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# WINDSOR Seniors Computer Users' Group Special Edition Newsletter



# Windsor Senior Recreation Center News

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There will be no Windsor Senior Computer Users Group meetings in November because of the closing of the Senior Center starting Monday November 14, 2022.

The next WSCUG meeting will be at the temporary Bluebird Windsor Senior Recreation Center On Monday December 12, from 2-4 PM. This is a Drop-In computer help session and our last meeting of the year. There is no general meeting for December. The Windsor Senior Recreation Center (WSRC) will be closing for renovations beginning Monday, November 14, 2022 and all programming will be cancelled until they reopen on Friday, December 2, 2022 at the temporary Bluebird Windsor Senior Recreation Center (BWSRC). Once they reopen at Bluebird, all WSRC programming will operate on the same days and times that it currently operates now.

The newest issue of the WSRC November/December Newsletter is now online, you may view it by clicking this link: <u>https://bit.ly/WSRCNEWSLETTERNOV-DEC</u>

## Windsor Senior Computer Users Group News

The pandemic has taken a toll on our abilities to get professionals to come to the senior center and present in person and has also affected attendance. We have, however, seen an uptick in requests for help at the drop in computing session on the 4th Monday. Our board has decided to make some changes to our regular monthly second Monday meetings. Beginning in January the format of these meetings will be changing. We will still have our general meeting, second Mondays, 1:00 PM, where we will review the newsletter, discuss tech issues, and answer your questions. We will also continue to use our first hour to demonstrate how to use your tech more efficiently and expand our discussions, as needed, to continue to keep us informed/updated of the latest issues with our technology. At the **conclusion of our regular meeting**, we are creating an additional drop-in computer help session beginning at approximately 2PM and going until 4. We are fortunate to be able to add our distinguished board member Ross to these new drop-in computer help sessions as an additional technical resource. This will give us more opportunities to help with your computer problems and issues.

#### In The News

a) Everything New Google
Announced
b) Microsoft Just Made Two of Its
Biggest Gambles Yet
c) This tech company has been
crowned the most loved workplace of
2022
d) FCC poised to ban all U.S. sales
of new Huawei and ZTE equipment
e) Texas AG Ken Paxton files lawsuit
against Google for collecting
biometric data

f) <u>DeadBolt ransomware gang tricked</u> into giving victims free decryption keys
g) You Can't Go Back to the Old Gmail Anymore
h) <u>USB-C iPhone: Greg Joswiak</u>

confirms that Apple will be forced to comply with new EU regulation

### Articles

a) What is a Digital Fingerprint? by Leo A. Notenboom. "Digital fingerprints are nothing more than normal data sent by your web browser as part of requesting and displaying the webpages (cont) Thank you to our Welcome Coordinator, Sandy O'Halloran. Please add <u>wscug@wscug.org</u> to your contacts list. To access past newsletters, presentations and handouts, go to <u>https://wscug.org</u>



a) you visit. The information includes characteristics of your machine and browser. This information is effectively unique to your web browser, which can allow it to be used for some amount of tracking. Note that everything that comprises a digital fingerprint is about your machine. There's nothing there that's about you personally." Read the article to learn how this digital fingerprint works and how websites can associate information specific to you. askleo.com/what-is-adigital-fingerprint

b) How to enable and use voice activated navigation in Windows
11 22H2 by Mark W.

**b)** Kaelin, 10.17.2022. "While the various versions of Windows released over the years have all had some form of speech recognition, the release of Windows 11 22H2 contains significant enhancements to those previous voice enabled systems. For example, Windows 11 now includes an advanced and functional user-friendly voice activated navigation system." Learn how to activate this Windows 11 feature to "navigate and input information into the system as if it were typed from the keyboard. techrepublic.com/article/vo ice-activated-navigationwindows-11-22h2.

c) Use this easy, free check to see if a site or file contains malware by Kim Komando.10.05.2022. "We've found an online tool to check websites and files for digital threats before opening them. VirusTotal is a scanner that can be used on local files and anything you find online. Plug in a site's URL to know whether it's safe to visit instantly." The article includes screen shots, but I found it confusing as to how to get to the website to use the Virus-Total scanner. I've created the same link here "inbrowser UI" article to make it easier to get to. Use mine or the one in the article. komando.com/techtips/virustotal-malwarechecker

d) <u>How to take advantage of</u> <u>Start Menu feature</u> <u>improvements in Windows</u> <u>11 22H2</u>.

e) <u>How to identify fake</u> messages

f) <u>Microsoft is going to clamp</u> down on your OneDrive data cap

g) <u>Senior's Guide to make</u> <u>Windows PC Comfortable</u>

h) The 10 Worst Computer Viruses in History

Comments from Ross--What can you do with a laptop? My top five benefits of a laptop are: 1) Mobility--I can go from my desk to my back deck without missing a beat. Imagine enjoying a cool beverage on a shady deck while catching up on Facebook.

2) Reclaim space--A laptop takes up very little space without a clunky desktop tower at your feet to kick around.

3) Computing on the go--When you go on vacation or business trip, you can bring your laptop to always keep your documents at your fingertips.

4) Easily stream movies
from your laptop to your TV.
5) Computer Help--Are you
looking for help or advice on
a computer problem? Take
your laptop to the "Help
Desk" for personal hands-on
advice.



# Internet

How Do QR Codes Work? reviewgeek.com/131221/how-do-grcodes-work How to find all the passwords hidden and saved on your Mac komando.com/safety-securityreviews/passwords-saved-on-mac Public Wi-Fi safety tips: Protect yourself against malware and security threats zdnet.com/article/connecting-to-publicwi-fi-heres-how-to-protect-your-dataand-your-device Smart DriverTEK Online Workshop elearn.aarp.org/Public/Catalog/Details Where Does Google Maps Get Its **Traffic Data From?** howtogeek.com/842637/where-doesgoogle-maps-get-its-traffic-data-from

What is Firefox View and how do you use it? zdnet.com/article/what-is-firefoxview-and-how-do-you-use-it Here are all the ways to block someone from your iPhone or iPad komando.com/tech-tips/block-someonefrom-iphone How to block a number or contact on your Android using the Phone or Messages app businessinsider.com/guides/tech/how-toblock-a-number-on-android Our favorite laptops at every budget (PC, Mac and Chromebook) komando.com/amazon/best-laptops-everybudaet

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