

Laptop Group Meeting – Dec 8, 2010, updated for Mar 9, 2011

Lists submitted by members:

Member A

1. Windows Live is new, a basic understanding is required.

<http://www.neowin.net/news/review-windows-live-essentials-2011---complete-overview>

<https://accountservices.passport.net/ppnetworkhome.srf?vv=900&mkt=EN-US&lc=1033>

2. File backup no doubt necessary. (He meant Recovery Disk creation.)

<http://support.acer.com/acerpanam/desktop/0000/Acer/AspireE360/AspireE360faq40.shtml>

<http://aps2.toshiba-tro.de/kb0/HTD9102IR0000R01.htm>

Member B

- ~~1. Pros and cons of partitioning our hard drives, then actually completing it, as a group.~~

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Disk_partitioning

http://www.pcworld.com/article/185941/how_and_why_to_partition_your_hard_drive.html

2. Discussion and then create a plan for organizing favorites, Bookmarks and Email.

- ~~3. Developing a Daily, Weekly and Monthly maintenance schedule routine and checklist.~~

- ~~4. Downloading a multi player "on line" game for here that we can continue individually.~~

5. Peer to Peer file sharing (torrents), risks and rewards.

Member C

- ~~1. How to use Excel setting up a income/expense program~~

<http://dl.dropbox.com/u/1902913/RENTAL%20PROPERTY%20SUMMARY%20SHEET%20%28rev%200610%29.xls>

- ~~2. WiFi among others~~

Member D

(These questions represent parts of one discussion about members' experience with laptop economies and repair.)

1. ~~What breakdown or inherent construction problems are unique to laptops?~~
2. ~~When is a computer replacement a better investment than a service repair?~~
3. ~~What reliable servicing facilities other than the big box stores are available in the area.~~
4. ~~All laptop members outline what their professional servicing experiences have been, and what necessitated the repairs.~~

Member E

1. ~~Cursor keeps freezing~~

The following list was made by a member as he started using his brand new laptop.

[Windows 7 Ramblings & Topics for discussion.](#)

A ~~Overwhelmed, then try: Start / Getting Started / Discovering Windows 7.~~

B ~~Forget Windows Word! WIN 7 WORD PAD is good enough for me.~~

C ~~I activated McAfee Antivirus free trial for 2 months. Then will go to MSE.~~

~~(opinion: not recommended, delete all traces of McAfee or Norton, go directly to MS Essentials)~~

D ~~Is G parted still my best choice to partition my 320GB WD drive? (right click Computer, select Manage, Storage, Disk Management)~~

E ~~Admin vs user accounts and permissions? I don't know what to do?~~

~~<http://www.wilderssecurity.com/showthread.php?t=282394>~~

F ~~I activated Windows Live Email to replace my previous Outlook Express.~~ (there's no choice, OE dies with XP)

G ~~I exported my email contacts list from Outlook and imported to Windows Live Mail.~~

- H ~~I added email Message rules to divert some incoming emails to specified folders.~~
- I ~~I did create a "Driver & Applications Disc" called "AppDrv1" 16 minutes.~~
- J ~~I did create the Windows recovery 4 Discs disk set.~~
- K ~~Acer recovery is also stored by Acer on a hidden portion of my C: drive. (access with ALT F10 on boot for any Acer)~~
- L ~~I changed my Date format from dd/mm/yy to mm/dd/yy.~~
- M ~~I changed Language default from English to Canada/US.~~
- N ~~Confused, distinguishing Bookmarks in Google from Favorites in Library.~~
- <http://www.makeuseof.com/tag/windows-7-libraries-%E2%80%93-and-why-you-want-them/>
- O ~~Three Favorites, Fav Bar, Fav on IE Browser, Fav on IE Icon on Task bar (consider Google Bookmarks & iGoogle homepage)~~
- P ~~Win Key + Tab, Tab, Tab Clears desktop and rolls through open windows.~~
- Q ~~I think that Chrome came along with Google Earth and I'm not ready for it!~~
- R ~~Is Office Starter on my computer now?~~
- S ~~Microsoft Office 2010 free trial. I will Uninstall it and use my Office 2007. (sometimes easier to just use Product Key)~~
- T ~~Norton free trial. I will uninstall it and use my back up drive with Acer.~~
- U ~~Macro security is set to Very High and the application encounters a signed macro.~~
- V ~~Want to add Windows Defender and other Windows (sic) Essentials. (included with MS Essentials)~~
- W ~~My Dlink network is installed on my XP Desktop and I can access my Win 7 Laptop.~~
- X ~~I cannot access my XP desktop, from my Win 7 laptop. Router is DIR615. WPA. (Check WORKGROUP)~~
- Y ~~Do I need AVG and Windows Security Essentials? Or just one and which one? (only 1 installed AntiVirus app at a time)~~