



OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY NEW ZEALAND WHAKAORA NGANGAHAU AOTEAROA (INC)

ANNUAL REPORT

April 2015 – March 2016

Mission: Championing the profession of occupational therapy/whakaora ngangahau

Vision: OTNZ-WNA is the touchstone* for occupational therapy/whakaora ngangahau in Aotearoa New Zealand: empowering individuals, whānau, organisations and communities to achieve health and well-being through occupation.

The values that underpin OTNZ-WNA are:

- **Occupational justice:** Fair access to resources to enable occupation
He huarahi ki ngā taonga tukuiho he pumautanga o te mahi
- **Biculturalism:** Equity between tangata whenua (Māori) and tangata tiriti (non-Māori)
Te nohoanga ngā tahitanga o te tangata, ko te kii tuhono mo ake tonu
- **Integrity:** The quality of being honest and following our principles
te rangatiratanga o te tika, me te whai ake ra o ngā mātāpono
- **Professionalism:** High standards that characterise behaviour
Ko te taumata i whaia ko te ahua i wawatia
- **Collaboration:** Work together in mutual effort and partnership towards goals
He ringa raupa, ka eke ngā hiahia, ka tutuki ngā wawata i tumanakotia
- **Transparency:** Visibility or accessibility of information/te kitenga ake, te huarahi hoki, o te mohiotanga

* **Touchstone:** The place to find out about or be advised about occupational therapy/whakaora ngangahau. The place that occupational therapists/ngā kaiwhakaora ngangahau are nurtured from. The place that promotes excellence in occupational therapy/whakaora ngangahau. The place occupational therapists/ngā kaiwhakaora ngangahau connect back to the core paradigm of occupational therapy/whakaora ngangahau so that they can empower others.



President's message

Tēnā koutou katoa ngā kaiwhakaora ngangahau/occupational therapists.

It's time once more to review and reflect on the year that was from April 2015 to March 2016.

What a year indeed, with much of the focus occurring in September 2015 and culminating in a very successful and highly satisfying Asia Pacific Occupational Therapy Congress (APOTC). This was the biggest event in the association's history and the result of significant input, commitment and dedication from a largely unpaid workforce from **you**, our members.

Meanwhile, at head office our amazing staff provided the essential infrastructure required to coordinate and liaise between the numerous tasks required to ensure success, whilst at the same time having to manage business as usual. A fantastic job! Well done!

The framework of our strategic direction – with the three key objectives of visibility, advancing skills and organisational well-being – continues to support and embed our core values. Our tikanga advisors, Iris and Rackie Pahau, gifted to the association Māori translations of the association's values, which can be viewed on our website.

Council met with Chai Chuah, Director- General of Health. Meetings of key stakeholders, such as this one, assures our visibility and advancement of the profession to our wider community and to the public of Aotearoa New Zealand.

In terms of advancing skills, we are following the new competencies set by the Occupational Therapy Board of New Zealand, and a review is currently underway on how best to support our members. Development of a programme which will be responsive to learning opportunities and will enable robust critical reflections is under discussion.

All in all, it has been a very successful year.

Looking forward, the 2016 Clinical Workshops are being held at Te Papa in Wellington, the coolest little capital in the world. The theme for this year's Clinical Workshops is "Embracing partnerships – "Te kii Tuhono". The programme has a wide appeal, with practical and innovative sessions delivered to support your professional development.

EMBRACING PARTNERSHIPS
TE KII TUHONO

Combining our strengths, sharing our successes.

Occupational Therapy New Zealand Whakaora Ngangahau Aotearoa
2016 Clinical Workshops

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Whakaora Ngangahau Aotearoa

This year at our annual general meeting we will be welcoming for the very first time a tangata tiriti president and two new council-at-large members as we move into the two-house Treaty Relationship Governance Model. We understand there will also be something special to mark the occasion, so we hope you will join us on this auspicious occasion.

The members of the OTNZ-WNA Council look forward to seeing you there.

No reira nau mai, haere mai ki ngā kaiwhakaora ngangahau.



Karen Molyneux
President
OTNZ-WNA



Executive Director's message

Tēnā koutou katoa

Going into the 2015 financial year and guided by our three strategic pillars – organisational well-being, advancing skills, and visibility and advocacy – I had a very clear sense of direction. I needed to get the 2015 Asia Pacific Occupational Therapy Congress (APOTC) over the line at a profit, support council to embed the Treaty Relationship Governance Model in every way, grow the membership base and work hard to lift the profile of occupational therapy. In lifting the profile, it is important to express what our members can contribute to changes in the health and social welfare environment, and to engage at every opportunity with industry stakeholders. In regards to spreading the word, I have taken great pride in talking about the association's Treaty Relationship Governance Model. It is a great point of difference amongst our allied associations and sets us aside as leaders.

Reflecting on the work in the 2015/16 financial year, it was a very successful and gratifying year as validated by the end-of-year results. The enjoyable journey was made possible with the understanding and mentorship of council, along with the dedication and hard work of the APOTC 2015 support teams and OTNZ-WNA staff. In particular, I need to thank Alison Silcock, our Projects, Business Development and Office Manager, who provided the encouragement and support I needed.

The year in review

Advancing skills

APOTC 2015

The 2015 APOTC in Rotorua, saw 750 attendees from Australasia, Bangladesh, Canada, China, Hong Kong, Iran, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Singapore, South Africa, South Korea, Switzerland, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey and the United States



In total 514 abstracts were received, with 258 oral presentations plus 15 for workshops and 241 poster presentations accepted.

We had huge support from the industry, with over 32 exhibitors filling 38 spaces managed by the conference organiser Convention Management New Zealand Limited.

The programme run over four days from Monday to Thursday, and included an optional educators' day on Friday, two social functions and 10 concurrent sessions.

Key note speakers were Professor Mary Law and Dr Samson Tse. Invited speakers included Professor Clare Hocking, Jane Hopkirk and Dr Mandy Stanley.

Dr Kirk Reed the 2015 Frances Rutherford Lecture award recipient delivered a presentation urging occupational therapists to become agents of change to strengthen and expand the profession's scope of practice.

A successful chronic pain webinar pilot was held on 18 August 2015 by Dr Bronnie Lennox Thompson.

In March 2016 Council had great pleasure in announcing that an Honorary Life Membership was to be bestowed upon Dr Linda Wilson in recognition of her outstanding and sustained contribution to Occupational Therapy

Special interest groups (SIGs)

The association has 22 SIGs. These are vital for resource sharing, connecting colleagues across New Zealand and communicating with our members.

Local area networks (LANs)

We currently have seven LANs across New Zealand.

Awards and grants

OTNZ- WNA offers a number of awards and grants. This year we have awarded so far:

The OTNZ-WNA Aotearoa Graduate Award:

- AUT recipient: Jane McLean.
- Otago Polytechnic recipient: Laura Squires.

The Karis Boyd Grant was also awarded to one applicant.

Visibility and advocacy

Representing the interests of our membership and the profession is a key activity for OTNZ-WNA.

In the period under review, your council had discussions with Health Workforce New Zealand (HWNZ) chair Des Gorman and Director-General of Health Chai Chuah about promoting the association and the occupational therapy profession as a whole.

Council wrote a letter to Health Minister Hon Dr Jonathan Coleman and made a submission to HWNZ, as well as active participation in stakeholder groups.

Specifically, engagement was undertaken with:

- Aging Well National Science Challenge: the ageing well challenge which seeks to determine how science can be used to sustain quality of life, health and well-being into the later years of life.
- NGO Health and Disability Network/New Zealand Health Strategy workshops to help inform the Ministry of Health 2020 strategy.



- Show Your Ability roadshow in Auckland, Hamilton, Palmerston North and Christchurch, which was a good opportunity to meet up with occupational therapists, health care and assistance providers and suppliers, and to receive feedback about the work occupational therapists do.
- Allied Mental Health Forum, which is actively engaged in making submissions to the Minister of Health to raise the profile of gaps in mental health provision.

The association has representation on:

- The Occupational Therapy Key Strategic Stakeholders (OTKSS) group
- AUT Advisory committee
- Permanent External Advisory Committee (PEAC)
- ACC Consumer Outlook Group (COG)
- World Federation of Occupational Therapists (WFOT). Tracey Partridge, our WFOT delegate, attended the 32nd WFOT council meeting held in Medellin, Colombia from March 7th to 11th, this year.
- Health and Safety Association of New Zealand (HASANZ). Jane Cowan-Harris has continued to represent OTNZ-WNA's interests on the HASANZ committee.

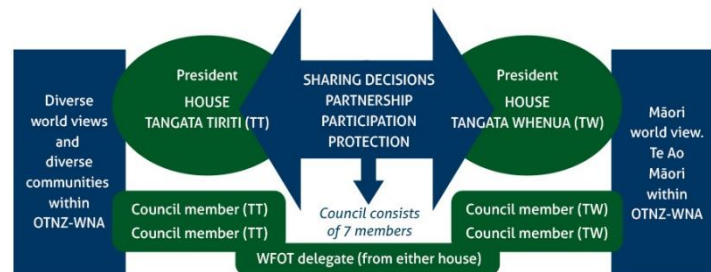
Organisational well-being

Membership

As part of the membership retention and recruitment drive in the 2015/16 financial year, I visited Nelson, Blenheim and Christchurch, and made a presentation to AUT final year students in November 2015.

Governance

In March 2015, the OTNZ-WNA Council commenced modelling a Treaty Relationship Governance Model.



OT Week

The theme for 2015 was “Lifting the profile of occupational therapy”. We encouraged members to think outside the square about promoting the profession, their own brand and what occupational therapists do. The response was very gratifying and some examples of activities were:



- A superhero cake.
- OT superhero survival kit.
- A superhero day visited by mini superheroes from a local crèche.
- Foyer displays where visitors received a superhero bookmark.
- Superhero photo booths.
- Dressing up as historic superheroes in history.
- Superhero posters featuring hospital occupational therapy staff.
- Superhero breakfast, blind cupcake decorating and much more.

Staffing

Staff and contractors as at 31 March 2016:

Executive Director: Peter Anderson

Tikanga Advisors: Mātua Wereta (Rackie) Pahau and Whaea Iris Pahau

Projects, Business Development and Office Manager: Alison Silcock

Communications Advisor/OT Insight Editor: Louise Down

Office Assistant: Hannah Cook

Accounts Supervisor: Jane Howley

NZJOT Editor: Grace O'Sullivan

Special Projects: Tina Larsen

Proof Reader: Esther Bullen

Publications:



The New Zealand Journal of Occupational Therapy Te Hautaka Whakaora o Aotearoa (NZJOT) had three issues published and OT Insight Maramatanga Whakaora Ngangahau was published nine times by Adprint Ltd.

Members received an eOTI in April and September to coincide with the distribution of the NZJOT and OT Insight each calendar month.

Summarised financial statements

Statement of Profit and Loss

April – March	2015/16 (\$)	2014/15 (\$)
Total income	452,299	406,987
Total expenses	413,116	461,606
Net surplus/(deficit)	34,381	(54,456)

Balance sheet

April – March	2015/16 (\$)	2014/15 (\$)
Total assets	460,658	534,325
Total Liabilities	232,772	340,821
Equity	227,885	193,504

Members can access the full audited financial statements for the year ending 31 March 2016 at www.otnz.co.nz

Nga mihi na

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Peter Anderson'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Peter Anderson
Executive Director
OTNZ-WNA