### Notes on Meeting, 18/06/2021

## 1. We reviewed the notes from the last meeting, 16/04/2021

- There were no particular matters arising, but....
- Dave said he wished to further his digital archive by transferring films from DVD to mp4 Peter will advise on programmes to use.
- Penny Lane Computer Services, Ipswich were recommended. And..
- ....we did use the link to '<u>The Conversation</u>' to launch our first topic of interest, following item....

### 2. New right click option in the Chrome browser

- A recent addition is the 'Copy link to highlight'. We went through a long article on 'The Conversation' to view it in action. I've prepared a short PDF to illustrate what we did, attached. [In original email to members]
- I've checked and find that 'Edge' does not have a similar option.
- A common 'right click' option in all browsers is to search 'Google' (or Bing in the case of Edge) for further information. This is also shown in the PDF.
- As options are ever developing, it may be worth again exploring the Windows context menu (right click) in more detail at the next meeting (previously in 2012 and 2016)

# 3. What's the Difference between an Email Account, an Email Address, an Email Program, and an Email Service?

- I came across an interesting article on this topic which can be confusing to many people in the <u>askleo.com</u> newsletter I subscribe to
- We went through the details as explained in the attached PDF. [In original email to members]

### 4. Problems with Galaxy S21 Smart Phone

- John H described problems with his new phone in that he always had to enter his PIN twice before it opened.
- Possible that he was using a long press on the on/off button and powering down rather than a short one to send it into standby
- He's now found the setting to keep it switched on whilst at home.......
- ......which went on to a discussion on how your phone tracks where you go and the implications thereon.....

## 5. 'The Mystery of Computers!' I though this worth passing on...

- Jean attempted to join the meeting but whilst she could hear us we could neither see nor hear her, and yet just an hour earlier, she and I had conversed as normal on the virtual connection. She had done nothing in the meantime to alter any settings.
- During the meeting, I stepped out to assist her but we still couldn't make the connection.
- After the meeting, I called her as this seemed to be a system issue, rather than a specific Jit.si problem.

- We checked in the Chrome settings and whilst permission for camera and microphone were there, neither camera nor microphone were detected. The same was found in the 'Windows' camera settings.
- With only one option left, we went through power down then switch off at the mains, wait a short while then switch back on at the mains and power up the computer effectively rebooting.
- She launched Jit.si again and we were immediately connected, picture and sound! Without rhyme nor reason, as so often with many such situations, a reboot can solve many problems!!
- It's still unclear what happened but it is possible that during the intervening period there had been a spike in the supply voltage, too small to be noticed but sufficient to cause a problem on the PC. In these kind of cases it's always worthwhile investing in a surge protector, which can stop such things happening.

#### 6. 'Amazon Sidewalk'

- Dave had intended to share this article with us, which I pass on here.
- Makes disturbing reading for those who use almost any Amazon device.
- I'm surprised that there hasn't been a big fuss about it on TV!