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### *Editorial*

Hi folks. This will be a rather short newsletter. We had no February Social to report on and also, Muriel has been away in Australia for a fortnight. It has been hard to think of much else after that cyclone and the incredible subsequent damage. Let's hope for a bit of summer weather before autumn sets in.

I encourage you to attend our AGM and Social Meeting on Monday, March 20<sup>th</sup>. starting at 9.30 am. The business meeting will be fairly short and then we will have musical entertainment from Gloria-Jean and Paul. You may remember that they were due to sing for us before Xmas and were stalled by Covid at the last minute.

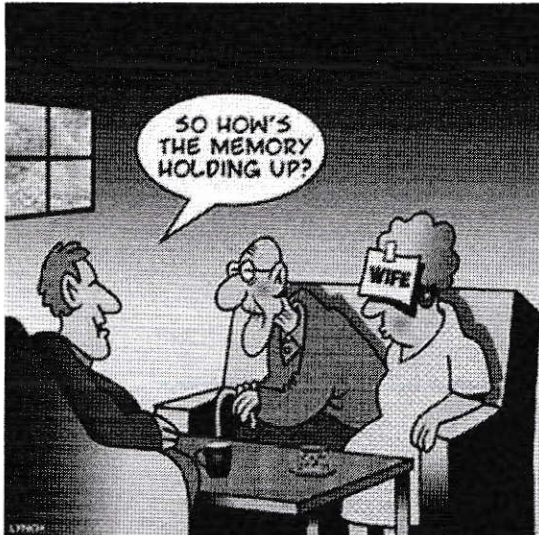
The Monday help sessions are not available at present. If you need help, please ring Martin phone 07 839 4179. Also have a look at the course list. Book a course or repeat one- you will be surprised what you had forgotten!

### *Malcolm*

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A little girl was sitting on her Grandpa's knee while he read her a story. Every now and then she would raise her eyes from the book and reach up and stroke the old man's wrinkly cheek. She said "did God make you, Grandpa?" "Yes", he said. "God made me but it was a long time ago". A little while later she said "Grandpa, did God make me too?" "Yes", said Grandpa. "but that was not so long ago". The little girl stroked his wrinkly cheek again and then her own and said "God's getting better at it isn't he?"

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*Fraud and Scams.* Abridged from an article in the Sunday Star-Times by Aimee Shaw.

More than \$35 million was lost to scams and fraud last year, affecting 15000 victims. Global banks such as Barclays, HSBC, Citi and Australia's NAB (owners of BNZ) have invested \$NZ 32 million in technology firm Biocatch, which specialises in behavioural biometrics and advanced fraud monitoring systems. Biocatch analyses an account holder's behaviour using biometric data such as fingerprints, how hard they press on a touch screen device, movement, and mouse scrolling speed. If it detects third party remote access on the device, it automatically shuts it down.

However, no matter the technology, vigilance is the best defence. It is essential that we are all alert to unsolicited texts and emails and never click on links or reply to these messages and never supply personal or account details when they hit our inboxes. A Kiwibank spokesperson said the bank encouraged customers to keep an eye on their transactions and use trusted merchants, because prevention is always better than cure.

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