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to  
11 Dec**

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Jock Laidlaw, President

One of the questions out there at the moment

among computer users who are thinking of upgrading to a new machine.

*Should they buy now or wait until the new operating system comes out in October ?*

On the one hand, there are some very good bargains being offered by some of the retailers right now...

It will be interesting to see if Windows 7—the new operating system does come out in October. Going on Microsoft's past record, one can never tell.

But will take it that it does arrive as predicted.

Now some of Retailers are willing to sell you a PC now with Vista and a guarantee to upgrade to Windows 7 when it arrives. That sounds fine but I would check the costs.

Another little hassle is Windows 7 does not come with an e-mail programme but Microsoft enables you to download their email programme if this is what you prefer, although there are quite a few email programmes out there. In particular *G Mail* which is *Googles* own, which is very popular with *Google* users.

Not having seen the finished product or Window 7, but I would think that it would be using Window 8 as an Internet Browser.

Windows 8 has been out for quite a while now and has not had a good press, but as I don't use it, I cannot speak

with any authority on that subject.

As far as I am concerned, I would not be rushing out and buying a completely new system until I got a bit of feedback from the *World Press*.

So, unless your PC is on it's last legs, just hang on a little longer and all will be revealed.

Slainte Mhath.

*Jock*

Explanation of a predicament:  
When a person doesn't want any more birthdays but still wants the Presents !

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# Reminder

*We welcome new members*

- |                            |                  |
|----------------------------|------------------|
| Ashleigh Gardiner          | Colleen Poots    |
| Robin Wicken               | Colleen Stephens |
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Our financial year has been changed to

**1 January to 31 December**

**As a result of this, subs are not due at this time.**

**An invoice will be sent with your November newsletter**

**Thank you**

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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.**

**H**ospital Regulations require a wheel chair for patients being discharged. However, while working as a student nurse, I found one elderly gentleman already dressed and sitting on the bed with a suitcase at his feet, who insisted he didn't need my help to leave the hospital.

After a chat about rules being rules, he reluctantly let me wheel him to the elevator.

On the way down, I asked him if his wife was meeting him.

*'I don't know,' he said, 'she's still upstairs in the bathroom changing out of her hospital gown.' .....*



Are you moving House ?  
OR

changing your telephone number ?  
OR

Email address?

Please let us know so that we can keep in touch.

**Thank you.**

**A**n elderly couple had dinner at another couple's house, and after eating, the wives left the table and went into the kitchen.

The two gentlemen were talking, and one said, *'Last night we went out to a new restaurant and it was really great. I would recommend it very highly.'*

The other man said, *'what is the name of the restaurant?'*

The first man thought and thought and finally said, *"What is the name of that flower you give to someone you love? You know, ... the one that's red and has thorns.'* *'Do you mean a rose?'*

*Yes that's the one,'* replied the man. He then turned towards the kitchen and yelled, *'Rose, what's the name of that restaurant we went to last night?'*

# Tips and Tweaks 5

with Norman Richardson

This issue, I'd like to give members a Vista tip on using some of the lesser known functions of the Recycle Bin. This tip may also be relevant to XP but as I don't have XP I can't be sure. Most of us happily press the delete key to get rid of a file or folder and while we know it goes to the Recycle Bin, we assume that we have also regained the hard disk space it occupied. Not so. The file remains in the bin and not until we empty

it out or it overflows from the bin, does the disk space become available again. So, to get a better idea of how the Recycle Bin works, we will take a look at some of its properties.

Right click the **Recycle Bin**, then click on **Properties**. Note that each hard drive has its own tab and thus each has a bin which can be separately configured. Select a drive and then using the **Custom Size** box the size can be set for that bin. The default size is 10% of the disk size. If files are not emptied from the bin when it fills to its limit the earliest files are emptied out first so as to stay under the limit. Alternatively, we can select the other button and then, rather than have our deleted files go to the bin, have them

permanently removed. This means that the opportunity of re-considering and restoring the files at a later time is lost and having this option is of course the reason for having a **Recycle Bin** in the first place. However, we can almost have our cake and eat it too.

To permanently delete a file we are sure we will never want to restore, we hold down the **Shift** key while pressing **Delete**. Click **Yes** in the confirmation box that appears and the file will go, bypassing the **Recycle Bin** and immediately giving us back the disk space.

The friars were behind on their belfry payments, so they opened up a small florist shop to raise the funds. Since everyone like to buy flowers from the men of God, the rival florist across town thought the competition was unfair. He asked the good fathers to close down, but they would not. He went back and begged them to close. They ignored him. He asked his mother to go and ask the friars to get out of the business. They ignored her too. So, the rival florist hired Hugh MacTaggart, the roughest and most vicious thug in town to "*persuade*" them to close.

Hugh beat up the friars and trashed their store, saying he'd be back if they didn't close up shop. Terrified, they did so, thereby proving that Hugh, and Hugh, alone can prevent florist friars

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One liners:

- Timing has an awful lot to do with the outcome of a rain dance.
- A closed mouth gathers No foot.
- Never miss a good chance to shut up.
- Two Eskimos sitting in a kayak were chilly, but when they lit a fire in the craft, it sank—proving once and for all that you can't have your kayak and heat it too.



## The Federation of New Zealand SeniorNet Societies Inc.

Have you visited this web site recently? ([www.seniornet.org.nz](http://www.seniornet.org.nz))

Currently are listed the names of those who were successful in the recent Telstra-Clear competition. The winner is Carol McFarlane, of Tauranga who received a \$150. voucher-Marlborough Sounds and North Canterbury were the group winners. *Well done*

Details for the NZGA/Age concern New Zealand Conference to be held in Wellington 7—9 October—register on-line if you are interested. [www.confer.co.nz/ageing](http://www.confer.co.nz/ageing) 2009 Subject—Living in an Ageing society—*Shaping tomorrow today.*

Special offers are advertised from time to time—visit frequently to catch up with these.

Also advertised on this site are happenings from the *Grownups* site [www.grownups.co.nz](http://www.grownups.co.nz) This is a fun site for our age group to visit. Helpful advice and games are a feature.

As members of this Federation, your SeniorNet can access teaching manuals and reciprocal exchanges of workshop information sheets etc.

Our Skype workshop and Tips and Tweaks notes have been very popular. Thanks to all who write and prepare our manuals for printing and teaching.

*Betty*

A woman has twins, and gives them up for adoption. One of them goes to a family in Egypt and is named "*Amal*" The other goes to a family in Spain; they name him '*Juan*'

Years later, *Juan* sends a picture of himself to his mom. Upon receiving the picture, she tells her husband that she wishes she also had a picture of *Amal*.

Her husband responds, 'But they're twins ! If you've seen *Juan*, you've seen *Amal*'

## Here is some information about the courses and workshops advertised for October to December 2009

### Microsoft Word 2003 word processing

**classes.** Levels 1, 2 are the basics of all computer programs. In Level 1 you will learn about scrolling, highlighting, cut, copy and pasting and much more.

In Level 2 those same skills will be revisited and new skills added, working with several windows at the same time, setting up paragraphs and indenting.

### Microsoft Word 2007 for beginners and 2007 Intermediate

word processing classes will be working with the new **Ribbon** concept which is replacing menu bars. This is a very visual concept for word processing.

Each of these word processing courses runs for two hours a week for eight weeks.



### Digital Camera Program

This program looks at and discusses loading your pictures on to the computer in different ways. Then make a video with your camera and make a movie by using **Microsoft Movie Maker** which is part of the Windows operating program already on your computer. You can also add music and a narration and finally burn it all to a CD or DVD. This is a four week course.



### Excel. Microsoft Spreadsheet program

In this program you can organize home accounts, budgeting, charts, calculations and much more. This is an eight week course.



### Email / Internet

This course is intended for those people who have basic word processing skills who wish to learn to send emails using Outlook Express or Windows mail. It is a three week course and may be followed by **Internet** for those wishing to learn how to search the internet and, to buy goods and download information safely. It is a three week course.



### with Photos

Paint Shop Pro ultimate PhotoX2 is the program used. With it you can learn scanning, resizing, cloning and altering photos so that you won't believe any photos you see in the future. This is an eight week course.



### Power Point

Power Point is a Microsoft program which allows you to build a professional presentation of trips, weddings, garden shows or what ever you imagine. Add text, animation, sounds and burn to a CD.



### Microsoft Publisher 2003/2007

This is a very in-depth program to teach you to produce Cards, Flyers, Certificates, Business cards etc with a professional finish.

It is an eight week course. You will need to have the program on your computer.

## Workshops

**Skype-** you will need to have **Broadband** to have Skype work well for you.

**Tips and Tweaks Vista**

**Tips and Tweaks XP**

**Demonstration Day**

**Trade Me.**

**File Management.** A Workshop to help you organize, save and manage your computer Information. A Memory stick is an advantage.

### IMPORTANT- PLEASE READ

In the event that the class for which you have applied does not proceed (i.e. less than three enrolments) you will be advised by phone as soon as possible.

The 2003 Word Processing course for this term will be split into two modules-

Part 1 Level 1( Beginners) duration 5 weeks (including Orientation) cost \$30.

Part 2 duration 4 weeks cost \$25 to follow immediately after Part 1, at the option of the student.

It is recommended that you have a memory stick / flash drive for all classes to save work and for practice at home. These are available from the Learning Centre.



**For more information about other courses and workshops at SeniorNet Hawke's Bay please refer to our Web site - [www.seniornethb.org](http://www.seniornethb.org) or Contact either**

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Course	Day	Time	Level	Wks	Start/ Finish	Cost
Word 2003	Mon	2pm—4pm	Level 1	P1/5 P2/4	Oct 12th—Nov 2nd Nov 9th—Dec7th	P1/ \$30 P2 / \$25
	Wed	11.30—1.30	Level 1	P1/5 P2/4	Oct 14th—Nov 4th Nov 11th—Dec 9th	P1/\$30 P2/\$25
Word 2007	Mon	11.30—1.30	Level 1	9	Oct 12th—Dec7th	\$55
	Wed	9am—11am	Level 1	9	Oct 14th—Dec 9th	\$55
Word 2003	Mon	9am—11am	Level 2	8	Oct 12th - Nov 30th	\$55
Word 2007	Thurs	9am—11am	Level 2	8	Oct 15th—Dec 3rd	\$55
Excel 2007/2003	Tues	9am—11am		8	Oct13th—Dec1st	\$55
Tips & Tweaks Vista	Tues	11.30—1.30		4	Oct 13th—Nov 3rd	\$30
Tips & Tweaks XP	Tues	11.30—1.30		4	Nov 10th—Dec1st	\$30
Power Point	Tues	2pm—4pm		4	Oct 14th—Nov 3rd	\$30
Fun with Photos	Wed	2pm—4pm		8	Oct 14th—Dec 2nd	\$55
Publisher 07/03	Thurs	11.30—1.30		8	Oct 15th—Dec 3rd	\$55
Digi Cams	Frid	11.30—1.30		4	Nov 6th—Nov 27th	\$30
Email	Thurs	2pm—4pm		3	Oct 29th—Nov 12th	\$25
Internet	Tues	2pm—4pm		3	Nov 24th—Dec 8th	\$25

### Workshops

#### Demonstration Day Friday

			Oct 16th 10am —3pm		
File Management	Tues	2pm—4pm	2	Nov 10th—Nov 17th	\$15
Trade Me	Frid	2pm—4pm	1	Nov13th	\$5
Trade Me	Frid	2pm—4pm	1	Nov 27th	\$5
Skype	Frid	2pm—4pm	1	Nov 20th	\$5

#### Course / Workshop Application Form

Are you a SeniorNet member Yes / No

Name-----

Address-----

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Title	Time	Start/Finish Dates	Cost
			\$
			\$
			\$
			\$
<b>*SeniorNet Membership</b>	<b>Single \$25</b>	<b>Couple \$45</b>	\$
<i>Payment enclosed (cash/or chq payable to SeniorNet HB) send to:</i>			\$

Course Co-ordination, SeniorNet Hawke's Bay Inc, PO Box 8101 Havelock North. 4157

*The Last Word :*

Two vultures board an airplane, each carrying two dead raccoons. The stewardess looks at them and says "I'm sorry gentleman, only one carrion allowed per passenger

Learn from the mistakes of others -  
You won't live long enough to make all of them yourself

Two boll weevils grew up in South Carolina. One went to Hollywood and became a famous actor. The other stayed behind in the cotton fields and never amounted to much. The second one, naturally, became known as the lesser of two weevils.

Did you hear about the Buddhist who refused his dentist's *Novocain* during root canal work? He wanted to transcend dental medication.

A 3 legged dog walks into a saloon in the Old West. He slides up to the bar and announces "*I'm looking for the man who shot my paw*"

*All for now, weren't they awful?  
Suitable copy is always welcome for this slot. cebecar@xtra.co.nz -  
keep safe till next time.*

*Betty*