

Newsletter July 2022

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From Sue

Hello everyone,

Once again SeniorNet Kapiti tutors have been reviewing the Term 3 timetable, and it's now published so check out below. This will help each of you to plan your 'winter learning' needs.

Please don't forget to take advantage of ½ price courses and workshops until the end of 2022.

As you may recall we *had* planned to celebrate SeniorNet Kapiti 25th Anniversary on 28 July. However with the Covid-19 numbers rising, the committee have decided to postpone this event. The tentative date is now 14 September, and may depend on the Covid-19 situation closer to that time, your health and that of our tutors is important to us. More below.....

SeniorNet Kapiti are having *Open Days* on Tuesday 26 July at Coastlands (9am to 4pm), followed by a session on Saturday 30 July (10am to 2pm) at the Learning Centre, 200 Matai Road. Details will be advertised on the radio and in the local newspaper. Please let your friends and neighbours know about this opportunity to find out more about SeniorNet Kapiti.

Well several weeks into their OE, Turkey has given our grandchildren even more energy to travel further afield! We are enjoying their summaries of the adventure they are on. Also the great photos they are sharing 'online' no need to email them! All the family are able to access them when and where they wish.

Remember if you're not sure how to set up an online chat, just let SeniorNet Kapiti know, so we can help get you set up.

Sue Connor

Chair, SeniorNet Kapiti Inc.



25th Anniversary Celebrations (postponed)

When we have the 25th Anniversary, it will be held at Anzil Restaurant, 111 Main Road, Lindale Village, Paraparaumu.

Starting at 1.30pm with formalities at 2pm. Which will be followed by an afternoon tea to celebrate SeniorNet Kapiti and you, our members and friends.

We're Looking for a Secretary – Can you help?

After the AGM, we find that we are in need of a Secretary (or minute taker). You do not need to be a member of the committee, so please get in touch if you have a morning free (9.30am to 12noon) on the second Thursday of each month. We are also keen to have more volunteers to join us at SeniorNet Kapiti. Lets get some of you younger members to join our current volunteers, at courses and workshops and enjoy the camaraderie and have fun at the same time.

We'd love to hear from you if you're interested, so don't be shy – get in touch with SeniorNet Kapiti to tell us more

Open Days – for all who are interested



Tuesday 26 July at Coastlands (9am to 4pm) and Saturday 30 July at the Learning Centre (10am to 2pm), 200 Matai Road, Raumati Beach.

Collected your Noel Leeming Discount Card Yet?

If you have not yet picked up your Noel Leeming card please ask for one when you are next at the Learning Centre, 200 Matai Road. The cards are free, and entitle you to preferential pricing when making a purchase(s) at Noel Leeming.

NetSafety Week

Netsafe are running a 'Netsafety' Week which will take place between 25 and 29 July 2022. There will be a variety of activities people can participate in. As the programme and activities for the week are finalised their website will be updated...

[netsafe – check out their website here](#)

5 tips to keep safe online

- 1 Keep it locked**

Get someone to help you set up a PIN or password to protect your phone, laptop and other devices, as well as all your accounts and the information contained in them.
- 2 Keep it private**

Don't share personal information like your address and phone number. Post but don't share your photos on social media/private or only people you want to see see what you share.
- 2 Keep it to yourself**

Something you do online leaves what's known as a digital footprint – a record of what you do online. Think very carefully before you say or post anything as you won't be able to stop other people viewing it – even those you don't know.
- 4 Keep it real**

Sometimes, people pretend to be someone else online. Check anyone who makes friends with you online to make they say they are. If you want to meet, ask someone you know to keep you safe too.
- 5 Keep it friendly**

The internet is just like real life:
 - Be kind
 - Be respectful
 - Be careful taking or sharing information with people you don't know.

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Call 0508 836 723 or email help@netsafe.org.nz for free help.

This year's Netsafety Week theme is:

Diversity Matters. Online Safety Done Together.

The week is about understanding different communities' online safety perspectives and promoting respect and positive relationships online. The goal? To create transformation online safety change for the people of Aotearoa / New Zealand and have our most inclusive and diverse conversations yet.

The internet has played a big part in keeping people connected over the past year – and that trend isn't slowing down anytime soon, stay safe online.

SeniorHangouts Assistance

We are here to help all those interested in [SeniorHangouts](#) to register if they have not yet done so. Anytime you are at SeniorNet Kapiti just ask one of the volunteers to help get you started.

Within SeniorHangouts, there are lots of earlier sessions that have been recorded. It certainly helps you if you have missed a session – its so easy to watch it later.... just log into [SeniorHangouts](#), select the session from the 'Library' tab (you can search for items). More details below...

Term 3 Courses and Workshops

SeniorNet Kapiti Term 3 timetable has been published, so why not book your next [course](#) or [workshop](#) now? Ensure you don't miss out on your next opportunity to do something different. Please call or text Elaine on **021 169 6256** to book your place on a course or workshop.

Please also call Elaine on **021 169 6256** if you are unable to attend a class that you have booked. It's difficult to tell people that courses or workshops are fully booked, only to find out that someone hasn't come along. So please let us know.

National Volunteer Week was held – 19-25 June

SeniorNet Kapiti, enjoyed a morning tea together with our volunteers at the Learning Centre. Morning tea was delicious and we enjoyed the company as well as sharing tips along with the upcoming Term's details.

Covid-19 Status – we are “Open for Business”

Under the traffic light system....

We are now at ORANGE.

The focus of this setting is to make life simple and close to normal but at the same time to retain the things that are most effective at reducing the spread of COVID-19 and protecting people – this is an essential shift from community protective measures to individual responsibility

As we now are at **Orange** you can expect things to be a little different at the Learning Centre;

- Tutors are all fully vaccinated
 - *SeniorNet Kapiti recommends that members keep all their vaccinations up to date*
 - For privacy reasons, **no** vaccination information has been retained by SeniorNet Kapiti
 - Masks are required to be worn in the Learning Centre based on the Traffic Light level at the time – the Lead Tutor is not required to wear a mask when teaching (there will be a 1m distance from participants)
 - Distancing is also one of the protective measures
 - Tutors will continue to be discouraged from handling members devices (laptops, smartphones etc)
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SeniorHangouts is Running – every day

SeniorHangouts is the online learning platform run by SeniorNet.

All current members of SeniorNet Learning Centres in New Zealand are welcome to participate (free).

With the recent launch of the new, integrated SeniorHangouts website, everyone is required to re-register. It's a super-simple process and our members are encouraged to join and participate – it's free to all SeniorNet Kapiti members

If you are interested in what's coming up next week (and every week), please use [this excellent site](#) (*thanks to SeniorNet Manawatu*) which is updated Sunday evening. It also includes direct links to the upcoming sessions – just click and go!

To watch old sessions, go to the [SeniorHangouts website](#), where you can watch previously held sessions in the extensive library on a wide variety of topics that may interest you. Why not invite one of your friends to a SeniorHangouts session and take the opportunity to meet, talk technology and socialise with other seniors.

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Happy Learning!