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Learning technology together.

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From John's laptop

Hello everybody,

I hope you are keeping well and keeping out of mischief. The current situation is certainly a challenge for all of us - one way or another.

We at SeniorNet had to face up to the challenge of stopping our activities and meetings, which we did just before the current lockdown came into effect. Then we decided to look at using technology to resume some sort of service for everybody. We wanted to do this so that we could continue to offer value for the subscriptions that everyone had just paid, and also because it was a challenge and we love a challenge.

We decided early on to use Zoom as a means of holding 'virtual' meetings. We had previously used Zoom for some of our committee meetings, but it was a bit more of a challenge to get Zoom to work for our activities. I think we have succeeded, with several successful meetings and mini-workshops being held over the past 3-4 weeks. We were very pleased to see the uptake amongst our membership, who also took up the task of learning new technology. We are all experts now!

We have now purchased a subscription to the Professional version of Zoom, which removes some limitations on the, still excellent, free version. We see that Zoom could be useful as an additional teaching tool, even when we all get back to normal. Remember normal?

Thanks for the responses to our latest survey. Some great feedback in there for us. We'll let you know the results when we collate them.

We have found another silver cloud for SeniorNet, in this current environment, with an informal Zoom meeting that is running weekly. This involves several SeniorNet groups across the country (and Heather our new CEO), where we are discussing the use of Zoom. This shows the power of this tool for collaboration. We can see benefits that it could bring to all of our SeniorNet groups by sharing ideas, and perhaps even running some learning sessions nationally using Zoom.

As always please drop us an email (the phone might be more difficult for us at present). We are always pleased to hear from you. And - keep smiling.

Regards

President

[The owl (Ruru) image is kindly provided by the artist Joe McMenamin from Feilding.

Visit his website at joemcmenamin.com and his shop in Ferguson St Feilding, when you can.]



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MMMM - May Monthly Member's Meeting

We are going to have a 'regular' monthly meeting this month, at the regular time and date of Wednesday, 13 May at 1:30 PM. However, the venue is not at all regular - we will be at your place! Don't panic, we will be using Zoom to beam into your living room.

We will also have a special guest speaker.

The guest speaker will be Heather Newell, SeniorNet's Executive Officer.

Please Zoom in and hear what Heather has to say.

We will email out the meeting details separately. Click on this link to get the meeting

If you haven't used Zoom before and need some help please let us know and we will help you.

Click on these You Tube links for a better understanding of Zoom:



Zoom Host and co-host controls in a meeting:

<https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362603-Host-and-co-host-controls-in-a-meeting>

Zoom Tutorial: Audio and Video Setup: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d4BgPkbYHM0>

Calendar of Events We have now published our Calendar on the SeniorNet Manawatū website - <http://seniornet.inspire.net.nz/>

Check out the Events Calendar link on the Home page. This will be kept up to date, with all of our activities (currently limited to Zoom meetings). Note that some of the cancelled activities are still shown - just to keep track of what we will be doing when we can. Click on any event in the calendar to see details.

If you already make use of a Calendar program on your device it may be possible to automatically add the SeniorNet Calendar into yours. Send us an email with details of the Calendar that you use and we will provide details. If you aren't using a Calendar program - then maybe we could hold a class on that!



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Update from our Sponsor Ryman Healthcare

With very unusual times at the moment, Ryman Healthcare would like to help you as we enter the last phase of our New Zealand lockdown.

Now into Alert Level 3, will things be different for you? I would imagine not, or were you first in the queue on Tuesday morning for MCD's or KFC??

Not me I can assure you, but it has been business as usual for me through lockdown level 4, certainly in a very different way though, helping deliver happy hour bags, complimentary groceries and updates to Julia Wallace Residents, keeping spirits high and hopefully a safe haven for all.

I wanted to share with you a couple of links though that fit in well with our new Zoom meetings and learning sessions for you our SeniorNet members.

Here is how to get and install zoom for all platforms

<https://www.rymanhealthcare.co.nz/coronavirus-updates/zoom-how-to>

This link is to a lovely e-magazine called Hibernate, enjoy clicking around exploring this one

<https://www.rymanhealthcare.co.nz/hibernate>

And another to explore, enjoys receipts, poems and tech tips here

<https://www.rymanhealthcare.co.nz/wellness>

Look forward to seeing you at our Zoom Members meeting.

Any questions or queries about Ryman Healthcare or Julia Wallace you can e-mail me at chrissy.thompson@juliawallace.co.nz

Or just send me an e-mail with any feedback on these links.

Regards Chrissy Thompson



Some of our Members present at the AGM meeting

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Membership Renewal

We are thrilled that, despite the current situation, members continue to renew their annual membership. **"We say a big thank you"**.

If you haven't renewed yet, it's still \$35 (\$60 for a couple) for the 2020 year. While you can't drop into The Learning Centre to pay right now, we encourage you to use Internet Banking, to continue your involvement with SeniorNet Manawatu.

Our Account is still: **Westpac Account 03-1522-0037067-00**

Thank you for your ongoing support – it's very important to us and very much appreciated.



Check Your Bank Statements Carefully

Recently I was phoned by my bank to say there were unusual transactions on my credit card account. Had I made any purchases from the Philippines? **I had not!**

When I inspected my statement there were 13 charges from the same company on the same day. Almost all of them were for the same amount, \$173.54.

Fortunately, after completing a dispute form the charges will be reversed.

I am glad the bank was vigilant because each month I tend to pay the amount owing without question. In future I will inspect the statement closely.

Mike Lawrence



Missing Operatunity Concerts !

then Visit You Tube

"Operatunity Happiness Half Hour"

or Operatunity Website

<https://www.operatunity.co.nz/>

A good photography course:

That has very good explanations in the different aspects of photography. It is easy to dip into whichever topic the is of interest as the course is in ten parts on YouTube

Chris Bray has a good presentation style that covers all the salient with good analogies to make it easy to remember

Preview YouTube video Learn Photography - Simple, Practical - Free Photography Course 1/10

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ujaCbzLwuB8&list=PLG3eOzJfQr2e2OD4W0GmcSpO5oZ-c5Flu>

Kevin Fletcher



Course Structure:

- 1- Intro & Background ✓
- 2- Basic Photography
- 3- Composition
- 4- Exposure
- 5- Aperture & Depth of Field
- 6- Shutter Speed & Movement
- 7- ISO
- 8- Lighting
- 9- Lenses
- 10- Practical Photography



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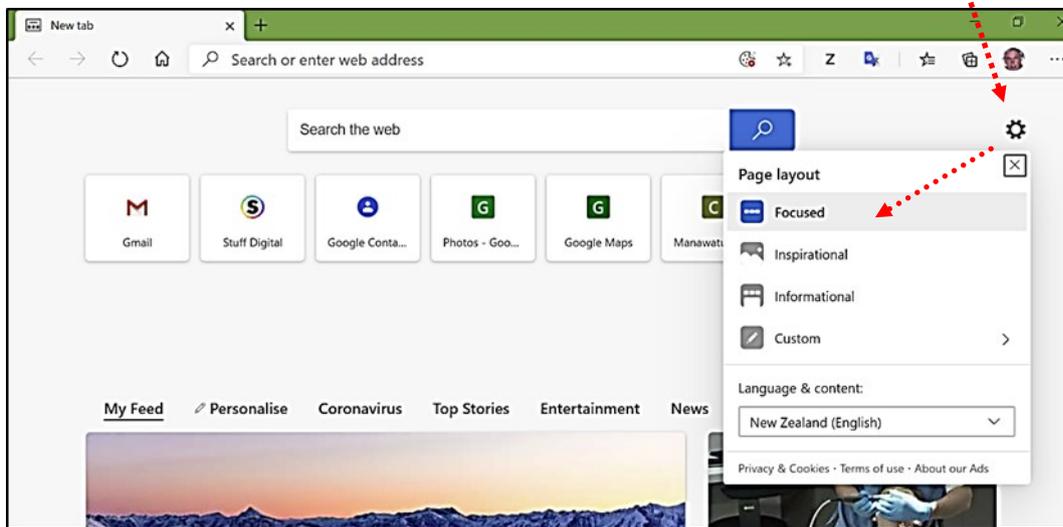
This new program is being offered as an update for the Windows 10 current Edge Browser. There is a choice. *Eventually it will become standard.* The browser is proving to be a great improvement over the last Edge browser and would appear to be worth trialling as an alternative to Google Chrome. Microsoft has completely rebuilt their Edge browser using Chromium source code developed by Google. It is also available now as an app for **iOS and Android** devices via the **App Store**.



Here is an insight into some of the new features!

This is the Edge screen when Edge first opens:

Click on the gear icon to change the page layout



Click the 3 Dots (...) top Rt Corner to locate the settings panel

Tracking:
You are able to select levels of security
Basic, Balanced or Strict

Tracking prevention

Websites use trackers to collect info about your browsing. This info is used to improve site and show you content like person. Some trackers collect and send your info to sites you haven't visited. [Learn more](#)

Tracking prevention

Basic

- Allows most trackers across all sites
- Content and ads will likely be personalized
- Sites will work as expected
- Blocks known harmful trackers

Balanced (recommended)

- Blocks trackers from sites you haven't visited
- Content and ads will likely be less personalized
- Sites will work as expected
- Blocks known harmful trackers

Strict

- Blocks a majority of trackers from all sites
- Content and ads will likely have minimal personalization
- Parts of sites might not work
- Blocks known harmful trackers

Settings

Search settings

- Profiles
- Privacy and services
- Appearance
- On startup
- New tab page
- Site permissions
- Downloads
- Languages
- Printers
- System
- Reset settings
- Phone and other devices
- About Microsoft Edge

Your profile



Personal

Microsoft Edge

Sync is on

- Manage account
- Sync
- Passwords
- Payment info
- Addresses and more
- Import browser data
- Multiple profile preferences

**Microsoft Edge
Just Got Better With Chromium**



Visit You Tube, for more information:

"Microsoft Edge Just Got Better With Chromium"

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PIZkkBRrncb>

Typing Tricks from our last Zoom meeting



To select Text

With the mouse put the cursor at the beginning of the area to be selected then Press and hold the left mouse button and move the cursor to highlight the text to be selected

or hold down **Shift + Arrow Right** from the start of the text to be selected

To Copy

Select the Item that is to be copied and press **Ctrl + C**

(When you copy text from any source, programs will usually include any formatting that comes with it.)

To Paste

To paste what was copied place the cursor where the item is to be pasted and press **Ctrl + V**

When you copy text from any source, programs will usually include any formatting that comes with it.

To paste this as Plain text, press **Ctrl + Shift + V**

and the system will paste unformatted text.

This also works on Mac: **Cmd + Shift + V**.

Note that many but not all programs follow this parameter, particularly Microsoft programs like Word or Outlook don't, which is annoying.

There are a few alternatives that go beyond copying and pasting

Ctrl + Alt + V will show a 'paste special' dialog box.

Ctrl + Spacebar will remove formatting in already pasted text.

Use Notepad: Open notepad then past text into notepad to clean up the text then select and copy text from notepad and past into Word or Outlook

Delete an entire word

Pressing **Ctrl + Backspace** will delete the entire word behind the cursor.

Moving the Cursor

To Move cursor to beginning of the next or previous word moving the cursor around manually while typing is a great way to make your work take longer than it needs to. To speed up the process, move the cursor around with keyboard shortcuts.

To move it to the beginning of the previous word, use **Ctrl + Left Arrow**.

To move it to the beginning of the next word, use **Ctrl + Right Arrow**.

In macOS you can accomplish the same using the Option key.

To select words/paragraphs as you're going, hold **Shift + Ctrl + Arrow** (up or down will select entire bodies of text).

Emoji's Emoji keyboard if you're addicted to using emoji, **Windows Key + (period)** 😊 😄

On macOS **Cmd + Control + Spacebar**.

An Emoji panel will appear so you can carry on as usual using all the expressions you want.

Link to Windows 10 short cuts

<https://support.microsoft.com/en-nz/help/12445/windows-keyboard-shortcuts>

Provided by Kevin Fletcher