



# Newsletter of the Perioperative Nurses College of NZNO

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## Useful Links

### [Knowledge and Skills Framework](#)

The framework is available to download and print free of charge or purchase from the secretary for a cost of \$20.00 inclusive of postage and packaging.

To view – [Click Here](#)

### [Career Planning in Perioperative Nursing](#)

Check out our new resource:

To view - [Click Here](#)

## Contact Us

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Website [click here to access](#)

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

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## 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.*

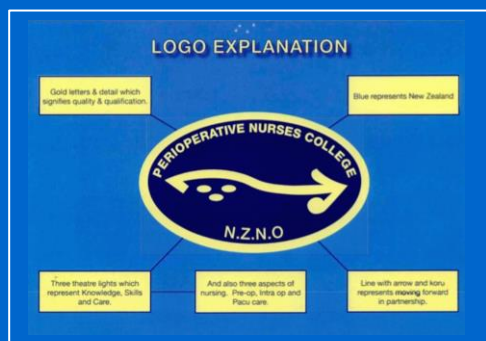
## History Corner

Do you know what this is?



Meet Percy – This is the trophy for the Percy Challenge that happens annually at the Conference Dinner between the 9 regions. Started in 1978 between Auckland and Otago when they were bagging chicken poo as fund raisers for their regions

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.

## 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.*

## Introducing the NEW National Committee

Position/Portfolio	Name	Region
Chair	Johanna McCamish	Auckland / Northland
Secretary (Ex-officio)	Sue Claridge	Canterbury West Coast
Treasurer	Mike Ashton	Ruahine / Egmont
Membership	Sarah Eton	Otago
Project Coordinator Trade Stand / Posters	Sabine Mueller	Marlborough / Nelson
Awards	Amanda Gibson	Hawkes Bay
Regional Liaison	Kirstie Cooke	Central North Island
Professional & Education Committee Liaison	Juliet Asbery	Wellington
Website	Simon Bryne	Southland
Editorial Committee Liaison	Tracey Lee	Auckland / Northland
Submissions	Ali Perry	Canterbury West Coast
NZNO Prof. Nurse Advisor	Suzanne Rolls	

## 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.



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