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From the President's Perch

August month was! Was once again, interrupted by Covid-19. Due to the restrictions imposed by Alert Level 2, and our concerns for everybody's health, we decided to curtail our physical meetings and groups. We will continually review this, but while we are at Level 2 we may need to sit this out for a while.

We have been continuing our Zoom 'Tech Chat' sessions on Friday afternoons. We usually have a topic to kick start the proceedings. We had a great session discussing scam emails using Jan's example as a 'good' scam, with a brilliant response. We also looked at the COVID Tracer smartphone app. It's a great way to keep tabs on where you've been, and we recommend you use it if you have a smartphone. Talk to us if you need help with that.

Going forward we may start doing some more activities using Zoom. Any suggestions for topics will be welcomed.

As you may remember the SeniorNet Federation is working on a project to test out how we could run a Virtual Learning Centre. Three of us have volunteered as tutors. We may need an audience to practice on... You have been warned.

Several of us were involved in the recent SeniorNet AGM, held using Zoom. This went well with over 60 people attending. The only change that will affect us is that the Federation has now decided to reduce the fees that we pay per member to belong to the Federation - that will add a small amount to our balance sheet which is always a good thing.

Let's hope that September, and Spring, give us more positive things to talk about.

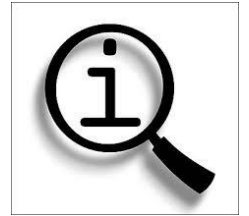
Keep Smiling!

John Gibsone. President



The wise old Owl

From our 'Quite Interesting' Department:



In our Tech Chat Zoom session on 28 August, we took a look at some 'Dope Tech' (Dope means 'fantastic' these days). These are videos from YouTube presenter Marques Brownlee. The links are given below - you can just click these links if you are reading this on your screen (if you printed it out this will make a good typing test!)

The first video shows 3 items, the first is a new charging pad for smartphones; the second is a projector with a major twist; the third is a quick look at the new Samsung Galaxy Tab S7+ tablet device. It was the video projector that amazed us, so make sure you take a look at that.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5NNO5Kb-PZo>

The second video is a brief look at a new Microsoft device - the Surface Duo. This is a new Android smartphone from Microsoft that has a folding screen (actually two screens). It looks amazing as well.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DJyxwIGdl8Y>

Once you have studied these videos you can amaze your grandkids with your knowledge of the world they live in.



PalmyProud

Have you seen this quarterly publication?

Copies are available on line from the PN City Council website.



<https://www.pncc.govt.nz/news-events/palmyproud-magazine/#page>



"My email is down, so if you need to communicate with me, use this."

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Will you fall for fake news?

Kiwis are getting caught up on what's fact and what's fiction with 52 percent admitting they have fallen for fake news.

Click on the Links below.

[Your News Bulletin](#) is designed to capture people's attention and encourage them to go to **yournewsbulletin.co.nz**. Once there, you can test your knowledge, learn techniques and use the resources to have conversations with family and friends about misinformation

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Please don't forget our sponsors – they're important to SeniorNet and help us in many ways, including offering discounts to our members. They will all appreciate your support to help rebuild their businesses. Always show your membership card and ask if there's a discount – you might be rather surprised! One example is that the Noel Leeming discount extends well beyond computers to everything in their store!

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SeniorNet Calendar September 2020

2	SEP, WED	● 10am – 12pm	Tech Help [closed at Alert Level 2] Milson Community Centre
		● 10:30am – 12:30pm	SeniorNet Office [closed at Alert Level 2] Milson Community Centre
		● 1:30 – 3pm	iPad Interest group [closed at Alert Level 2] Milson Community Centre
4	SEP, FRI	● 1:30 – 3pm	Tech Chat via Zoom via Zoom meeting
6	SEP, SUN	● All day	Father's Day
9	SEP, WED	● 10am – 12pm	Tech Help [closed at Alert Level 2] Milson Community Centre
		● 10:30am – 12:30pm	SeniorNet Office [closed at Alert Level 2] Milson Community Centre
		● 1:30 – 3:30pm	Monthly Member's Meeting [closed at Alert Level 2] Milson Community Centre
11	SEP, FRI	● 1:30 – 3pm	Tech Chat via Zoom via Zoom meeting
16	SEP, WED	● 10am – 12pm	Tech Help [?] Milson Community Centre
		● 10:30am – 12:30pm	SeniorNet Office [?] Milson Community Centre
		● 11:30am – 1pm	SeniorNet Committee Meeting Milson Community Centre
		● 1:30 – 3pm	Android Interest Group - Back to Basics [?] Milson Community Centre
18	SEP, FRI	● 1:30 – 3pm	Tech Chat via Zoom via Zoom meeting
23	SEP, WED	● 10am – 12pm	Tech Help [?] Milson Community Centre
		● 10:30am – 12:30pm	SeniorNet Office [?] Milson Community Centre
		● 1:30 – 3pm	Lightbulb Lecture [?] Milson Community Centre
24	SEP, THU	● 1:30 – 2:30pm	Chat and coffee at Julia Wallace [?] Julia Wallace Retirement Village
28	SEP, MON	● All day	South Canterbury Anniversary Day (Canterbury)
30	SEP, WED	● 10am – 12pm	Tech Help [?] Milson Community Centre
		● 10:30am – 12:30pm	SeniorNet Office [?] Milson Community Centre

Remember: While we are at Alert Level 2 this schedule is tentative. For the latest schedule of information, please refer to the Calendar at:

<http://seniornet.inspire.net.nz/calendar.html>



Operatunity is once more unable to present their day time Concerts due to the Covid lockdown. Instead they are again presenting the "Operatunity Happiness Half Hour" on YouTube

You can visit "Operatunity Happiness Half Hour" on YouTube or from the Operatunity Website <https://www.operatunity.co.nz/>

It is worth a visit to see how they were able to produce the Concerts with the artists in different places using a Video Communications program such as Zoom or Skype. The improvements over the 20-concert series is great!

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