Thank you Napier for hosting a fantastic conference! We look forward to the report and photos in December’s edition of The Dissector

Getting to know our PNC Chair - Johanna McCamish

Where do you work?
I work for Counties Manukau, I’ve been there around 17 years (but still look 30!). I currently work in PACU, I’ve previously been an educator and I’m also a CNS for acute pain. I’m an expert in my speciality area of practice and am passionate about supporting the staff I work with.

How did you get involved with PNC?
I saw a flyer on the bench at work, came to what I thought was a study session, but it was an AGM and I voted on to be part of the Auckland Northland committee.

What has surprised you most about being chair of PNC?
Not surprised me but opened my eyes to the support available from each other, from the knowledge and expertise around and the experiences.

What do you find most challenging?
Getting my head around what has to be completed, when and why. Processes I suppose there are a lot of reports and background communication that is done to support the college and to ensure our voice is heard at the table.

What might PNC members be surprised to know about you?
I have Maori blood, and I love smurfs, funny that I work in a place where we all wear blue suits!

What would you like to improve for perioperative nurses?
I’d love to support online courses relevant to our specialties.
**History Corner**

Do you know what this is?

The current logo was designed by Ms Tia O’Rielly in 2002.

Gold letters & detail which signifies quality & qualification.
Blue background represents NZ.
Three theatre lights which represent knowledge, skill & care.
Including the three aspects of nursing – pre, peri and post.
Line with arrow & koru represents moving on the perioperative continuum in partnership.

**History of the Name**

Theatre Nurses Group in Wellington, 1969
Theatre Nurses Special Interest Section of NZNA, 1971
Theatre Nurses Section of NZNO
Perioperative Nurses Association of NZNO
Perioperative Nurses College (PNC) of NZNO, 2001

Did you know the college was established in 1969!
Were you born then? 😊
Come back here in the next edition for more history about the College some history around the first Chairperson and Conference.

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**What would you tell someone who is thinking about becoming a PNC member?**

Get involved, be present. Even if it’s attending a study session. Talk to your regional committee with what your needs are or your workplaces or colleagues.

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### Introducing the NEW National Committee

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**NZNO Conference September 2017**

Johanna McCamish and Kirstie Cooke represented PNC at the Colleges and Sections Day of NZNO at Te Papa in September. This was followed by the NZNO Conference titled “Nurses a leading voice: Improving people’s lives and population health outcomes”. Networking with the other colleges and sections was a huge part of the day, sharing ideas for issues that we all share like the best way to communicate with members, and what the members want.

**Breaking NEWS:** Following a rule remit at the AGM nurses can now belong to 3 Colleges and Sections.