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EDITOR'S & WEBMASTER'S REPORT Māori Interest Group AGM Sunday 4th June 2023 NZSG FAMILY RESEARCH CENTRE

Kia ora and welcome to our 2023 AGM. It is my pleasure to present this, my 21st Report on both our newsletter and website.



TE REO – Our newsletter continues to be an import aspect of our little roopu but I became and am still, extremely alarmed at the low level of member content and involvement this year. This is your voice and I would like to have something from all our members to include in your newsletter - our newsletter is not a forum for me to simply cut-‘n’-paste off the ‘net, but a space for your research needs!

With this in mind, I cannot over state just how grateful I am to our stalwart supporter Don HAYWARD, Don has been the backbone of our newsletter content and saved my reputation more than once. Likewise, Lorraine, Trevor and our loyal team are always available for their support – thank you.

Nevertheless, this does not mean the newsletter and especially Don should be taken for granted as the current format of the newsletter will need to be addressed in the future at the current level of member participation.

The structure of the newsletter itself in both electronic (pdf) and hardcopy format continues to remain stable and I have always felt that the Black & White hardcopy issues of *Te Reo* continue to be a vital and more importantly, permanent record of the group’s activities. The newsletter also continues to be made available online (in magnificent colour) through the NZSG website and again, I am extremely grateful to Jan SHERWOOD (NZSG Webmaster) for her prompt and efficient help in updating our newsletter links on the NZSG site.

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Hardcopy details of the newsletter (May 2022 to February 2023) are as follows;

- **MAY 2022 40 Hardcopies/20pages A\$094.60**
- **AUG 2022 40 Hardcopies/28pages A\$105.16**
- **NOV 2022 40 Hardcopies/24pages A\$101.20**
- **FEB 2023 40 Hardcopies/16pages A\$085.80**

This represents **160 hardcopies** with a total printing cost of **A\$386.81** or approximately **A\$2.42 per booklet** – a decrease on the previous year's printing costs (in consideration of reduced pages overall).

With the relaxation of Covid restrictions and more available flights, delivery of the newsletter hardcopies to Lorraine for distribution has been far more reliable and timelier the past twelve months, postage of the hardcopies to New Zealand varies between approx. A\$25-\$30 each consignment with weight variations.

Printing receipts have been deposited with the Secretary for inspection. *N.B. The Covers and any Inserts on Green reflex paper are slightly more expensive than the inside B&W pages.*



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CAN YOU HELP YOUR ROOPU?

Owen and Lorraine are currently in the process of updating our Whakapapa Research Guide for the next print run and we need a volunteer to go through the booklet to compile a glossary of the Māori terms used for the benefit of beginners (including a short list of other basic words).

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NZSG MAORI



The idea of a Māori Interest Group under the umbrella of the New Zealand Society of Genealogists was first conceived by Julie Barlow and Lynn Richards in 1993 and the group was official ratified by the NZSG on Saturday the 3rd December 1994, becoming Special Interest Group Number 76 of the NZSG.

Since this time the group has gone through many changes and today has grown into a strong, well organized group of dedicated volunteers and members. Our aim is to advise others researching their Māori Whakapapa by way of sharing our accumulated knowledge of areas of research and to compile a list of books and repositories that will assist others with their Māori research.

WHO'S ONLINE
We have 4 guests online

TOP HEADLINES

- MAY Te Reo**
The MAY edition of Te Reo is now online and can be download via...
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- MIG AGM & RESEARCH DAY 2023**
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AGM Reports with photo have now been uploaded - follow the "AGM Reports"...
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- Maori Interest Group AGM & Research Day**
MIG will hold their AGM & Research day on Sunday 4 July 2021 from 10am...
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WEBSITE – We have been very happy with the stability of our website (www.nzsgmig.com) with no known glitches the past year.

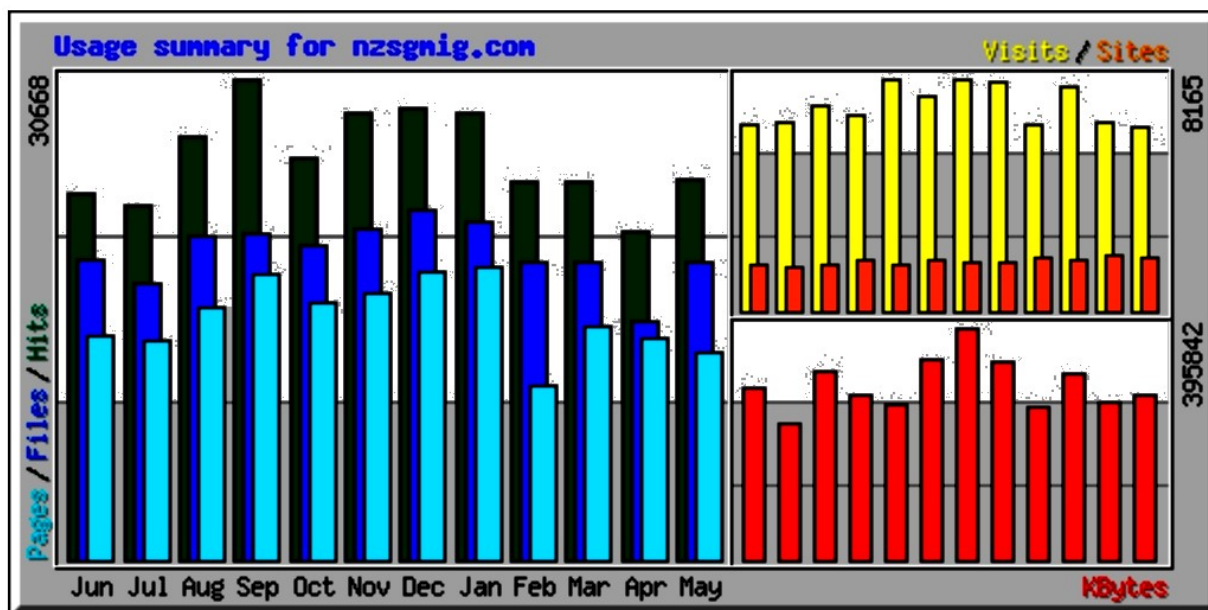
Unfortunately, I still haven't even attempted to address the "Can you help?" tab with better access to Member's Interests and more regular up-to-date information in this link, as I honestly don't know how to address the problem... if anyone has suggestions, please let us know.

And again, it genuinely cannot be understated just how grateful I am for the support I receive from our Committee, MIG members and friends of MIG for the items supplied to keep the MIG homepage flicking over. To continue to beat-the-drum, these articles, graphics and photographs are an integral backbone of the freshness of the website and newsletter.

Likewise, I am well aware that I constantly 'harp-on' about photos and reports from MIG and FH events, but there are two very important reasons for this;

1. We absolutely need photos/graphics to 'hang' the text off, on the MIG homepage and
2. Ever changing photos/graphics on the MIG homepage not only attract the user's attention but are an important indicator that the MIG site is still fresh and changing – there is nothing worse than visiting a stale website that has not been updated for months or even years!

As always, we are extremely grateful and very fortunate to have the ongoing support of Eduard COWELL; Eddie has now made our MIG website a standalone entity in its own right and continues to **personally fund** both our monthly ISP (website) hosting space and the annual renewal of our web address domain name www.nzsgmig.com. From the Committee and all our members, thank you so very much Eddie for your ongoing technical support all these many years.



Summary by Month										
Month	Daily Avg				Monthly Totals					
	Hits	Files	Pages	Visits	Sites	KBytes	Visits	Pages	Files	Hits
May 2023	780	610	425	209	1898	282146	6479	13178	18910	24184
Apr 2023	698	505	469	219	1957	266651	6599	14087	15156	20948
Mar 2023	779	612	477	254	1792	316591	7891	14817	18989	24167
Feb 2023	860	678	397	232	1893	260794	6507	11131	18985	24099
Jan 2023	919	692	603	259	1710	336241	8029	18709	21474	28499
Dec 2022	929	720	590	263	1728	395842	8165	18315	22337	28806
Nov 2022	947	703	567	250	1783	342552	7522	17025	21119	28418
Oct 2022	824	643	527	261	1615	262957	8106	16360	19949	25563
Sep 2022	1022	694	608	228	1806	281961	6864	18249	20832	30668
Aug 2022	867	663	517	231	1603	319308	7166	16048	20569	26899
Jul 2022	728	569	451	213	1505	232478	6604	13996	17640	22598
Jun 2022	776	637	476	217	1586	291635	6528	14308	19129	23305
Totals						3589156	86460	186223	235089	308154

Thank you all again for your support throughout the year, and please do continue to send in your articles and material for *Te Reo*. Remember this is your group, your newsletter and your say and contributions are a necessary component of keeping these member privilege's viable into the future.

Good luck with your research this AGM and I look forward to receiving all those **photos and reports** of your successes for *Te Reo* in coming weeks – serious hint here!

Haere ra



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3rd June 2023