

# SeniorNet



*Eastern Bays Inc*

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## *Who's Who*

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## *Getting in touch*

If you have a query relating to SeniorNet the quickest and easiest way to get an answer is to ring the SeniorNet rooms (ph 578-0994) and leave a message on the voicemail. The mailbox is monitored very regularly by a committee member who will pass on your query to the person best able to help you. You will receive information about all other activities very quickly using the voicemail box.

## **REPORT of the AGM by Jay Venables Minute Secretary**

Following the AGM, where we failed to elect a chairperson, as minute secretary, I have volunteered to write the editorial for this month's newsletter.

The attendance at the AGM was very pleasing with about 90 people present. There were a considerable number of apologies and proxy votes sent in, boosting a response from approximately half the membership.

The remit was accepted which gives the committee a mandate to restructure the club, and plan for the future along somewhat different lines.

We welcomed four new people onto the committee, and fare welled Eddie Hagen (chairman) and Doreen Kee, both of whom had been devoted members with heavy workloads.

The main task of the committee now is to find a new suitable venue where "question and answer" sessions can be held, as well as other group activities, such as workshops and discussion groups. The rent of the premises at 106 West Tamaki Road is very high, and our limited use of it latterly did not justify the expense.

SNEB will continue to meet the changing needs of members, but in a different format from when it first started. It is inevitable that change will occur and we must continue to evolve to survive.

We look forward to your ongoing support, encourage you to partake to keep your skills honed, and to learn new ones.

*Jay Venables*

### **In My Opinion**

### **Eddie Hagen (Immediate Past Chairman)**

SeniorNet Eastern Bays has the opportunity to build into a strong organisation which can be rewarding for all of its members. Look at the attendance at the AGM where so many participated and made the meeting a resounding success. Each member can contribute in the way which he/she (or should it be she/he?) chooses by attending the meetings and Question & Answer Discussion Groups and putting their questions, doubts and suggestions. Too often we have had members who are afraid of speaking their opinions asking the questions that worry them purely because they are afraid of appearing to be fools. The fools are the people who may ridicule others' questions or opinions.

After about 25 years of working with computers I still am made well aware of how much there is still to learn and how simple are some of the things that extend my use and enjoyment of computers. Like the question of how to alter the case of the text so that capitals can be changed to lower case letters; an easy answer for those who know but one that can increase the pleasure of our word processing if we don't know it.

*Let's all determine to participate, PARTICIPATE!*

*Eddie Hagen*

## Course Schedule for July - August 2009

There being only 4 months left to use our rooms and the present computer gear the following courses are scheduled.

If there is enough demand, we can schedule more courses from the full list of possibilities.

### Register your interest on the Voice Mail

**Computer Maintenance and Security for Windows XP and Vista**

**Six 2-hour classes for \$30**

**Graham Wright**, 10-12 Wed, Aug 26, Sep 2, 9, 23, 30, Oct 7

**Digital Picture Transfer Workshop**

**One 2-hour class for \$5**

**Sue La Roche**, 2-4 Wed, Aug 19

The transferring of photographs from a digital camera to a computer.

**Email Basics - Four 2-hour classes for \$20**

**Shelagh Coop**, 10-12noon Tue/Thu Sep 8, 10, 15, 17

**Email Revision – Two 2-hour classes for \$10**

**Annette Bierre**, 2-4pm Mon/Thu Oct 5, 8

**Excel - Six 2-hour classes for \$30**

**Sue La Roche**, 2-4 Tue/Fri, Aug 11, 14, 18, 21, 25, 28

The basic skills required to use spreadsheets using the MS Excel2003.

**Files Management for Windows XP and Vista -**

**Six 2-hour classes for \$30**

**Graham Wright**, 2-4 Tue, Sep 22, 29, Oct 06, 13, 20, 27

Windows folder structure and management of files in Windows XP and Vista.

**Internet - Four 2-hour classes for \$20**

**Shelagh Coop**, 10-12 Mon/Thu, Jul 13, 16, Jul 20, 23

**Photo and Image Editing - Six 2-hour classes for \$30**

**John Richards**, 2-4 Wed/Fri, Sep 09, 11, 16, 18, 23, 25

**PowerPoint - One 2-hour class for \$5**

**John Richards**, 2-4pm Wed Sep 30

**Publisher 2003 - Six 2-hour classes for \$30**

**Sue La Roche**, 2-4 Mon/Thu, Aug 10, 13, 17, 20, 24, 27

**TradeMe - Two 2-hour classes for \$10**

**Annette Bierre**, 2-4 Mon/Thu, Jul 27, 30

**MS Word 2007 - One 2-hr familiarisation session for \$5**

**Sue La Roche**, 2-4 Wed, Aug 12

For those members who have purchased Office2007 and are having trouble adapting to this very different program

**Word Processing MS Word 97-2003 and Open Office Writer -**

**Six 2-hour classes for \$30**

**Liz Watson**, 10-12 Tue/Thu, Aug 11, 13, 18, 20, 25, 27

## Courses in the following subjects can be arranged if there is enough demand.

Computer Awareness Windows XP and  
Computer Awareness Windows Vista  
Genealogy  
Greeting Cards Workshop  
Making Videos with Vista using Windows Movie Maker  
Scanning  
Word Processing Revision and special workshop topics

### GENEALOGY & FAMILY HISTORY

Following the talk given by  
Jan Gow at the May meeting,  
**Jay Venables**  
is willing to hold a workshop on  
**“where and how”**  
to start your family research.  
Web-sites will be explained and  
demonstrated, and other resources discussed.  
Please phone the voice-mail number  
with expressions of interest.

### Question & Answer Group @ 106 West Tamaki Rd No Charge all welcome

July 6 <sup>th</sup>	2-4pm
August 3 <sup>rd</sup>	2-4pm
September 7 <sup>th</sup>	2-4pm
October 5 <sup>th</sup>	2-4pm

**Hosted by John Richards & Wayne Power**

The most popular meeting in which the hosts accept  
and we all discuss  
any and all questions about computers

### MONTHLY MEETING

15<sup>th</sup> July 10 am

100 St Heliers Bay Road  
St Heliers Church & Community Centre

Speaker John Richards  
“The pleasures of Video Making”

Congratulations to Mary Berrill  
on winning the raffle drawn at the AGM

A very handy printer

Please inform Margaret Bates of any change to members  
email or postal addresses at [margbates@xtra.co.nz](mailto:margbates@xtra.co.nz)

## **Disclaimer**

Some of our club members who have specialized computer knowledge voluntarily give help to those with computer problems and also give advice about purchasing computers etc. It is essential that SeniorNet members are aware that such help and advice imposes no responsibility or liability on those members who provide such help and assistance or on SeniorNet Easter Bays