



**Māori Interest Group, New Zealand Society of Genealogists**

**Convenors Annual Report 2014**

*Tenā koe me ngā āhuratanga o te wā, ō tātou, mate noho mai I roto I te wairua. Tātou o te ao ora, kia ora huihui mai tātou.*

Greetings to you and to yours and to our many dead who dwell in the spirit world, we of the world of the living - greetings to us all

This year like every other continues to rush by as we endeavour to stay abreast of the ongoing changes occurring with genealogical research and therefore whakapapa. NZSG is undergoing so many changes, changes that may or may not benefit our needs as we continue to work within a predominantly western framework.

Our meetings this year have been few and far between save for interest group meetings in support of interest groups and branches etc. My main focus as convenor is to pull our Interest Group together and moving for a meeting with our Committee in Auckland post conference. To discuss membership, Māori partnerships with whanau and hapu in whakapapa, our data base, a timeline of events relevant to MIG, our constitution and the relationship between NZSG and MIG. What is working well, what is not and the best way forward with a fragmented group based on location, how to keep our passion alive and to look at a viable document that we can use in association with our whakapapa book and membership application form.

This meeting is to be a committee discussion kanohi ki te kanohi.

Wishing you all a most enjoyable conference and a challenging AGM and I look forward to an update and a pending Committee meeting/hui in Auckland.

Nga mihi nui kia koutou

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Convenor  
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