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Victor Harbor residents challenged to learn something new during Get Online Week

Get Online Week 2023 is taking place between 16-22 October, with events happening nationwide and opportunities to get involved in Victor Harbor.

Get Online Week events provide Australians the opportunity to learn about the benefits of the internet and how to feel safer and more confident online.

The Victor Harbor Library is taking part by hosting free and fun digital skills events on 16 and 17 October 2023.

- Digital Photographs Monday, 16 October 2023 (10am or 11:30am)
 Simone from Your Photos Filed will demonstrate how to share digital photographs through Facebook, Google Drive and Instagram. There are two sessions providing the same content.
- Introduction To Buying and Selling Online Tuesday, 17 October 2023 (2pm) Join Richard Pascoe, the Adelaide TechGuy from Tech Talk Back on radio, who will teach the basic techniques of how to buy and sell online.

City of Victor Harbor Mayor, Dr Moira Jenkins, said there are many benefits to technology, and always something new to be discovered.

"Technology is growing and changing at rapid rates. We recognise it can be difficult to keep up, which is why the Victor Harbor Library is positioning itself as a hub for learning in the digital space," said Mayor Jenkins.

"I strongly encourage locals to embrace the sentiment of Get Online Week, which is all about learning something new."

"The Library recently held a free cyber crime workshop with SAPOL, which saw a huge turnout. I'm impressed by our community's desire to become more digitally savvy!"

The upcoming events at the Victor Harbor Library are supported by a grant from the Good Things Foundation. To book in, visit **www.victor.sa.gov.au/libraryevents**, call 8551 0730 or drop into 1 Bay Road, Victor Harbor.

Organised by Good Things Foundation Australia, Get Online Week reaches more than 15,000 Australians annually, helping them improve their digital skills. This year, from 16-22 October, hundreds of local events are happening in person and online, where people can learn the essential skills needed for today's evolving digital landscape.

Chief Executive Officer of Good Things Foundation Australia, Jess Wilson, says digital skills are just as important today as access to food, housing and education.

"That's why Get Online Week is such an important time in the calendar," said Ms Wilson.

"It is a chance to reach people who otherwise may get left behind and help them to feel confident and safe connecting with loved ones, shopping online or finding their new dream job."

With less than 40% of people feeling confident in their ability to keep up with technology, learning to navigate the online world is important in building confidence and promoting internet safety.

Hundreds of Get Online Week events are happening across Australia. You can discover more events by visiting **www.getonlineweek.com**.