THE EDITOR'S NOTICEBOARD

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Te Reo 50 has been produced in mid 2007. It is a special issue in honour of Scott Allan and the 50th Birthday of The Linguistic Society of NZ. Teaching is central to the continued health of linguistics in New Zealand and after 49 volumes of *Te Reo* it seemed worthwhile to pay some attention to it.

I am very grateful to everyone who has contributed. Being asked to write about your teaching is not a conventional request and the great variety of approaches in these articles shows how idiosyncratic good teaching is. There are few solid prescriptions except that the teaching must be committed to the subject matter and the students. That is where the creative tensions lie. Scott Allan was a great negotiator of these tensions as well as my predecessor as editor of *Te Reo*, my colleague and friend. He is greatly missed. I hope that this volume, in its small way, gives something back to the people and the subject he served.

This is also the last volume of *Te Reo* I shall edit. I am grateful to everyone who has helped me through their unfailing generosity of time and effort to make the last eight years a productive time. I am placing *Te Reo* into the capable hands of Paul Warren who will, no doubt, have a similar collegial experience in directing *Te Reo*'s future.

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