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## Chat from the Chair.

Our first active month in our new premises has proved to be busy and sustainable. With a warm yet large adjustable premises there has been no difficulty in accommodating numbers both inside and out. With parking immediately outside the door, and a room which has individual tables, clients can have private consultations and work with the tutors until each is comfortable that a solution has been reached. We are so grateful for the knowledge and time our tutors give, on Monday afternoons and Wednesday mornings.

The seminar in early February finished very differently from where it started. Our advertised speaker withdrew in the morning for health issues, and finding a replacement at such short notice was reasonably dramatic. We are grateful to Rachel Brooking, our newly elected Labour List MP, for filling a gap in both our programme and our knowledge. She spoke very knowledgeably about the climate change report which had been released very recently. She was also starting a new job, so her ability to 'rise to the occasion' will serve her well in the years ahead.

Our Annual General Meeting is to be held on Wednesday March 10th at 2pm at our new premises at DCBC in Concord. We hope that the attendance will enable you to become familiar with the layout of the premises and the facilities available. A coffee bar is open also on Wednesdays, just along the corridor..perhaps you may patronise that after the meeting. We hope to provide information on the use of Zoom – a meeting option that is useful for group and family communication which has become particularly popular during the Covid restrictions.

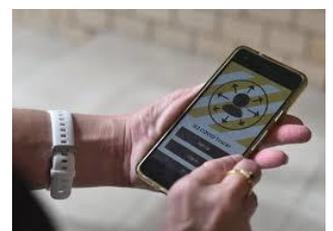
I am not standing again for the committee, or as the Chair. Please consider joining the committed group of people who are organising agendas for the services that are provided for you. It is not onerous, and the ability to be able to share the duties according to abilities is very much part of our process.

We are still waiting for more information about the National Meeting in May. When this arrives it will be sent on immediately, so you can plan your attendance according to your interests. The opportunities to meet and talk with people from other areas who each work with and for their own communities' needs cannot be overestimated. In this way we can learn from and contribute to both our educational and social experiences.

As we move forward in the COVID environment we can but hope that our move to a higher level will not affect our service delivery during the year. It may well mean that overseas travel is again restricted – good for the bank balance, but not the psyche! See you at the A.G.M.

**Anne Rodger– Chairperson**

Phone – 477-2774



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## NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of SeniorNet Otago Inc. will be held on Wednesday, 10 March 2020, at 1.30 p.m. in the Simpson Room, Dunedin City Baptist Church, 19 Main South Road, Concord, Dunedin.

### AGM Agenda

1. Apologies
2. Confirmation of Minutes of 2020 Annual General Meeting
3. Presentation of President's Annual Report and Financial Accounts for year ended 31 December 2020.
4. Election of Officers. President/Chair, Treasurer; Secretary
5. Subscriptions for 2022
6. General Business.
7. Afternoon tea at DCBC café. (Please bring your wallet or purse).



**NB. The position of Chair/President is vacant. New Committee members are urgently required.**

### Important SeniorNet Dates for your Diary

#### **Wednesday March 10<sup>th</sup> 1:30PM - SeniorNet Otago AGM at Dunedin City Baptist Church**

Anne Rodger, our retiring Chair, mentioned in the Chat from the Chair that our own Annual General Meeting is being held next month. **Please come along** and support our local SeniorNet Otago community. We urge all members to attend so you can have your say regarding the future of our group. Relevant information for the AGM is being distributed with this newsletter.

Our committee group will be down to 3 members after Anne resigns from her position as Chair this year, which is as about as low as we can get in order to maintain our learning centre. Please consider helping us and our fabulous tutor group keep our 20 year old SeniorNet learning centre operational.

We will not be providing afternoon tea following the AGM but members are welcome to join the committee in the café area at DCBC following the meeting's conclusion.

#### **Wednesday-Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> May—SeniorNet NZ AGM and Symposium Conference at Chisholm Park Golf Club**

Another reminder for our members that the Federation of NZ SeniorNet societies is having its AGM in Dunedin for the very first time this year. Please come along to our AGM on March 10<sup>th</sup> to register your Interest.

The theme for the conference is "The Confidence Conversation". Federation executive office Heather says "After a nervous and uncertain time for seniors, for our communities and for SeniorNet, it's time to get our mojo back, to rebuild our confidence and move on with certainty! It's time for the confidence conversation!" Please join us in Dunedin in 2021 for an outstanding and confident approach to our SeniorNet future.

*We are also told that the Minister for the Elderly, Dr Ayesha Verrall, will be our special guest at the symposium. What a fantastic opportunity to hear her speak and participate in our activities. 🍷🍷🍷.*

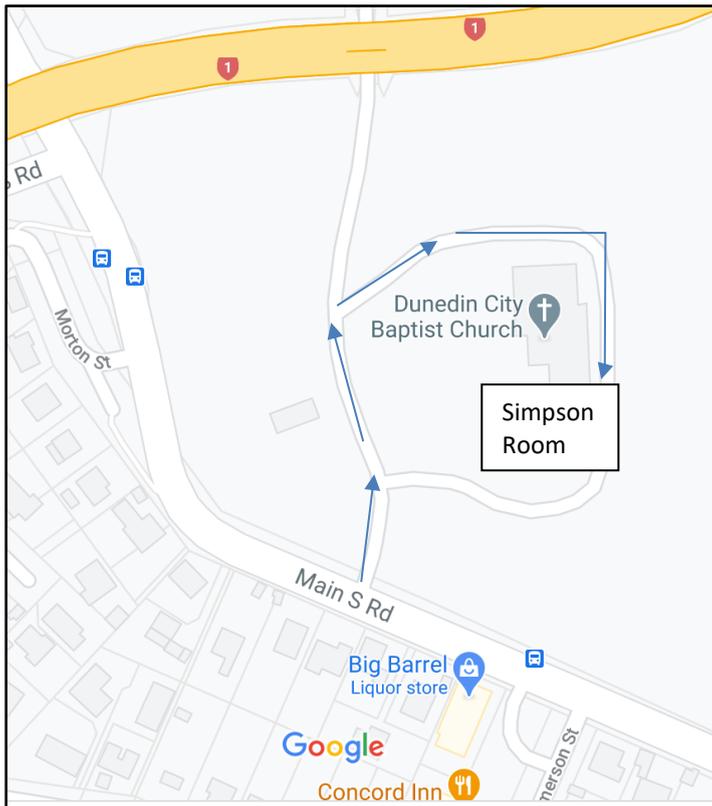
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## SeniorNet Otago –Our new Learning Centre at DCBC

We are very pleased with the comfortable and warm new premises at DCBC. We are also happy our wonderful group of volunteer tutors have added another drop in session on a Wednesday. A café is open at DCMC on Wednesdays so you can have a cup a tea or coffee after our SeniorNet drop-in.

Directions to find us are below. (repeated from our January newsletter)



The entrance to DCBC is on the Main South Road just down the road from the Concord shopping centre as shown in the map. We are using the Simpson Room which is on the right hand side of the main building. There is a car park directly outside the room so members can drive around the outside of DCBC and park their cars there or get dropped off. (See the arrows on the map to see how to get to the Simpson Room). Please note, on exiting, you need go back the same way you came in as the exit road on the map above is often closed off.

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## SeniorNet Otago Membership Subscriptions

Please note that membership subscriptions are now due. More information around rejoining is found on the last page of this newsletter. Your subscription is important to the ongoing financial viability of our learning centre.

Please note that if you are an existing AMI Insurance customer, please let us know at [snetotago@gmail.com](mailto:snetotago@gmail.com). AMI are sponsoring membership fees for SeniorNet customers until September 2021.



## February 2nd Seminar on ~~Computer Gaming~~ Climate Change!

As Anne Rodger mentioned in her chat from the Chair, our special guest speaker on Computer Gaming, Dr Simon McAllum, was unable to attend the event due to illness. However, at very short notice, Anne was able to recruit a local MP, Rachel Brooking, to speak to our group on the recently released climate change report. Rachel was an excellent speaker and she provided us plenty of Q&A opportunities to those attending.

We were delighted not only to have such an esteemed stand-in guest speaker like Rachel, but also to have many of our colleagues from SeniorNet Dunedin join us for the afternoon. Rachel proved to be a more than able stand-in for Simon which was really appreciated by us all. Also good was the opportunity for our committee, Rachel and our SeniorNet Dunedin colleagues to have a nice afternoon tea and a chat afterwards.

### Virtual Learning through SeniorNet (Google) Hangouts

In response to the lightning fast but short (fortunately) lockdown last week, the SeniorNet NZ Federation announced that it was starting off the 2021 Senior Hangouts virtual learning platform. The Federation is now running online education for SeniorNet members every weekday at 10:00am.

Our tutor group will be exploring how to use these materials and will get more information out to members in the coming weeks when we're comfortable with how it's working and will work for our members.

### Online Banking Tips (from SeniorNet Dunedin)

Our "sister" SeniorNet learning centre in Dunedin, has provide some excellent guides to Internet banking in their newsletter.

#### 1. Westpac Banking Online (Principal sponsor of the Federation)

Westpac have a wealth of information online. Perhaps the first port of call for Westpac online banking is their 'How to' guides at: <https://www.westpac.co.nz/branch-mobile-online/online-banking/how-to/> where you can access 32 guides on whatever you want to know, from an Overview to 'Loan repayments.

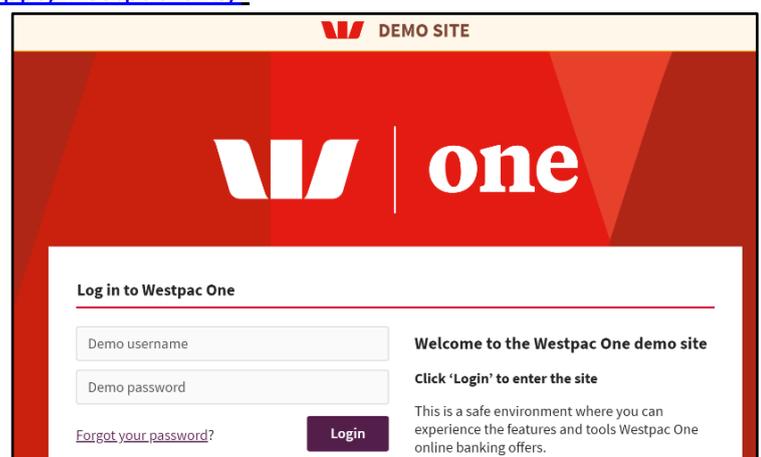
Mobile apps can be found at:

<https://www.westpac.co.nz/branch-mobile-online/apps/westpac-one/>

Another place to visit is the Westpac demo site (see picture).

<https://bank.westpac.co.nz/demo/app.html#login>

No login details are required for the Westpac demo account. You simply click on login and you can practice your online banking in the demo site.



## Online Banking Tips continued (from SeniorNet Dunedin)

### 2. Kiwibank

<https://www.kiwibank.co.nz/contact-us/support-hub/internet-banking>

Setting up internet banking is made pretty straightforward in their guide, which you can access by clicking on “More about Internet Banking” on the right hand side of the page

The first thing presented is how to set up internet banking. complete with a nicely made video on the process, and also a written guide. To see all the guides, click on

<https://www.kiwibank.co.nz/contact-us/support-hub/internet-banking/guides/>

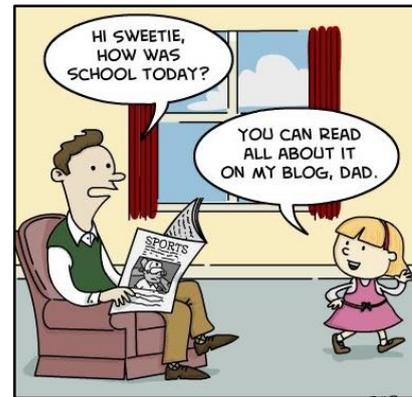
The Kiwibank guides are there on just about everything you might want to know, each with a video and a written guide.

Kiwibank - like the other Banks - have mobile apps for iOs and Android:

<https://www.kiwibank.co.nz/contact-us/support-hub/mobile-app/>

These are also accompanied by step-by-step guides including: *Set up the mobile app, View accounts and balances, Transfer money, Make payments and Add Payees.*

*Thank you to SeniorNet Dunedin for this article on Online banking.  
The Editor*



## Seniornet Committee and Tutors

<u>SeniorNet Otago Committee Members</u>	<u>SeniorNet Otago Tutors</u>
Anne Rodger Shane Boyle Anne Donovan Jean Roulston	Karen Lobb Joan McGregor Shane Boyle Kevin Wang

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