

SeniorNet Kapiti Inc

2023-2024 Annual Report



Dear Members of SeniorNet Kapiti,

Summary

I am pleased to present the Chairperson's Report. Reflecting upon the successful journey of SeniorNet Kapiti's commitment to help seniors with digital literacy skills has continued to expand, thanks to the dedicated efforts of the tutors, committee and members like you. Membership as at the end of the Financial Year 31 March 2024 was 299 (including 12 Honorary members.)

Courses and Workshops

In the past year we have run 76 courses and workshops helping 176 members build their technical confidence and learn more about their devices. We undertook 1472 learner hours of teaching during the year and received more than \$3028 in learner hour payments in reimbursement from The SeniorNet Federation.

SeniorNet Kapiti has maintained its reputation for well-run courses and workshops, offering a diverse range of topics that cater to the changing needs and interests of our members.

Highlights of the past year

1. A rewrite of our web page. Our website seniornetkapiti.nz has had a complete make over in this past year. Special thanks for this must go to Philip Glasson and Dave Woodward.
2. A review of our constitution to realign it with new statutory requirements. We had hoped to bring this new document to today's AGM but finalisation of this work has been delayed pending integration of the draft document into the template that the SeniorNet Federation has prepared.
3. The replacement of our aging video projector with a new 86" LG tv. We especially appreciate the funding support that we received from Grants For Good and Harvey Norman Ltd.
4. The introduction of new workshops:
 - a. About AI. These have proved to be very popular and interesting.
 - b. Allowing members to use the equipment at SeniorNet Kapiti to advance their projects or better understand how their technology works.
5. A midwinter social function for our members where we were treated to tasty soups and good company.

Facilities

In Kapiti we are very lucky to have access to this building and we are grateful to our landlord, the Kapiti Coast District Council, for its ongoing support and maintenance of the building. Our

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continued thanks to Barry Bailey for his tireless efforts liaising with the council and our volunteer Morven Patafilo who keeps the premises in excellent condition.

Committee

This past year has been a challenging year for your committee as we worked through:

- Changes to presentation of our name to include a macron over the A in Kāpiti.
- Updating our website.
- Revising our constitution.

As chair I can be thankful for the support and encouragement of all of the committee members as we have sort to resolve issues for the benefit of our membership. I would especially like to thank Patrick and Sue as they step down from the committee after many years of support.

Tutors

I would like to express my gratitude to our dedicated team of Tutors who have contributed their time and expertise to make SeniorNet Kapiti a success. This dedicated team is the key to our success among our members.

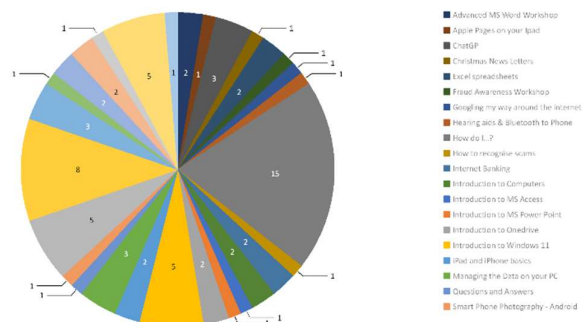
Concerns

Perhaps the biggest change facing SeniorNet Kapiti, and all SeniorNets in New Zealand, is the familiarity that potential members have in the capabilities of their technology. When SeniorNet was first introduced to New Zealand this technology was new and rapidly evolving into our lives. Today people coming out of the workforce are very familiar with many of the capabilities of this equipment both in their working and private lives.

SeniorNet Kapiti needs more enthusiastic tutors to lead our existing and new members to a new understanding of the potential this technology and its related equipment can have to enhance our everyday lives.

Peter Jones

Chairperson, SeniorNet Kapiti



Courses run during past year