



RCN Council

Date of meeting:	23 July 2015
Title of Paper:	Deputy President's report to Council
Appendices:	n/a
Presented by:	Professor Rod Thomson FRCN
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Date	Event	Comments
23 April	<i>Association of the British Pharmaceutical Industry Annual dinner</i>	This event saw all of the major pharmaceutical producers come together for their annual conference and this dinner. It also included a range of governmental departments and academic institutions so provided an opportunity to lobby on a range of nursing issues.
30 April	Congress Fringe shaping	Discussion with Cecilia Anim regarding the organisation of the meet the President event at Congress.
13 May	Governance Support Committee Meeting	Participated in the GSC meeting
21 May	Congress Fringe planning teleconference	Discussion with Cecilia Anim regarding the organisation of the meet the President event at congress to review arrangements.
	International Committee (teleconference)	Participated in the committee meeting including discussion of the Fringe event at Congress about Ebola.

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	RCN Northern Ireland Nurse of the Year	Attended this award ceremony and was impressed by the very high calibre of all the nominees as well as the award winners. In addition to attending the award ceremony was able to meet some of the RCN staff whilst visiting our office in Belfast. Our Northern Ireland staff and members are to be commended for the excellent organisation of this high profile event.
28 May	Business Committee	Participated in the Business Committee meeting
2 June	Council Teleconference	To be briefed on the recommendation of the appointments committee and to approve the recommendation.
12 June	Congress Fringe Finalising	Discussion with Cecilia Anim regarding the organisation of the Meet the President event at Congress to finalise arrangements.
18 June	Pharmaceutical Care Awards 2015	This event focussed on primary care based projects to improve patient care especially of long term conditions. All the projects have a relevance to nursing so I discussed with the organisers the possibility of them preparing articles that could be submitted to RCNi.
21-26 June	RCN Congress	Participated in the South Birmingham Branch Zip Wire Challenge with Tracey Budding to raise funds for the RCN Foundation. Attended the meetings of Council throughout the week. Visited Poole Hospital at the invitation of RCN local members. Saw a range of nurse led programmes in A/E, Day Care, children's Services and Coronary Care. My thanks to our local members and RCN staff for organising such an excellent visit. Participated in some of the debates. Had a live interview with my local BBC Radio station about RCN Congress debates.
6 July	*Keynote speech*National Nurses Nutrition Group conference and Gala dinner	At the NNGG delivered a presentation regarding the public health challenge of tackling childhood and adult obesity of the UK.
8 July	Farewell supper for Dr Peter Carter	Attended this farewell event for Peter.
9 July	NPPC	Participated in this meeting
16 July	Council Executive Team	Participated in this meeting