



Earthquake can't shake APNK

When the Canterbury region was jolted awake by a 7.1 magnitude quake in the early hours of Saturday 4 September, quite a few basic services were disrupted (like power and water) but the APNK, despite operating from Christchurch stayed up and running. This was down to the hard work and dedication (and laptop battery power) of your People's Network team who continued working from their homes for over a week before the National Library building in Christchurch was given the 'all clear'.



The "green sticker" on the library door that means we're open for business again

More quake photos on our Flickr

www.flickr.com/apnk

New libraries join APNK

It's been a long wait for our Phase 3 waitlisted libraries but finally APNK installations will be taking place in 3 new library networks. We love it when our APNK family gets to grow!

The following libraries will be getting a visit from the People's Network "Internet Fairies" (Glen and Keiran) later this month.

- Franklin district—Pukekohe, Waiuku and Tuakau libraries.
- Matamata-Piako—Morrinsville, Matamata and Te Aroha libraries.
- Papakura library, Papakura.

Expect to see photographs of the new APNK libraries on [our Flickr](#) in the near future!

Welcome to the family, Franklin, Matamata-Piako and Papakura!



New APNK Manager

Please allow Joan Blatchford, recently appointed temporary manager of APNK to introduce herself...

I am delighted to be back in a library as the Acting Manager of APNK until decisions are made about the Kōtui project. This will allow Mark to get back to his technical role which will significantly advantage the network.

My career started in libraries at Canterbury Public Library

and I have had various roles in public and special libraries in Christchurch, Wellington and in England. Many of my roles have been project based and included implementation of the first integrated library system at Canterbury Public Library and managing the building project for the Wellington Central Library.

I moved out of libraries into local authority management and worked mainly in customer service roles. Over the last seven years I have been leading projects and providing temporary management support in libraries, government, local government and not for profit organisations.

At the end of my first week I am very excited to be part of this team which has achieved so much and I look forward to working in this positive learning environment and in being in contact with our partners.



APNK Finalist, Internet Best Practice Awards

The Aotearoa People's Network has been selected as a finalist in the Australia and New Zealand Internet Best Practice Awards, in the category of 'Best Access Initiative'.

The winner of the 'Best Access Initiative' (and four categories) are announced at an awards ceremony in Melbourne on 18 October.



New software being trialled

Recently, Judd at Pūtiki Marae brought our attention to some software that he thought would be useful additions to that which is available on the APNK PCs. We've done some investigating and are now trialling the following programmes at Pūtiki. All going well, these tools should be available at APNK PCs across the country in the near future.

- Rapid typing (typing tutor)
- FreeMind (Mind-mapping)
- Pivot Stickfigure Animation

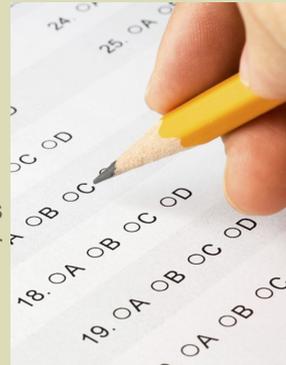
If you think that there is a useful, open source tool available that APNK customers gain benefit from having on the PCs please let us know and we'll be happy to look into it.

Impact Evaluation—Your Feedback needed

Work continues on an Impact Evaluation Report around APNK services.

We are currently seeking feedback from APNK customers in the form of an online survey that is being promoted via the APNK regional portals.

We'd be grateful if you could promote this to your customers. A link to a different online survey aimed at staff will be distributed via email. We encourage everyone to participate and share your thoughts and opinions on the APNK service to help us better understand our impact on the libraries, marae, and communities we serve.



Kete News

- [Kete Kawerau](#) launches this month to coincide with Kawerau's "Woodfest" National Woodskills Competition. Hoping to capture some interest from former residents returning to visit for the weekend, displays are planned and stories from Kawerau's first pub "The Flying Jug" will be recorded. Tales aplenty to add colour to Kete Kawerau.
- [Hamilton's APNK Regional portal](#) is now sporting a stylish looking widget that allows customers to search Kete Hamilton without leaving the APNK pages. If you think your APNK pages could be enhanced with a Kete widget and need advice please contact the APNK Content Editor.

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Search: Kete Hamilton

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Hamilton's Kete widget in place on the Hamilton APNK Regional portal

GO-GO keeps going

In addition to the three new library network installations happening this month, things are also all "go" with GO-GO system installations. Early this month Te Anau Library, Southland District Libraries gets the GO-GO PC control system. Last month it was Dannevirke Library, Tararua getting the GO-GO treatment.



The GO-GO system is now in place at Dannevirke Library

Winner of this month's free APNK t-shirt is...

Donna Calder from Ohakune. Congratulations!

For your chance to be in to win one these stylish and highly desirable fashion items, login to the [Community of Practice](#) (if you work at an APNK partner library, just drop us an email and we'll sign you up if you're not a member already), post a comment, join a discussion (or start one) and you'll go in the monthly draw.



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