

PMUG General Meeting Minutes June 11, 2022

A meeting of the Prescott Mac User Group (PMUG) was held on Saturday, June 11, 2022, at the Prescott Public Library, Founders Suite.

Call to order: President John Acquavella called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

There were 16 members present. There is one new member: Dolores McComas

Birthdays: Dolores McComas 6/3

Kristy Kostelecky 6/23

Business Meeting

The May 14, 2022 general meeting minutes were approved.

Financial Report as of 5/31/2022

Income:

Membership Dues \$65

\$65

Expenses:

Communications \$150 (Zoom renewal)

Web/Internet 12 (Google Workspace)

Miscellaneous \$107 (gift for John Carter and PayPal fees)

\$269

Year to Date: \$186 ahead of budget

Checkbook Balance: \$3,127

Membership Report:

of members: 65 # of households 52

May 2021—membership one year ago

of members 89

of households 68

Annual picnic – August 13

The PMUG Board suggested that a picnic be held for the month of August in place of our regular meeting. Jim was asked to research who might be able to cater the event. Bonn-fire stated they cannot handle the event this year due to a shortage of staff. Jim contacted Lucy Dee's Barbecue in Prescott. Their website provided a menu and method of calculating the cost. The menu would consist of choice of meat: brisket of beef, pork or chicken. Two side dishes would be provided (potato salad, baked or ranch beans). Iced tea and lemonade, along with water, would be provided. Dessert would also be provided. The cost per person would be \$12 to \$15 depending on amount of food ordered. The restaurant requires two days' notice prior to the picnic.

A member of the board will create an announcement to be emailed to all members. A survey of members present at Saturday's meeting indicated approximately 5 to 7 members would attend. The board is hoping for a turnout of 20 to 25, though some lesser number may be adequate.

Announcements

Special Topics SIG: June 27 – General meteorology with Frank Croft. This is a member only event. Members will get a Zoom registration link by email.

META (Meet, Eat, Talk, Apple) SIG 10 a.m. on Wednesday, June 29 at a local restaurant. Notify Bobbie Pastor if you plan on attending.

Old Business

None

New Business - Election of board members

The following individuals were voted in as the new Board Members.

President – John Acquavella

Vice President – Frank Croft

Treasurer – Sharon Walsh

Secretary – Jim Romaine

The following individuals were appointed to the Board:

Past President – Sondra Bradshaw

Members at large - Deborah Neff, Bobbie Pastor, Mary Ann Clark

PMUG future directions – John Acquavella

John Acquavella, our new president, spoke of his goals for the rest of the year. He hopes to attract more presenters at monthly meetings. John Carter and Frank Croft have done most of the presentations for the last couple of years. With John Carter leaving the club, we need other members to step up. John suggested offering a Take Control Book, a Staples Gift card, or an OLLI coupon as an incentive to anyone who presents. Also,

joint presentations are an option, for persons who may not be comfortable presenting by themselves. There is a need for both short presentations and the longer presentations.

Short Topic: Mac hardware updates - Frank Croft

Frank Croft highlighted the new hardware offerings introduced by Apple at the WWDC conference. There is a new computer named the Mac Studio, available in two configurations. It is a high-powered machine designed for those who need exceptional processing power. There is also a new Studio Monitor starting at \$1100.

New Macbook Air and Pro models containing the M2 chip were introduced.

A new version of Mac OS named Ventura will be coming out in the near future. Also, a new iOS for mobile devices will be released in the future.

Frank also noted that support for older Macs and iOS devices will be eliminated by Apple.

Main topic: Fixing common Mac problems – Frank Croft

Frank Croft discussed common problems experienced on Macs. His presentation provided solutions for common problems. His presentation will be posted on the PMUG website for access by all members. When working on Mac problems, Frank suggested: using common sense: following instructions; powering off Mac, wait, and power on. Call Apple Support for assistance. Consider purchasing Apple Care. Apple Care customers are given priority on support calls. If all else fails, take your Apple device to Argosy West.

Next General meeting – July 9 - Prescott Public Library, Founders Suite – 10 a.m. to 12 noon

Short and long topics: Genius bar

All members may submit questions to Frank Croft. These questions will be answered at the July 9 meeting.

11:55 Raffle Time! Jim Romaine – Take Control Book Clare McCormick – Staples Gift Card Linda Cecil – OLLI coupon

The meeting was adjourned by John Acquavella at 12 noon. Submitted by Jim Romaine PMUG Secretary June 15, 2022