## **Editorial**

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This vintage issue celebrates the Association's legacy in print, which spans from 1965 to the present day. It is timely to take stock now, because 2008 was the 20th anniversary of *Aotearoa New Zealand Social Work Review* and 2009 marks the 60th anniversary of formal social work training within Aotearoa New Zealand, with 1949 being the year when the Victoria University School of Social Sciences was established (Nash, 2009). It is no coincidence that a number of articles chosen reflect the Association's interest in the professionalisation of social work.

In our lead article Margaret McKenzie and Mary Nash review the development of the Association's journal under its various titles and formats and discuss how the journal's content can be analysed historically and in relation to particular themes. This article sets the scene for the vintage articles that follow. Each of these vintage articles was selected from a specific time period by the person who we invited to introduce it.

I hope you enjoy these selections.

A selection of covers of The New Zealand Social Worker and associated titles.

## Reference:

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