

# SENIORNET EDEN-ROSKILL INC.

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## November 2024 Newsletter

### **Chit Chat from the Chair**

#### **Earlier Monthly Meetings**

We had a good turnout at the October meeting – nice to see familiar faces and also our new members. Read further in this newsletter about the guest speaker from “Geeks- on-Wheels”.

Those at our earlier meeting in September meeting voted for a new constitution and this was duly submitted to the New Zealand Companies Office – Incorporated Societies for approval, and subsequently to Charity Services.

I am now pleased to inform you that SeniorNet Eden-Roskill Incorporated has received its “Certificate of Incorporation” under the new Incorporated Societies Act 2022.

#### **Next Monthly Meeting – Special General Meeting/Christmas Breakup Function**

Our November Monthly meeting on Monday, 18 November will be the last for this year, and it will begin with a Special General meeting as notified earlier.

This Special General meeting is where we nominate and vote for our Management Committee for 2025.

We have already received one nomination for a member who will be new to the Committee and that is really good news!

Please make contact if you would like to join our Committee. Come early to the next meeting so we can complete a nomination form for you, if it hasn't already been done.

We are seeking, in particular, someone to join our Committee who is willing to help with Membership matters, e.g. membership enquiries

Following the Special General meeting, Ray McDonald, our Technical Officer, will give a short presentation about AI – Artificial Intelligence – Is it a good thing? Is it a bad thing? Or is it just a ‘thing’?

Following this presentation, the end-of year festivities will begin, and you can mingle and socialise.

Members are asked to bring a plate to share for afternoon tea, and you are invited to bring a wrapped present up to the value of \$10.00. Those who bring a present receive a ticket whereby they receive a present back in exchange.

### **Membership 2025**

Many of you have already taken advantage of renewing next year's membership early and taken the benefit of the \$5.00 discount.

You have until Friday, 22 November 2024 to take advantage of the discount, so coming along to our next Monthly meeting on Monday, 18 November is a good opportunity to pay your 2025 subscription and receive the reduced rate of \$35.00.

2025 Membership Renewal forms were emailed early last October to all members, but if you can't print it off, then we can provide you with a printed copy when you come to our November meeting – suggest you come along at least 20 minutes early to allow us time to print you a copy.

### **Front Doorbell**

A couple of months ago our front doorbell was replaced so just a reminder that if you arrive at a meeting or a class and the front door is locked, please push the bell and someone will come and open the door for you – for security reasons we close it during our sessions.

### **Near New Mac Acquisition**

We were grateful to take ownership of an 18-month-old Apple Mac that is able to run the latest operating system Sonoma. This enables us to replace one of our older out of date Mac computers.

I suppose you already heard about the oldest computer that can be traced back to Adam and Eve. It was an Apple but with extremely limited memory. Just 1 byte. And then everything crashed.

We look forward to seeing you at our Christmas breakup.

### **Colleen McMurchy - Chair**

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### **New Members**

A warm welcome to the following members who have joined us since 1 October 2024:

Lily Hansen	Sam Hansen	John Callaghan	Rowland Ingram
Bo Wong	Muhammad Siddiqui		

### **Membership**

It has been encouraging to see that our membership has been continuing to grow and having now reached 187 members. Thank you for your support.

## SeniorNet Eden-Roskill November/December 2024 Timetable

Start Date	Time	Weeks	Course/Workshop	Tutors	Cost
<b>1 November Friday</b>	9:30-1:00	1	Genealogy Group	Sue, Barbara	\$2
<b>1 November Friday</b>	2:00-4:00	4	Introduction to Apple Computers	Jackie, Jan	\$25
<b>5 November Tuesday</b>	9:30-11:30	1	Android Phone Stage 1	David, Mark Robert K.	\$10
<b>7 November Thursday</b>	10:00-12:00	3	Introduction to Windows PC	Dawn, Florence	\$20
<b>11 November Monday</b>	1:00-3:00	1	Digital Camera Group Meeting	Hetty, David Stephen	\$2
<b>12 November Tuesday</b>	9:30-11:30	1	Android Phone Stage 2	David, Mark Robert K.	\$10
<b>12 November Tuesday</b>	1:00-3:00	2	MS Word Processing Part 2	Pamela Colleen	\$2
<b>15 November Friday</b>	9:30-1:00	1	Genealogy Group	Sue, Barbara	\$2
<b>18 November Monday</b>	1:30-3:30	1	Voting for Committee, Ray McDonald on Artificial Intelligence followed by Christmas Function		
<b>20/27 Nov Wednesday</b>	1:30-2:30	1	Help Desk Specify Problems	Ray, Darryl Garran	\$5
<b>25 November Monday</b>	1:30-3:30	1	Apple Group Meeting	Darryl, Wendy	\$2
<b>29 November Friday</b>	9:30-1:00	1	Genealogy Group	Sue, Barbara	\$2
<b>3 December Tuesday</b>	1:00-3:00	3	Introduction to Windows PC	Dawn, Colleen Florence	\$20
<b>13 December Friday</b>	9:30-1:00	1	Genealogy Group	Sue, Barbara	\$2

To enrol in a Course or Workshop  
Complete the Online Enrolment Form [online enrolment form](#)  
Or Email Dawn at [snr.bookings@gmail.com](mailto:snr.bookings@gmail.com)  
Or Phone 022 073 1077

### Christmas Function

For our Christmas Function round-up of the year please bring a plate of party food to share like cupcakes, squares, scones, savoury sandwiches, pastries and other buffet finger foods

As for the Santa exchange gift, bring along fun ideas for under \$10.00, could be a quirky mug, festive hat or socks, a calendar, or something that always gets a smile.



## Name Labels

Your new name labels for 2025 will continue to be displayed in an alphabetical array on a table opposite the raffles at Monthly Open Meeting days.

When you attend a class, please ask a Tutor for your new name tag if you have not picked it up on a meeting day.



## Basic Windows PC Skills

The course "Introduction to PC Windows Computers 10 and 11 + Word" (3 Weeks Total 6 Hours) has been scheduled three times in the November/December Timetable.



PC members thinking about refreshing basic skills and updating their computers can click the [online enrolment form](#) or

Email Dawn at [snr.bookings@gmail.com](mailto:snr.bookings@gmail.com) or Text to 029 073 1077.

**Dawn Whiteman - Class Coordinator**

**[snr.bookings@gmail.com](mailto:snr.bookings@gmail.com)**



### ❖ Past ❖

At our October Monthly meeting, Lafi Aso, from Geeks-on-Wheels gave a presentation about Staying Safe Online.

It was an interesting and informative presentation, which began with of an overview of Geeks-on-Wheels as a NZ owned and operated company and the services it offers.

The presentation then when on to talk about scams, what they are, and the types of scams in the community.

Phishing/Scam emails were also discussed, and advice was given on what to look for when presented with a dodgy email.

If you would like to have a look at the full presentation, it has been uploaded to our website and can be accessed via this link:

<https://www.seniornet-eden-roskill.org.nz/speakers.html>



Monday, 18 November – as detailed above, will be a Special Meeting where we vote for our new committee, Ray McDonald will do a short presentation about AI – Artificial Intelligence – Is it a good thing? Is it a bad thing? Or is it just a ‘thing?’ and then enjoy our Christmas break-up function.



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## Digital Camera Group



Next Meeting, Monday, 11 November at 1:00pm

**OUR END OF YEAR MEETING  
and**

**THE PRESENTATION OF THE WINNING PHOTOS FOR 2024 YEAR**

(Please bring a small plate of goodies for afternoon tea)

**also**

**- YOUR FAVOURITE PHOTO TAKEN THIS YEAR - DISPLAY-**

**You may enter 2 photos. Please send by email to:**

[sner.cameracompetition@gmail.com](mailto:sner.cameracompetition@gmail.com)

**PHOTOS FOR DISPLAY by Wednesday, 6 November please**

We will also have a presentation on Composition, points of interest and framing the shot.

### OCTOBER COMPETITION RESULTS



**Category 17 WINTER - COLD**  
**Foggy Morning by Ruth Boere**



**Category 18 TREES**  
**Autumn by Ruth Boere**

## CATEGORY SUGGESTIONS FOR 2025 PHOTOS

Please send us any suggestions for our 2025-year photo competitions,  
asap so that we can have our list ready for the new year.

Hetty Goodwin – Convener: Digital Camera Group

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### **Apple Group**



**November Apple Meeting**  
**Monday, 25 November 1:30pm**

At the Apple Meeting in November, Darryl will talk about iCloud, what it is and how to use it.

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**SeniorNet Eden-Roskill Inc. - Committee 2024**

<b>Position</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Email</b>
Chairperson	Colleen McMurchy	0272315418	colleenmcmurchy@gmail.com
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	Hetty Goodwin	0211480477	hetty.goodwin@xtra.co.nz
Support Admin/Tech Officer	Ray McDonald	0211048100	raymcdseniornet@gmail.com

**Course Bookings:**

To enrol in a class, members should either complete the

**online enrolment form**, <https://www.seniornet-eden-roskill.org.nz/learn4.html>

or contact our Class Coordinator Dawn Whiteman by email  
at [sner.bookings@gmail.com](mailto:sner.bookings@gmail.com)

or phone 022 073 1077

Membership Enquiries: Hetty Goodwin – 021 148 0477

Email: [hetty.goodwin@xtra.co.nz](mailto:hetty.goodwin@xtra.co.nz)

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#### **Disclaimer**

Some of our Learning Centre members who have specialised computer knowledge voluntary give help to those with computer problems and 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 Eden-Roskill Inc.