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Established in 1996 especially for Pakuranga, Howick and Botany residents



Our next Meeting,

Friday 3 DECEMBER

at 10.00am

Via ZOOM

Visitors welcome



The early speaker will cover the use of Google Pay and Apple Wallet as storage options for your Vaccine Pass.

The main speaker will be Mark Morrison from Helius Therapeutics, the first company to be issued with a licence by Medsafe, to manufacture medicinal cannabis.

Helius Therapeutics has a bold vision, to become a world leader in the research, development and production of next generation cannabinoid medicines. Their team is innovating to create the world's safest and most efficacious cannabis-based medicines.

I'm thankful for all
the people who came
into my life, and
stayed.

It helps if you imagine
auto correct as a tiny
little elf in your phone
who's trying so hard
to be helpful but is in
fact quite drunk.





NOW THAT I'VE LIVED DURING A PLAGUE, I UNDERSTAND WHY MOST RENAISSANCE PAINTINGS ARE OF CHUBBY WOMEN LAYING AROUND WITHOUT A BRA.

What do we learn from cows, buffalos and elephants??

It's impossible to reduce weight by eating green grass and salads and walking.



A wise man once said nothing.



This has been a disrupted year. My grateful thanks to my fellow committee, tutors meeting assistants and members who have had to cope with start-stop-start in order to deliver the best SeniorNet activities we could while staying safe. We have used on-line contact for meetings courses and help. This has been supplemented by the new SeniorNet Federation initiative "SeniorHangouts" which deliver short 30-minute segments from volunteers around New Zealand backed up by an increasing library of past segments so that you can view at a time suitable to yourself or review for extra insight. I know our situation is far less disruptive than experienced by families with school-aged children, particularly those facing important examinations. There will be a collective sigh of relief if we get to Christmas without further drama.

We now have a Vaccine Pass and over one million were downloaded in the first few days. I've succeeded with the New Zealand only version (and have not tried to implement the International option). It's a reasonably straight forward process provided you start at the right point and gather the personal details for unique identification beforehand. If you have previously activated a "Real Me" validation you can use that. Once successful you get an email with the Vaccine Pass pdf attached. This can be printed or saved in normal document storage. In the December meeting we will cover using Google Pay or Apple Wallet to hold the Pass for quick access.

The second part of the Vaccine Pass will be an admission App rolled out to businesses and organisations that have the usual Covid Sign-In arrangement. This App reads the QR code on your Pass and signals a "Green" or "Red" indicating your vaccination status without disclosing any further private details. This is where the Traffic Light settings come into play.

In case you don't join our December Zoom meeting I will take this opportunity to wish you all a very merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year. I hope in February everything will be back to normal and I will see you at our usual Howick venue.



Ramblings

Dawn Howarth

I was blown-away by Mitchell Pham who was the guest speaker at our November meeting. Wasn't his story amazing. I hope you joined us for that Zoom meeting but if you didn't you can see him on the YouTube recording of the meeting, <https://youtu.be/r9OYAB0L7Bo> or on TVNZ's On Demand I AM series. I promise it is well worth viewing. We don't know how lucky we are. Mitchell is a remarkable man who is so deserving of all his success.

It is sad we haven't been able to meet up at St Andrews and have the wonderful Christmas morning tea Doug and Jan White have been kind enough to give us these last few years. Missing it this year makes us appreciate them even more.

I hope you all have a wonderful time over the festive season and I hope especially nice things happen to our wonderful committee, tutors and helpers. Where would we be without you. I look forward to next year when we will all be double or triple jabbed and able to enjoy our normal meetings..



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"You say you have ringing in your ears..."



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DEC and JAN HELP DAYS

Until we get to Orange or Green Traffic Light level, it is unlikely we will be able to hold Help Sessions in our Learning Centre.

Therefore if you Need Help now

Send a request to help@senpak.nz describing the problem, as best you can, and we will get one of the tutors to contact you to help resolve the problem!

It is recommended that you download AnyDesk to the device so that the tutor can look over your shoulder and if necessary make the changes to fix the issue.

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**The irony for mankind
is that a computer
program asks a human
to prove that they're
not a robot.**

