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Notes from your Acting Chairman

Well, here we are at the end of a very strange year, and we can see the light at the end of the tunnel, although when we enter the light, on 15th December, what will we see and how will we cope with our new world will be interesting. The new Traffic Light system, dates when this can happen, and other freedoms at other dates, challenge us all.

As we all be aware, there will be no meetings of Papakura Senior Net until the new year. Covid has severely curtailed our ability to socialize and meet or conduct any form of meeting. This time it feels very different to 2020 lockdown and people's moods seem to be different.

How we will operate the Learning Centre in the New Year will be a challenge for us all. We shall be calling on all our members to offer their thoughts and support to move on.

How we deal with the vaccinated & unvaccinated will challenge us all. While it is still a choice to vaccinate or not, but with choices come consequences.

Let us all hope that we do not need to write or talk about Covid in the New Year.

I know that Tony has frequently mentioned in his Newsletter about the Federation's HANGOUT program. I have attended a few. You can be involved in a live session or a recorded session. There were a couple of sessions recently on Kit Cal. These is a program and a table to assist the senior seniors. The needs of 60 to 80 is very different to an 80 to a 100-year-old. The Kit Cal deals with the latter. There are some other very interesting sessions.

We will look at possible running these at the Learning Centre in 2022.

May we wish anybody who has been unwell or is still and those who have suffered a loss during these lockdown times our prayers & thoughts during these difficult and challenging times.

For those escaping Auckland, remember to download and take your Vaccine Passport plus mask and sanitizer and keep 2 metres apart. It will be interesting to learn of the Aucklanders reception from the rest of NZ., when start to move around the country.

A Merry Christmas to all and a Happy New Year to all.

David Miller

Acting Chairman,

SeniorNet Papakura



[*Special Interest Group Meetings*](#)

The next Special Interest Group meetings are anticipated to recommence next February

[*Camera and Photo Workshop Group*](#)

Third Thursday at 9.30am.

[*Genealogy Group*](#)

First Tuesday at 1.00pm.

[*Tuesday Tutorials*](#)

First and third Tuesdays from 10am to 12 noon.

[*Technical Interest Group*](#)

Second Wednesday at 12.30pm

[*Apple Mac Group*](#)

First, third and fourth (plus fifth depending on the calendar month) Thursday's
from 9.30am to 11.30am.

[*Link to SeniorNet Specials*](#)

Don't forget to regularly check the Federation website to find out what's going on in the rest of New Zealand.

<https://seniornet.co.nz/>



[*General Meetings.*](#)

Second Thursday at the SeniorNet Learning Centre, 57 Wood Street.

Subs. If you haven't paid your \$5.00 sub yet, please make an electronic payment to account number 12-3031-0270787-00. Please put your name and "subs" in the reference section of the payment.

Your Editors Waffle

It must be a sign of the current inactivity that your Editor is again writing about the SeniorNet Hangouts tutorials. I have watched some very informative sessions over the last month plus I noticed a couple of our members also taking part in the live sessions. The live talks are conducted on Zoom and then downloaded loaded to a Google website. The reference is in the Mailchimp newsletter of 14 November. As I have viewed some presentations, Google now sends me references to new, uploaded presentations to my Google address.

There was a very informative presentation on adding animation to PowerPoint presentations and although I didn't learn anything new about the programme, the presenter did show us some very good ways of enhancing a presentation, thus keeping your audience interested.

Also there have been several presentations by Westpac on internet banking and confidence to stay safe on line.

How did you get on downloading your Vaccination Pass? What is most confusing is the implied need for each family member to have a separate Email address. This is not essential, but the process is quite complicated for more than one person to use the one address. I found it quite involved to create this plus it was not easy to load onto my phone. I do have a paper copy and if you cut out the actual pass and fold it, it fits very neatly into a standard luggage label tag.

Finally, I wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and hope to see you all again in the New Year.



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