



Annual Report 2019

New Zealand Veterinary Nursing Association

General information

Association	New Zealand Veterinary Nursing Association
Country	New Zealand
Name of the President	Julie Hutt
Name of the WSAVA Representative	Julie Hutt
Number of Members	1380
WSAVA Membership	Affiliate Member

Overview of activities in 2019

NZVNA celebrates Vet Nurse Day every year in 2019 we extended our formal awareness/celebration period to a week, to allow vet nurses and clinics a greater opportunity to celebrate all that is good about veterinary nurses.

Vet Nurse Awareness Week aims to educate the public about veterinary nurses and their vital role as part of the veterinary team. It aims to reinforce the value and professionalism of veterinary nurses to veterinarians and the public and provide an opportunity for veterinary nurses to acknowledge one another.

In the first quarter of 2019 our veterinary nurse census survey which includes a salary report went out to all New Zealand Veterinary nurses.

NZVNA, in conjunction with Hill's Pet Nutrition, realise the importance of veterinary nurses. The Hill's Veterinary Nurse of the Year Award has been launched to recognise veterinary nurses who advocate and significantly contribute to the care of their patients and who are an integral part of the veterinary health care team. Congratulation to the 2019 NZVNA/Hill Veterinary Nurse of the Year Jess Byrnes-Clark.

<https://www.nzvna.org.nz/Events/Veterinary+Nurse+of+the+Year.html>

MEDIA

Facebook

As of Wednesday 12th June 2019, 3453 people like our page.

We also have 7 closed Facebook groups

- o Lovers of Learning
- o Equine and Large Animal
- o Avian and Exotic Animal
- o Solo Vet Nurses
- o Practice Managers
- o Rainbow community
- o Spoonholders

www.facebook.com/nzvna

Please feel free to interact with our page and groups and post any relevant items that you think our likers would like to see.

We Still post to our Pinterest account; <http://www.pinterest.com/NZVNA/>

We currently have 14 boards on our page.

Instagram

We have 363 followers and are following 424 people.

If you or your clinic has an Instagram account, please let us know and we will follow you

We currently have 111 posts on Instagram





Has your association organized any (inter)national event in 2019?	Yes
If so, please describe the event	NZVNA Conference 14th 15th June 2019, Heritage Hotel, Auckland NZ. Our Key Note speaker was Dan Brockman from the RVC. Our theme was Nursing and our goal for our conference was sustainability Dan Brockman Topics Care and management of accidental wounds: do not harm, Nursing the thoracic surgery patient, Ureteric obstruction in cats: no easy treatment means lots of diligent care, Nursing the abdominal emergency patient after surgery, Team approach to assessing and stabilizing animals with acute abdomen Nick Cave - Topics Nutritional needs of the post abdominal/post intestinal surgical patient Nutritional considerations in the post obstructive cat - focusing on short and long term issues Elena Saltis Physiotherapy for the veterinary nurse - implementing physiotherapy concepts into the clinic Sarah Hill Understanding CBC- case based approach Wendy Jarnet Anxiety and the veterinary nurse. What does it look like and tips on how to manage it.
Will your association organize a national/international event next year (in 2020)?	No
If so, please describe the event	The WVC is holding a conference in NZ with a nursing stream

Overview of planned activities for 2020

Veterinary Nurse awareness week, and Vet nurse of the year. Providing CPD for our members.

Priorities for 2020

Planning our conference for 2021. Working on wellness for our members and sustainability. Working toward registration of veterinary nurses and a review of the teaching of veterinary nursing in NZ.

