

# Webmaster Report – AGM – 1<sup>st</sup> December 2021

## Newsletter Archive

Earlier this year I uploaded a number of past newsletters. Thank you to Richard Penny for scanning those. We are still missing four that Richard does not have. Has anyone got a copy of issues [38](#), [39](#) and [40](#) from 1995-96, or issue [19](#) from 1988? If so, please contact either Richard or myself.

## Domain name renewal

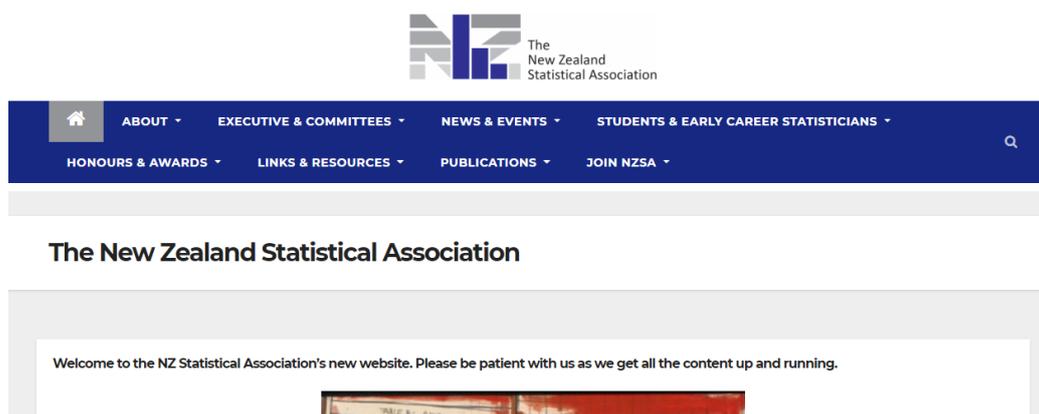
Our domain name, stats.org.nz, has now been renewed for another 5 years.

## Website hosting

The support staff at Ackama, the software development company who host our website for the Royal Society, were helpful and prompt with a couple of technical problems earlier in the year. However, more recently they were in contact to say that our website needs to be redone. The RSNZ have been paying our ongoing website costs with Ackama. Our website uses Wordpress and it runs on PHP. The PHP version that our site is on is coming to End of Life (6<sup>th</sup> December 2021). We need a major overhaul for this problem to be fixed. RSNZ are unable to pay for this.

We received a letter from Ackama outlining the above and giving us some expensive options.

A Website Revamp sub committee was formed to look into our options. This is comprised of myself, Harold Henderson, John Haywood and Simon Urbanek. To cut a long story short, we decided to make use of Simon's skills. He quickly got our content up and running on a demo website on one of his servers. He is able to host the site in the short term at least. To help with future proofing the site, we have opted to use one of the freely available themes. Here is a glimpse of how the website will look when we go live on Monday.



Thank you to the revamp committee members particularly Simon.

**Heather Jenkins**  
**30<sup>th</sup> November 2021**