



# NEWSLETTER

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## SeniorNet

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**Office Hours: 10am - 12pm**  
**Monday to Friday**

### Presidents Report



I would like to take this opportunity to firstly wish you all a very merry Christmas and a happy holiday season.

Each one of us will be spending the holidays in a different way and whatever way that is for you, I trust you will stay safe and well.

At SeniorNet, it is a holiday for us too as we close up our learning centre until the new term starts in February, it has been a busy year with moving to our new premises, successful open day and expo and welcoming new members.

Remember that the new subscription year will start in 2018 and you will be sent a reminder and details for payment, it's important to keep your membership up to date to enable you to be able to attend courses and workshops and also receive our lovely monthly newsletter.

Our monthly meeting in December is of course replaced by wine, fun and entertainment! This will be held at the Leisure Centre, and please could you bring a plate of something yummy and festive to share. Please come along and join us and you are welcome to bring a friend as well. More details inside this newsletter 😊

Coming up in March next year is our AGM and we will be looking for some new members to join our committee. This isn't an arduous job, just a couple of hours a month and perhaps an odd job or two but we would really appreciate if you are able to help that you contact me for more details and chat over a cuppa. I'll even supply a bite of something sweet!!

A huge huge THANK YOU to all of our current committee members and our other volunteers in the office, tutors and at monthly meetings. You are so appreciated, your hard work does not go unnoticed and we couldn't be without you!

Sadly we are waving goodbye to a special committee member and tutors, Carole and Norman Taylor. Carole and Norman have been longstanding members and always willing to help out in any way they can. Good luck in your new adventures in Katikati.

See you at the Christmas Party  
*(Mine is a glass of red wine and brandy snap please!!)*

*Chrissy*





# Seniornet Christmas Party

You are invited !

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December  
1.30pm. - 3pm.

Leisure Centre, Ferguson St  
Palmerston North.

Entertainment and Drinks will be provided.  
Please bring a plate of finger food.

*Please wear your name tags and Christmas  
decorations. Tie, brooch, earrings, tinsel in your hair.*

\$2 for door prize.

Please ring the office 3594367 (between 10 &12)  
or email the office if you are coming  
***We need numbers for Catering purposes.***



## Photo Interest Group:

Our final meeting for the year  
**Monday the 11th December.**

The plan is to meet at

**Memorial Park car park at 9.30am** -where those who wish can car pool. Please remember a donation to the driver. We will then travel to Virginia Lake, Whanganui. As well as the lake, fountain and bird life to photograph, there is also the Winter Gardens Conservatory which always seem to be very colourful. Next door is the Funky Duck Cafe for those who wish to stay for lunch. Fingers crossed that our great weather continues.

New members welcome.

**Contact: Janet Peek 06 356 8433**



## The iPad Learning Group Monthly Meeting.

iPad Users Group meeting at 1.30pm on the first Wednesday of each month.

**Next Meeting 6th December**



## SeniorNet Office Holiday Hours

Our Office will close on Friday 15th December

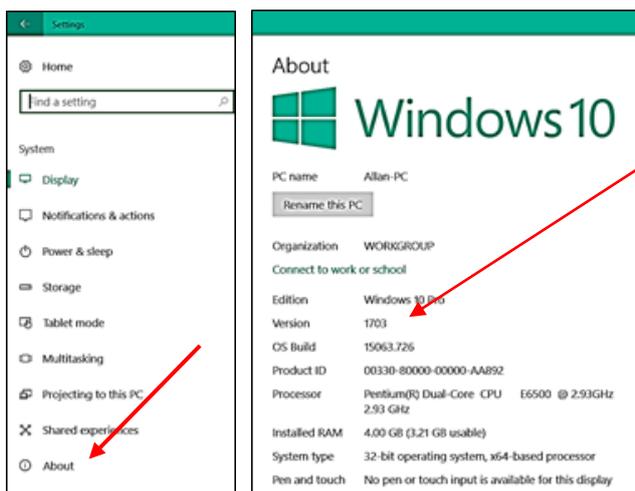
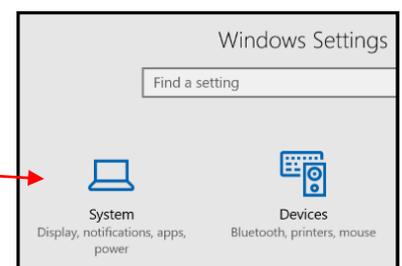
Next Year - the office will reopen for  
enrolments Wednesday 7th February 2018 (10am to 12pm)

For further information phone one of our committee  
or Allan 354,7206



## Is My Windows 10 Computer up to date?

1. Click on **"Settings"** on the start screen →
2. From the Settings - **"Select System"**
3. Select **"About"** at the bottom



4. You will see  
the **version number 1709** which means  
**year 2017 month September.**  
If your computer shows **1703** this means that  
your computer is still waiting for the  
September 2017 update which takes about an  
hour to install.

*As new software is automatically installed on your computer. It is important that your computer is left running for longer periods when you are not using it.*

## What is NFC?

Have you ever wondered what makes tap-and-go services like Apple Pay, and Android Pay work? Simply put, it's a method of wireless data transfer called NFC (Near field communication) that detects and then enables technology in close proximity to communicate without the need for an internet connection. It's easy, fast and works automatically.



### How does NFC work?

The tech involved is deceptively simple: evolved from radio frequency identification (RFID) tech, an NFC chip operates as one part of a wireless link. Once it's activated by another chip, small amounts of data between the two devices can be transferred when held a few centimetres from each other. At its core, NFC works to identify us by our enabled cards and devices (and by extension, our bank accounts and other personal info.)

### How can I use NFC right now?

NFC chips stocked inside credit cards for contactless payments are nothing new. But a slightly more recent - and admittedly more enticing - use case for NFC is with your smartphone, or even your smartwatch, as a way to digitize your entire wallet.

Android Pay allows Android users to pay via NFC

The most well-known option is Android Pay, which works on many Android phones and watches, allowing you to access your funds for contactless payments.

Apple's phones from the iPhone 6 onwards also have NFC functionality, as do the Apple Watch albeit with limited use so far, as it's only usable for Apple Pay.

Simply hold it close to a contactless payment terminal and instantly, like swiping a credit card, the payment will complete.

Looking toward the future, it's possible that NFC chips could be used to replace every card in your wallet.

That means the unique info on your frequent shopper loyalty cards, library card, business cards and the like could be contained and transmitted simply via NFC. Already many such cards are being digitized.

### Vulnerability and security

The magic of NFC occurs in the free and open air, so it's easy to get wrapped up in the idea that your data can be nabbed by anyone who tries to intercept. It can really happen, but it doesn't have to happen. Let's first tackle this scary issue with the point that NFC chips in your cards or phones can't be skimmed unless they are within mere centimetres of a potential thief.



Apple Pay



Android Pay



For more information search for "What is NFC" on YouTube:

