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Recap From Last Month

Back Up Data: This month a client saw the value of having her photos backed as some just disappeared. I was able simply and easy replace them from her backup.

Power Backup: A client learnt the value of I should have had a UPS. Due to a power bounce lost 2+ hours of his day re-entering data he spent 1 hour entering. And when I ask did he read my lat newsletter he said no.....

What's in an E-mails name: How professional does your email look with @bigpond.com or @hotmail.com

This Month

Keep it legal.

Having legal software, music means you don't have to worry about virus and the polices. A mother jail for 2 years in the UK because her daughter downloaded free music, the legal battle with IINET and the music industry means it will only be a matter of time where ISP will have to pass on client details to police that are know to be downloading illegal music, movie and software. In The USA and Canada some ISP send warnings that they have been detected download illegal material.

As for Microsoft software, we have seen the power of MS when they looked out thousands of computer running illegal copies of windows in china earlier this year, other know issue with illegal copies of MS products is systems not function properly, unable to get needed updates and security patches.

Where does free music come from, it actually comes from other people's computer and **not** a web servers, meaning the integrity of the host computer is unknown. This mean the music, movies or software my have virus attached to them. And do you think there are some people out there that want to spread virus around. Programs to look for on your computer is Lime wire, bear ware, frostwire, winmx, sharzar, share360 and other...if you don't know what software is

on your computer, google the name and review. Eg "lime wire review".

Remember it's only free until I come to visit you to clean it out.....

Internet Plan

Know what your internet plan is and check the your ISP website to see if your plan has changed, ISP may not tell you their plans have changed. This happened to a client where the plan went down \$10, he never know about it until we were looking to move his plan around.

Look how much bandwidth you use, this is the Gig byte/month. If you are not using close to the limit each month it may pay to look at a new plan and if the ISP can't accommodate you with a good plan shop around. If you need help I'm only an email away.

Printers

Is your printer getting a bit old.....

Some thins to think about when buying a printer....

1. Am I printing mainly black and white or colour.
2. How main computers will access the printer
3. What is the price of cartridges or toner.
4. Laser or inkjet

If your printing is mainly black and white then a mono laser is the cheapest to run with a cheap colour injet for those times you need it. If colour is mainly printed then colour laser would be a way to go. Injet can be very expensive to run if you do a lot of colour printing.

If you have a number of computers that needed to print then you have 2 options.

1. Making the main computer a network print server. This is the most common way to go.
2. Buy a network ready printer this is the best way to go if your school supplied laptop to your children.

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