

Wavelength

Chairman's Report

Greetings
It seems that the weather is cooling down (just a bit) although the need for rain is still paramount.

At Senior Net the weather, hot or cold, has not been our issue. The move to the Linkwater Hall has taken longer than we envisaged but we are nearly there. Look out for some e-mail announcements in the near future.

As mentioned in the previous Newsletter, we are setting up some workshops; to start with in Picton for those with **iPad and iPhones**. The idea is that if you would like to know more about your device and all (or some) of the multitude of things that you could use them for you can join a group of like-minded people and learn from each other. One of our more learned people will be there to guide the session and offer help.

If you are interested please phone Forbes Wilson on 573 6299 to arrange a time and date. We will be meeting at the former Medical Centre next to the Library.

We are also intending to offer similar sessions for those with an **Android tablet or smart phone** at Linkwater, Picton and/or Havelock. If you are interested in one of those sessions call me, Bryan Strong on 574 1311 to arrange a time, date and venue.

I have left the most important thing to last.

A welcome aboard and onto the committee to Marie Joyce and Philip Middlemiss both from Picton. They are an important addition to the committee with the experience and local knowledge they will bring. We need representation from Picton which, after all, has the largest concentration of population in the Sounds and where we should and shall be running workshops and courses in the future.

Just a reminder that subscriptions are now due.

\$20 for a single and \$30 for a couple while the cost for courses and workshops will remain at \$5 per hour. You will find our Internet Banking number in the back page of this newsletter or you can pay our Treasurer, Brian Cameron whose number and address you will also find there.

And remember – No one was born knowing how!

Regards Bryan



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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 15th of each month.**

SeniorNet DIG.

That is short for Digital Imaging Group or the Camera Club. This month we set out on quite an adventure. With a couple of native Havelock guides we set out to walk along **the mole**. This runs along the far side of the marina. Yvonne knew a short cut to the track so that saved us starting from the cemetery. The mole has been well planted with native shrubs and these are now well established and along with a tidal area provide a haven for a large and varied population of birds.

There was also much activity to be seen in the marina area with mussel barges and logging barges coming and going regularly. Plenty to photograph, but quite far enough for SeniorNetters so we were glad to relax with a cup of coffee at the Slip Inn



Digital Imaging Group



Mussel Barge

When our new set up is complete in the Linkwater Settlers Hall there will be plenty of interesting photos to look at. Included is a photo of the intrepid group members --- 5 plus the man behind the camera – as well a heavily laden mussel barge entering Havelock. (Sorry about the hats and the lack of flash)

Like to join us next time? Phone June 5741311

Two more photographs from Dig. Dramatic Light and Diffused light.

Both photos are by Sigrid and are part of the studies we did on light last year.



SOME REASONS WHY YOU SHOULD TAKE A SENIORNET CLASS

1. Save time. SeniorNet tutors have spent time exploring how to get the best out of any piece of software and know how it ticks and all the tricks.
2. Avoid the frustration of trying to find out how things work on your own.
3. With many courses you get a manual/notes written specially for our age group. This has been designed by someone with knowledge of the subject plus teaching skills and has been revised in the light of experience. The author will belong to any of the eighty plus SeniorNets in NZ.

4. A tutor can quickly point you in the right direction if you have problems with particular skills or concepts.
5. You get instant feedback from a real person rather than waiting for a response from a web site that doesn't know you or see your problem.
6. Learn in a pleasant environment in the company of others with similar interests and a tutor who is sympathetic, understanding and will bend over backwards to help.
7. There are no tests and students have nothing to prove.
8. You are in one of these categories: In the prime of life or upwards: Any ethnicity: Handicapped.
9. Fees are low because tutors are volunteers.

SeniorNet Gossip---- Shocking Stuff

I'll bet that title got your attention. I ask the question, are you a player or do you sit in the members stand? We love to hear you when you cheer us on but we become disheartened when you boo. Oh yes, we know some of you do!



Of course it is easy to criticize from the side line or the members stand and difficult to play the game without being criticized, especially if you are playing an eleven man game with just eight players. Here at SeniorNet Marlborough Sounds we on the committee feel very much like a team playing several members short. Occasionally we will drop the ball. You know the old saying, "If you haven't made mistakes then you probably haven't made anything."

We know it is easy to find fault with our performance but few have offered to join our team. Take the annual meeting for example. Only two community minded ladies out of an attendance of twenty five offered to help, but not one volunteered to join your committee team.



Even one more player for our team would help tremendously. You don't have to know much about technology, although a little would help. We have some great coaches. Come and join us! D.W.

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Scam alert – Txt message to mobile phones

The Consumer Protection team at Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment is warning all mobile phone users of a phishing scam targeting bank customers in Australia and New Zealand. This scam started in Mid-February, so be on the alert.

TXT messages containing URLs (web addresses) that direct users to a fake mobile banking website, are collecting personal information and banking credentials.

Scammers are constantly changing the message, using different bank names and URL's. Websites are almost indistinguishable from the real ones.

The advice is not to open SMS texts or emails from unknown or suspicious sources.

The following screenshot are examples of fake ANZ websites.



Protect yourself:

- ◆ Never enter your personal details into a website unless you are sure it is genuine.
- ◆ Check website addresses carefully. If they're similar to a genuine company's URL, but not quite right, be wary.
- ◆ Never visit your bank's website by clicking on a link - type in the website address yourself.
- ◆ Don't give out account details over the phone unless you made the call and you trust that the number you called is genuine. Ask for a name and number so you can call them back, and check that number against a number you know to be genuine.
- ◆ Check your account statements and credit card bill to make sure no-one is accessing your accounts. Order a credit report every year to make sure no-one is using your name.

From Gizmo newsletter.

Your Last Will and Testament

There is every likelihood you've got this sorted.... or have you?

Almost certainly you have taken time and effort to define in great detail how your personal assets are to be distributed when you die, even down to the crystal vase on the mantelpiece. But do you have any statements referring to your digital property. This includes:

☒ Your hardware

- Computers
- Phones
- Cameras
- Flash Drives
- External Hard Drives

☒ Your documents and photos

- Where they are saved
- Who should have access to them
- What needs to be disposed or saved
- ☐ Access to your online accounts
- Social Media (Facebook etc...)

○ Banking and Investment

- The numerous sites you have signed up to

If it hasn't crossed your mind until now you're not alone, most of the population of the world happens to be in the same situation. It's creating daily mayhem for lawyers all around the world. The thing is there's no legal process capable of handling access issues to your documents and online accounts. It would seem flouting the law by divulging usernames and passwords in the will might be the only answer for now.

I guess the last thing you want to happen is to be on your death bed thinking what to do about this, so maybe give it some thought now?

In respect to Facebook there is a very sensible way to deal with your account with them. In advance of your death nominate a Legacy Contact, a responsible person you can trust to memorialise your account upon your death. It will be frozen at that time with the word "remembered" inserted on the homepage. Far better to do this than allow your Facebook site to roll on when you're dead!!

From Gizmo NL

HARCOURTS TIPS TO SELLING YOUR PROPERTY

For Top Tips on the best time of the year to sell, how to prepare, style and present your property for sale and how to choose your salesperson, email us on:

enquiries.picton@harcourts.co.nz

For a Free, No Obligation Appraisal of your property contact us on:

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Subscription Fees

Just a reminder that subscription fees are now due. \$20 for a single and \$30 for a couple.

(See Chairman's Report on how to pay)

Linkwater Hall (Work in progress)

Below is a cell phone photo of a working bee at the Linkwater Hall. It shows the new fold down tables in place. There is still much to be done but progress is being made. The tables have been made out of the former cabinets at St Luke's Church hall. June and Brian (Cameron) are seen enjoying a tea break. Bryan (Strong) and handy man Greg planning the next steps in the background. Power points are still to be installed and the large screen attached to the wall above the tables.



Interesting historic trivia of phrases that you likely didn't know . . .

- ◆ In the late 1700's, many houses consisted of a large room with only one chair. Commonly, a long wide board folded down from the wall, and was used for dining. The 'head of the household' always sat in the chair while everyone else ate sitting on the floor. Occasionally a guest, who was usually a man, would be invited to sit in this chair during a meal. To sit in the chair meant you were important and in charge. They called the one sitting in the chair the 'chair man.' Today in business, we use the expression or title '**Chairman**' or '**Chairman of the Board**.'
- ◆ Early politicians required feedback from the public to determine what the people considered important. Since there were no telephones, TV's or radios, the politicians sent their assistants to local taverns, pubs, and bars. They were told to 'go sip some Ale and listen to people's conversations and political concerns'. Many assistants were dispatched at different times. 'You go sip here' and 'You go sip there.' The two words 'go sip' were eventually combined when referring to the local opinion and, thus we have the term '**gossip**.' *Editor*
- ◆ Ladies wore corsets, which would lace up in

the front. A proper and dignified woman, as in '**straight laced**' wore a tightly tied lace.

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