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# WINDSOR Seniors Computer Users' Group Newsletter



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**Computer Help-Desk  
Drop-In sessions are  
every **second** and  
**fourth Mondays** of the  
month **1-3 PM**. Please  
use the sign-in sheet  
when you arrive.**

**Monday Apr 14, 1-3  
PM and Monday,  
Apr 28, 1-3 PM**

**Help-Desk is a free  
drop in program to  
assist Seniors with  
their tech issues.  
Seniors can get help  
with their computers:  
PC, laptops, tablets:  
Android and Apple,  
and phones: Android  
and Apple.**

## In the News:

- a) [Apple Reportedly Developing AI Agent 'Doctors'](#)
- b) [Microsoft Publisher will no longer be supported after October 2026](#)
- c) [Utah becomes the first state to pass legislation requiring app stores to verify ages](#)
- d) [Trump's Tariffs Hammer Big Tech as Apple, Meta, Amazon Shares Plunge](#)

- e) [Right-to-Repair Milestone Is a Win for Tech Owners Everywhere-- and the Planet](#)
- f) [Giant, AI ads are coming to Windows Copilot. Thanks, Microsoft](#)
- g) [Your Android phone just got a major Gemini upgrade for free](#)
- h) [New Warning As Microsoft 365 Attack Can Bypass Email Security](#)
- i) [Google is in trouble but this could change everything - and no, it's not AI](#)

## Articles for April

a) **Why you should never, ever delete your spam email** by Steffen Zellfelder, 03.23.2025. "Spam and phishing emails are an annoying everyday occurrence that everyone is probably familiar with and finds annoying. All major mail providers are starting to rely on complex and adaptive spam filters that are getting better and better at distinguishing between wanted and unwanted e-mails. An important prerequisite for this learning effect: The software must be able to practice and this is exactly what spam mails are useful for." The article offers tips for handling these spam emails, including "Don't unsubscribe from spam emails". Please read the article to learn some helpful tips."...these procedures promise less rubbish mail in the long term."

[pcworld.com/article/2611943/why-you-should-never-ever-delete-your-spam-email](https://pcworld.com/article/2611943/why-you-should-never-ever-delete-your-spam-email)

b) **Why local SSDs and hard drives are still superior to the cloud by**

b) Jon Martindale, 03.04.2025. 03.04.2025. "Cloud storage is better, faster, and more affordable per gigabyte than ever before. But it's not the best way to go for everything...Storing your data locally on a physical drive that you can touch with your hands and manage on premises can be a great way to avoid the pitfalls of remote data storage. One of the main reasons for backing up important data is that it can be readily recovered in the event of an outage, data breach, ransomware, or loss. A local drive... can transfer data way faster and gives you more options on how to actually access that data...if you have sensitive personal information that you want to keep away from prying eyes, then storing your data locally gives you more control and privacy...While cloud providers do put a lot of effort into security for the data they oversee, the fact that they store so much data makes them huge targets for cybercriminals. By maintaining local backups instead of (or in conjunction with) cloud backups, you can ensure that your data (or your clients' data) is always available, with full control over its security and compliance,

**b)** while mitigating the risks of cloud outages and data breaches." Learn more from the entire article.

[pcworld.com/why-local-ssds-and-hard-drives-are-still-superior](https://pcworld.com/why-local-ssds-and-hard-drives-are-still-superior)

**c) Tech how-to: Turn off built-in AI on your computer and phone** by

Kim Komando, 03.05.2025. This article gives instructions on how to turn AI off on Windows, on a Mac, on an iPhone and an Android phone.

[komando.com/tech-how-to-turn-off-built-in-ai](https://komando.com/tech-how-to-turn-off-built-in-ai)

**d) Are Social Media Settings Intentionally Confusing? Here's the Truth** by Ray Malik,

03.22.2025. "Almost everything we do—whether it's posting vacation photos or something as mun-

d) mundane as liking a post—leaves behind a digital footprint. That footprint can be collected, analyzed, and used in ways most of us don't even realize. If you go into any of your social media accounts right now and try to adjust your privacy settings, you might be stuck there for a while. Specific settings are often buried in multiple submenus, a lot of technical jargon, and explanations are generally vague. When it comes to default settings on social media, it is often designed to favor data collection rather than user privacy. For example, many social media apps set new accounts (especially for adults) to public by default. The reason social media is designed to auto-publicize is that the more content that is publicly available, the more data

d) that these companies can use to enhance ad targeting and increase engagement. Social media websites are businesses, after all. They make money from selling ad space and allowing companies to advertise to us directly. The more accounts and public content they have, the more money they can potentially make. Another reason why social media privacy is difficult to maintain is how frequently these companies update their privacy policies—sometimes it's subtle but can impact your privacy quite a bit. It's important to note that many privacy settings also default to the option that allows for the most data sharing after an update. This means that even if you previously opted out, a new update could potentially reset your prefer-



d) ences, requiring you to take a look at them again to disable them. Though social media platforms may not always make this easy, it's worth taking the time to review your privacy and security settings from time to time. Data is currency, after all. It's best to make a combination of changes rather than just one so you aren't at the mercy of default settings." This article has instructions for adjusting the settings on your iPhone or Android.

[howtogeek.com/are-social-media-settings-intentionally-confusing](https://howtogeek.com/are-social-media-settings-intentionally-confusing)

**e) Dear Big Tech, Stop Shoving AI Into Operating Systems** by Faisal Rasool,

04.07.2025. "We're seeing AI creep into all things digital, including our operating systems. Microsoft, Apple, and Google have all introduced their own versions of different AI integrations into their respective systems..." Read the article to learn why AI is everywhere all of a sudden.

[howtogeek.com/stop-shoving-ai-into-operating-systems](https://howtogeek.com/stop-shoving-ai-into-operating-systems)



## URLs

**How to compare two versions of a Microsoft Word document**

[pcworld.com/how-to-compare-two-versions-of-a-microsoft-word-document](https://pcworld.com/how-to-compare-two-versions-of-a-microsoft-word-document)

**The Firefox I loved is gone - how to protect your privacy on it now**

[zdnet.com/firefox-i-loved-is-gone-how-to-protect-your-privacy-on-it-now](https://zdnet.com/firefox-i-loved-is-gone-how-to-protect-your-privacy-on-it-now)

**I've tried nearly every browser out there and these are my top 6**

[zdnet.com/ive-tried-almost-every-browser-out-there-and-these-are-my-top-6](https://zdnet.com/ive-tried-almost-every-browser-out-there-and-these-are-my-top-6)

**Unknown Numbers Spamming Your iPhone? Here's How to Block Texts and Calls** [cnet.com/unknown-numbers-spamming-your-phone-heres-how-to-block-texts-and-calls](https://cnet.com/unknown-numbers-spamming-your-phone-heres-how-to-block-texts-and-calls)

**Meet the AI Fraud Fighters: A Deepfake Granny, Digital Bots and a YouTube Star**

[cnet.com/meet-the-ai-fraud-fighters-a-deepfake-granny-digital-bots-and-a-youtube-star](https://cnet.com/meet-the-ai-fraud-fighters-a-deepfake-granny-digital-bots-and-a-youtube-star)

**AI agents aren't just assistants: How they're changing the future of work today** [zdnet.com/ai-agents-arent-just-assistants-how-theyre-changing-the-future-of-work](https://zdnet.com/ai-agents-arent-just-assistants-how-theyre-changing-the-future-of-work)

**Windows Photos adds fancy editing features from other Microsoft apps** [pcworld.com/windows-photos-app-adds-gorgeous-editing-features](https://pcworld.com/windows-photos-app-adds-gorgeous-editing-features)

**iOS 19: Apple iPhone New Design: 'Biggest Overhaul'** [forbes.com/ios-19-apple-iphone-new-design-biggest-overhaul-coming](https://forbes.com/ios-19-apple-iphone-new-design-biggest-overhaul-coming)