



To use, peruse and amuse



The history we're living: Photos of a nation in shutdown

One day, future generations will look back at the history we're living right now, captured in these photos of a nation in shutdown. Read in ABC News: <https://apple.news/ACNjnnam5TtwuK6mwahSWnXg>

Mark Young, ASCCA's Technical Officer has heard your request and has written a guide for using Zoom. This is just the iPad/iPhone version. He plans to do a Windows version in the near future

https://www.ascca.org.au/images/ascca_pdfs/training_manuals/zoom_basics_ipad_iphone_v3.pdf



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Jigsaw Puzzles



The website www.thejigsawpuzzles.com lets you solve jigsaws on your web-browser, without the need to register or download an app to your computer. (Your web-browser will use its Flash Player plug-in, as it does for crosswords or YouTube videos.)

After launching your web-browser and typing the web-address (see above) into the address-bar, the first step is to choose a picture from one of more than 20 categories, e.g. Flowers, Animals, etc. Click on the thumbnail picture that takes your fancy. You can then make the jigsaw more difficult, or easy, by choosing an option from 'Change Cut'. You'll be able to set the number of pieces, ranging from just 20 to 500 pieces. Larger screens are better for 500 pieces.



Your chosen jigsaw picture has symbols at its corners:



Fullscreen (bottom right): this symbol is a toggle switch so when you click it again, your jigsaw returns to its original size.



Hint (bottom left): this will help you find a matching piece for the last piece you moved.





Show Preview (top right): this will show you what the solved jigsaw looks like.

If you register for an account, you will be able to make jigsaws from your own photos. You will also be able to continue a puzzle at a later date. You can continue playing for free though the developer offers additional features for a price. The link [? Got questions? Get Help!](#) will answer most questions.



If you wish to play off-line at your country cabin, you can download the Everyday Jigsaw package with hundreds of jigsaw puzzles. You do not need to register. An installation wizard will ask you to agree to the terms and conditions. After installation, you will find the *Everyday Jigsaw* app listed under all apps on your computer.

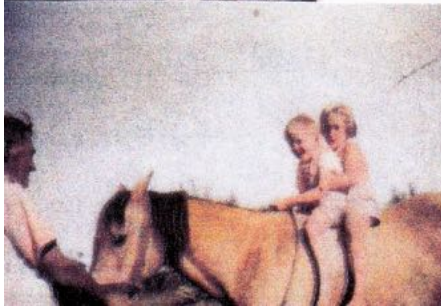
If you wish to download the app to your smartphone or tablet, tap on your app store:  for Android

devices or  for Apple devices. Type *Everyday Jigsaw Puzzles* into the search-box. This app is developed by KraiSoft. There are many other jigsaw apps available if you only type the word *Jigsaw* into the search-box. It is always a good policy to read the 'Reviews' (listed below) and answers by the developer, before installing any app. word *Jigsaw* into the search-box. It is always a good policy to read the 'Reviews' and answers by the developer, before installing any app. developer, before installing any app.





MyHeritage in Colour, a tool for colourizing black & white or sepia images.



This online tool uses machine-learning algorithms, without human intervention, to predict and colourize areas within images.

If you have a paid account with MyHeritage, the colourizing tool is already available to you. This Israeli company is similar to Ancestry, in offering DNA test kits and resources for building family trees.



You can also access the colourizing tool by signing up for a 14-day trial at myheritage.com/incolor. The service is a freemium one, so after the trial period, you will need to pay (currently \$A239 for first year).

You will need to have previously scanned/digitized your photo prints or slides at an appropriate resolution. To scan prints using your smartphone, Google offers *PhotoScan* for free. MyHeritage also provides an app for scanning. Save the files somewhere you can find them!

Next, launch a web-browser (Chrome, Safari, etc.). In its address-bar, type myheritage.com/incolor and then click on the orange 'Upload photo' button. Navigate to one of your monochromatic images. Double-click on it. When you do this, a form appears requiring you to create a MyHeritage account. You should read the *Service terms* and *Privacy policy* before ticking the box to accept.

You will then see half of the image you uploaded and half of the new colourized version. Use the arrows at the centre of the images to swipe left or right. Under the link 'Download photo', you'll be able to download both images by choosing the 'Comparison' option or just the colourized one. The colourized image will be yours to keep although while you are within the free trial period, it will have a white MyHeritage logo. If you are a paid subscriber, the colourized images you download will not have this logo.

MyHeritage's online software recognises which areas of the image are people and so need to be flesh coloured. It does that quite successfully. It also recognises foliage and gives it a dull green hue. As you can see on the first colourized example (above), the cloudless sky is not represented by an azure blue as you would expect but rather by a bluish grey.

The online software is not so successful with the colours of clothing. The algorithm has no way of knowing the true colour of garments. Similarly, in the following example, the khaki uniform of Aussie soldiers is inaccurate, being represented as grey.

To indicate that the image has been colourized, rather than being an original colour image, MyHeritage adds a tiny white palette symbol to the bottom left corner.

If you have already saved monochromatic images on the MyHeritage's website, the new colourized images you make do not replace them but instead are saved next to them.

Tests show that colourizing black & white images, compared with sepia images, result in different outcomes.

An account with MyHeritage does not enable you to colourize 8mm film.

You may enjoy colourizing some of your monochromatic images to see the difference it makes but it would be advisable to keep the authentic original image with its technology of the time.

Thank you Jean Martin

What a difference the challenges of COVID-19 have made to the way we manage our clubs.

It has actually been exciting as we see just what a difference some of our new thinking will have for the future. Online training options may well continue to be part of our regular programming, hopefully joint activities with neighbouring clubs will become usual events and all our members will have email addresses and getting in touch with them to share information will be as simple as one message and click on your data base of members.

Has your club seen ways to enhance the experience you will offer members in the future? Please share your ideas with us, send them to asca@asca.org.au



It is with sadness that we learn that Ray Willcox, husband to ASCCA's vice President and Director for Western Australia, Jennifer Willcox, has died in Fiona Stanley Hospital, Perth.

We offer Jenny our condolences and assure her that the ASCCA family surrounds her with our love and support.

NBN Co reminds Australians: "beware of scams"

NBN Co is reminding Australians to be extra vigilant about their online security, with a marked increase in predatory scammers attempting to steal personal details and commit fraud.

NBN Co's Chief Security Officer, Darren Kane, said: "As we spend more time online, it is important we do not become complacent when it comes to online security as scammers prey on human emotions, like fear and uncertainty, to trick people."

NBN Co's top tips for protecting against scammers:

- Visit NBN Co's website at www.nbn.com.au/scamadvice for information on how to identify and avoid potential scammers or for advice if you suspect you have been scammed.
- Remember **nbn** will never call and ask to access your computer or advise that you're going to be disconnected. NBN Co is a wholesaler, which means it does not sell phone or internet services directly to the public. People need to contact their preferred phone and internet provider in order to make the switch.
- Never give an unsolicited caller remote access to your computer or devices via the installation of programs, such as Team Viewer.
- NBN Co does not make automated calls, such as robocalls, to advise of disconnections to **nbn** or existing copper phone line services. Do not engage with these calls.
- Do not share your financial information (i.e. bank, credit card or gift card details) or personal details with an unsolicited caller or door knockers trying to seek payment for an **nbn**™ service.
- If in doubt, hang up and call your retail service provider on their official customer service centre number to check if the call is legitimate. Do not use contact details supplied by the caller.

As we all work to adapt to the challenges of COVID-19, there has never been a more important time to think about online safety, whether for our community, family or friends.



To support you and your community at this time we're providing resources you can share with those working from home and for families who may be supporting their children through remote learning.

We encourage you to visit our [COVID-19](#) page on our website, which was recently awarded a Webby Honoree, for the latest advice for staying safe online. Our most recent release includes guidance on [how to manage your wellbeing](#) during COVID-19.

Seniors don't like change – so use your tap n go card so you won't have to deal with change !