

Newsletter

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Message from the Chair.

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Trusting that you all had a restful Christmas time and wishing you all a Very Happy New Year! Just when we have got used to writing 2011, we have to get used to writing 2012. Time certainly flies but hopefully this year will be much calmer than last year and we can enjoy it without all the drama of 2011.

Did Santa bring you a nice digital camera for Christmas? How many members are now using digital cameras instead of the old roll film jobs? It is so convenient and fast, within minutes a treasured picture can be whizzing its way around the world via email, but how do you treat the files after that? Many people leave them in the camera where they may be accidentally erased or maybe saved into a folder on their computer and they can be easily erased from there also, especially if other family members also use the computer. Not quite so common, the computer Hard Disk fails and everything on it may be lost. A sad fact is that a lot of family history may be lost and there are no negatives to fall back on to get reprints of those treasured photos. So what to do with this electronically produced data? First of all transfer it from camera to computer and from there you have a number of options. Print, or have printed, the really important ones for ready reference. Or you can burn the data to CD's and store it safely and while you are at it make another copy as it is not an expensive thing to do these days. Or how about saving the data on to Flash Drives which has also become a pretty cheap option and very convenient. If your average digital photo is of high resolution, say 3Mb, you can fit or store approximately 200+ pictures on a normal 700Mb CD, or 650+ onto a 2 Gb Flash Drive.

Don't wait for your camera memory to fill up and then need to delete something you have not saved to fit more on!

While on the subject of saving data, what are you going to lose, not if, when your computer Hard Drive fails? You may have a lot of valuable files on your computer and if it fails they may be lost or only recoverable at huge expense. A sure way of protecting against this sort of loss is to do a complete image backup of your Hard Drive which may be reloaded onto a new drive exactly as it was. If you would be interested in a Workshop to cover any of the above please indicate your interest and it will be arranged.

2012 Classes begin in February, please have your applications in by 20th January.

SeniorNet Garden City Inc.,

at rear of the Methodist Church car park, Cnr. Yaldhurst Road and Brake Street,
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Membership Application Form

Please make Cheques payable to: **SeniorNet Garden City Inc.**

Please post your Application enclosing your Subscription to: **SeniorNet Garden City Inc.**
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APPLICATION FOR NEW MEMBERSHIP

Please Print Carefully

Surname:.	First Name:.	Title:.
Surname:.	First Name:.	Title:.
<u>ADDRESS</u> :	Street:	Phone No:
	Suburb:	
	Town/City:	Postcode:
<u>Email Address</u> :		

I use **Windows98** **WindowsXP** **WindowsVista** **Windows7** *Please circle one*

The membership subscription on joining is **\$30.00** (Couple **\$55.00**) **Current to 31st December 2011**

I/We certify that I/we am/are 50 years of age or older and I/we also agree to my/our personal details given above being entered onto the SeniorNet Garden City database.

Signed:..... **Date:**.....

To enroll, please print this form, complete, sign and post with your Cheque to the address above
For details of Courses and Course Fees payable, please check the [Course](#) and [Course Application](#) form pages.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Subscription Paid: **Date:**.....
\$.....

Proposed February Classes

Name of Course	Time	Dates of Delivery
Intro to Computers (XP)	9.30 – 11.30	Feb 7 – Feb 28
Intro to Computers (Vista/ Windows 7)	12.00 – 2.00	Feb 7 – Feb 28
Word Processing (Part 1, Word, 2003)	2.30 – 4.30	Feb 7 – Feb 28
Word Processing (Part 1, Word, 2007)	9.30 – 11.30	Feb 8 - Feb 29
File & Disk management	12.00 – 2.00	Feb 8 – Feb 29
E-Mail (Windows Mail using Windows 7)	2.30 – 4.30	Feb 8 – Feb 29

The schedule above is proposed for next month's courses. Depending on the number of applicants and tutor availability these classes may or may not go ahead. You will be contacted to let you know if and when the course applied for will be run.

The latest date for inclusion in a class is the 20th of the previous month.

If you want to be sure you are included in your preferred class

YOUR APPLICATION AND PAYMENT MUST BE IN BY THAT DATE.

YOU MUST be a financial member to put your name down for a class.

New Members: Pen/flash drives are available from the club for \$10.00 or students may prefer to purchase their own. They are available at any computer or electronics store eg; Calders' Electronics, Bush Inn Mall

Workshops for February

For workshops please print out the application form from the web site and post it to the PO Box in plenty of time.

TradeMe Buying and selling on-line.
2 session, 4 hour, workshop. Cost \$10.00

Further info in Feb newsletter.

Or suggest to us something that you would like to learn.

A very warm welcome to new members

Margaret Hannon ,Patricia Adams, Helen Cummings

PLEASE NOTE

Members are reminded that subscriptions expired on 31-12-2011

Thanks you to all who have renewed their subscriptions already.

Now is a good time to renew, or send us a message if you do not wish to remain members.

The fee is \$20 per member and may be paid

- by cheque to our PO Box 6585 Upper Riccarton ChCH 8442, or by :
- direct credit to our account number :020874-0215678-00 or by:
- telephone or Internet banking.

For phone or Internet banking please reference the credit as Annual Sub.

NOTE that we will be unable to enroll non-financial members onto courses.

If you joined us in October or November your sub is valid through to Dec 2012. If you joined us earlier and did not do a course till Oct or Nov your sub is valid till Dec 2012 also.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

AT THE METHODIST CHURCH HALL

2PM

23rd APRIL 2012

We would like to hear from any members who would like to become committee members, tutors or helpers in any form. Next month we will email or post out nomination forms for the committee.

We request you respond in whatever way you are able

Any approaches will be gladly received. Remember, "Many hands make light work."



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