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Balranald	Far West	(03) 5020 0200
Buladelah	Hunter	(02) 4997 4603
Clunes	Nthrn Rivers	(02) 6629 1668
Cobar	Orana	(02) 6836 1832
Cockburn	Far West	(08) 8091 1999
Coolah	Orana	(02) 6377 1038
Coonabarabran	Orana	(02) 6842 2920
Coonamble	Orana	(02) 6822 3440 (02) 6822 1279
Dubbo West	Orana	(02) 6882 3709 (02) 6884 8648
Dungog	Hunter	(02) 4992 1139
Eden	South East	(02) 6496 3970
Gilgandra	Orana	(02) 6847 0070
Gloucester	Hunter	(02) 6558 1784
Gundagai		(02) 6944 1462
Hay	Riverina	(02) 6993 2112
Ivanhoe	Far West	(02) 6995 1200
Lake Cargelligo	Central West	(02) 6898 1151
Lithgow	Central West	(02) 6352 4007
Merriwa	Hunter	(02) 6548 2635
Mudgee	Orana	(02) 6372 6088
Narromine	Orana	(02) 6889 0142
Nyngan	Orana	(02) 6832 2116
Pooncarie	Far West	(08) 8029 6316
Raymond Terrace/ Port Stephens	Hunter	(02) 4987 5276
Scone	Hunter	(02) 6540 1107
Singleton	Hunter	(02) 6572 1877
Temora	Riverina	(02) 6977 1099
Tibooburra	Far West	(08) 8091 3388
Tumut	Riverina	(02) 6947 0541
Walcha	North West New England	(02) 6777 1111
Walgett	Orana	(02) 6828 2101
Wanaaring	Far West	(02) 6874 7881
Wellington	Orana	(02) 6845 2099
Wentworth	Far West	(03) 5027 2517
White Cliffs	Far West	(08) 8091 6999
Wilcannia	Far West	(08) 8091 5908

Working to get communities online

Access to the internet, technology and advice has always been harder for those who live in the bush.

But did you know that there are now more than 36 Community Technology Centres (CTCs) located throughout regional NSW working hard to get country communities actively participating online.

So, how does a Senior enjoy a Community Technology Centre?

1. Friendly staff will give you a tour, just call and make an appointment or wander in.
2. Learn how to use a computer, learn the basics and the rest is easy!
3. All training is at your own pace, and starts a new journey of discovery about things you want to do.
4. Send your family and friends digital photos. You can also receive photos, so no more waiting for processing.
5. You can also access online services from Government, banks and retailers, just to name a few.

So please drop in at one of the locations listed and get to know your CTC friendly face.





Surf's up!

Here's a list of Web sites which you might find useful or interesting. Happy surfing!

www.fido.asic.gov.au

The Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) is often referred to as the investment industry's watchdog, so the "FIDO" section of the ASIC Web site is aptly named. FIDO is set up to provide investors with helpful tips about investing and safety checks. There are tips on investing basics, pointers about getting good financial advice, notes on managed investment schemes and superannuation as well as alerts about the latest scams to hit the market praying on unsuspecting investors. And if you really want to stay in the know, sign up for FIDO's free monthly email newsletter.



au.games.yahoo.com

The Internet is a great way to play your favourite classic games with people from anywhere in the world at any time. Just log in, pick your game, find a partner, and you're away. All games are in real time (although there is sometimes "lag", which are slight delays caused by high amounts of 'Net traffic). On Yahoo! Australia & New Zealand, there are hundreds of people at any given time playing the following games: Blackjack, Bridge, Cribbage, Euchre, Gin Rummy, Poker, Backgammon, Checkers, Chess, Reversi, Go, Crosswords, and Mahjong. If you enjoy playing games and meeting people, you'll love this site.



www.whitepages.com.au

www.yellowpages.com.au

Did you know that the phone books are online? Once you start using this to search for names and addresses you'll never use the print version again. Search the whole of Australia for residences or businesses; narrow your searches to a postcode and/or surrounding postcodes; add new maps showing where businesses are located.

www.infochoice.com.au

Here's a Web site dedicated to providing consumers with the best information to make the best choices. It's motto is "Cut through the confusion", and it provides its members with the latest news in banking, investment, insurance, travel and phones. If you're searching for, say, the best deal in long distance telephone plans, then infochoice can find the best deals that suit you.

NSW Mature Workers Program

www.det.nsw.edu.au/eas/mature/index.htm

Are you considering returning to work, or working part time? While this site doesn't have much interaction like other jobsearch sites on the Internet, it could provide you with a few valuable leads and pointers about using this Government program to find employment.

WWW.S

The Seniors Card Web site has been developed to keep seniors informed about the latest discounts and helpful services available to them. Let's take you on a quick tour of the site to get you started.

Find Discounts

Get the most savings out of your Seniors Card by using this feature of the Web site. As well as pointing you



towards the latest discounts on offer to Seniors Card members, the Seniors Card Web site has details of more than 4,000 businesses throughout New South Wales. But rather than you having to navigate through the maze of Web sites to hunt down that discount, Seniors Card has already done all that for you.

Short Term Offers

Check here regularly for the latest offers on tickets to sport, the arts and other special events, plus news of discounts on travel, computers and more good deals.

Government Directory

Have you ever tried to look up specific information made available by the Government? With so much information



and so many Government departments to choose from, this can sometimes be a daunting task. But the Seniors Card Web site has condensed all this information into a manageable and easy to use format with your needs in mind.

The screenshot shows the homepage of the Seniors Card website. At the top left is the Seniors Card logo, a stylized 'S' in a circle. To its right is a banner with photos of seniors and the text 'PARTICIPATING BUSINESSES' and 'PARTNER AREA'. Below the banner is a navigation menu with links like 'Home Page', 'About Seniors Card', 'Find Discounts', etc. The main content area features a 'Welcome to Seniors Card' message, a 'Discover the benefits of your Seniors Card' section with links to 'About Seniors Card' and 'Are your Seniors Card details correct?', and a 'Find Discounts' section with links to 'Find discounts', 'New discounts this month', and 'Transport discounts'. There are also sections for 'Useful and Interesting Websites', 'Short Term Offers', and 'Enter this Month's Competition'. On the right side, there are three orange-bordered boxes: 'Get Up and Go!' with a travel guide link, 'Minister's Welcome' with a link to Faye Lo Po's welcome message, and 'Upcoming Event' for Seniors Week 2002. At the bottom right, there are logos for 'Seniors Card Proudly Sponsored by' (GIO) and 'Seniors Online Strategy Proudly Sponsored by' (Microsoft eMpower Australia Campaign).

Competitions

What's a good Web site without a good competition? Make sure you check the site regularly for exciting competitions

News & Events

What's new with Seniors Card? Keep up to date by checking this page regularly for the latest news and

A small thumbnail of the 'News & Events' section from the website. It features a header 'News & Events' and a sub-header 'What's new with Seniors Card? Keep up to date by checking this page regularly for the latest news and events for seniors.' Below this, there are two news items: 'Minister's Welcome' and 'Seniors Week 2002'. Each item has a small image and a 'Find out more' link.

events for seniors. You can also find out more about 2002 Seniors Week.

Manage your card

It's easy to manage your card membership online. Click on links to: Order a replacement Seniors Card; cancel your Seniors Card; or change your registered address or phone number.

A small thumbnail of the 'Manage Your Card Details' section. It has a header 'Manage Your Card Details' and a sub-header 'It's easy to manage your card membership online. Using the links below you can order a replacement card, change your address or phone number, or cancel your card.' Below this, there are three numbered links: '1. Click on an underlined option below', '2. Order a replacement Seniors Card', '3. Cancel your Seniors Card', and '4. Change your registered address or phone number'.

Interesting Links

Get your feet wet while surfing the Web. This page contains links to a number of links that appeal to seniors. Find links to chat rooms, games, employment services, other seniors sites, retirement planning and more.

Email Newsletters

Sign up with one or more of three different regular newsletters which will be delivered to your email inbox, all free of charge. Choose from Travel, TechnoSeniors, and/or the Special Offers newsletters.



Pacific
Internet



Special Internet Offer

Seniors Card is always looking for special offers that may be of interest to you. As part of our Seniors Online Strategy, we have joined with two exciting companies to bring Seniors Card members a special offer.

Pacific Internet is the first Internet Service Provider to offer an exclusive 10 per cent discount to Seniors Card members.

Pacific Internet is proud of its reputation as a leading ISP that provides businesses and home users with reliable and efficient Internet connections. They offer great customer service, with technical support on call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Enclosed with this special edition



of TechnoSeniors is more information on how to take up this great offer.

NetGuide Magazine has included a copy of its publication to give you a taste of this interesting and informative magazine. Every month, *NetGuide* will



show you how to get the best from the Internet. It's crammed with helpful tips and hints and provides easy-to-understand explanations and lots of excellent Web sites to visit.

Seniors Card members can take out a year's subscription to *NetGuide Magazine* for only \$30 (normally \$36).

Seniors Card limits the frequency of these special offer mailings, and these offers do comply with the Department of Ageing Disability and Home Care guidelines. These guidelines ensure the offers are genuine and are either at reduced prices or offer a

special benefit exclusive to card members.

If you would like to receive a regular copy of TechnoSeniors and other special offers and mailings, please call our Customer Services on 1300 364 758, and ask to be included on the regular mailing list.

TIPS

Here are some search tips to help you find what you're looking for quicker:

1 LOCAL OR INTERNATIONAL?

If you're looking to gather all the information you can on a subject, such as a health problem, it's better to use a search engine which will search the whole World Wide Web. Some of the popular search engines, each generally as good as each other, are: www.yahoo.com, www.looksmart.com, www.google.com, www.excite.com, www.northern-light.com, and www.dogpile.com just to name a few.

But if you're looking for something local, such as which financial institution to invest with, it's better to go through a search engine which can limit its search to Australian-only Web sites. Such search engines are: www.answers.com.au (Australia & New Zealand), www.yahoo.com.au and www.looksmart.com.au.

2 THE SIMPLE SEARCH.

Simply type in the words related to your query and see what the search engine can turn up for you.

3 THE SMARTER SEARCH.

Let's say you want to find where the film *Lantana* was playing, and you use www.answers.com.au. If you just type in "movies" into answers, you get 91,800 matches, some about film theory or clubs, some about news in the film industry, some will be reviews, and some will be listings. Eventually you'll strike a match that will provide you with what you're after. But if you add a few more words to narrow it down, such as "movies lantana session times sydney", you get 16 matches, the first of which is www.yourmovies.com.au, (worth bookmarking if you're into movies) which is a Web site that lists which films are screening where throughout all of Australia. Other results from this search are from cinemas which are screening this film throughout Sydney.

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