



THE NEW ZEALAND MATHEMATICAL SOCIETY

Report from the Membership Secretary to the 2021 Council Meeting and AGM

Numbers

The Society currently has **287 members**. Of these 18 members are in arrears by one year (7 have student memberships) and so maybe half of these should be regarded as doubtful; this number is roughly the average over the last few years.

The breakdown of membership classes, together with comparisons with recent years and current subscription fees (inc GST), is:

1998	2002	2006	2010	2014	2018	2019	2020	2021		
152	157	148	167	158	152	147	151	153	Ordinary	\$88
20	18	19	7	16	12	11	11	13	Reciprocal	\$44
36	28	19	33	24	39	43	35	34	Student	\$18*
2	3	1	1	3	1	0	0	0	Overseas Student	\$44
6	3	1	16	2	6	9	5	7	Free one-year	—
26	7	6	31	14	24	14	11	47	Free Student	—
13	15	17	17	17	17	18	18	16	Honorary	—
1	4	5	6	11	14	15	15	17	Life	—
256	235	216	288	245	265	257	246	287	Totals	

(There are discounts for early payment — currently \$6, \$3, \$2, \$3 respectively.)

* Students will have free membership from 2022.

ANZIAM

Initiated in 2009, members can pay their ANZIAM fees at the same time as the NZMS subscription. We currently have 103 (2014: 85, 2016: 113) members who take advantage of this.

PayPal

The establishment of a PayPal account and the means for members to pay their subs using PayPal has been successful.

This venture was intended mostly as a convenience for overseas members who do not have access to direct credit to our account through internet banking. 7 overseas members did pay by PayPal — but also 19 New Zealand members paid this way as well. Since PayPal charges about 4% of each amount paid this means that we are not receiving as much as we would if they paid by direct credit. The total PayPal charge was about \$120 for this year.

Perhaps we should encourage New Zealand members to use direct credit.

Otherwise, there are no major issues with subscription handling.

I will be happy to continue in the position of Membership Secretary should the Council so wish.

John A Shanks
Membership Secretary

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