

Silver Surfers' Day is on May 21st 2010!

Plan a Silver Surfers' Day Event at 'your place' for May 21st, 2010

Since 2001, Digital Unite has been co-ordinating Silver Surfers' Day taster events at locations throughout the country. Events are held annually on the Friday of Adult Learners' Week. Anyone can hold an event. DU resources you via www.digitalunite.com. You can hold an event in your **sitting room** or your **board room**; your **office** or your **community centre**; your **classroom** or your **pub**; your **communal lounge** or your **prison recreation room**; your **steam-train** or your **speed-boat** (stranger locations have been used!). The events are to give older people (that's people 50-120 years old), a chance to get to know the Internet, to enjoy the ease and excitement that being online brings.

'One of our oldest Silver Surfers aged 95 used the computer for the first time at the Event and now has a real taste for it and is attending lessons at the scheme.'

'We had one gentleman who usually just comes into the library to read the paper. Since his Silver Surfer session he has been in every day on the computer.'

'So many said they would not be afraid to come and book time on the computers from now on.'

'Silver Surfers' Day has proved to be useful not just to the older generation but to the 10 year olds in our school who have delivered the teaching to their grandparents so beautifully.'

Become as happy as these people

At Chesham High School, pupils help older people on to the Web for Silver Surfers' Day



Do you know these Silver Surfers? Meet them on SilverSurfersTV at <http://ssdcelebs.notlong.com>

Warning: Silver Surfers' Day can make you cheerful!



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- The **Digital Divide** and how it affects all of us
- **Resources** to help do your bit to close the Digital Divide
- **Tips, quotes, stats** on issues to do with ageing (did you know nearly 10million UK-over-50s have never tried the Internet?)
- DU Community Programmes—sustainable ways to support communities around the country, with **home-visit, specialist tutors**
- **Learning Zone:** online question and answer forum where DU Tutors and others can be called upon for advice: www.learning.digitalunite.com