



Company Profile

Company History

Technology Solutions is an Information Technology company located in Masterton, New Zealand servicing clients worldwide.



Technology Solutions original location, 1972

Established in 1965 by Ted Paris as a home appliance and electrical services store, the only constant thing between 1965 and present day has been the building, and now finally that has succumbed to progress.

After the fun had gone from selling washing machines Ted took a bold step and started Wairarapa's first computer bureau processing facility.

This required a huge investment in computer

equipment, equipment that took up a whole room, had hard disk drives the size of fridges and were a lovely brown colour.

Initially called Wairarapa Computer Services, we provided a facility for clients to come and process their accounts with our magnificent Datapoint mini-computer. With the power to process a blistering seven tax returns a day! Who would predict computers would get smaller faster and progress to a point where clients would eventually own their own systems? Well, we did. Confronted with the evidence of components getting smaller and faster, and the decline in cost to acquire this equipment, we identified computer services as the technology revolution of the future.



In 1995 Wairarapa Computer Services purchased its local competitor - ComputerLand - and inherited the ComputerLand franchise. However, we quickly learned that operating as a ComputerLand franchise wasn't for us. Most of the corporate business that ComputerLand's franchise model was based on was not in Masterton.



Ted Paris with the Datapoint 'mini' system

So in 1999 the ComputerLand franchise was dropped and under the new name of Technology Solutions we went it alone. Through continued customer focus, quality sales and support that gamble has paid off.

We are now the largest company of our type in the Wairarapa, employing ten staff with the diversity and depth of skill to meet any computer technology requirement, from home and small office workstations through to wide area networks and Internet development.



Historic Hessey house – 21 Worksof Road, Masterton

In early 2005 we relocated to the historic Hessey house in Worksof road, Masterton.

Focus

Our building may have finally changed but our focus and commitment to our customers has not. Technology Solutions is the leading provider of business IT solutions in the Wairarapa. Partnering with the best of breed technologies such as Hewlett Packard, Microsoft and Symantec, utilizing codes of best practice developed over thirty years of service. We are still very committed to delivering quality advice, sales and support to assist our clients to achieve their business and SOHO computing objectives.

Our key business areas are:

- Total site IT management
- Web & Application Development
- Internet services/site hosting
- Network Installation
- On-site Service
- Application Software
- Workshop Repair

Ownership & Management

Technology Solutions is a private company, and was founded in 1970 by Ted Paris. The company is registered as Wairarapa Computer Services Ltd. Simon Griffiths is Technology Solutions' General Manager and owner.

Details

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Charges

Casual rate	\$85+gst
Network services	\$95+gst



From Left: Simon, Adrian, Dave, James (left), Ian, Daryl (left), Darryl, Ray (since retired), Matt, Ross, Neil
Not pictured: Stephen, Warwick, Kim, Kieran

Simon Griffiths started working at Technology Solutions back when it was Wairarapa Computer Services. Simon has a BSc in Computer Science from Massey University and is Microsoft certified. In addition to managing the company, Simon has a wealth of experience in systems integration and support, legacy software development and database development. Simon owns Technology Solutions.

Darryl Elwin is our Technical Services Manager his role is to mainly service the needs of our Techcare clients. A graduate of UCOL Wairarapa with certificates in Business Computing and Advanced Certificate of Business Computing we call upon Darryl for network integration and support. Darryl specializes in thin-client technologies, wide area networks, remote access and solving those thorny network problems.

Ian Hannan is another long-term member of the Technology Solutions team; he is our sales, support and business analysis consultant. With many years of commercial experience in systems analysis and integration Ian provides guidance in selecting computer systems, networks, servers and applications – including a range of financial and accounting solutions, that best suit our clients needs.

Kim Thorn is the public image of Technology Solutions and as the first point of contact with our clients; it is Kim's task to ensure that the great range of skills and abilities reflected in the Tech team are put to full use in the service of our client's needs. In addition to managing the workflow at Technology Solutions, Kim also prepares the accounts and deals with the financial issues.

Neil Hannan is a veteran of the electronics industry and nearly a decade in IT. Neil is a qualified Hewlett Packard engineer, servicing workstations and printers. A recent recruit to the Technology Solutions team Neil comes with 30 years experience and a stable of clients that include NIWA, which often sees him aboard ship solving problems in a very demanding marine environment. Neil's experience at a component level is highly valued and sought after among the team at Tech Solutions.

Dave McKinley has been involved in IT since 1988 with roles such as IT Manager for Waverley Municipal Council in Sydney but more recently in development and support. Dave specializes in software development with languages such as Visual Basic, ASP, .Net, SQL, PHP and Java. In 2002 he received the Computer World Excellence Award for Software Innovation sponsored by Microsoft NZ. Dave is currently enrolled at Massey University completing his BSc degree started at the University of Technology, Sydney extramurally.

Ross Davidson joins us with a background in sales and graphic design, as an experienced desktop publisher Ross is familiar with most publishing applications in both PC and Mac environments. Ross adds much needed depth in our sales and administrative roles.

Warwick Spence like a lot of the staff, Warwick has 30 years experience in IT covering all areas like design, installation and support, with a background in telecommunications and network engineering. Warwick provides onsite support as needed and also has considerable development skills and develops custom applications as required.

Stephen Polley has relocated to New Zealand from Nottingham, UK where he was part of the team that supported the massive IT infrastructure at the University of Nottingham. Stephen looks after a number of schools in the region and also handles any Apple Mac issues, he has been with Technology Solutions for two years.

Adrian Pedersen is a CIT graduate (now Weltec), gaining a Diploma in Software Engineering. Adrian joins the Technology Solutions team after a year working in Weltec's IT services department. Adrian has an impressive knowledge of systems engineering & networking which is ideal for his role as an onsite technician.

Kieran Windsor is a recent addition to the team after he relocated to the Wairarapa from Wellington. Kieran has a corporate network management background and bring a different set of skills and perspective to the team.

Paul Hunter is a recent addition to the team at Technology Solutions to help with the expanding workload; he has also relocated from Wellington. Paul has a range of skills which make him at ideal for sorting out all those difficult workshop jobs he gets (like Vista for example).