

Internet session

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This hands-on session was designed to give first-time users (and others) on-line experience. Conducted in a well-equipped computer laboratory, users were introduced to the internet and shown how to exploit it as a significant resource for adults learning mathematics.

Sessions ran parallel to all Saturday morning activities so that small groups of individuals could avail of the facility and return to other conference activities. As anticipated, not everyone availed of the opportunity since many were already experienced users. However, there were several who did and the activity gathered momentum ensuring that it continued into the late afternoon.

The value of the experience was greatly enhanced for the participants by the contribution of a professional IT trainer from the university's IT department who conducted the sessions. The close proximity of the computer lab to the conference rooms facilitated easy access and contributed to the success of these sessions.