

Wavelength

Chairman's Report

At last things are warming up. Not just the weather but SeniorNet Marlborough Sounds.

Some of you may know that we have had an issue with the Wi-Fi signal at the Linkwater Hall. The signal comes from the school and we are just that bit too far away and not quite in 'line of sight', hence the weak signal.

As part of the ongoing expense associated with the move from St Lukes we now have to buy the necessary equipment to boost the signal.

You will be aware that as technology accelerates the need to connect to the internet also increases so the expense is a necessity if we are to continue to function effectively. Once operational we will be able to offer courses and workshops which can only be done with an internet connection.

The smartphone/tablet workshops, both at Linkwater and Picton continue to be popular and it seems a shame that we have had no response from the Havelock area. We are willing and able to run similar workshops at Havelock if there is any interest.

Elsewhere in this newsletter you will find a list of the courses that we offer along with the name and contact number of the tutor. Give them a call if you are interested.

And at the risk of repeating myself, something I am somewhat prone to do, BACK UP. **Don't forget L.O.C.K.S.S.: "Lots Of Copies Keep Stuff Safe."**



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Special points of interest:

- Contact our Course Organisers for info on upcoming courses.
- Current Committee is listed on back page. Please contact any member with comments or suggestions.
- Newsletter inputs are due to John Wright; johnbp.wright@gmail.com by the 12th of each month.

"I needed a password eight characters long so I picked Snow White and the Seven Dwarves." [Nick Helm](#)

SeniorNet DIG (Photographers' Group)

The topic for this month was "Look Down". Here is a selection.

The Camera Club will have their monthly meeting at Linkwater hall on Friday the 2nd of September at the usual time of 1.30 pm. The topic for next month is, **"Opposites"**.



"A Repeat of a Popular Course"

Following a full course in August another "Saving, Filing and Archiving Photos" will be held on September 13. 1:30p.m. to 4:30 p. m. There are still a couple of vacancies. First in will get the places. **Phone Donald 574 2326**



Windows 10

In the last newsletter we asked who would be interested in a workshop on Windows 10. Only one person replied. Nelson SeniorNet ran a Windows 10 workshop in Richmond and so many members wished to attend (I counted 20 that I could see in the photo) that they had to turn people away. This suggests that either all our members are experts at using Windows 10 or they don't know what they are missing when using this operating system.

Here is a short, yes/no, questionnaire about Windows 10 so you can check for yourself how well you know the system.

1. Are you able to find the "Settings" menu?
2. Do you understand what choices the "Settings" menu will give you?
3. Can you find the "Control Panel"?
4. Can you select a picture of your choice for the screen background?
5. Could you swap Edge for Internet Explorer?
6. Do you know how to show windows apps side by side, or stacked?
7. Could you find the "Task Manager"?
8. Do you understand the function of "Windows Defender" and how to check it is up to date?
9. Have you created a "Recovery Drive"?
10. Can you find and use "Systems Restore"?
11. How do you pin applications to the "Task Bar" for quick access?
12. Can you find and use the Search function?
13. Do you know how to change the way File Explorer is shown?
14. Do you know how to use W10 to back up your files?
15. Do you know how to highlight a webpage using Edge?
16. Can you view basic information about your computer?
17. Do you know how to uninstall a program?
18. Can you set a default program?
19. Can you give a meaningful name to a flash drive?
20. Can you use the snipping tool?

Score 15 out of 20 for a pass mark

Interested in a Windows 10 workshop. **Phone 574 2326** to record your interest.

Handy tips about the browser Chrome

Chrome is the internet browser owned by Google. To download it if not automatically available on your device, search for 'Chrome browser' or 'Chrome download'. Alternatively go direct to <https://www.google.com/chrome>

2. Perform a calculation: In Chrome's "omnibox" (generally known as the address box), you can enter a mathematical calculation such as 60×60 , and the result will appear even before you press Enter, in a dropdown below the omnibox. You can also ask things like "how many ounces in a cup" or "how many liters in a gallon" to get instant answers without leaving the page.

3. Quickly enter a web address: For example, type amazon in the omnibox and press Ctrl-Enter. Chrome will add the "www." and the ".com" and whisk you away to www.amazon.com.

4. Direct site search: - Start typing yahoo in Chrome's omnibox. Before you even get to the letter "h" you will see "Press (tab) to search Yahoo!" at the far right end of the omnibox. Press the Tab key and suddenly you are searching only within Yahoo. You just skipped Yahoo's home page and typing your query into its search box. Chrome maintains a list of "search engines" where this shortcut works, including Bing, eBay, Yahoo, and Wikipedia. To see the rest, go to the "Search" section of Chrome's Settings and click on the button labeled "Manage search engines." You can change your default search engine; modify or delete search engine entries; and way down at the bottom of the list you'll find a form where you can add your own searchable site that you search often. Note that it can be a news or shopping or any other kind of site, as long as it has a "search" box of its own. This feature is also sensitive to sites you often use. I've noticed that as soon as I type the letter "a" in the omnibox, it shows "Press (tab) to search askbibrankin.com".

5. Find your downloads: Have you ever downloaded something, and then couldn't find it? Press Ctrl-J and Chrome will open a new tab showing all your recent

downloads. From there, you can open the downloaded file, or view the folder where it resides.

6. Restore a tab: Have you ever closed a tab by accident? That can be annoying, especially if it was a website that required a login, and you had navigated through several pages already. You don't have to redo all that work -- just press Ctrl-Shift-T and the tab will reopen, right where you left off. This is one of my favorite time savers in Chrome.

7. Multiple Windows For Related Tabs: Have you ever gotten so many tabs opened in Chrome that it's hard to keep track of them or even read their labels? Just open new Chrome windows (copies of Chrome), then drag-and-drop related tabs into separate windows. Click the triple-line icon in Chrome's upper-right corner and select "New Window" to open one. Switch back to your overcrowded window and use your mouse to drag and drop the tab to the new window. You can now organize many tabs in many windows, with their label fully viewable. This works especially well on dual-monitor systems, but you can still have multiple browser windows on a single screen. (Use Alt-Tab to switch between open windows.)

8. Add a bookmarks: That little star at the far right end of the omnibox is a quick way to add a new bookmark. Just click it to add the current web page address to the last bookmark folder you used, or select another from the list of recent folders.

9. Zoom in or out quickly: Press and hold the Ctrl key while rolling the mouse wheel up or down. You'll zoom in or out on the current page; very handy for pages where the font is too small, or if you have limited vision. Using the Ctrl key along with the plus or minus key has the same effect. To return to the default zoom state, press Ctrl-0 (that's a zero).

10. Translate whatever you want: You don't have to depend on Chrome to ask if you want a page translated. Go download and install the [Google Translate extension](#). Now you can highlight any text in your Chrome browser, click on the Translate icon, and there's your translation (or a reasonable approximation).

With thanks to Malcolm Garrett and Motueka Newsletter.

**Marlborough Sounds Community
Vehicle Trust**

**The purpose of the trust is to carry residents of
the Sounds to medical appointments in**

NELSON

Should you not be able to drive to Nelson, for whatever reason, the Trust will transport you and any helper that you may need to Nelson for any medical appointment.

**To qualify you will need to be a member of the
Trust and this will cost \$15.00 per annum.**

Each journey will cost \$40.00 per person return.

We will pick-up anywhere along Queen Charlotte Drive and anywhere along State Highway 6 by arrangement.

**Should you wish to know more, wish to join the
Trust, or need to book a ride, please call.**

035741311

or e-mail

soundsvehicle@gmail.com

**(Please note this is not a medical vehicle and is purely for
transportation to and from Nelson).**

HARCOURTS MARKET WATCH:

Shows record sales in March with strong sales volumes continuing in April/May. Despite rising prices, buyers have not been put off, indicating that prices will remain strong.

For a Free, No Obligation Appraisal of your property – Contact either Brenda Davey, Ash Davey or Carolyn Burn on

Ph 03 573 6699, 36 High Street, Picton

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SeniorNet Marlborough Sounds Course Timetable for 2016.

If you are interested in any courses shown below, please contact the tutors direct and discuss with them suitable dates and venues. This allows those interested in a course to work out dates and times that will avoid other commitments. Full course descriptors will be available

September/October

Geo Cache using Tablets or Smartphones: “Learn how to be part of this popular worldwide activity in NZ, and the world . A great activity to enjoy with grandchildren, and heaps of fun for yourself . All you need is your smartphone or tablet. Hint: there is a hidden cache near our learning centre and thousands of others throughout NZ. A two hour course. ”	Gary Graham Phone 03 574 2548
Photo Story: Create a slide show for your photos. This free program provides numerous way to transition from one slide to another and allows you to add music, narration and captions to the presentation. Great for showing off special events; holidays, weddings, grandchildren etc. The course is for four hours with a break for lunch.	Donald McIver Phone 03 574 2326
Getting the most from your Flash drive plus CD/DVD burning. A two part course, firstly using the Flashdrive as a means of moving files from one computer to another and secondly, using CDs or DVDs to keep a copy of important documents. The course is for two hours.	Bryan Strong Phone 03 574 1311
Desktop publishing using Scribus. A free publishing programme This free software is invaluable for creating documents where flexible setting out is important such as in manuals, biographies, cook books, articles etc.	Brian Cameron Phone 03 574 2267

Computer housekeeping. Keeping your computer tidy and running faster Basically, you'll be keeping your computer in good running order by giving it a regular “wash & brush-up”. If you do this regularly – and the frequency is a reflection of how much use your computer gets – it keeps the machine running smoothly and minimises e-infections. You'll possibly have seen this process referred to as “optimising your computer”. Three Hours	To be arranged. Contact : Donanld McIver Phone 03 574 2326
Internet Banking. Learn how to bank safely. “What is Online Banking”, “How to keep safe online”, “How to register and login”, “How to complete transactions online”. And an appreciation of how Online Banking works together with hands-on practice using the “Westpac One” Online Banking program Two Hours	Brian Cameron Phone 03 574 2267
Spicing up Microsoft Word. Learning how to add photos, graphics, captions, tables, create envelopes, labels and a whole host of things that will make your letters and other publications come alive. The course is for three hours.	Bryan Strong Phone 03 574 1311
Working with Photos 2. Uses free software and a series of exercises to enable students to work with layers at an advanced level. Students wishing to take this course must have first completed Working with Photos I. Four hours with a break for lunch.	Donald McIver Phone 03 574 2326



Instructions for SeniorNet Learning Centre

Manchester Unity and SeniorNet - Promotion

Background

SeniorNet and Manchester Unity are working together to support and motivate Manchester Unity's Members to enjoy and use technology.

Offer

Manchester Unity will run a 6-month campaign providing a \$10.00 voucher to its members to redeem at a SeniorNet Learning Centre for any of the services on offer – either as a part payment of an annual subscription or toward funding a course or workshop for the member.

The offer commences on 1 September 2016.

Instructions and Process

1. Members of Manchester Unity will approach you to use any of the SeniorNet services. Please answer their queries and support their decision-making.
2. Please ask for the voucher issued by Manchester Unity. The voucher is issued directly to Manchester Unity Members.
3. List the member's name and membership number, as printed on the voucher.

Each month invoice Manchester Unity for direct payment to your Learning Centre's bank account. Send the list with the invoice to accounts@manchesterunity.org.nz

Payment related questions

For any questions, contact Rebecca Howard, accounts@manchesterunity.org.nz.

Picton Healthcare Pharmacy

6 High Street,

Picton

Ph 573 6420

Fax 573 8942

email: pharmacy@pictonhealthcare.co.nz



Now also with our new branch

Picton Medical Centre Pharmacy

conveniently located in the Medical Centre

114 High Street,

Picton.

Phone 928 4265

Fax 573 7904

SeniorNet Committee:

The following people are your SeniorNet officers and committee. Please contact any one of them if you have any comments or questions.

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A note for Members:

- Don't forget this is your newsletter therefore it would be nice to have some input from you.
- Just send an item to me and I will consider it for inclusion.
- I realise our membership is small here in Marlborough Sounds but without your help we don't have a newsletter.
- What about your own profile? What would you like to see happening etc etc?
- Editor

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