

2009 Annual General Meeting [1 Sep 2009]

President's Report



Administrivia

- Banking - more about that from the treasurer
- PO Box
- Stationary
- continuation of the previous secretary's attempts to document ctte procedures.

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Initiatives

- Beginners Workshops
- Library of LUV
- Liaison with Melbourne PC
- Admin Assistance for StixCamp and BarCamp
- Posters
- Signage
- Submitting LUV events to appropriate listings
- thanks to Ben Balbo for recording some of our talks, and hopes for having more recorded and online
- Website updates
- Major Keary is now doing reviews and posting directly to the site
- wiki / website integration
- mailing lists still not migrated to new server - and in danger due to ailing hard ware.

Acknowledgements

- Our Sponsors - Red Hat, VPAC, Benk Systems, Ralph Fisher and others.
- Our Volunteers - Stuart (Cefiar) Young - sysadmin and list moderator, Lev Lafayette - public officer, Chris Samuel - VPAC liaison
- The Outgoing committee Jiri Baum, Wen Lin, Peter Lieverdink, and particularly Rodney Brown, James Turnbull and Avi Miller who are leaving the ctte
- I'd also like to not and acknowledge the efforts of Past committees, their work laid the foundation.
- Staff at our venues, Mark Gordon, venue manager here at Trinity and The whole trinity tech team, Mark Dorset, Geoff Crompton, Matt, Martin and Trent. Anita Pagoni at the Hub.
- Melbourne PC for allowing us free use of their facilities for Software Freedom Day.

Wide variety of talks

October

- Ben Balbo - Streaming the World for Free
- Stewart Smith - Drizzle: rethinking the database server

November

- Brianna Laughher - Hacking Mediawiki for Users
- Russell Coker - Cloud Computing

December

- Raena Armitage - Champagne usability on a beer budget
- Tyson Clugg - [Wireless routing protocols and daemons using OpenWRT]

January

- BBQ at Docklands

February

- Paul Fenwick - The Art of Klingon Programming
- Robin Gareus - State of the Art: linuxAV 2009

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March

- James Turnbull - How to write a technical book
- Avi Miller - Oracle VM and Enterprise Life-Cycle Management

April

- Sandrine Balbo - The Deakin University Learning Repository
- Arjen Lentz - Relax! A Failure is NOT an Emergency

May

- Russell Coker - DNS and Bind
- Mick Wharen - Virtualisation with Red Hat

June

- Elena Kelareva - Automated Scheduling Problems
- Andy Gelme - Hacking the world... using an Arduino or two

July

- Ben Powell - GPL, BSD, WTF? Demystifying Licensing.
- Jacinta Richardson - 'On Speaking' and 'On getting your talk accepted'

August

- Jon Oxe - Geek My Ride
- Simon Hobbs - The Guts of Drupal

September

- Annual General Meeting
- Lightning Talks

Future intentions

- Promote LUV events more widely?
- A local FLOSS conference?
- Re-invigorate the SIGs?
- Survey of Members - who are you, what do you want or expect from your local user group, how can you contribute.

Immediate future

- Software Freedom Day - Saturday Sept 19, Melb PC - Chadstone.
- Tues 6 October - talks - Mike Gigante, Evostor and Martin Edmund Sevier & Thomas Fifield, Amazon EC2 for high energy physics
- Sat October 17 - Beginners Workshop - The Hub @ Docklands
- Wed 4 November - LUV Talk here as usual on wed is currently in front in the poll.
- Sat 14 November - Beginners Workshop - The Hub @ Docklands

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President