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### Editorial

Hi members,

It is a well-known fact that the best way to increase the membership of any organisation is to mobilize the energy and support of existing members. While we recognise that members will join SeniorNet to address a particular issue, for a variety of reasons we need to be actively endeavouring to increase our membership. As we no longer receive any financial support from the Government, membership and course fees become a focus of our financial viability. This is but one reason for the need to increase membership in addition to social interaction and increasing our knowledge.

My appeal to all members is therefore to "Share the good news". Since the beginning of this year in particular your very dedicated group of tutors have altered the focus of our teaching through our "What's New" approach giving smaller groups specific tuition to answer particular needs. This new strategy is clearly working as evidenced by the number of people attending one-off sessions on a variety of subjects. Details of this new approach have been advised earlier in the year, but are also included elsewhere in this Newsletter.

Now that this new strategy has shown itself to be successful we want you the members to not only take advantage of it – but to share the good news with your friends, so that we can all keep ourselves up to date. There are many things relating to our cell-phone or tablet that we don't know, or are too proud to admit to, to others. If you have a specific problem with your cell-phone, tablet or knowledge – you can be assured that you are not the only one in Rotorua with that problem. SeniorNet is the place to come to find the answers.

Meanwhile – Happy computing.

Bruce Scott  
Chairman

**PLEASE register for a class to help with tutor availability**

*Rotorua SeniorNet is just one of 75 local groups in the New Zealand Federation. If you would like to know more about what goes on elsewhere, OR what discounts or services are available to members, go to the Federation web site .*

The **next meeting** will be on  
Wednesday, 9 August, 2017, at Regency Park

2 pm  
"What's new with NOW"

*Adam Morrison, NOW internet provider*

2.30 pm  
What's New?.....Chromecast use

Followed by tea as normal



*We welcome the following  
to our club:-*

*Gwen Ross  
Sally Ah Chan  
Sue Hamlett  
Alison Anderson*

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## Course Organiser's comments.

Well, we are half way through the year. It's been a busy and exciting time for us tutors. You will have noticed that as well as having a new web site and changing the way you register for classes, we have increased the number of class option each month, as well as the topics and format of some. We also have a new data base system that allows us to turn attendance data into interesting information. So here is some of it.

So far we have had 161 students attend. But what have they been learning? Well the most popular classes have been the "drop in" sessions with 35.4% followed by the "How do I?" classes with 28.8%. The original "core" classes have only had 13%, and all "other" classes the same (13%). The class on "intro to smart phones" stands out with 9.9% .

What does that tell us, the tutors? Obviously the recent focus on mobile devices has been correct. If we add together all the attendances relating to mobile devices, participation was at 46% of total attendances. So yes, we will continue to deliver classes relating to mobile devices.

BUT....if you are serious in your use of computer technology, then you also need to develop your skills in other areas such as keyboard familiarity (yes, we still get people not knowing where @ is ), typing (that's word processing), simple spreadsheets (budgeting skills come from that), and all the ways you can obtain, enhance, and compile your images into presentation packages for the family to admire. So don't forget the more mentally challenging classes!

**Now, what else would you like to learn? Tell us.** We may soon need to treat our new car as a mobile computer, just as the digital camera revolution has put a computer into each little camera. The car systems will be combinations of computers, Smart phones and cameras all rolled into one! Just as well car driving will be hands free....you can then spend your time en route with the rest of the electronic wizardry that will be there. Now, how soon can they put in microwaves in the back seat area together with the fridge?

Fanciful? NO! Just not yet.

In the meantime, if you have any queries, comments or complaints, address them to:

JAZ (07 3459056) [jamzab@xtra.co.nz](mailto:jamzab@xtra.co.nz)

**PLEASE register on line or by phone in advance.**

**We can put on extra classes , but we cannot expand our room size!**

<b>Classes August (as at 1/8/17)</b>					
Drop-in computers	4	Friday 10-12 am	1	Donation	Jaz 345 9056
Intro to computing	7/14/21/28	Monday 10-12 am	4	\$20	Bert Harris 357 2292
Files and Folders	21/28	Monday 2-4 pm	2	\$10	Denise Weatherall 348 9924
Computer health	18	Friday 2-4 pm	1	\$5	Jaz 345 9056
Computer safety	25	Friday 2-4	1	\$5	Jaz 345 9056
Intro to Spread sheets	22/29	Tuesday 2-4 pm	4	\$20	David Thornly 349 3719
Monthly social & What's new	9	Wednesday 2-4 pm		Free	
Committee meeting	9	Wednesday 10-12 am			
Smartphone camera use	31/7 Sept	Thursday 10-12 am	2	\$10	John Somerville 562 4564
How do I –set up apps?	17	Thursday 10-12 am	1	\$5	John Somerville 562 4564
How do I – make contact?	10	Thursday 10-12 am	1	\$5	Keith Garratt 357 2020
How do I - set up my email	11	Friday 10-12 am	1	\$5	John Somerville 562 4564
Intro to Facebook	16/23	Wednesday 10-12 am	2	\$10	Denise Weatherall 348 9924
How do I – get news & weather	2	Wednesday 10-12 am	1	\$5	John Somerville 562 4564
Tutors monthly meeting	24	Thursday 2-4 pm			Jaz 345 9056
Drop-in phones & tablets	25	Friday 10-12 am	1	Donation	Denise Weatherall 348 9924
<b>Classes September</b>					
Drop-in computers	1	Friday 10-12 am	1	Donation	Jaz 345 9056?
Word continued	5/12/19	Tuesday 10-12 am	3	\$15	Judy Somerville 357 2292
Intro to Android tablets	14/21	Thursday 2-4 pm	2	\$10	Denise Weatherall 348 9924
Intro to Android Smart Phones	4/11	Monday 10-12 am	2	\$10	Keith Garratt 357 2020
Using the internet	20/27	Wednesday 2-4 pm	2	\$10	Denise Weatherall 348 9924
Monthly social & What's new	13	Wednesday 2-4 pm		Free	
Intro to iPad/iPhone	18/25	Monday 10-12 am	2	\$10	Waitsu Wu 02102543473
eBooks	20/27	Wednesday 10-12 am	2	\$10	John Somerville 562 4564
How do I..get travel info	15	Wednesday 10-12 am	1	\$5	John Somerville 5623 4564
How do I- get about/maps	8	Friday 10-12 am	1	\$5	Keith Garratt 357 2020
Tutors monthly meeting	28	Thursday 2-4 pm			Keith Garrett 357 2020
Drop-in phones & tablets	22	Friday 10-12 am	1	Donation	Denise Weatherall 348 9924
<b>Please refer to web for latest schedules</b>					

**SeniorNet has several sets of speakers that came with class computers.  
Never used.  
These are now surplus to requirements and are for sale.**

**Cost \$10 per pair.  
Contact Denise 348 9924 for further details.  
First come, first served!**

## Tips & Tricks ...more on security

This came from Mozilla recently.

Have you been hacked, or been the victim of malware or ransomware? Humans make the Internet vibrant, but we're also the weakest link — we're predictable and often easily fooled. [This episode](#) of IRL focuses on our Internet insecurity.

This is a podcast so you can listen to the story. But the transcript is also there. Its quite frightening as to what could happen....its not just your tutor's paranoia.

And on a lighter note....



**SCHOOL BUS IN JAPAN**



**SCHOOL BUS IN INDIA**



.....and which country do I get when I have a technical problem with my bloody computer?

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