

EMBARGO THURSDAY 12noon 3 September 2009



## **Launch of the Broadband for Seniors Initiative at Legacy House Melbourne During Legacy Week 2009**

Jenny Macklin MP will officially unveil one of the first live Internet Kiosks for the Federal Government's \$15 million Broadband for Seniors initiative at Legacy House, Melbourne.

David Cooke, Group Manager, NEC Australia said it is most fitting to launch the national Senior Citizen Broadband initiative at Legacy House as this wonderful Australian organisation cares for over 115,000 widows of deceased veterans Australia wide, 95% of whom would fall into the 'seniors' category. He added that NEC is proud to be delivering and managing the Broadband for Seniors project with the support of adult learning institutions.

Melbourne Legacy President Graeme Standish said that 'We recognize that many of our widows are not familiar with computer technology. This week is Legacy's Annual Appeal when we raise funds to help us continue our vital welfare work in the community of caring for the families of deceased veterans. We are most grateful to NEC Australia and the Federal Government for funding the Internet Kiosk at Legacy House as it enables Legacy to provide yet another service to our widows'. He added 'We will have a 103 year old widow May Rush at the launch as she is curious to learn how to use the Internet'.

<b>What:</b>	Official launch of the Live Internet Kiosk for Seniors
<b>Where:</b>	Legacy House, 293 Swanston Street, Melbourne
<b>When:</b>	Thursday 3 September at 10.30am
<b>Special Guest:</b>	Jenny Macklin MP
<b>Special Features:</b>	86 year old Legacy widow Pauline Priestly will demonstrate to 103 year old Legacy widow May Rush how to use the Internet.

This week is Legacy Week when we ask the public to buy a Badge so together we can keep the promise of a digger made to a dying mate that 'he would look after the missus and the kids.'

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