

**JUNE 2018**

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Our next Meeting,  
**Friday 1st June**  
at 10.00am

St Andrews Church Centre  
Corner Ridge Rd and Vincent St  
The main entrance is in Vincent Street  
with parking in the grounds and disabled  
parking near the basement entrance.



*Visitors are always welcome*

The early speaker is Jim Currie who will talk about recent changes to Google's Gmail, Gdrive and a password feature, Keep, with two-factor verification.

Rein van de Vusse is our main speaker this month and the title of his presentation is:

- A Mixed Bag of Computer Bits** including
- How to reduce computer costs and stress
  - How we are tricked in to spending our money on-line
  - How I used AirBnB for my summer holidays

*June*  
**HELP**  
DAYS

10:00 AM	Tuesday,	5 June
10:00 AM	Tuesday,	12 June
1:00 PM	Wednesday	20 June
10:00 AM	Thursday,	28 June



**NEW MEMBERS**

Pauline Thomas  
June Barton  
Geoff Powell  
Margaret Walker  
Joan Martin  
Raymond Howard  
Gail Nelson

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I attended the SeniorNet Federation AGM in the Conference Centre at the Hamilton Airport. The approximately 120 people attending were enthusiastic SeniorNet members and the event went with a lot of humour and efficiency. The main points I took from the meeting that will affect us this year is the capitation fee which is set at \$5 per member, the ongoing discussion with relevant government agencies in regard to skills training support and the continuation of limited training support funded from Federation income raised by donations and commercial sponsorship. Also the effort put in to support the on-line Census has been rewarded by money paid to individual SeniorNets by Statistics NZ.

You can view our sponsors by visiting the website [www.seniornet.co.nz](http://www.seniornet.co.nz)

We have a number of new PopUp training session arranged and some help during these would assist our tutors. For instance Jim Currie is running the new Google series on Gmail, Drive and Documents and proving to be in high demand. Jim would appreciate someone to help in the setup, in recording attendance and collecting fees. Please contact Jim or Graeme Fitzgerald if you would like to find out more about what is involved and the dates etc.

At the June meeting I will ask for a show of hands to judge if there is interest in setting up a Facebook PopUp workshop. One thought we have is that there may be senior students among your grandchildren who could do this for us on selected days in the College break so you could ask around before the June meeting.

I will conclude these notes by mentioning the passing of John Gavin, a long time member of SeniorNet. Our condolences to his family.

## Highlights from May Meeting Speakers

## Tony Kendall

Our meeting of 7 May had **Andrew Hosking**, Howick, and his team address us on Estate Planning for our future. He and his team have developed a safe, secure and well researched programme that will ensure that your affairs will be well set out for you and your family to follow.

Emphasis was placed on their system being secure against unwanted intruders and that only you and your selected people can safely access all your details and your wishes. By joining up with the group, you will be guided through your **Deed Vault** to cover such matters as what you own, eg bank accounts, investments properties, what you may owe such as bank loans, leases, guarantees etc and finally, your wills, Family letters, funeral wishes etc

This talk was valuable in reminding us to ensure that our affairs are in order and can be followed by others such as family, lawyers etc.

Andrew offered free membership to members who would test the Deed Vault system and give them feedback on ease of use and/or any other comments they would like to make on the product.

Our Main Speaker was **Gavin Trethewy** from the **New Zealand Warbirds Association**. His organisation is based at Ardmore where most of the planes are privately owned and serviced.

We were shown excellent videos of the various planes flying in demonstrations, in formation, and aerobatics. We were treated to an historic showing of planes starting with pre World War 1 models up to and including our Skyhawks.

Gavin explained the different structures of Warbirds organisations from the actual display events such as Warbirds Over Wanaka to the actual member clubs that exist.

He warmly welcomed us to the Ardmore Club open days held every month out at Ardmore, from tours of the museum through to the opportunity to fly in your choice of plane. Membership is open to anyone interested with varying levels of competency and certification.

It was a pleasure to have Gavin bring these aircraft to life for us on the screen.

It is lovely to have help with the newsletter and with luck a few of you will also be encouraged to submit items for publication. You know we are always looking for fresh ideas – not to mention help at the Learning Centre and suggestions for speakers.

I hope some of you will get out to the Warbirds at Ardmore on Sunday 3 June—they really are a wonderful organisation, even a national treasure, and they need all the support we can give them.

Would you believe I broke the screen on my laptop last week and Rein again came to my rescue. I don't like to say it, but I wish I didn't have to see him so often!! Looking forward to seeing you next week. Dawn

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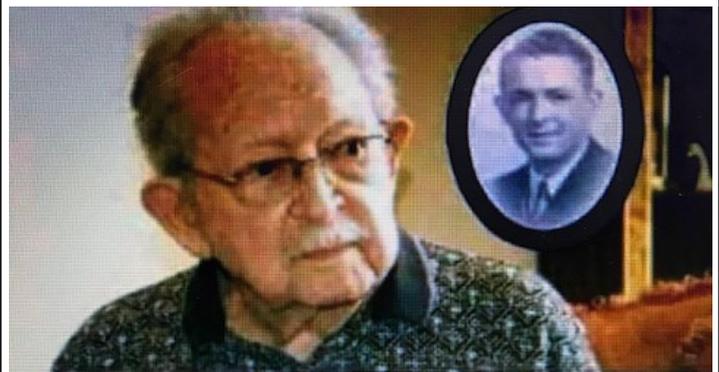
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## EMAIL ERRORS

My husband is a semi-retired electrical contractor. Over the years, applying for jobs has changed from requiring hard-copy resumes to electronic applications. I help him out with the submissions. So, imagine my horror when recently, after forwarding what I thought was his correct application, I received an email that read "Thank you Robert, for your onion salad recipe. It sounds delicious, however we still need your application."



*"I've often been asked, 'What do you old folks do now that you're retired?' Well...I'm fortunate to have a chemical engineering background and one of the things I enjoy most is converting beer, wine and vodka into urine. I do it every day and I really enjoy it."*

**Don't forget**

**The Warbirds Flying Display  
and Open Day**

**Next Sunday, 3 June 2018  
10am to 4pm  
Ardmore Airport**



**And, don't forget to have your free 'flu and Shingles vaccinations.**

# JUNE and JULY Courses, Workshops

## ***Apple iPads & iPhones***

Tutor/Organiser: **Dick Harris**

Bring your own iPad or iPhone and learn what it can do.

Phone No: **576 9483**

Email: **ipads@senspak.nz**

Fee: **\$5.00**

### Session Times

**1:00 PM Wednesday, 27 June 2018**

**1 session of 2 hours**

**1:00 PM Wednesday, 25 July 2018**

**1 session of 2 hours**

## ***CD/DVD Burning & Flashdrives***

Tutor/Organiser: **Brian Erikson**

Come along and learn how to save your videos and files to a CD or DVD using a free download of Ashampoo software.

Phone No: **534 4798**

Email: **cdfashdrives@senspak.nz**

Fee: **\$5.00**

### Session Times

**10:00 AM Monday, 23 July 2018**

**1 session of 2 hours**

## ***Genealogy - Getting Started***

Tutor/Organiser: **Graeme FitzGerald**

Come and learn how to record your family history for the next generations using RootsMagic.

Phone No: **272 9271**

Email: **genealogy@senspak.nz**

Fee: **\$10.00**

### Session Times

**10:00 AM Tuesday, 17 July 2018**

**2 Sessions: 17/Jul, 24/Jul, 2 hours each**

## ***Genealogy Research***

Tutor/Organiser: **Graeme FitzGerald**

This course focuses on how to carry out genealogy research using the internet and local resources.

Phone No: **272 9271**

Email: **research@senspak.nz**

Fee: **\$5.00**

### Session Times

**10:00 AM Monday, 18 June 2018**

**1 session of 2 hours**

## ***Google Docs and Drive Popup***

Tutor/Organiser: **Jim Currie**

This Popup explores Google Docs and Google Drive. Docs is an easy to use application in which we write, insert and edit documents online.

Phone No: **533 4221**

Email: **jimcurrie@live.com**

Fee: **\$5.00**

### Session Times

**9:30 AM Wednesday, 6 June 2018**

**1 session of 2 hours**

# June/July Courses, Workshops, continued

## Help Session

Tutor/Organiser: **Michael Empson**

Bring your problems to a help session where one of your fellow SeniorNet members will help you. (NO BOOKING REQUIRED)

Phone No: **535 8506**  
Email: **help@senpak.nz**

Donation: **Gold Coin**

### Session Times

<b>10:00 AM Tuesday, 5 June 2018</b>	<b>1 session of 2 hours</b>
<b>10:00 AM Tuesday, 12 June 2018</b>	<b>1 session of 2 hours</b>
<b>1:00 PM Wednesday, 20 June 2018</b>	<b>1 session of 2 hours</b>
<b>10:00 AM Thursday, 28 June 2018</b>	<b>1 session of 2 hours</b>
<b>10:00 AM Tuesday, 3 July 2018</b>	<b>1 session of 2 hours</b>
<b>10:00 AM Tuesday, 10 July 2018</b>	<b>1 session of 2 hours</b>
<b>1:00 PM Thursday, 12 July 2018</b>	<b>1 session of 2 hours</b>
<b>10:00 AM Friday, 27 July 2018</b>	<b>1 session of 2 hours</b>

## Laptop Basics

Tutor/Organiser: **Jim Currie**

What to look for when buying a Laptop. Setting things up and introduction to Windows 10 operating system.

Phone No: **533 4221**  
Email: **laptops@senpak.nz**  
Fee: **\$5.00**

### Session Times

<b>9:30 AM Wednesday, 13 June 2018</b>	<b>1 session of 2 hours</b>
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## Smart Phones/Tablets (Advanced)

Tutor/Organiser: **Brian Erikson**

Bring your Android Smartphone and tablets to this workshop and learn about its advanced features.

Phone No: **534 4798**  
Email: **smartphones@senpak.nz**  
Fee: **\$5.00**

### Session Times

<b>10:00 AM Monday, 25 June 2018</b>	<b>1 session of 2 hours</b>
<b>10:00 AM Monday, 16 July 2018</b>	<b>1 session of 2 hours</b>

## Smart Phones/Tablets (Beginners)

Tutor/Organiser: **Brian Erikson**

Bring your Android Smartphone and tablets to this workshop and learn what they can do.

Phone No: **534 4798**  
Email: **smartphones@senpak.nz**  
Fee: **\$5.00**

### Session Times

<b>10:00 AM Monday, 11 June 2018</b>	<b>1 session of 2 hours</b>
<b>10:00 AM Monday, 9 July 2018</b>	<b>1 session of 2 hours</b>
<b>10:00 AM Monday, 30 July 2018</b>	<b>1 session of 2 hours</b>

## Smart TV Popup

Tutor/Organiser: **Dick Harris**

This Workshop will cover what today's technology is capable of, from what a Smart TV is, the basics of where you start, what you need and how to use it.

Phone No: **576 9483**  
Email: **rharris2017@outlook.co.nz**  
Fee: **\$5.00**

### Session Times

<b>1:00 PM Thursday, 14 June 2018</b>	<b>1 session of 2 hours</b>
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## June/July Courses, Workshops, continued

### ***Taking the Plunge***

Tutor/Organiser: **Brian Erikson**

It is suggested that this course should be taken by every beginner.

Phone No: **534 4798**

Email: **ttp@senpak.nz**

Fee: **\$15.00**

#### Session Times

**10:00 AM Thursday, 5 July 2018**

**3 Sessions: 05/Jul, 12/Jul, 19/Jul, 2 hours each**

### ***Windows 10***

Tutor/Organiser: **Dick Harris**

An introduction to windows 10. Learn about the new features in this operating system.

Phone No: **576 9483**

Email: **windows10@senpak.nz**

Fee: **\$10.00**

#### Session Times

**1:00 PM Thursday, 28 June 2018**

**2 Sessions: 28/Jun, 05/Jul, 2 hours each**

**1:00 PM Thursday, 26 July 2018**

**2 Sessions: 26/Jul, 02/Aug, 2 hours each**

#### Booking Information

- You need to be a member of SeniorNet to take part in our classes.
- If you need assistance in deciding on a course, please contact the Tutor who will answer any questions and also take your booking.
- Note: We require you to pay a course fee to cover the cost of notes and other expenses. Please bring the correct cash or cheque to the first session.
- Our Courses are all held at our Learning Centre at **12 Ben Lomond Crescent, Pakuranga**. Please park on the road as no parking is permitted on site.