



Club Newsletter

Penrith Valley Seniors Computer Club Inc.



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2012 is the year of the Dragon

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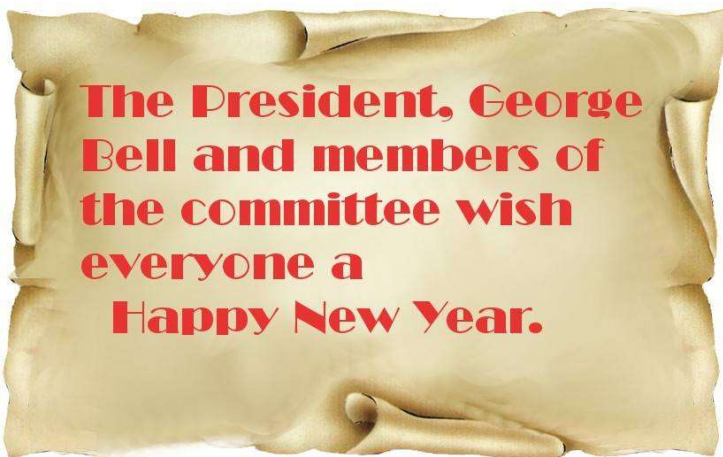
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Visit the clubs' web page for training courses, www.users.on.net/pvscc/training.htm
Visit the clubs' web site, www.users.on.net/~pvscc/index.html

Weekly Schedule for Computer Courses

Mondays: 9.30am to 11am Beginners & Do your own thing. Tutor: Zillah Warner	Tuesdays: 9.30am to 11am Beginners & Do your own thing Tutor Bert Foster
11.00 am to 12.30 pm A beginners class on Paint Shop Pro . Tutor: Zillah Warner	Windows Live Movie Maker. 11.30am- 1.30pm Tutor Bryan Blake
Wednesdays: 9.30am to 11am Using the Software (Gimp) Tutor Tom Lehane.	Thursdays: 9.30am to 11am Card Making , Beginners and Do your own thing. Tutors Clare Dixon & Zillah Warner.
Fridays: 9.30am to 11am Memories to TV . Beginners & Do your own thing. Tutor Alan Lees	Fridays: Tutor Jim Tiberi Class time 11.00 am to 12.30 pm Using Microsoft Office suite



The President, George Bell and members of the committee wish everyone a Happy New Year.

Club Christmas Party

The clubs Christmas party was well attended and all present had an enjoyable time.
Photograph show members enjoying lunch.

Many thanks to Zillah Warner, Lorraine Brown and the other ladies who helped with the catering.

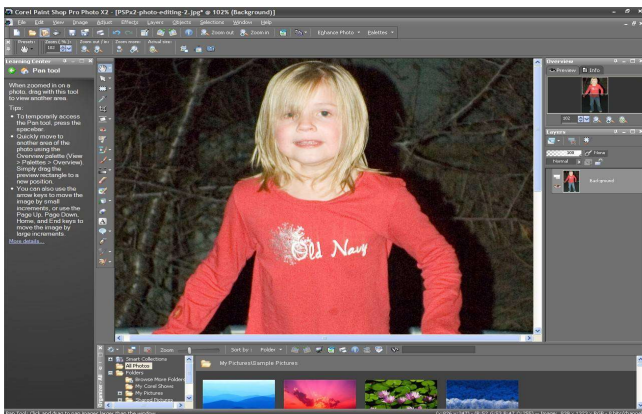
Paint Shop Pro. for Beginners

Beginning with the return of classes on January 30th. Zillah will be tutoring a beginners class on Paint Shop Pro. On Mondays. Start time 11.00 am.

Paint Shop Pro is a photo editing program that will enhance your photos.

With very few people now using film cameras, digital photograph brings new challenges to the user. But some times things go wrong. The flash produced red-eye to the persons' eyes.

Zillah will teach you how to correct these problems using the program Paint Shop Pro.



2012



Just a point of interest

Year of the Dragon

THE WATER DRAGON 1952 AND 2012

Water has a calming effect on the Dragon's fearless temperament. Water allows the Dragon to re-direct its enthusiasm, and makes him more perceptive of others. These Dragons are better equipped to take a step back to re-evaluate a situation because they understand the art of patience and do not desire the spotlight like other Dragons. Therefore, they make smart decisions and are able to see eye-to-eye with other people. However, their actions can go wrong if they do not research or if they do not finish one project before starting another.

Information obtained from the internet, Editor.



Windows Movie Maker Live

Over the Christmas break, using your digital camera you may have photos of a party, holiday and family snap shots, some you will printout and hand around when family and friends visit. It can be a

little awkward explaining the contents of one photo while others wait to view the 6X4 printout.

Your images will be much more professional if displayed on the new wide screen TV with added commentary and music, everyone gets to see and enjoy your photos.

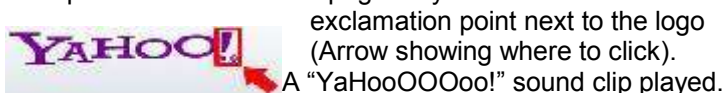
Bryan Blake will be conducting another tutoring course on 'Windows Movie Maker Live' on....

Tuesday 31 January start 1130.

For more detailed information see the special Movie Maker flier on the last page.

Yahoo! Logo Sound Clip

Nothing special but interesting that they add these little surprises on their search page. If you click the



exclamation point next to the logo (Arrow showing where to click).

A "YaHooOOOoo!" sound clip played.

How To Open A CD Or DVD Drive.



Have you ever had your Desktop computer or Laptop CD/DVD Tray that won't eject?

This also applies if you turn off the computer and you left your CD or DVD work disk in the computer.



CD and DVD drives for computers have been designed with an emergency release mechanism.

The emergency release for the

DVD tray doesn't require any special tools or skills, just a paper clip.

Start by unbending a leg of the largest diameter paper clip (**Image above**) that will fit in the hole on the faceplate of the drive. (**Image below**). Next, insert it straight into the hole, there will be a little click before it goes in very far, and the tray will pop out a fraction of an inch.

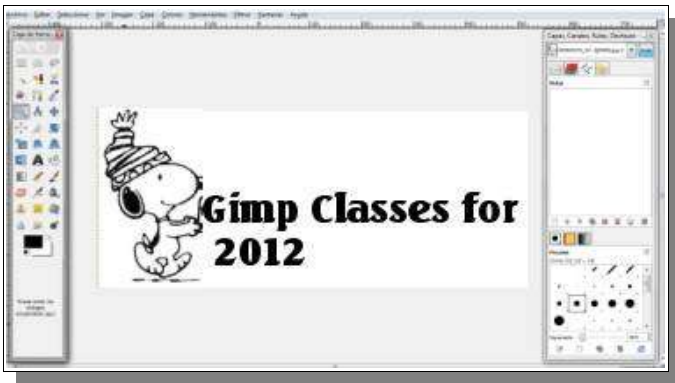


Image below shows the CD/DVD tray moving out of the drive by a fraction. Remove the paperclip tool and pull the tray out by hand.



You can not damage the drives mechanism because they have been

designed to open that way if a drive won't open. The trip mechanism is about the width of a pencil and there is no chance of missing the gate trip.



The 'Using the Software' class on Gimp will not be starting on Wednesday 1/2/2012. This is due to the mentor 'Tom Lehane' who will be absent until the Wednesday 15/2/2012. I had no previous notice of the engagement that will make me absent in the month of December 2011 so no advance notice could be given.

See you all on Wednesday 15th of February,
Regards Tom Lehane.



Scareware

Scareware is a form of malware that is designed to scare you into taking some action that further damages or infects your computer or costs you

money.

Most common forms of scareware display a list of infections. It may alter you that a virus has been detected on your computer and that you need to purchase the "full version" to their software to remove it.

In fact, the infections are completely fake and are listed only to intimidate you into handing over money.

Whether or not the software that you purchase actually does anything at all is debatable, but it's not uncommon for this program to then contain even more malware.

Another one is, 'Your Computer is running Slow' click this icon to fix the fault.



Another example of a rouge notice tempting you to for a Free Scan.

Many try to emulate that is from Microsoft as this notification

from Microsoft shows.



Apple computers or Iphones and Ipades are not immune from these pop-up attacks. Even Google's Android operating system for Iphones and Ipades are now

under attack.

To learn more about 'Scareware' visit Microsoft's web site or add this link to your web browser.

www.microsoft.com/en-au/security/pc-security/antivirus-rogue.aspx

Printed Memories



Advertisement from The Photographic Herald and Amateur Sportsman (November 1889).

Note the price \$25.00. (That was a lot of money back in 1889).

Kodak May File for Bankruptcy, how could this happen? They were the leaders in photography with many patents worth billions of dollars but the digital age has changed all that.

You could say Kodak cut their own throat, a Mr Steven Sasson as an engineer at Eastman Kodak invented and built the first digital camera using a charge-coupled device image sensor in 1975.

But some how let it slip through their fingers.

Their team were the developers and inventors of many things not related to photography, Super Glue was a Kodak invention.

They developed and released the 8 mm home movie format in 1932 followed by Super 8 in 1965. Digital video camcorders quickly moved the home movie 8.mm to the back of the cupboard.

In 1935 Kodak introduced Kodachrome, the first 35mm color film.

Kodak held a dominant position in photographic film, and in 1976 had a 90% market share of photographic film sales in the United States.

Many things have changed because of the digital age. Vinyl records, then the cassette tape stepped aside for CDs now DVDs are replacing then for storage of data. USB flash drives have taken over the floppy disk. The print media is being challenged by Ipades.

So when all of these get replaced by some digital device most of our digital photos and videos will end up like the 8.mm movies.

So at least I can say thanks for the printed memories Mr George Eastman.

The articles and comments on Kodak and Scareware are not associated with The Penrith Valley Seniors Computing Club Inc Articles are intended as opinions and items of debate only.

Information obtained over the Internet from may web sites.

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Windows Live Movie Maker Course for (Windows 7 and Vista)



Create movies and slide shows from your photos and videos, and share them with your friends and family. Movie Maker is part of **Windows Live Essentials**, which includes free programs for photos, movies, instant messaging, e-mail, blogging, family safety, and more. Get

Movie Maker or get them all—they're free!

Note: Windows Live Movie Maker is not available for Windows XP or earlier versions of Windows.



Make a movie quickly and easily

- Automatically turn your videos, photos, and music into a great movie. Auto Movie adds a title, credits, transitions, and effects, and fits it all together for you.



Editing

- Customizing your movie is simple with easy-to-use editing tools. Trim your video clips to show only the parts you want. Add titles, transitions, music, and effects like panning and zooming.



Make your photos come to life

- You don't need video to make a movie. Make great-looking slide shows using your photos and music, and Movie Maker's editing tools. As the music plays, watch your photos glide across and zoom in to show close-ups of the stars in your movie.

Web publishing

Publish your movie on YouTube right from Movie Maker. Or share your movie with friends and family in a variety of other ways—including DVD.*

* DVD burning in Movie Maker is dependent on Windows DVD Maker, which is only available in Windows 7 Home Premium, Windows 7 Professional, Windows 7 Enterprise, Windows 7 Ultimate, Windows Vista Home Premium and Windows Vista Ultimate editions.



Course Details

Duration: 8 weeks

Start: 31 January 2012

Time: 11.30 am – 01.30 pm

Student numbers: Total 14.

10 positions, using the Clubs Computers.

4 only positions for people who would like to bring their own Laptop.

You must have Windows Live Movie Maker loaded.

If using your own laptop please contact Bryan before the start date.

Contact Details: Bryan Blake

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Email: doreen.blake@bigpond.com

What to Bring:

A notebook and pen, if you want to take notes.

A USB memory Stick.

A sense of Humour

Provided:

*A manual for the course (there is a **\$10** charge for this to cover the Clubs printing costs)*

At the completion of the course a CD with all course data will be provided.