

Webmaster Report – AGM – 24 November 2020

Website hosting

The support staff (Ellen Walsh and Gareth Jones) at Ackama, the software development company who are hosting the NZSA website for the Royal Society have been very helpful and professional to deal with.

Harold Henderson is liaising with Ackama to provide a members-only area on the website, where members can log in using the email address and membership number, to be able to access content such as links to the recent webinars put on by the Statistical Society of Australia. We are waiting for a quote for this work, the initial expectation from Ackama was that it would require fewer than 10 hours to set it up.

Generic email addresses for stats.org.nz office-bearers

The problems experienced during the year with using the generic email addresses for the office-bearers seem to have been resolved. We didn't realise that the generic address wouldn't forward an email to the designated forwarding address if the email had been sent by that address. Also, there was a glitch with the Ackama server which caused some problems for a while. This has now been resolved.

I wonder if anyone is checking the general (admin) address: stats@stats.org.nz

Domain-name hosting

The domain name (www.stats.org.nz) is being hosted by Vocus (formerly Orcon) and will come up for renewal in June 2021.

Possibilities for renewal would include the domain-name being hosted by Freeparking.

Webmaster position changeover

I am stepping down from the role of Webmaster as of the AGM, and my colleague at Plant and Food Research has volunteered to take over the role. We started the transition about a month ago, and will continue as long as that is required.

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