

## Professional Nail Technicians Association Ltd

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Alone we are a raindrop. Together we form an ocean...

And what a wave we've been riding since we sat down to discuss the gaping hole in our industry. A vortex that needed filling by a united panel that would represent our industry within Australia and New Zealand. Much time has been spent discussing the most important issues, how to go about setting up the association, getting word out, gathering information, many late night Skype meetings in pyjamas...

We now have so many great benefits for our members, from the use of the code of conduct, code of ethics, and code of practice. Competition updates, distributor info, magazine/books, uniforms, printing, salon software, training and education news. We are in works to get the absolute best insurance packages for our members. We will be sharing guest blogs and industry related insights. We want your participation- this is for all of us to be a part of.

*FORTUNATELY 'MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK'. THAT'S WHY WE FORMED A 'COMMITTEE'.*

## WE RISE BY LIFTING OTHERS

Not gonna lie, we're pretty happy with how far we've come since our first Skype meeting. Various brains bouncing around ideas, industry buffs from differing areas of the nail world, nail professionals who are fed up with a few issues and wanted to do something about it.

We are a non profit organisation (all of the work put in behind the scenes- and there has been an abundance of it) has been volunteered by our committee members along side President Mindy Richards in the hope that with numbers we can really make a change.

We feel 'now' is the time we need an association more than ever.

The growth of our industry brings many changes, fantastic opportunities are opening up. But we should also be aware of detrimental changes as well. When you push aside all the fluff and get down to it, we all want the same thing.

# Security, Prosperity and Wellbeing.

A career in nail technology isn't a hobby, we can't afford to give away our time without compensation, we too have our future to think of. We want to build an industry of hard working professionals that are awarded for their efforts.

We need to think about the reality of our industry. Security and prosperity is what we should aim for, over and above an Instagram presence or how trendy your studio is (not to say social media or decor isn't important, we've just got to remember what is 'most' important).

*WE NEED INSURANCES, HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICIES AND PLANS FOR RETIREMENT. NECESSITIES ARE OFTEN TEDIOUS, BUT AS A GROUP WE CAN SCRATCH EACH OTHER'S BACKS AND LEARN AS A WHOLE.*

*EVERYONE HAS STRENGTHS AND TALENTS IN DIFFERENT AREAS, WE WANT TO POOL THESE RESOURCES AND KEEP IT ALL TOGETHER IN A STREAM OF INFORMATION FOR THOSE WHO WISH TO MOVE FORWARD.*

## FIVE MINUTES WITH MINDY RICHARD'S, FOUNDING MEMBER, PRESIDENT- PNTA.

### 1. WHAT IS THE BIGGEST CHALLENGE NAIL TECHNICIANS ARE FACING AT THIS TIME?

Competing with a growing number of NSS and no legislation. Regulations are non-existent, so anyone who can paint a nail and with zero qualifications, can open a salon and trade as a so called 'nail technician'.

### 2. WHAT DOES THE FUTURE HOLD FOR THE PNTA?

Not sure what the future holds (I don't have my crystal ball), BUT we would like our industry to be properly regulated and work along side the Health Departments in each state (and country), to ensure their Health Inspectors are more informed of the 'hidden dangers' that lurk in unsanitary nail salons.

### 3. DO YOU LIKE PIÑA COLADAS, AND GETTING CAUGHT IN THE RAIN?

Piña coladas - yes.

Getting caught in the rain? Not without my umbrella because my hair will go fluffy and the drinks will get watered down!!

### 4. WHAT WAS THE MOTIVATING FACTOR THAT BROUGHT YOU TO YOUR DECISION TO START THE ASSOCIATION?

My wonderful husband, without his support and gentle 'shove', the association would not be where we are at at this point in time.

### 5. WHAT IS YOUR CAREER HIGHLIGHT TO DATE?

The very first trophy I won in my first competition, six months after completing my training. It was third place, but I felt like I'd won an Oscar!!

## HAPPY NAILING,

**Mindy Richards.**

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## MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

We would like to get to know our new tribe better, so I thought I'd include a 'spotlight' on a member/ associate member with each newsletter.

*IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN AN ENDORSEMENT, PLEASE EMAIL DETAILS TO: [EDITOR@PNTA.COM.AU](mailto:EDITOR@PNTA.COM.AU)*

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NAILX Beauty supplies Ltd are distributors & educators of INM nail products, and also source other quality lines from around the world. The business has been a long time fixture in Christchurch but has recently been taken over by Karen Clark, who has taken the company to new levels.

Last year they brought us the opportunity to train with the talented Mindy Hardy, offering educators courses, incorporating on trend nail art techniques. An amazing experience had by all (Especially Mindy who while in Christchurch experienced our earthquakes firsthand!). Classes are much needed in smaller cities of New Zealand, and it's distributors like NAILX that are taking the chance and bringing out big names to pass on skills and encourage technicians at all levels.

Karen and her helpful team have recently moved into their lush new building, showcasing the products beautifully. New additions to the catalogue are the coveted Kupa e- file system, and as always a key product is the award winning OUT THE DOOR Top coat. Karen's philosophy is to supply exceptional products and customer service that exceeds expectations, whilst providing ongoing support. Such a friendly helpful team, we are proud to have them on board. Watch our calendar for more workshops and guest educators.

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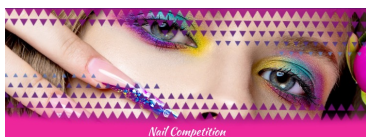
## CALENDAR

### EVENTS 2017



💎 **PERTH NAIL EXTRAVAGANZA 30 APRIL.**

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/perth-nail-extravaganza-2017-tickets-31210224622>



💎 **BRISBANE HAIR AND BEAUTY EXPO, SUNSHINE PRO SERIES NAIL COMPETITION 30/31ST JULY.(COMPETITION ENTRY REGISTRATIONS OPEN**

**APRIL 5TH 2017)**

<http://www.brisbanehairandbeautyexpo.com.au/>



💎 **NEW ZEALAND BEAUTY EXPO NZ NAIL COMPETITIONS 15/16 JULY**

<https://www.nznailcompetition.com/>

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💎 Sydney's Nailympia nail competitions 26/27 August

<http://www.beautyexpoaustralia.com.au/en/beauty-expo-australia/show-information/>

(Our very own Tracey Boyle is back off to judge at Nailympia London for the fifth time this September!).

For any questions relating to Nailympia Sydney, Tracey is Awards Co-ordinator, you can contact her at - [traceyboyle@gmail.com](mailto:traceyboyle@gmail.com)



💎 **NZTECH NAIL CAMP 13-15 OCTOBER LIVING SPRINGS, CHRISTCHURCH NEW ZEALAND. REGISTER NOW**

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### NEWS JUST IN....

Much excite, membership packs are on the way! These include: Welcome letters, certificates, membership cards and window stickers. Advertise the fact that you are a safe salon, and a proud Professional Nail Technicians Association member. Make sure you are privy to our members only area on our web site. We are in works with our insurance brokers for discounted insurance services and packages for PNTA members. Looking forward to keeping you all updated.

**JOIN NOW AND REMAIN A FINANCIAL MEMBER THROUGH TO JUNE 2018 (EXISTING MEMBERS ALSO)- MEMBERSHIP FORMS DOWNLOADABLE ON OUR WEBSITE [WWW.PNTA.COM.AU](http://WWW.PNTA.COM.AU)**

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"Thanks so much to everyone for all your support, we have been blown away by the encouragement we have received. We love your input, so keep those ideas coming, we'd love to share any industry news or personal accolades.

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