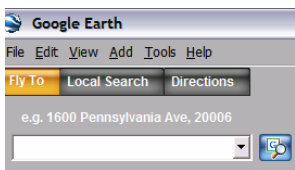


COURSES

The course calendar for the next 3 months is out. Courses are filling rapidly with some closed already. Check out our web page. <http://www.seniornetnorthwest.org.nz/2008%20Course%20Calendar.pdf>

Search Tip

If you use Google Maps or Google Earth you can enter a street, number and town and have Google go straight to that site. Great if you are looking for a particular house.



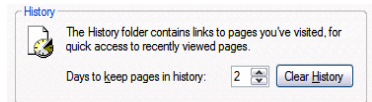
Remember Thursday nights 7 - 9 pm is help desk night. Call into the rooms with your problems and we will see if we can



To access links on this page click on the URL or copy and paste in your browser.

OPENING WEB PAGES

Often when you search the Web you may visit the same site or page on several occasions. Sometimes the page will not open or displays old out-of-date information. What happens when you “surf” is that the pages you visited are stored in your *History* file that is part of your browser. When you try to visit it again your browser goes to this file rather than the website or page, so you only get the same information as you got last time. To get around this problem simply press the **refresh key F5**. The browser will store this page in history for the number of days that your browser is set to. You can reduce this by going to *Tools | Internet options | Days to keep*. I set mine for 2 days. Another option, which I recommend, is to make the browser check for new pages each time you visit a site. Again using *Tools | Internet options | General | (temporary internet files) Settings* When you open the settings tab you get four choices to *Check for newer versions*. Check the radio button next to **Automatically**, Click *apply* then *okay*.



ON-LINE APPLICATIONS

A new trend is towards using common applications through the internet (on-line) rather than going and buying your own software. **Google** - the most used web site - has provided applications from word-processing, spreadsheets, photo-imaging (Picassa) through to personal email and calendars and YouTube. To access these go to www.google.co.nz and click on *more* in the toolbar then on *even more* again. This will open a page with many different applications that are free to use. One benefit is that you can access your files anywhere you have a computer, but the downside is that you really need a broadband connection - not dial up. You need to register, which is simple, then you are free to use what they offer. Click on **Pack** at bottom of page to get a range of other free software. If Google Maps does not give you what you want try **Multimap** <http://www.multimap.com/>. I use this regularly and find it more accurate. For other free on-line offices suites check out the review at Computerworld <http://www.computerworld.com/>

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Useful Tips

Have you ever gotten an audio or video file that you find that you cannot play on your computer? **VLC** is a free player that plays almost every type of audio and video file with the need to convert the format. Go to the **VideoLan** page for the free download <http://www.videolan.org/vlc/> Runs on Mac and Windows.



Try These Sites

- [New Zealand Radio stations \(Internet\)](http://www.nzradioguide.co.nz/)
- [World radio search](http://www.worldradiosearch.com/)
- <http://www.radio-locator.com/>
- [TVNZ On Demand](http://www.tvnzondemand.co.nz/)
- <http://tvnzondemand.co.nz/>
- [What's on TV \(Sky & Free to air\)](http://nz.tv.yahoo.com/tv-guide)
- <http://nz.tv.yahoo.com/tv-guide>
- [World Newspapers Index](http://www.onlinenewspapers.com/)
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