

## Melton Seniors Forum Newsletter

Welcome to the Melton Senior's Forum newsletter. In this edition the Seniors Forum would like to tell you about their plans to celebrate Adult Learners Week and the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Silver Surfers Day during May.

There are many different activities planned between the 14<sup>th</sup> and the 26<sup>th</sup> May to introduce older people to adult learning opportunities and to the world of technology. Think it's not for you? Lois McLeod, Vice Chair of Melton Seniors Forum says;

"I was over seventy when I first had a computer and the person who sold it to me gave me a few basic ideas of what to do, but I obviously needed more help and joined an evening class. At eighty-three I am still learning! I can manage reasonably well and use the computer every day for communicating with friends and for finding information on any topic - prices in shops from clothes to furniture - and many other tasks. It would be a different life for me now without the computer. I find it very rewarding and interesting to keep in touch with the latest news items and I watch TV programmes on it that I have previously missed and I keep in touch with what my grandchildren are doing via Facebook.

We older people have learnt so many skills during our lives and computing is just another one. There is no need to say 'Oh, I couldn't do that' when there are many courses specially made for older people which introduce beginners to computing in the best possible way.

It is not as difficult as you may think!"

We hope that you will be inspired to see what technology and the internet could do for you. Please read on for details of taster sessions and events that you can get involved in.

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# “Today I discovered a whole new world”



Find out what the  
**internet could**  
do for you!

This May it's your chance to **'spring online.'**

If you want to know more about computers  
and the internet, and want someone to take  
the time to show you how, we're here to help.  
Join us for a taster session at:

Join us for one of our taster  
sessions detailed in this  
newsletter

It's completely **FREE**, and everyone is welcome!

Find other events near you by calling  
**0800 77 1234**



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Spring Online with Silver Surfers' Day - May 18 - 20



**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May 10am – 12pm**

**Adult Learning Services Open Morning and Art Exhibition**

Melton Library, Wilton Road, Melton Mowbray, LE13 0UJ

Come along to find out what adult learning courses are available, meet the learners and speak to tutors. FREE refreshments available.

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**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May – Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> May**

**Spinning and Weaving display at Melton Library**

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**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2pm – 4pm**

**Britannica Online Quiz at Melton Library**

Pit your brain against the expert! Find out how to use Britannica online, a safe online resource and have a chance to win a prize

Pre-booking essential. Tel: 0116 305 3646 to reserve your place

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**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May 10.30am-1.30am**

**Open University drop-in at Melton Library**

Come along to the library and speak to an Open University advisor to find out more about the courses offered and what it is like to study with the Open University.

No appointment necessary

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**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May 10am – 2pm**

**Adult Learning Services Open Day and sale of work from Adult learners - Bottesford**

At Bottesford Community Centre, Belvoir High School, Barkestone Lane, Bottesford, NG13 OAX



**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May 10am – 12pm**

**Spring Online. Fun introduction to the mysteries of the Internet**

At Bottesford Community Centre, Belvoir High School, Barkestone Lane, Bottesford, NG13 OAX

New to the Internet? What's it all about? This course is aimed at over 50s who would like to grow their skills in using the Internet for Browsing and Online Shopping.

The course includes getting to grips with the terminology, Listening to Radio and watching TV online, Safe shopping, Booking travel and accommodation, How to find the best bargains on the Internet

To book a place please contact Lucie Keeley on 01664 502347

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**Wednesday 18th May 2pm**

**Digging Up Roman Leicester at Melton Library**

Archaeology Lecture with Nick Cooper from Leicester University

Contact Melton library on 0116 305 3646 to book your free space

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**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May 10am – 4pm**

**Silver Surfer's Day at Melton Carnegie Museum – FREE event**

A guide to using the internet for older people with a local history theme. How to use the internet to research people and places.

There will be 5 one hour slots at 10.15am, 11.15am, 1.15pm, 2.15pm and 3.15pm.

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**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May 10am - 1pm**  
**Silver Surfers' Day - Health and Wellbeing on the internet**

At Melton Library, Wilton Road, Melton Mowbray, LE13 0UJ

Drop in to the Library for hints and tips on how to find reliable health information on the internet.



**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> May 10am - 12noon**  
**Silver Surfers' at Asfordby ICT Centre**

At Asfordby Parish Hall, 24 Main Street, Asfordby, LE14 3SA

A chance to "spring online" and find out what the internet can do for you!

FREE. Pre-booking essential. Tel: 0116 305 3646 to reserve your place



Help someone  
**'spring online'** and  
explore the exciting  
world of the internet!

If you know someone who needs help with computers and getting online then why not encourage them to come along to a free **Spring Online** or **Silver Surfers' Day** taster event?

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If you would like to know more about Melton Seniors Forum or about items in this newsletter please contact Lucie Keeley, Neighbourhood Support Officer on 01664 502502.

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