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• **Genealogy**

Starting soon

A modern look at this popular hobby

with **Betty Carding**

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Jock Laidlaw, President

According to my latest PC Magazine, Microsoft is reported to be bringing forward to 2009 the launch date of Windows 7 Operating system.

We at SeniorNet have spent the last few months including most of the Christmas holidays, organising the latest operating system *Vista* on our new PC's, sourcing new manuals, up-skilling Tutors, etc, etc, and just when it's all coming together and looking good, it looks like we have it all to look forward to again next year which will soon

be upon us at the rate this year seems to be rocketing past. Of course, it could all be magazine talk, possibly is, but it goes on to say that Microsoft wants to speed up the turn round of operating systems, so we had better get used to it I suppose. Looks like we are in for a busy time at SeniorNet.

Service Pack One is now out for *Vista*, available on your PC in your updates. Doesn't seem to have created any great waves in PC circles but it's there for those who believe.

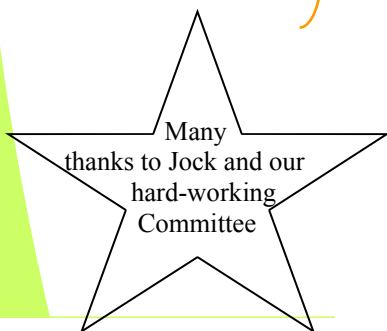
If you are one of the many AVG users among us, you probably know that AVG issued a new update to version 7.5—now Version 8 which was not free. They have now issued it as a Free version and it can be downloaded from their website www.grisoft.com. It is a

fairly large download—45MB but well worth the effort to have the latest virus checker from a well known and reputable company.

We are running some very good workshops and short courses at present. Our *'Vista Tips and Tweaks'* are certainly worth a visit for you *Vista* people. There is a lot more to *Vista* than you probably are aware of.

We are now well into the 2nd term of our year and again all is going well and credit to our Course Coordinating team, and to our hard working Tutors and their Assistants. We are very lucky to have such a talented team of volunteers in our organization. Many thanks to all of you.

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Our Annual General Meeting will be held this year on Thursday, 4 September at 2.00 o'clock at the Learning Centre, followed by afternoon tea for which we ask you to bring some food to share. This is a great opportunity for you to show us how well you can cook, even if you feel a bit of a dummy with the computer! (which we all did at some stage in our SeniorNet life).

I am always amazed at the quality of people who come forward to join and learn about computer skills. Making new friends and getting to know people is a well known spin-off to our classes.

We are lucky enough to have Grant Sidaway coming as our special guest at the AGM. Those who have heard Grant speak will know we are in for a very interesting afternoon - he is a great person to give us encouragement and to entertain us.

Of course, at an AGM there is always the boring stuff to be got through first, and this year we are making some changes to our Constitution and Rules and I am sure you will like to be part of this.

Official notice of the precise nature of these will come in our July newsletter so this is

just a little preliminary notice so that you can bone up your cooking skills and can make a note in your diary so that you don't book that holiday or your family don't present you with new grandchildren during that week.

You may like to think about putting your name forward for committee. These are annual appointments and it is good to have new people from time to time bringing their skills to our group.

Thank you to all who collect Kan Tabs for Starship hospital. This is a Rotary project and tabs from aluminium cans may



be left at the Learning Centre on the table. Each tab represents 2 seconds on a dialysis machine for a child with kidney failure. . Keep up the good work— each one makes a difference.

Thank you also to those who let me have items for *The Last Word*. Your interest is always appreciated.

Betty Carding

Would you like to personalize your emails with your own animated signature? To have your signature look as if you are really writing?

If so, you could learn to do that and other animation exercises with different images in our

Animation Workshop

4 wk course.

So think about it as another way to use our amazing computers

page 3 has details to enroll

Welcome to our new Members

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| Patrick J Browne | Hamish McPhail |
| Marion Francis | Mary McIndoe |
| Robyn Phillips | Shirley Eaton |
| Val Perry | Beth Donnell |
| Ernestine Fincham | Valerie Clarkson |
| Joan Richmond | Gordon Clarkson |
| Jocelyn Hall | Robert Walker |
| David Cormack | Maureen Taylor-Walker |
| Kathy Satherley | Alison Lovatt |
| Marcia Laird | Bev Wray |
| Jan Hickman | Allison Hammond |
| | Mary Selles |

Congratulations

To our Secretary
Betty Carding

On gaining her
National Certificate of Computing
Grade III

There are two theories to arguing with women—
neither one works!

We recommend

Herbert Harrison & Associates
for all your computer



Hardware | Software | Support

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for older people

Contact Marie @ 877 8409

for more information

From the Course Coordinator

Another term is on it's way and has started smoothly. It is amazing how quickly the terms roll by but we enjoy them and hope you do too.

At present we are preparing the manual for the next level of Vista which we hope to have available for teaching in Term 4.

If you have any queries about any of the courses, please do not hesitate to ring any of *The Team*

Betty Porter: 878 4370
Gaynor Maxted: 877 4138
Bill Morgan: 877 5636

Learning Centre: 877 2157

We have Call-minder so please leave a message

Saturday Practice for enrolled Beginners

You need to ring in to the Learning Centre or to our home lines by mid day on the previous Friday at the latest, if you wish to come. We are then able to procure a Tutor to help—otherwise there may not be anyone there to help you.

Betty Porter

WORKSHOPS

SKYPE: Broadband required: You can talk to other users using headphones and microphone. You can also ring land lines anywhere in the world for 3c per minute. 1 wk \$5.00

Windows Live Messenger

comes with Windows 1 wk \$5.00

TRADE ME: Showing you how to get into the biggest auction group in NZ 1 wk \$5.00

ESSENTIAL E- MAIL: 3 wks \$30.00
An in-depth course covering all sections of email

ESSENTIAL INTERNET: 3 wks \$30.00
covering internet only

WINDOWS XP: covering tips and tweaks 4 wks \$30.00
WINDOWS VISTA: tips and tweaks 4 wks \$30.00

BUYING a COMPUTER: Some things to look at before deciding which P C to buy 2 wks \$10.00

DIGITAL CAMERA: showing basic steps 4 wks \$30.00

SCANNING & O C R: - an imaging programme
We use *Paint Shop Pro* and *Abby Fine Reader* but you could already have programmes on your computer which will be compatible 2 wks \$10.00

ANIMATION: using *Paint Shop Pro* 4 wks \$30.00

BURNING C D's WITH WINDOWS: 1 wk \$7.50

A simple workshop using Windows XP
COPYING L P's to CD: 1 wk \$5.00

**As is usual practice,
courses/workshops
are run once a week, same day,
same time, for the number of
weeks specified.
Thank you**

COURSES

- **Word Processing One** 8 weeks \$55.00
- **Word Processing Two** 8 weeks \$55.00
- **Word Processing Three** 8 weeks \$55.00

- **Vista for Beginners** 12 weeks \$67.50
- **Vista .1. Experienced** 8 weeks \$55.00

- **Microsoft Power Point 1.** 4wks \$27.50
- **Microsoft Power Point 2.** 4wks \$27.50

- **Microsoft Publisher** 8 wks \$55.00
- **Making Cards & Calendars** 2 wks \$10.00
- *Workshop Using Publisher*

- **Spreadsheets— Excel** 8 wks \$55.00
- **File Management** 2 wks \$15.00

- **Keyboard Skills** Learn to type 8 wks \$55.00
- **Genealogy @ your pace** 4 wks \$30.00
- **Fun with Photos** 8 wks \$55.00
using *Paint Shop Pro 9*

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Disclaimer: Advice given to members with computer problems, or purchasing new machines imposes no liability on those giving advice, or on SeniorNet HB Inc.

Every effort will be made to accommodate your day of choice, but unfortunately this is not possible in all cases

Please return this page with your choices ticked.

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Our Course Coordinator will get back to you with details of times and dates when these have been collated.

Please print: *Name*..... *Phone*.....

E-mail:

Specify if there is a day you are not available.....

The Last Word:

Always remember you are unique—just like everyone else does

It is far more impressive when others discover your good qualities without your help

If at first you don't succeed—sky diving is not for you.

If you lend someone \$20 and never see that person again, it was probably worth it !

It's always darkest before dawn. So if you're going to steal your neighbour's newspaper, that's the time to do it.

Before you criticize someone, you should walk a mile in their shoes—that way, when you criticize them, you're a mile away and you have their shoes.

The quickest way to double your money is to fold it in half and put it back in your pocket.

Keep safe till next time.

Betty Carding
