Session 3 – Choose either this Double Session OR 2 Single Sessions; 3.1 24x7 Retail Therapy: How to browse and buy online - Keith Harvey, Trainer, Westlakes Seniors Computer Club
1.30 pm - 2.00 pm Ballroom 2	3.2 Australian Digital Health: what does this mean for you? - Dr Monica Trujillo, Executive Manager, Clinician and Clinical Governance and Chief Clinical Information Officer, Australian Digital Health Agency
1.30 pm - 2.00 pm Hordern Room 1	3.3 Digital Legacy - Sue Martin, Avalon Computer Pals
2.10 pm - 2.40 pm Hordern Room 1	Session 4; 4.1 Research designed with Seniors in mind - Julie Beadle and Michael Spikmans, The Marcs Institute, Western Sydney University
2.10 pm - 2.40 pm Ballroom 2	4.2 21st Century Learning in the Classroom - Matt Kelson Teacher, Greg Jones Principal and three students from Mona Vale Public School
2.50 pm - 3.45 pm	Fantastic New Technologies and cool tech tips - Alex Zaharov-Reutt, Technology editor at ITWire.com
3.45 pm - 4.00 pm	What Next? Close - Nan Bosler OAM, ASCCA President

The Program is finalised, the Speakers are Ready – BUT – Have you booked your place so that you can enjoy every moment of the exciting 2017 Conference we have been planning for you all year? We would not want you to miss out – So why not BOOK NOW?

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Cost of **ASCCA** membership 1 - 20 members - $55 Incl. GST; 21 - 40 members - $115 Incl. GST; 41 - 100 members - $175 Incl. GST; Over 100 members - $300 Incl. 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 on the website.

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Ben will provide an overview of the importance of being able to use multiple sources in order to access pertinent information to keep people and property safe in an emergency. He will show how technology is vital to everyone involved in providing and accessing emergency information from websites to social media and smartphone applications.

In addition to great speakers, there will be great food, information stands and opportunities to socialise and network with like-minded people.

It will also be great fun!

"SWADE" comes to Western Australia

ASCCA has developed a program called **Seniors West Australian Digital Expansion** (**SWADE**) to help older Australians embrace the benefits and satisfaction of using technology. A **Be Connected Capacity Builder Grant** has been received by ASCCA to allow the expansion of their work in this state. ASCCA is determined to continue to digitally empower older Australians living in Western Australia.

The *Be Connected* program has replaced the recently ended *Broadband for Seniors Program*. *Good Things Foundation* won the contract to be the National Network Manager for the **Digital Literacy for Older Australians program – Be Connected**. ASCCA Clubs will be receiving phone calls introducing the new program and explaining how your club can become involved in this Commonwealth funded project.