

Farewell from Debbie Monahan, DNCL

This will be my last Newsletter with Domain Name Commission Limited. As you may be aware, InternetNZ has been undertaking an organisational review over this last year, and the outcome is that NZRS will be amalgamated into InternetNZ with DNCL remaining as a separate company, but with changes to some of the current functions and responsibilities. The three Chief Executive positions were disestablished with a new Group CE position created. DNCL will be led by a senior manager who will retain the Domain Name Commissioner title but will not be a Chief Executive. This new Group CE role will be filled by Jordan Carter, the current Chief Executive of InternetNZ. This means that for Jay Daley, the NZRS Chief Executive, and I our last day in the office will be 12 January 2018.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my time with DNCL and working with a wide range of talented people. A new stage of life awaits. Earlier this year my husband and I decided on a lifestyle change and a move to the Hawkes Bay. What the structural change by InternetNZ has meant is that our plans for the move have been brought forward by some months! Thanks for all the effort and engagement over the years.

Debbie,

Farewell from Jay Daley, NZRS Ltd

As I will be leaving .nz in mid-January after nine years running the registry, I want to say a big thank you to all of the .nz registrars and their re-sellers that have made .nz the outstanding success that it is now.

Thanks to your support, engagement and hard work in selling .nz we have a growth rate well above many of our peers, I hope you will continue to support .nz so that it stays one of the world's top registries.

Thanks again and best wishes for Christmas and the New Year,
Jay Daley

Conflicted Names Process - Resolved Names

Following the deadline to lodge a preference for Conflicted Names at 1 pm, 18 October 2017, a number of registrants who had not lodged a preference for the shorter, .nz version of their name were removed from their conflicts. More than 3,500 conflicts were resolved as only one registrant remained, allowing the remaining registrant to register the shorter version of their name, if they wished

Season's greetings from DNCL and NZRS

During the New Year break, DNCL and NZRS want to take this opportunity to wish all readers of the .nz newsletter a safe and happy holiday season. Thank you to all who have been actively involved in the .nz domain name space in 2017. DNCL and NZRS both have some staff on deck through to Monday 8 January 2018. DNCL can be reached at info@dnc.org.nz, while NZRS can be reached at support@nzrs.net.nz

Statistics

In November 2017, the number of active .nz domain names increased from 699,117 to 702,311. Figures as of 30 November 2017:

	Oct 2017	Nov 2017	Creates	Renews	Net Change
.nz	131,111	132,810	3,216	11,128	1,699
.ac.nz	2,341	2,334	17	307	-7
.co.nz	501,566	503,144	7,674	54,428	1,578
.cri.nz	7	7	0	1	0
.geek.nz	950	948	7	209	-2
.gen.nz	1,090	1,089	7	250	-1
.govt.nz	1,039	1,044	6	2	5
.health.nz	257	257	0	239	0
.iwi.nz	102	102	0	7	0
.kiwi.nz	4,554	4,555	53	478	1
.maori.nz	882	883	7	118	1
.mil.nz	32	32	0	4	0
.net.nz	23,904	23,853	214	3,058	-51
.org.nz	27,673	27,642	254	3,166	-31
.parliament.nz	11	11	0	1	0

.school.nz	3,598	3,600	10	789	2
TOTAL	699,117	702,311	11,465	74,185	3,194

Note: these figures do not include names in 'pending release' status. They incorporate all active domain names in the .nz register. For more statistics, see <https://dnc.org.nz/statistics>

Availability

Availability%	SLA	Sep 17	Oct 17	Nov 17
SRS	99.9	100	100	100
Whois	99.9	100	100	100
DNS	100	100	100	100

SRS Response times

Performance figures on the production environment for the previous three months:

Avg Response time (in seconds)	SLA Target	Sep 17	Oct 17	Nov 17
Domain Details Query	≤0.5	0.01	0.02	0.02
Domain Update	≤0.8	0.24	0.22	0.21
Domain Create	≤0.8	0.32	0.21	0.32
Get Message	≤0.5	0.11	0.12	0.12
Whois	≤0.5	0.10	0.10	0.09
Whois queries at back end including Registrar (volume 000's)	N/A	4,125	4,576	5,870

Whois Server Queries (volume 000's)	N/A	83,146	43,699	74,974*
UDAI Valid Query	≤0.5	0.10	0.09	0.10

*With this continued high rate of queries that we are having to reject it is very likely that legitimate users using overseas IP addresses will not be able to perform whois lookups using port 43 WHOIS or the DNC website whois. Details about this have been addressed in our letter <https://dnc.org.nz/port43-letter>

Server DNS% Availability

	Sep 17	Oct 17	Nov 17
NS1	100	100	100
NS2	100	100	100
NS3	100	100	100
NS4	100	100	100
NS5	100	100	100
NS6	100	100	100
NS7	100	100	100

Unscheduled Outages during November 2017

Outage Type	Total Duration
SRS Unscheduled	No unscheduled outages
WHOIS Unscheduled	No unscheduled outages
DNS Unscheduled	No unscheduled outages

Scheduled Outages during November 2017

Outage Type	Total Duration
SRS Scheduled	One scheduled outage totalling two hour

Outage Type	Total Duration
SRS Emergency Scheduled	No scheduled outages
WHOIS Scheduled	No scheduled outages

** Registrars are reminded to check their systems, if required, after any scheduled outage.*

Any Comments?

If you have any questions or concerns about the SRS, please don't hesitate to contact us. For registry or technical matters, contact Dave Baker at support@nzrs.net.nz or on 04 931 6970. For all other matters, contact Debbie Monahan at info@dnc.org.nz

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