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## NEWSLETTER July 2021

### Report from your President

Hello to all our members. Wow! We have already exceeded the number of members we have ever had in a full calendar year and it is only half way through 2021!! Just goes to show our new premises have made a huge difference for everybody. 270 members so far!! I hope everyone is enjoying the benefits our club provides.

To go along with our increased membership, we have expanded our tutor numbers to 14. There have been occasions where members have had to book a good deal ahead. Hope we have reduced the waiting time recently. We presently have 4 tutors temporarily away for various reasons.

Dot Thomson, who many of you will remember from earlier years, has returned to admin duties after a break of a couple of years. Much appreciated Dot. Carol has retired to follow other pursuits.

I am back now from my touring holiday to the far north and west. Got back to a cold change and the discovery that the admin building, where we now are, does not have a heating facility in the air-conditioning system. Looks like we shall just have to dress more warmly during our winter months.

Must apologise – I did promise a workshop on buying and selling on the internet during June. The presenter of this lecture has not had time to research the subject fully along with other matters that demanded urgent attention.

#### Mary is now running the 'Buying and Selling on the Internet' Workshop

- On the 27th July at 1:30pm, Covid restrictions have been further eased so we can have a larger number of members attend safely.
- Can you please call or email the office to book into the workshop.

When you arrive at the club (from Monday gone), you will now need to check in with the 'Check in Qld' app, if you are having trouble with it you can ask the tutor to help you out.

We have managed to source more Lenovo laptops at a reasonable price. As they are the last of these available, we have purchased 10 of these units for sale to club members. They still sell for \$675, fully setup for members. Seems there is nothing of suitable quality and specifications under \$900 including setting up costs available now other than these units. I think the worldly upset of Covid has severely reduced availability. We were lucky to find these units.

Hope you are all well and enjoying our cooler weather. Until next time.

Ian Stewart - President.

### Safely Save Usernames & Passwords ... continued\*

Read our previous June newsletter on our website or you will not understand the following:

*... so the obvious question is, I will need a username and password to access my online storage where all my login details are stored, how do I save this securely?*

In my opinion not all Face Recognition security is safe. Testing has showed that a photo or iPad/Tablet image can fool it. Fingerprint recognition remains the best generally available option, so use it, and yes it requires a backup password.

If you have a computer without these face or fingerprint options then setup auto-login when you are off-line and using an on-screen or virtual keyboard to avoid keylogger spyware. (Our tutors can help with this)

We all know how large companies and governments have been cyber attacked and forced to pay millions to get back control of their systems, so what hope for all of us. You cannot escape totally the use of passwords, just don't make it easy for scammers and crackers so read the previous June newsletter on our website.

Enjoy and use the internet, it is a great resource and avenue to many things but like in life protect your privacy.

*\*It is important to note that this information is advice only, based on our tutors' own experiences and the Redcliffe Computer Club takes no responsibility for any loss of data and or financial loss resulting from the use of the contained advice.*

Peter Emmerson

### Please again consider supporting the below Petition

Dear Members,

The Moreton Bay Community Legal Service has recently been advised that it has lost its funding. We are writing to you as you have been a past supporter of our service.

We kindly ask for your assistance in completing the below E-Petition. Your response to this petition may enable us to continue providing the services that we have to the community, over the past 26 years.

Click this link to open the E-Petition:

<https://www.parliament.qld.gov.au/work-of-assembly/petitions/petition-details?id=3546>

This E-Petition closes on 30/8/2021. Thank you kindly for your assistance.

Yours faithfully

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### Microsoft Edge Vulnerabilities Update

#### What's happened?

On June 24, 2021 Microsoft released updates for their Edge Browser addressing two vulnerabilities that an attacker could exploit to inject and execute malicious code.

#### Advice for home users:

To mitigate this threat, Microsoft Edge users can go to **Settings > About Microsoft Edge**. If your browser version on Linux, macOS and Windows is listed as version **91.0.864.59** no action is required. If not, manually check for updates and restart the browser.

Read this alert on the website: <https://www.cyber.gov.au/acsc/view-all-content/alerts/microsoft-releases-security-updates-microsoft-edge-browser>

Are you a victim of cybercrime? Visit [ReportCyber](#) to take your next steps.

We use hyperlinks to give you more information. If you don't want to click hyperlinks, you can search for the information on the [cyber.gov.au](#).

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### Work on the Redcliffe Council Buildings Main Entrance

We have been advised by the council that there are upcoming works on the front entrance of the council building and that there will be no access through the eastern building entrance during working hours (6.30am to 4pm weekdays).

If you arrive and see the front entrance blocked:

Access will be: through the main Customer Service Entrance via the Council carpark (off Irene Street)

Proposed Dates of Works: 5/7/2021 to 13/8/2021



From 9 July 2021 the Check In Qld app will be mandatory for a number of new sectors, including shopping centres and supermarkets, beauty and personal care services and venues that attract large crowds.

For the full list, check the Restrictions on Business, Activities and Undertakings Direction.

The 'Check In Qld' app is available to download and use across a number of businesses to help keep Queenslanders COVID Safe.

You will need to use it when out and about at:

- shopping centres
- supermarkets
- hair and beauty salons
- venues such as pubs, restaurants and cafes
- events at stadiums or theme parks
- gyms
- universities.

The 'Check In Qld' app is a contactless, free, secure and convenient way for customers to sign into a Queensland businesses.

By using the 'Check In Qld' app you'll be:

- able to check in to participating businesses without having to enter your details each time,
- protecting your own personal information – data is stored by the Queensland Government and only used for contact tracing if needed,
- helping make contact tracing faster, more reliable and complete.

If you don't want to or can't download the app, you still need to give your contact information to a venue who is required to collect the information electronically on your behalf.

Make sure you have a compatible phone or tablet device and your internet connection is switched on. The 'Check In Qld' app is available on:

- Apple iPhone, iPad and iPad touch operating iOS 11.0 or later
- Android devices using Android 5+.

Download the 'Check In Qld' app from [Google Play Store](#) or the [Apple App Store](#). Register your details (required for the first time only).

- Full name
- Phone number
- Email address

At participating venues:

- open the app, select 'Check In Now' and hover your smartphone over the displayed Check In Qld QR code.
- Add in any additional people—those who are with you without their own device or app.
- When the check-in is complete, show venue staff the app successful check in screen.

#### What if I don't have a phone or all the required contact details?

Let the business know if you don't have:

- a smartphone or have difficulties providing your information electronically. They can record your details for you.
- all the information required to check in, such as a residential address. Alternatives are available to patrons who find it difficult to provide contact information.

#### Can I be refused entry if I do not wish to use the Check In Qld app?

- Businesses can check in patrons who do not have a smartphone by using the 'Check In Qld Business Profile Mode' listed in the profile section of the app. Alternatively, if an accompanying person has a smartphone, they can add them as a guest on check in.
- If a business refuses entry to patrons without a smartphone, the patron should enquire about use of the 'Check In Qld Business Profile mode' or speak with the manager of the establishment.

For more information, please contact 134 COVID (13 42 68).

Here is a video on how to use the App: [Check In Qld - for customers - YouTube](#)  
All the information on this App has been copied from: [Check In Qld app | Queensland Government \(covid19.qld.gov.au\)](#)

Kathy Butler

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