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Welcome to our summer newsletter!

We all spend time searching the web whether it be for reference, hobbies or holidays, but if you haven't thought about how you do this, or how you can organise details of your favourite sites, then read for tips and advice for browsing the web your own way....

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Browser Choice

The trainers at Nicholson Solutions often provide one-to-one assistance for users who are either new to using computers or need to build up their confidence. Lately we have received a number of questions about a new desktop shortcut which has appeared offering users a choice of internet browsers.

What is a browser?

A browser is a program which is used to view web pages, via an internet connection. There are various browser programs available (all free) and they provide different sets of tools for accessing web pages and remembering useful sites.

The new Browser Choice

On a Microsoft Windows computer, Internet Explorer was previously the default browser, however from March 1st this year Microsoft were committed to let users pick their browser of choice. This was as a result of a legal agreement with the European Competition Commission.

So if the **Browser Choice** icon has appeared on your desktop, as shown here,



you can use this to explore what other browsers are available. It is estimated that over half the world's internet users use Internet Explorer to 'browse' the internet, and many people don't realise the choice is available. Popular web browsers include Internet Explorer, Firefox, and Safari.



What's the difference?

In general terms the browsers offer users a very similar experience of accessing the web, but they can vary on features like speed, security and extensibility. You can type 'browser comparison' into an internet search to see useful background information, but eventually the choice comes down to personal preference, and there is no harm in downloading them to try for free.

For any help or advice on using the internet please contact us on 01224 330560 or [email](#) us.

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NSL Last Minute Deals

Last minute places available at £230 +VAT for the following courses:

- Sage Accounts Friday 23rd July

Please [book me a place](#).

Tip of the month...

Organising Internet favourites or Bookmarks

When you use the internet, you are likely to revisit sites you find useful, and one of the ways to make them readily available again is to add them to your **Favourites** or **Bookmarks** (depending on which browser you use).

When you add a favourite or bookmark, it will adopt as its name the text from the title bar of the page. Before saving the favourite, edit the text to something you will recognise easily.

This can result in a long list of Favourites which in itself becomes unmanageable, so you can group your Favourites into folders of related sites, e.g. Shopping, Holidays, Sport.

Look for an **Organise** option in your Favourites or Bookmarks. You should find that it allows you to create a **New Folder**. Once you have given your new folder an appropriate name you can move favourites into it by **drag and drop** or by a **Move** function.

To use your organised favourites, click **Favourites**, then click the folder, and the contents should be listed, giving you easy access to the site you need.

*[Email us](#) if you want to give us a tip, tell us more about this tip, or find out more about smart ways to use the **Internet**.*

Next month's featured course

Our featured course is **Excel Advanced**.

[Click here](#) to view the full course content.

Date: **Thursday 5th August 2010**

Venue: **ACS, Balnagask Road**

Time: **9:00 to 16:00**

Cost: **£230 plus VAT per person**

[Book now](#) as there are only **4 places remaining**.

Special offer! Bring a friend and get a discount. Get 15% off your place for each additional person you book.

Other scheduled courses

[See our full training diary](#)



[View](#) our course diary for the coming month. We have courses scheduled in August for **Sage, SharePoint, Word, Excel, PowerPoint** and **Project**.

In addition to our scheduled courses, we can arrange training on any of our topics. Other titles include **Adobe Acrobat, Contribute** and **Access**. Call us to discuss your requirements.

We offer training on a one-to-one basis or for tutor-led groups of up to 4 people.

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