

President's Message



Dear Colleagues,

I can't believe 2017 is almost coming to a close! And we're well on our way planning for 2018!

At the close of this year's Annual Conference held in March 2017, our outgoing President, Jenny Cubitt, handed over the President's role to me. Jenny and the executive team, thank you for all your hard work! An excellent Annual Conference celebrated OTA's 60th year! The Professional Education Days provided perioperative nurses with access to quality education and networking opportunities held in Sydney, NSW and ACT, ably organised by Sydney and Zone teams.

This year OTA had some exciting developments:

- Non-executive members joined OTA to assist in discrete tasks. You will meet the two members as their profiles are contained in this issue – one transitioning to full executive member
- OTA Facebook Discussion Group commenced
- ACT's ex Chief Nurse Veronica Croome attended the PED at Rooty Hill
- A survey to all OTA members – thank you to respondents – survey responses are included in this issue

A list of OTA achievements is included for our members to gain an insight into the work undertaken by the executive teams.

The October planning day used the member survey feedback as input into 2018's planning activities.

Thank you to all the executive team for your contribution towards a successful 2017.

On behalf of the NSW OTA Executive I wish our members and families a very Merry Christmas, a Happy New Year and a safe and peaceful time for all. Look forward to seeing you at one of OTA's events in 2018!

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