Newsletter December 2010

Recap From ~~Last Month~~ October

UP's: Remember to change there battery every 3 years.

Sending Large Emails: Be aware of time out issues when doing this

Slate Computers: With all the new models coming out make sure it can work for you and be a toy to.

This Month

Hard Drives:

There are now two types of hard drives currently on the market:

Mechanical hard drives. These are the ones in most laptops and computers and have, magnetic discs inside them. These hard drives are subject to both mechanical and electrical failure. This means if any the moving parts break down or the electrical interfaces short circuits you can not access your data, yet there is special data recovery centres who can take the disc out and put into a new hard drive system.

Solid-state drive (SSD) this is the latest technology is hard drives as it has no moving parts which means it's only subject to the electrical interfaces short circuits. These are more ideal for laptops and mobile storage device as they can handling a great degree of roughness with no worries about heads crashing onto the hard drive platters. These hard drives they knew normally 2 to 2 1/2 times more expensive.

Keeping Records:

With the increased amount of technology around us the need keeping records is important both in a digital format and analogue format (written) things are need to keep records of:

- ADSL username and password
- E-mail passwords
- Wireless passwords
- Computer passwords
- Website username and passwords
- In other words anything that requires a username and or password write it down

I recommend using an address book for quick and easy access to this information. Many times of had to replace routers and modems and had to contact the ISPs to have passwords given or reset, and I do not like being on hold.

OEM Verse Retail Software:

OEM stands for original equipment manufacturers, in other words it's disposable software. This is the software that is sold cheaply with your computer when it is bought new. It can only have one life, which means it can be only install on one computer and if the computer dies the software has to be disposed of, with the computer. It can not be re-used on another computer or sold. So when you are buying software of eBay or obtain it from friends make sure it is not OEM. The way to tell it usually comes in a cardboard or paper sleeve.

Retail this is software you buying off-the-shelf from a shop, depending on the licence agreements will depend on how many computers you can install on. Retail software costs more than OEM, yet it can live on and on. For example if your computer dies you can then move it to a new computer, and when that computer dies you can move its again. Long term this will save you money.

If a person that likes the latest software when you update your computer OEM is the way to go, if you are the type of person that is happy with what you have and it works for you, them then retail is the way to go. So always check the licensing agreements with retail software to see how many can computers it can be installed on.

Merry Christmas

If you think other can benefit form this information forward it on to them

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