

**JULY 2020**

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• "When a man retires, his wife gets twice as much husband for half as much money." — *Chi Chi Rodriguez*

## **JULY HELP DAYS**

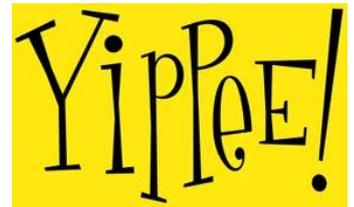
Monday 6 July at 1.00pm  
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**NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY**

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Our next Meeting,  
**Friday 3 JULY**  
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 dis-  
abled parking near the basement entrance.

*Visitors welcome*

The early speaker will be **Brian** talking about the **Google Meet App** in Gmail. It is popping up in users PC's when they open Gmail. It's a simpler version of Zoom.

*The main speaker will be **Derek Wright**, Director Specialist, Mental Health and Addiction Services, Waitemata DHB who will speak on our mental health problems and effects from Covid lockdown.*



**1 NEW MEMBER**

Nerina Groves



We have achieved Level 1. One of the few countries to do so. This means we need secure border management and rapid tracing if an infection is located. I wrote this some days before we had a lesson. The reason for internal vigilance is around the fact that there still a lot to learn about non-symptomatic infections, the infection response and times that are needed to be sure of recovery.

At Level 1 we have decided to restart the monthly meeting at St Andrews Church Centre and training events at the Learning Centre.

The Church has no restrictions on using the kitchen facilities and no special cleaning up requirements. They will provide general hand sanitising. They do not require a record of people for their purposes.

*For all our events the prudent action is to say away if you are not feeling well or are concerned about large gatherings.*

As we are in the more vulnerable age group the Ministry of Health have issued us with Covid Quick Response Codes for both St Andrews and our Learning Centre which we will display so that you can record your visit.

If you have not done so, consider downloading the Covid Tracer App from Apple or Google Play Stores. Ministry of Health system will record on your phone where you have logged in for the last 31 days and also enable you to be alerted if someone else is found to be potentially infected and is recorded as having crossed your path in that time. At the very least if you don't use the App you should have some way of recording your presence by an entry in your phone calendar.

We have learned a few new phrases and words in the last 3 months. Covid, social distancing and Zoom. Zoom has been particularly useful to conduct committee and general meetings. Zoom has had such a widespread adoption its become a verb a bit like Xerox for copying. We didn't get the large following on our Zoom meetings that we anticipated and it may have been that members did not want to go to the trouble of the initial setup. I will demonstrate an alternative, Google Meet at the July meeting. All this requires is a browser such as Chrome, Edge or Firefox etc on your device. The host starts a meeting from Gmail and participants get an email message with a click to log-in and the meeting is running.

## *Dawn's Ramblings*

Slowly I am learning to join the real world. I have made visits to the supermarket and there have been no queues, no hassle and I wondered why I was so reluctant to leave my safe haven. The traffic was as bad as always, so no different. Also had a telephone visit to the doctor. That was different. Are you allowed into banks wearing a mask?

I hope those of you who joined the trial Zoom meeting we had in May enjoyed it. I thought it was excellent and as usual, we learnt lots of handy hints, eg: [gutenberg.org](http://gutenberg.org) to get free books for our Kindle readers, and how to get remote help when you need it for your devices. It was lovely to see that we had 9 new members as well. It's good for our morale when our club keeps growing.

This month we had a Zoom June general meeting. Again well done Brian and Graeme. We learned more about Zoom and Google Meet from Brian and Graeme explained how different types of DNA analysis is used in genealogy tracing. All very interesting and should get me working on my family tree again.

There are a lot of good points for Zoom, *but it is nice to meet up and chat with other members* **AND WE CAN NEXT MONTH** - Yahoo, yippee, wonderful.

Last night it took me over an hour to learn how to put a ✓ or a ✗ wherever I want one. Now I can and I'm thrilled. Next big project — to become the boss of my genealogy program.

Take care people and I hope we will see you on 3 July.

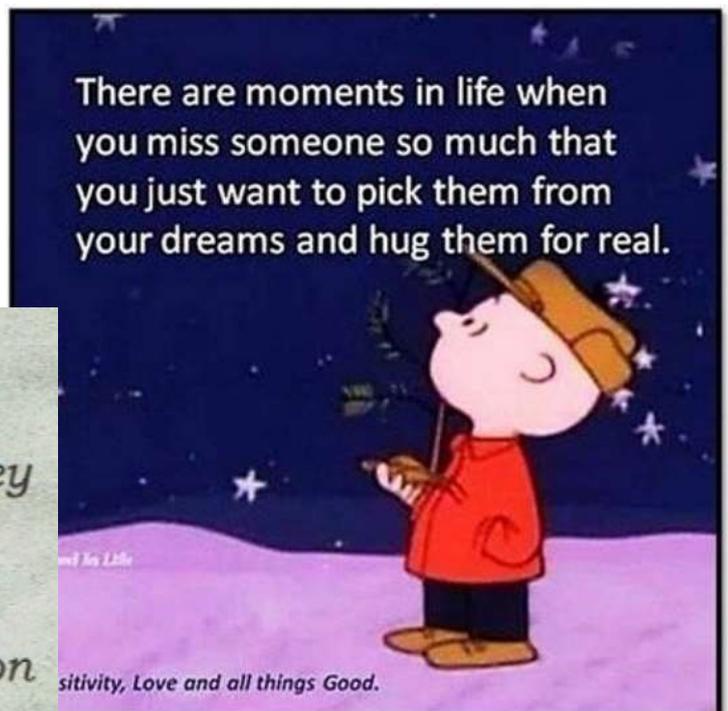
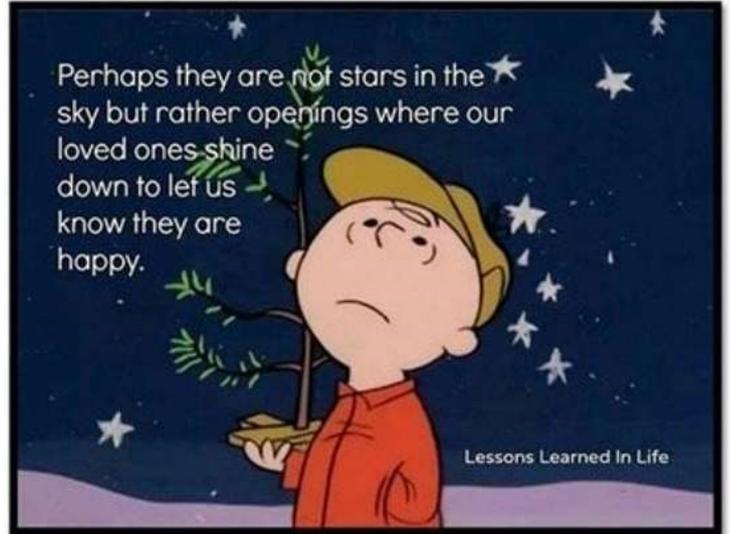
At my age  
I need glasses.





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- "As for me, except for an occasional heart attack, I feel as young as I ever did."  
— Robert Benchley
- "If people concentrated on the really important things in life, there'd be a shortage of fishing poles." — Doug Larson

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- \* 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.
- \* 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.
- \* 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.

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