## PCUG TRAINING CENTRE

Training activity, and our Facility are the PCUG's focus and pride.

PCUG Training aims to meet the needs and interests of members accommodating varied levels of skill. Our well-equipped Training Facility is the primary venue of our Information Sharing initiatives, via Training, Workshops, Presentations or Special Interest Groups. The most popular sessions are those related to the beginner using their PC, or related technology.



The **PCUG Training Room** has 10 networked PCs at individual work stations and a trainer's computer connected to a ceiling-mounted projector.

This facility is also **available for hire** to organisations at very reasonable rates. Full details on our training web information at:

http://www.tinyurl.com/pcug-training



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SHARING, LEARNING & ENJOYING THE COMPUTER EXPERIENCE

WITH



Memberships for Individuals, Households, & Community Groups

> Information Sharing & Social Activity VIA Web or In Person

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS,

TRAINING,

WORKSHOPS,

& PRESENTATIONS

USERS HELPING USERS

# **ABOUT US**

PCUG is an incorporated and not-for-profit volunteer organisation, whose members share an interest in the use of PCs, and access a range of services. PCUG's Website <a href="http://www.pcug.org.au">http://www.pcug.org.au</a> provides an overview of our current Activities & Services. Our motto is 'Users Helping Users'.

The **PCUG Centre** is equipped with resources for members' use including general use computer stations, multimedia equipment, and a computer lab (training room) with projector. Our **Media Area** holds equipment for digital conversion of images and sound. The **Office Shop-Front** is open weekdays supported by a friendly team of Office Volunteers and our Office Manager.

Members enjoy a variety of SIGs (Special Interest Groups) and Training opportunities that are conducted as information sharing sessions, discussion groups (in person or email), presentations, workshops, or tuition. These groups are conducted at the PCUG Centre or offsite.

Members may tap into **Technical Information** via our website, email support, phone support, SIGs, or home visit (pending available volunteers).

**Membership** is available to individuals, households, as well as not-for-profit organisations.

# SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS (SIGs)

Groups of members meet and socialize, while considering the needs and interests of particular computer related subjects. Full details of current SIGs are available on the PCUG website. Popular groups include:

# Beginners' SIG

Tailored for the beginner, everyday computer use issues are discussed and/or demonstrated. Some sessions are theme based, such as 'Backups', 'Emailing', 'Basic Windows', or 'effective use of Google', etc. Come along to the training centre for some 'hands-on' learning! No question is too simple!

#### Coffee & Chat

This is a popular SIG that has developed into a friendly and entertaining forum for in person and email discussions about technology developments and issues.

#### Investment SIG

The group has discussions, guest speakers and demonstrations on share trading, property investment, superannuation, portfolio management, technical analysis and software packages.

# Linux Learners' SIG

The group has demonstrations and discussions of procedures for operating a PC using totally free software, via the Linux product. It is suitable for beginner to intermediate users.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

We invite member and guest speakers to existing SIGs or stand alone events, to talk on varied computer related topics such as Computer Security, Digital Photography, Software (open-source and commercial), Genealogy, and Operating Systems, Tablets & Devices to share subject matter. Scheduling is advised on our calendar and website.

# COMMUNICATION

Web information, calendar and electronic newsletters keep members informed about PCUG activities, and items of interest.

Wikis, email lists, newsgroups & group activities provide forums for interaction, information sharing & networking between members to host demonstrations, discussions, debates, seek advice, give feedback, and more ....

## FIND OUT MORE ....

Phone, or drop into the PCUG Office for a chat, or use our website contact forms: http://tinyurl.com/pcug-contact-us

All PCUG services are supported by our members voluntarily, based on available best effort.

We aim to ensure that the member services as listed remain functional, but periodically some SIGs or services may experience a period of remission. Sessions may be confirmed via the <u>PCUG events</u> calendar