

## Notice of Main Monthly Meeting for Tuesday 08 April 2008

The next Main Monthly Meeting of the PC Users Group will be held on Tuesday 08 April 2008 from 7:00pm for a 7:30pm start at the Cameron Grant Community Centre, Mulley Street Holder. The topic is **IMPLEMENTING A BACKUP AND RECOVERY STRATEGY FOR WINDOWS PCs**. Whether you are a veteran PC user or a novice with your first PC, this is a topic you should not miss. The presenter, **Mike Boesen**, maintains that sooner or later most PC users will experience problems in accessing data or applications they have stored on their PC or even booting their PC. He is at one with most computer experts who hold that a failsafe strategy is vital to protect data you create, whether it is a company's financial records or the photos you snapped on your digital camera when your grand children last visited.

Mike is well known to our members and has a reputation for creating well-researched documentation on a number of topics. He says, the problems faced by PC users can range from minor ones (e.g. the unintentional deletion of important files) to major ones (e.g. the PC will not boot at all). In his view it is therefore prudent to implement a robust, easy to implement and failsafe backup strategy so a user can recover from a problem situation easily and with minimal or no loss of information. He believes that this takes forethought and that it is best to do that thinking now rather than wait until problems occur - when recovery may not be feasible. The strategies that he will discuss are detailed in this article: <http://www.pcug.org.au/boesen/Backups/backups.htm> Have a look at that article and in particular at Section 6 on recommendations (which also includes as suggestions, two relatively straightforward and uncomplicated whole-drive backup strategies).



After the meeting you are welcome to discuss the topic further with the presenter over a cuppa and biscuits. The meeting is free and open to the public, so invite a friend or colleague along. The Cameron Grant Community Centre has parking space along the front just off Mulley Street and is well lit.

