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Editorial:

Welcome to the October 2026 edition of your Browser.

Ever been presented with the option to use a passkey, so what's the difference to a password and should we be moving towards them in preference to passwords.

What happens to your digital footprint when you are gone, not everything is equal but there are some steps you can take in preparing for the inevitable.

A shortcut sometimes makes our life easier, there is a page of them that just may be useful in your digital endeavours.



Alex (a.k.a. Grumps)
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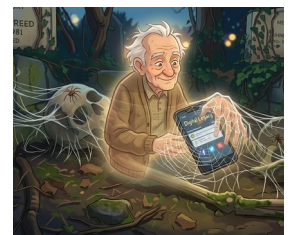
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Your digital legacy

What happens to your digital footprint after death? Without a clear plan, your online accounts usually stay active or get locked in a legal grey area governed by each platform's rules rather than automatic inheritance laws.....[Read More](#)



Keyboard Shortcuts



This month we have included a page with a list of useful keyboard shortcuts. These are NOT generic to windows, your editor has also personally tested some of these on Linux Mint, but can't vouch for Apple devices.....[Read More](#)

Club News

Our Annual General Meeting (AGM) was held on Tuesday 01-Sep-2026. All committee positions were vacated and re-elected for the next 12 months/

The Fathers day raffle was a huge success. Congratulations to the winners and thank you to everyone that contributed.

[View our latest Volunteer Roster](#)

[October Trivia:](#) What happened in history (or is about to) in this month.



Passkeys versus Passwords.

Passkeys are being promoted as the way of the future.

A passkey is a digital credential tied to your device that uses biometrics to log you in instantly, while a password is a user-created string of characters that you must memorise and type.

Passwords are a common security issue. Reusing them across accounts and old ones getting breached in data leaks means it's time to consider beefing up your account security.



Passwords are a way to convey that you know a piece of information that's stored alongside your online account to give you access to it.

The account server you use stores the password, or a hashed version of it, which means every password you create is potentially vulnerable to website breaches. If a password that you reused on more than one website is breached, all of those other accounts are potentially compromised.

How Passkeys Work Safely



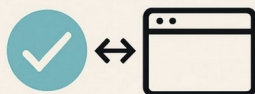
1. You register with a website



2. Public key saved on server



3. Private key securely stored on your device



4. Private key doesn't need to be shared

Passkeys work differently; your device generates a matching pair of keys, keeps a private one to itself and hands the public key to the website.

That means each website gets a different key, and only one part of the key is shared.

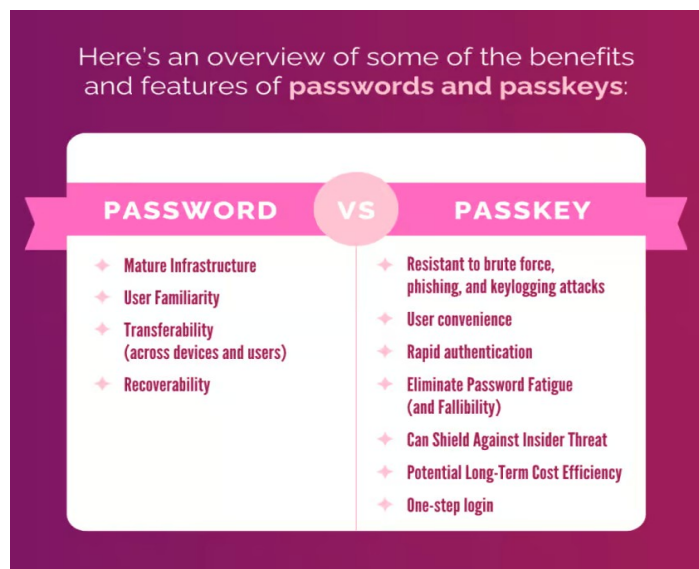
When you sign in with a passkey, the website sends your device a randomised challenge string.

Your device produces a response derived from the private key, sends it back to the site and it's checked against the public key.

The verification proves that your device holds the private key without it ever being shared.

It also means you don't have to type anything into a dialogue box or remember a username or password yourself.

Passkey security benefits.



<https://privacy108.com.au/insights/rip-passwords-are-passkeys-the-future/>

Passkeys are much more resilient to phishing attacks than regular passwords. Passkeys for legitimate accounts simply won't authenticate on lookalike domains the way passwords do.

There's also no meaningful data stored on websites, meaning reduced value in server-side breaches, since the private key never leaves your device.

Since there's no 6-digit code being sent, SIM spoofing attacks where a hacker receives your SMS 2FA code don't apply.

Passkeys often use biometric authentication like fingerprint or face scan to verify it's the owner using the device to log in.

The industry is increasingly moving in this direction. Microsoft is set to retire SMS and voice authentication for Entra ID business accounts, pushing these users onto the more secure passkey option.

Passkeys have their pitfalls.

While they come with benefits above and beyond password protection, passkeys are not a perfect account security system.



Some of the known pitfalls that come with passkeys include:

- They tie account security to a specific device in many cases. For instance, if your fingerprint is used to log into your Google Password Manager, you may not (easily) be able to access your passwords if you are not on a device that has your biometric information stored locally.
- Users may not strictly follow other account security best practices due to a greater feeling of 'security' that comes with the introduction of passkeys. Training will need to be supplied to alert users to both the benefits and potential shortcomings of passkeys, so they continue to use appropriate security procedures.
- Account recovery can be challenging. Since the passkey is tied to the device, not the cloud, you will need to carefully consider how you will recover the account if the device is lost or stolen.
- Older devices may not be compatible with passkey technologies, which can make adoption expensive.

Should you switch to passkeys?

Passkeys are a more secure and convenient sign in method for accounts that support them.

You don't have to treat this as an immediate necessity and hunt down every single account in one sitting, but saying yes the next time a platform asks to create one is a good idea.

However think about where you'd like to store passkeys first, because switching passkeys between Apple, Google, and Microsoft platforms can be tricky.

We haven't yet said farewell to passwords forever, but each account you move off them is one less password that can be used against you.

Article Sources:

<https://cybershack.com.au/security/passkeys-versus-passwords/>

<https://privacy108.com.au/insights/rip-passwords-are-passkeys-the-future/>

Youtube video:

[Passkeys Explained \(so even a kid could understand\)](#)



Your digital legacy: What happens to your accounts after death?

Source of article: [Cyber Shack 19-Aug-2026](#)

Without a clear plan, your online accounts usually stay active or get locked in a legal grey area governed by each platform's rules rather than automatic inheritance laws.



Digital legacy is about the online traces we leave behind; accounts, data, and profiles. Most Australians have a plan in their will for the house and other assets, but it's easy to forget about digital information.

Unlike money and property, these online accounts don't pass on automatically, so it's important to think about how to hand these down to make them easier to manage.

So how do you set things up now to make things easier, and what do you do if you're the one managing someone else's online accounts?

What happens to your accounts when you die?

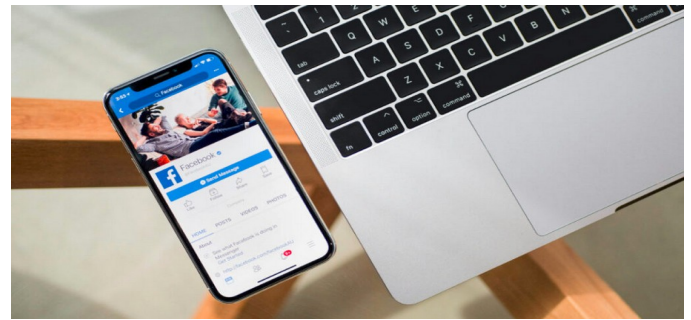
There's no law in Australia that gives your executor access to your digital accounts. Whether someone dies with a detailed will or no will at all, there's no automatic right that lets a successor log into their accounts.

In practice, each platform and account offers different tools that help you manage what happens when you pass away. If you spend the time to set this up, it can save time for those managing the process.

Setting up your digital legacy

Many of the big tech platforms let you control what happens when they're unused for a while. It's worth looking through these settings and considering how you want the accounts dealt with.

Facebook

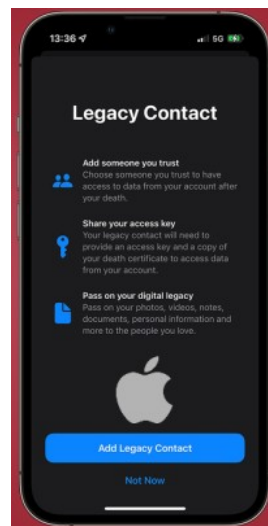


Facebook allows you to choose a Legacy Contact who can pin a tribute post, manage new posts on the memorialised page, and respond to friend requests. This contact cannot login or read messages.

To set this up, follow [Facebook's instructions here](#).

It's worth noting Instagram has its own system, and there's no legacy contact setting. You can submit a request for memorialisation of an Instagram page with proof, but there's no way to set it up ahead of time.

Apple Legacy Contact



Apple accounts allow you to generate an access key that your chosen contact can present alongside a death certificate to request access to the account.

Legacy Contact doesn't hand over everything associated with your account. It doesn't include purchased online media or anything on iCloud Keychain.

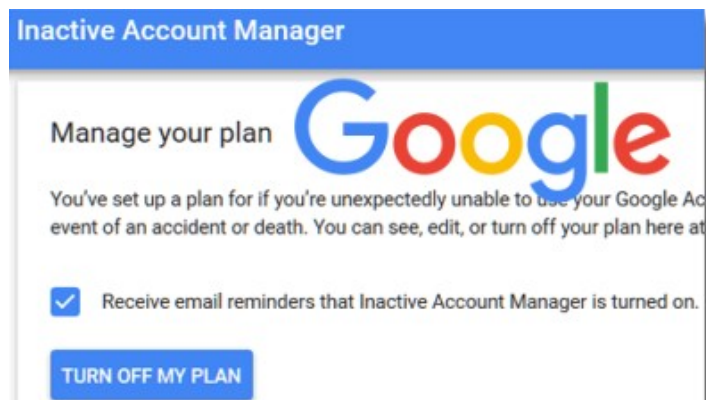
Its primary purpose is to give data like photos, messages, notes, and files.

You can find the option on your iPhone, iPad, or Mac settings under Sign-In & Security. You can choose to share the access key over iMessage, or to save a copy for inclusion in your estate documents.

Google Inactive Account Manager

Google's Inactive Account Manager allows you to choose a timeout period from 3 months up to 18 months, and if your account is inactive for that long, it notifies your chosen contacts and shares the data with them.

Otherwise, Google's default policy is to delete the account after 2 years of inactivity.



To set it up, browse to your account settings' Data and Privacy section and find Your Digital Legacy.

Here, you can add data recipients, choose whether to delete the account, and how long the inactivity period is before this happens.

Passwords

If you use a password manager, it may be worth checking what it offers. Bitwarden features an Emergency Access feature on paid tiers that can deliver vault access to a nominated person after a set inactivity period.

Other services like 1Password don't have an equivalent feature, and its guidance is to save an Emergency Kit and provide instructions in your documents.

Your will



Naming a digital executor and telling them about the accounts that exist is worth doing, as they can't act on accounts they don't know about.

However, don't provide passwords into your will itself. Wills can become public documents, so putting access to a password manager in them is unwise.

If you're managing someone else's accounts

If you're dealing with digital legacy after someone's death, start with the [Australian Death Notification Service](#).



This is a free, government-run service that helps you notify banks and organisations from a single form rather than chasing them all down separately.

The ADNS checks details against the national database, so the death must be formally registered before you can use it.

For banks, sole accounts are usually frozen once the bank is notified. Joint accounts typically keep working for the surviving signatory.

The platforms covered above aren't notified with the ADNS. Apple and Google both have processes for managing an account, but generally require at least a death certificate if not a court order.

Some digital data is gone regardless of paperwork. Purchased digital media, encrypted password vaults, and other encrypted data with no backup aren't usually recoverable.

Digital legacy is easy to plan

Setting this up ahead of time only takes a few minutes, and can save months of time and hassle for your nominated contacts.

That's why it's worth taking the time to decide what happens to your digital footprint.





KEYBOARD SHORTCUTS

⚡ THAT SAVE HOURS ⚡

WORK SMARTER. SAVE TIME. ACHIEVE MORE.



Small shortcuts.
Big results.
Save hours every week!

SHORTCUT	ACTION
1 Ctrl + C	Copy
2 Ctrl + V	Paste
3 Ctrl + X	Cut
4 Ctrl + Z	Undo
5 Ctrl + Y	Redo
6 Ctrl + A	Select All
7 Ctrl + S	Save
8 Ctrl + P	Print
9 Ctrl + F	Find
10 Ctrl + H	Replace
11 Ctrl + N	New Document
12 Ctrl + O	Open File
13 Ctrl + B	Bold
14 Ctrl + I	Italic
15 Ctrl + U	Underline
16 Ctrl + K	Insert Link
17 Ctrl + L	Align Left
18 Ctrl + E	Center Align

SHORTCUT	ACTION
19 Ctrl + R	Align Right
20 Ctrl + J	Justify
21 Ctrl + T	New Tab
22 Ctrl + W	Close Tab
23 Ctrl + Tab	Next Tab
24 Ctrl + Shift + Tab	Previous Tab
25 Alt + Tab	Switch Apps
26 Alt + F4	Close Window
27 Windows + D	Show Desktop
28 Windows + L	Lock PC
29 Windows + E	Open File Explorer
30 Windows + I	Open Settings
31 Windows + R	Open Run
32 Windows + V	Open Clipboard History
33 Ctrl + Shift + Esc	Open Task Manager
34 Ctrl + Shift + N	New Folder
35 Ctrl + Shift + T	Reopen Closed Tab
36 F2	Rename Selected Item

WHY USE SHORTCUTS?



SAVE TIME
Get tasks done in seconds.



BOOST FOCUS
Stay in the flow and avoid distractions.



INCREASE PRODUCTIVITY
Do more in less time.



WORK LIKE A PRO
Impress with speed and efficiency.



REDUCE FATIGUE
Less mouse use, less strain.

★ 30+ SHORTCUTS TO BOOST YOUR PRODUCTIVITY! ★



PRO TIP

You don't need to memorize all of them at once. Start with a few and use them daily. Consistency creates habit!

HOW TO MAKE SHORTCUTS A HABIT



Start Small
Learn a few shortcuts at a time.



Practice Daily
Use them in your daily tasks.



Keep a Cheat Sheet Handy
Refer to it when needed.



Use Them Consistently
Repetition builds habit.



Track Progress
You'll notice the time you save!

DID YOU KNOW?

Professionals who use keyboard shortcuts save up to **2-3 HOURS PER WEEK!**



FUTUREFOCUS STUDIO
FOCUS TODAY, BUILD TOMORROW



SAVE THIS PIN FOR LATER!



BE CONSISTENT SEE THE RESULTS!

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CLUB News

Annual General Meeting (AGM).

Our AGM was held on Tuesday 01 September 2026 with the Committee Members being elected for the next 12 months.

All the current committee members except one re-nominated unopposed and were subsequent re-elected for the next 12 months.

The Committee also extended a special thanks to Pamela Shanks for her dedication and support over the many years as a Committee Member, having previously held the position of President for 3 years from 2022/23 to 2024/25. Pam was also as the previous editor of your Browser for many years.



Other Committee Members:

Heather Maclean, Ron Grigg, Bill Whipp, Michelle Chaplin, Tony Hill, and Alex Ashton.

Fathers Day Raffle



Our Fathers Day raffle was a huge success and a special thanks must go out to all of those members and sponsors who contributed to the excellent prizes that were put together.

All funds raised go towards the upkeep of your club, so we would also wish to thank all of those who purchased tickets.

These things just don't happen without your support.



Congratulations to those lucky winners:

- 1st Prize – Green C 52 – Kathleen
- 2nd Prize – Purple L 6 – Bridget
- 3rd Prize – Purple L 32 – V.Christie
- 4th Prize – Grey J 21 – John David

Volunteers always welcome



Even if you can only spare a couple of hours a month we are always on the look out for volunteers for reception or technical assistance.

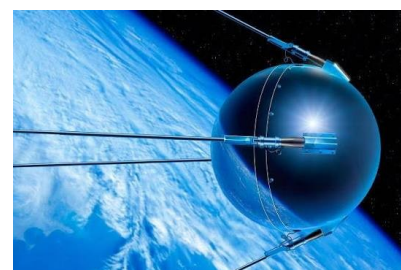
Please reach out to our treasurer Peter Ralph via email treasurer.busnet@gmail.com

Busnet Volunteer Roster

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2026 ROSTER			OCTOBER			2026		
DATE	DAY	Reception & Technician	DATE	DAY	Reception & Technician	DATE	DAY	Reception & Technician
28/09/26	Monday	Public Holiday	30/09/26	Wednesday	Peter Ralph Bill Whipp Tony Hill	2/10/26	Friday	Patricia Lee Bill Whipp Tony Hill
5/10/26	Monday	Maureen King Peter Quinby	7/10/26	Wednesday	Michelle Chaplin Bill Whipp Tony Hill	9/10/26	Friday	Jane Buckley Bill Whipp Tony Hill
12/10/26	Monday	Lois Ralph Peter Quinby	14/10/26	Wednesday	Patricia Lee Bill Whipp Tony Hill	16/10/26	Friday	Ursula Hillman Bill Whipp Tony Hill
19/10/26	Monday	Kerry Mclements Peter Quinby	21/10/26	Wednesday	Peter Ralph Bill Whipp Tony Hill	23/10/26	Friday	Trevor Gray Bill Whipp Tony Hill
26/10/26	Monday	Alex Ashton Peter Quinby	28/10/26	Wednesday	Heather Maclean Bill Whipp Tony Hill	30/10/26	Friday	Peter Ralph Bill Whipp Tony Hill
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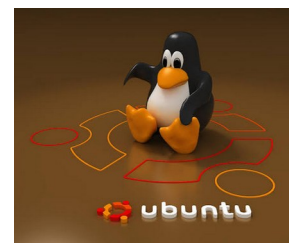
October Trivia

04 October 1957: The Soviet Union launched Sputnik 1, the satellite that started the space race. Sputnik 1 stayed in orbit for 92 days before falling back to Earth. It broadcasted its famous "beep-beep" radio signals for 22 days until its silver-zinc batteries died on 26 October 1957. Completing 1,440 revolutions around the planet before atmospheric drag caused its orbit to decay, finally burning up in Earth's atmosphere on 4 January 1958.



23 October 2001: Apple Computer Released the iPod venturing into the handheld and music entertainment markets with the introduction of the iPod. The original iPod was equipped with a miniature hard disk, but future iterations featured flash memory. Apple billed the iPod as letting users "put 1,000 songs in your pocket," a dramatic increase over competing players.

20 October 2004: The first Ubuntu Linux distribution was released. Ubuntu is open source and a free computer operating system based on Debian GNU/Linux. Its name loosely translated from the Zulu means "humanity," or "a person is a person only through other people." Ubuntu is intended to provide an up-to-date, stable operating system for the average user, with a strong focus on usability and ease of installation.



October 2026: After a nation-wide test held on 27 July 2026 Australia is set to launch its new national emergency warning system AusAlert. AusAlert is a new national warning system that uses the latest technology to send emergency messages to compatible mobile devices. It's a fast and reliable way to help people be informed and better prepared during local and national emergencies.

Coffee Break

SUDOKU

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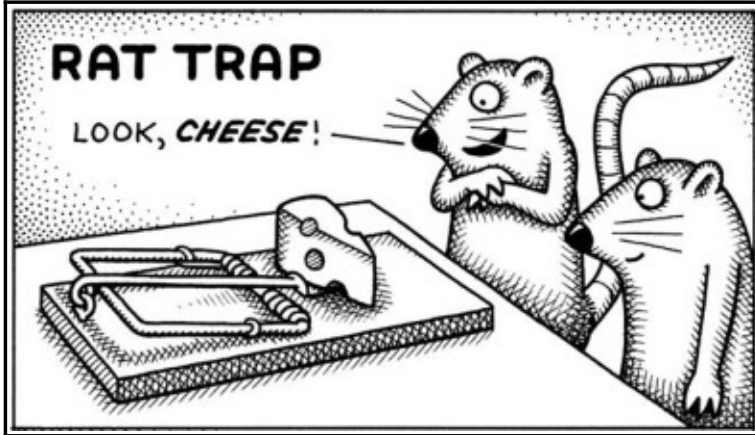
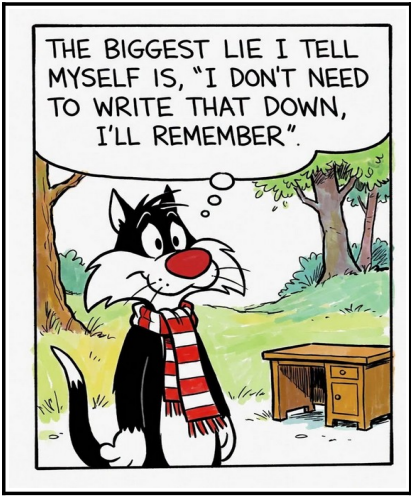
Fill the blank squares with the numbers 1 to 9 so that each row, each column and each smaller 3 x 3 block contains all the numbers from 1 to 9.

WORD MAKER

How many words of four letters or more can you make from the letters below, with each work containing the letter in the centre? Don't include proper names or plurals.

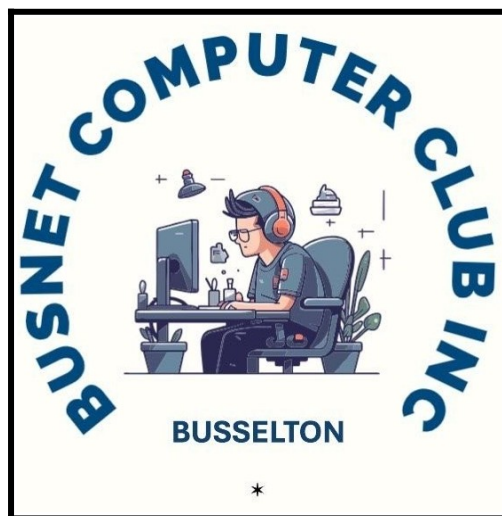
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September 2026 Answer:
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