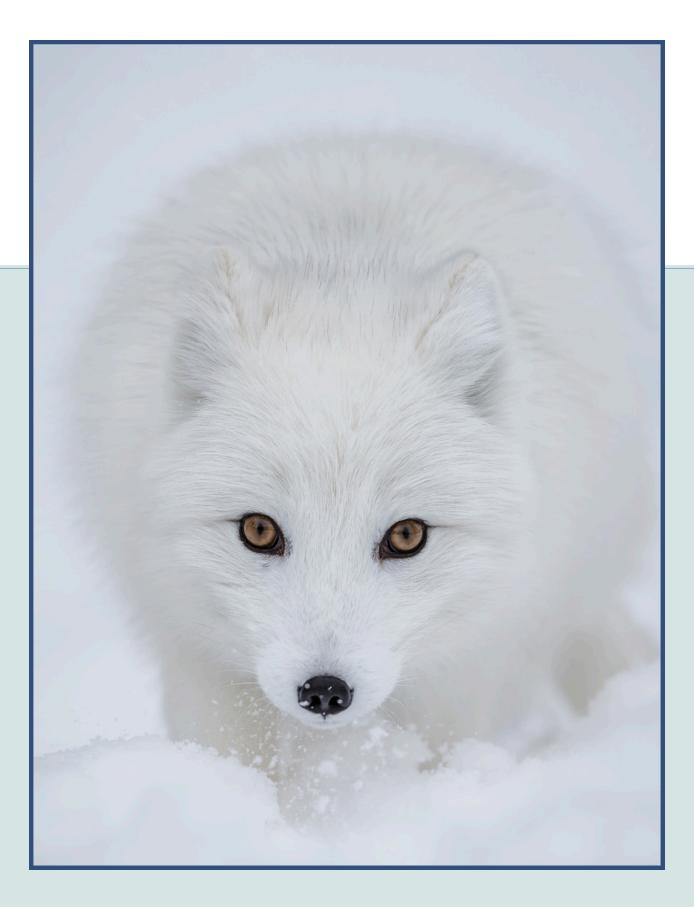


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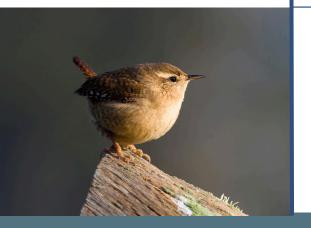
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#### **EDITOR'S NOTE**

Along with the College AGM, all Chapters are planning their annual AGMs, be sure to keep an eye out for your Chapter's AGM to stay up to date and informed with the goings on in your Chapter. If you're not sure when yours is - reach out to the Chapter Secretary.

If you're attending Vet Science Week, don't miss the chance to supersize your experience (and skills!) and attend a Pre-Conference Workshop. From Neurology to Research Skills; from Sports Med to Behavioural Residents - head to the Workshop page to find out more.

We're in the middle of examinations at the moment, so wishing all candidates, both Membership and Fellowship, the best of luck.



write this column, **ANZCVS** examinations for 2025 are in full swing. over 300 candidates sitting examinations. We wish them every success and look forward to welcoming new members and their manv contributions to the College community.

These examinations are made possible by thousands of hours of planning and preparation from dedicated members who volunteer their time, knowledge, and experience. Each year, longstanding and recent members express their willingness to give back to the community, as others have done for them. This spirit of generosity is crucial for the advancement and sustainability of the College, and I am grateful for the community's ongoing commitment to these annual efforts.



Just beyond examinations, we have Vet Science Week. This year, we are excited to present another fantastic program featuring over 350 sessions across 20 different streams. This conference offers the most diverse range of veterinary science subjects and topics in Australia. It's a wonderful opportunity to immerse yourself in an environment that celebrates the diversity of the veterinary sector. Join us to network with like-minded members of the veterinary profession and expand your knowledge and experiences. We invite you to the beautiful Gold Coast in Queensland from July 24th to 26th, 2025.





## PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Dr David Tabrett

As the College year accelerates, we find ourselves in the heart of the examination period—a cornerstone of our mission to credential veterinary excellence. Across continents and time zones, our candidates are immersed in assessments that test not only their knowledge, but their diligence and professionalism. I want to acknowledge and applaud every candidate undertaking this challenge—you are demonstrating the very values our College upholds.

Examinations, however, do not run on candidate effort alone. Behind every written paper, every oral and practical examination, and every marking rubric lies an extraordinary community of volunteers and staff. I extend my sincere thanks to the Subject Examination Committees, peer reviewers, Head Examiners, and the Board of Examiners who uphold the rigour, quality, and fairness of our examination processes.

A special mention must be made of our College Examinations Team. The scale and complexity of running examinations across the globe—morning, evening, and overnight—is staggering. That this is achieved with professionalism and grace speaks volumes to their capability and commitment. You have my gratitude, and the respect of our whole community.

As we meet these operational demands, Council also continues its governance responsibilities. A proposed constitutional amendment is presented to members for vote: the removal of the Chief Examiner as a Director of the College. This recommendation follows careful consideration of the workload and sustainability of the role, recognising the increasing demands placed on our senior volunteers. Change is never made lightly, but as I have written in previous columns—change is necessary to build a resilient future.



We are a College shaped by history and fuelled by vision. It is our responsibility to carry both with wisdom. As our examination cycle continues and we prepare for our AGM, I thank all of you contributing to this vital season in the College calendar.

Together, we carry the torch of veterinary excellence forward.

"I may not have gone where I intended to go, but I think I have ended up where I needed to be."

Douglas Adams, The Long Dark Tea-Time of the Soul

**David Tabrett** 













### **Proposed Constitutional Changes**

Dear College Members,

The Council has put forth several proposed changes to the Constitution for your consideration and approval through a vote:

- Removal of Chief Examiner from Automatic Appointment to Council
- · Updating any references to gender specific terms
- · Update to voting methods

#### **Removal of Chief Examiner from Automatic Appointment to Council**

The role of Chief Examiner is substantial and continues to expand in scope and complexity. The Chief Examiner is responsible for overseeing the academic integrity and operational delivery of all College training, examinations, and credentialing processes. These functions require sustained focus, deep expertise, and considerable time commitment.

The proposed amendment would:

- Allow the Chief Examiner to dedicate their time and expertise fully to the academic and operational responsibilities of the role;
- Reduce the risk of role conflict between governance and execution;
- Support the long-term sustainability and effectiveness of the Chief Examiner portfolio;
- Reinforce the independence and integrity of the Council as a governance body.

The Council remains committed to ensuring that the voice and expertise of the Chief Examiner continues to inform strategic discussions. As needed, future Councils may invite the Chief Examiner to attend Council meetings or subcommittees in an advisory capacity, without the formal governance obligations attached to being a Director of the College.

#### **Updating any references to gender specific terms**

As part of an initiative to review and modernise College documentation in line with diversity, equity and inclusion standards, all gender specific terms will be removed and replaced with neutral alternatives.

#### Examples include:

- Chairman → Chairperson
- He/She → They
- Him/Her → Their

#### **Updating to Voting Methods**

Electronic voting will be included as a method for all voting and polls.

The full wording of the proposed constitutional amendment, along with explanatory notes been sent via email to all members, providing further details and rationale for the proposed changes.

These will be sent again in periodically in the lead up to the College Annual General Meeting as it is important members understand and consider the proposals before voting.







#### **CHIEF EXAMINER'S REPORT**

A/Prof Jennifer Carter



#### Welcome winter!

June brings our 2025 examinations cycle with candidates sitting written papers across 20 Membership and 11 Fellowship subjects. The written examinations for all subjects remains online this year as well as the practicals/orals for membership subjects with the practical and oral components of the Fellowship subjects delivered in-person mid-June in Brisbane.

The examining teams and chapter examination committees have been hard at work designing high quality examinations, all of which are submitted to a multiple-step review process. I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to everyone contributing to this monumental effort. I am confident that we will be welcoming lots of new Members and Fellows to the College this year.

The College examinations would not be possible without the tireless effort from my fellow Board of Examiners members and College Office staff who all deserve a pat on the back when you see them at Science Week.

Take care and I look forward to seeing many of you at College Science Week this year!

~ Jen



Need some time to unplug during Vet Science Week? Visit the...





ANZCVS is committed to a diverse and inclusive profession for all. That is why we have embarked on the following initiatives:

- Live captioning at all sessions during Science Week assisting not just those who have reduced hearing but also those who have auditory processing disconnection.
- Quiet Room at Science Week to enable anyone who needs to have a bit of a chance to disconnect cognitively and recharge their social and cognitive batteries.
- ANZCVS has signed the <u>Gender Identity Bill of Rights</u> (GIBOR) in the veterinary workplace and is reviewing documentation, processes and procedures to ensure that they are inclusive of all genders.

These are just some of the initiatives that ANZCVS has undertaken and working with partners like The Veterinary Kaleidoscope we continue to provide more and more initiatives to help everyone thrive in our wonderful community.

Be sure to visit the TVK and Australian Rainbow Veterinarians and Allies booths at VSW25 to learn more!

Looking forward to seeing you all at Science Week.







## TH APPRECIATION OF OUR EXAMINERS

The College and the Board of Examiners wish to express their gratitude to all examiners for their dedication and hard work in preparing, delivering, and grading the examinations across all subjects.

Your contributions are essential to ensuring the ongoing success of the College's examination process. Thank you.

## Thank You!



Firstname	Surname	Fellowship Subject	Firstname	Surname	Fellowship Subject
Melinda	Cowan	Avian Medicine and Surgery	Eleanor	Holden	Veterinary Anaesthesia and
Deb	Monks	Avian Medicine and Surgery			Analgesia
Tom	Tully	Avian Medicine and Surgery	Gabby	Musk	Veterinary Anaesthesia and
Ben	Ahern	Equine Surgery			Analgesia
Natasha	Lean	Equine Surgery	Keely	Wilson	Veterinary Anaesthesia and
Jenny	Raffetto	Equine Surgery			Analgesia
Kath	Briscoe	Feline Medicine	Mandy	Burrows	Veterinary Dermatology
Keshuan	Chow	Feline Medicine	Helen	Orbell	Veterinary Dermatology
Alison	Jukes	Feline Medicine	Meng	Siak	Veterinary Dermatology
Matthew	Best	Small Animal Medicine	Merrin	Hicks	Veterinary Emergency Medicine
Ryan	Cattin	Small Animal Medicine			and Critical Care
Amanda	Ciavarella	Small Animal Medicine	Trudi	McAlees	Veterinary Emergency Medicine
Sarah	Hill	Small Animal Medicine			and Critical Care
Luke	Johnston	Small Animal Medicine	Sarah	Purcell	Veterinary Emergency Medicine
Hannah	Kwong	Small Animal Medicine			and Critical Care
Maddie	Roberts	Small Animal Medicine	Claire	Cannon	Veterinary Oncology
Alison	Stickney	Small Animal Medicine	Elizabeth	Morgan	Veterinary Oncology
Alastair	Franklin	Small Animal Surgery	Sonya	Yu	Veterinary Oncology
Chris	Franklin	Small Animal Surgery	Sarah	Coall	Veterinary Ophthalmology
Ben	Mielke	Small Animal Surgery	Yvette	Crowe	Veterinary Ophthalmology
Isobel	Monotti	Small Animal Surgery	Rachael	Grundon	Veterinary Ophthalmology
Alessandra	Santamaria	Small Animal Surgery	Vicki	Liddle	Veterinary Ophthalmology
Harvey	Saunders	Small Animal Surgery	Jessica	Nevile	Veterinary Ophthalmology
Kyle	Song	Small Animal Surgery	Johana	Premont	Veterinary Ophthalmology









### IN APPRECIATION OF OUR EXAMINERS

Thank You!



Firstname	Surname	Membership Subject	Firstname	Surname	Membership Subject
Anne	Barnes	Animal Reproduction	Robyn	Jarrett	Small Animal Medicine
Carolynne	Joone	Animal Reproduction	Nicolle	Kirkwood	Small Animal Medicine
Luke	Smith	Animal Reproduction	Clare	Koh	Small Animal Medicine
lan	Lean	Animal Nutrition (Ruminant)	Michelle	Reaks	Small Animal Medicine
Natasha	Lees	Animal Nutrition (Ruminant)	Louise	Roberts Bailey	Small Animal Medicine
Laura	Pattie	Animal Nutrition (Ruminant)	Jenny	Shiu	Small Animal Medicine
Charlotte	Westwood	Animal Nutrition (Ruminant)	Michael	Yazbeck	Small Animal Medicine
Patrick	Jones	Avian Medicine and Surgery	Joanne	Stumm	Small Animal Surgery
Michelle	Sutherland	Avian Medicine and Surgery	Kate	Anderson	Small Animal Surgery
Kimberley	Tozer	Avian Medicine and Surgery	James	Brown	Small Animal Surgery
Olivia	Clarke	Medicine and Surgery of Unusual Pets	Elita	Frazer	Small Animal Surgery
Jaclyn	Gatt	Medicine and Surgery of Unusual Pets	Adam	Hakim	Small Animal Surgery
Tristan	Rich	Medicine and Surgery of Unusual Pets	Emma	Hoolihan	Small Animal Surgery
Tegan	Stephens	Medicine and Surgery of Unusual Pets	Paul	Jenkins	Small Animal Surgery
Prof Paul	Cusack	Medicine of Beef Cattle	Jenny Sun	Liu	Small Animal Surgery
Anna	Gates	Medicine of Beef Cattle	Jun Ren	Loh	Small Animal Surgery
Joey	Rheinberger	Medicine of Beef Cattle	Richard	Looi	Small Animal Surgery
John	House	Medicine of Dairy Cattle	Jenny	Nesci	Small Animal Surgery
Natasha	Lees	Medicine of Dairy Cattle	Jack	Neville-Towle	Small Animal Surgery
Jennie	Mohler	Medicine of Dairy Cattle	Kadie	O'Byrne	Small Animal Surgery
Celine	Lee	Medicine of Horses	Peter	Sorensen	Small Animal Surgery
Cristina	Rosales	Medicine of Horses	Kimberley	Yeung	Small Animal Surgery
Stacey	Sullivan	Medicine of Horses	Eleanor	Holden	Veterinary Anaesthesia and Analgesia
Michael	Chambers	Medicine of Sheep	Scott	Cumming	Veterinary Anaesthesia and Analgesia
Kim	Kelly	Medicine of Sheep	Valentina	Di Sevo Mallo	Veterinary Anaesthesia and Analgesia
Robert	Suter	Medicine of Sheep	Yukari	Miyake	Veterinary Anaesthesia and Analgesia
Ross	Cutler	Pig Health and Production	Mara	Schier	Veterinary Anaesthesia and Analgesia
Bernie	Gleeson	Pig Health and Production	Fre	Hurly	Veterinary Behaviour
Abigail	Brough	Small Animal Medicine	Jake	Lin	Veterinary Behaviour
Joyce	Chow	Small Animal Medicine	Rimini	Quinn	Veterinary Behaviour
Susan	Ciaravolo	Small Animal Medicine	Isabelle	Resch	Veterinary Behaviour
Jim (James)	Connah	Small Animal Medicine	Louise	Rourke	Veterinary Behaviour
Jessica	Diery	Small Animal Medicine	Kim	Binnie	Veterinary Emergency & Critical Care
Sarah	Elliott	Small Animal Medicine	Antonia	Brown	Veterinary Emergency & Critical Care
Simone	Hardinge	Small Animal Medicine	Sally	Cory	Veterinary Emergency & Critical Care





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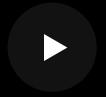
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Katelyn Sophie Clara	Craig Huxley Lauinger	Veterinary Emergency & Critical Care Veterinary Emergency & Critical Care Veterinary Emergency & Critical Care	Jillian Elisa Georgia	Beasley Dennis Ladmore	Veterinary Practice (Small Animal) Veterinary Practice (Small Animal) Veterinary Practice (Small Animal)
Wey Yen Ivan Sophie	Loh Moses Plasto	Veterinary Emergency & Critical Care Veterinary Emergency & Critical Care Veterinary Emergency & Critical Care	John Tonya Cathy	Mallyon Stokes Beck	Veterinary Practice (Small Animal) Veterinary Practice (Small Animal) Veterinary Radiology (Large Animal)
Michele Caroline Lucy	Rebelo Romeo Sangster	Veterinary Emergency & Critical Care  Veterinary Emergency & Critical Care  Veterinary Emergency & Critical Care	Sue Marjorie Adrian	Jones Milne Bryce	Veterinary Radiology (Large Animal) Veterinary Radiology (Large Animal) Veterinary Radiology (Small Animal)
Saskia Xanthe Andrew	Van Schie Warde Wester	Veterinary Emergency & Critical Care Veterinary Emergency & Critical Care Veterinary Emergency & Critical Care	Philip Marjorie Shanaka	Downey Milne	Veterinary Radiology (Small Animal) Veterinary Radiology (Small Animal) Veterinary Radiology (Small Animal)
Phillipa Shelley	Williams Wiltshire	Veterinary Emergency & Critical Care Veterinary Emergency & Critical Care	Patricia Chris	Thong Elliott	Veterinary Radiology (Small Animal)  Veterinary Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation (Equine)
Amy Marta Jennifer	Manyweathers	Veterinary Epidemiology r Veterinary Epidemiology Veterinary Epidemiology	Sam Susan	Franklin Jones	Veterinary Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation (Equine) Veterinary Sports Medicine and
Rahul Anke Amy	Shankar Wiethoelter Duff	Veterinary Epidemiology Veterinary Epidemiology Veterinary Practice (Equine)	Cate	Steel	Rehabilitation (Equine)  Veterinary Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation (Equine)
Nicola Michael	Fargher Ruppin	Veterinary Practice (Equine) Veterinary Practice (Equine)	Nicolle	Wiechula	Veterinary Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation (Equine)

## Are you ready to press play on your next educational journey? Membership Examination subjects coming in 2026

Avian Health (Poultry)
Avian Medicine and Surgery
Animal Welfare
Equine Dentistry
Medicine of Cats (inc. MoC UK)
Medicine and Management of Aquaculture Species
Medicine and Management of Laboratory Animals
Australasian Wildlife Health Management
Zoo Animal Health Management
Small Animal Dentistry and Oral Surgery
Small Animal Medicine
Small Animal Surgery



Surgery of Horses
Veterinary Behaviour
Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care
Veterinary Epidemiology
Veterinary Parasitology and Parasitic Diseases\*
Veterinary Pathology
Veterinary Pharmacology
Veterinary Practice (Small Animal)
Veterinary Public Health
Veterinary Radiology (Small Animal)
Veterinary Sports Medicine and
Rehabilitation (Canine)











## INTENTION TO SIT DEADLINE FOR FELLOWSHIP CANDIDATES

## The deadline to register your intention to sit 2026 Fellowship Examinations is

## **30 JUNE 2025**

### No applications will be accepted after this date.

Fellowship Candidates wishing to sit Fellowship examinations in 2026 should note that it is mandatory to register their intention to sit with the College office before 30 June 2025.

No applications to sit the Fellowship examinations will be accepted after this date. Candidates who register an intention to sit, but do not comply with current credential guidelines will be able to withdraw their application before 31 October 2025.

Please note that the Credentials date of 31 October remains the same, and at this time all requirements outlined in the training guidelines must be completed.



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## Project Officer's Report Dr Rachel Tan

To help you promote your participation, we've created some dedicated marketing assets tailored

to your involvement:

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- An email signature tag to include in your correspondence
- An event promo social tile to share across your platforms



For our New Zealand delegates, please note that Vet Science Week 2025 is also a CPD accredited event.



We invite you to showcase your involvement and help us spread the word about Vet Science Week 2025 – a unique opportunity for learning, connection, and professional growth. Every share helps grow engagement across our community.

Suggested Hashtags: #VetScienceWeek2025 #VeterinaryScience #VetProfessionals #ANZCVS

#### **Vet Science Week**

We're looking forward to a huge year at the Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre for VSW 2025. Early bird registration closed on May 25 with over 600 delegates already registered to attend. With a sold-out Exhibition Space as well, it should be a fantastic week.

Pre-conference workshops on Wednesday July 23 will include:

- Veterinary Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation "If I Only Had a Brain: NeuroFacilitation and NeuroPlasticity Techniques in Small Animal Rehabilitation"
- Small Animal Medicine and Radiology "Neurology Masterclass"
- Small Animal Surgery "Advanced Surgery"
- Clinical Research Skills Workshop "Study Design and Statistics"
- Veterinary Behaviour "Residents Day"
- ANZCVS MCQ Workshop

The complete <u>VSW program</u> can be viewed online – please use the "Filter" function to search by subject as it includes all content for the 20 Chapters.

<u>REGISTRATION</u> allows options to include workshops and tickets to the ANZCVS Awards Dinner to be held at the Sofitel Gold Coast Broadbeach. The <u>VSW website</u> has comprehensive information on the event.

For those of you who have already registered, thank you for being part of Vet Science Week 2025. Whether you're a speaker, sponsor, partner, exhibitor, attendee or collaborator, your involvement is what makes this event a vibrant, valuable, and inspiring experience for the veterinary community.







#### MCQ Workshop pre-VSW - 23 July 2025

A one-day intensive MCQ Workshop will be held on the pre-conference workshop day before VSW. The Examinations team is finalising the details of the workshop and contacting members to participate in Chapter team question writing.

#### **Exam Question Writers needed!**

If you are interested in writing questions for your Chapter as part of their Question Bank or would like to become involved in the next or following years examinations, please contact Admin. Our team will organise access to our Online Examination Series hosted on the College's LMS, which will provide information on the examination processes and question structure. The series includes live question and answer session recordings, which are structured as follows:



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	Duration	Item	Presenter
	30 min	Introduction to College examination processes	Dr Lydia Hambrook
Session 1	45 min	Using Learning Outcomes to define the testing point Question construction, designing higher order questions	Dr Lydia Hambrook
Session 2	90 min	Writing effective MCQs for Higher Order Thinking: How to design better multiple-choice questions effectively and avoid common flaws	Mr Neville Chiavaroli (ACER) Dr Cathy Beck
Session 3	45 min	Modifying Marking Rubric templates to suit your subject and application	Dr Jen Carter
	30 min	Common issues and questions	Dr Lydia Hambrook

#### **Fellowship Review Project**

The project examining the current structure of Fellowship Programs is ongoing and entering the second phase of interviews and investigation. The review seeks to cover all aspects of Fellowship training across the breadth of disciplines and settings, including entry and eligibility requirements, educational framework, learning environments, assessment approaches, feedback processes and supervisor training and support. The review is expected to be complete at the end of 2025 with stakeholders to be updated of the results shortly thereafter.

If you have any questions, please contact me at <u>po@anzcvs.org.au</u>. Thank you once again for your support – I look forward to seeing you at Vet Science Week 2025!







## Heading to Vet Science Week? Book your Pre-Conference Workshop now!



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Clinical Research Skills Workshop: Study Design and Statistics



Wednesday 23 July 2025



Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre



\$350 Registration Fee



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08:00-08:30	Registration	
08:30-09:45	Session 1 - What do you REALLY want to know - Lisa Smart	
09:45-10:30	Session 2 - Study Designs (Observational) - Corrin Boyd	
10:30-11:00	Morning Tea	
11:00-12:00	Session 3 - Study Designs (Interventional) - Corrin Boyd	
12:00-13:00	Session 4 - Pump up your power - Lisa Smart	
13:00-14:00	Lunch	
14:00-15:00	Session 5 - Assessing parametric data - Ristan Greer	
15:00-16:00	Session 6 - Assessing non-parametric data - Ristan Greer	
16:00-16:30	Afternoon Tea	
16:30-17:00	Session 7 - Open Q&A Session	

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Advanced Surgery Preliminary Day Robots, Cameras & Interlocking Nails



Wednesday 23 July 2025 8:00AM to 5:00PM



Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre



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08:00-08:30	Registration		
08:30-09:30	Session 1 - Case based discussion on revision procedures - Loic Dejardin		
09:30-10:30	Session 2 - Sacroiliac luxations - ORIF versus MIPO versus robot - Loic Dejardin		
10:30-11:00	Morning Tea		
11:00-12:00	Session 3 - Interlocking nail application - Loic Dejardin		
12:00-13:00	Session 4 - Interlocking nail demo for distal femoral osteotomy + question time. Kits also available over break time - Loic Dejardin		
13:00-14:00	Lunch		
14:00-15:00	Session 5 - Elbow arthoscopy practical tips and interesting cases - Brain Beale		
15:00-16:00	Session 6 - Arthroscopic meniscus treatment - Brain Beale		
16:00-16:30	Afternoon Tea		
16:30-17:00	Session 7 - Orthopaedic disasters and revision strategies for fracture complications - Brian Beale		

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### **Heading to Vet Science Week? Book your Pre-Conference Workshop now!**



## Veterinary Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation

Amie Hesbach to Australia to share her knowledge and

and hands on practical sessions. There will also be time

skill in canine neurologic rehabilitation



9:00AM to 5:00PM



\$550 Members \$650 Members

08:00-08:30	Departure from Gold Coast Convention & Exhibition Centre
08:30-09:00	Registration
09:00-10:30	NeuroPlasticity Techniques (Sensory Stimulation Focus)
10:30-11:00	Morning Tea
11:00-12:00	Lab & Demo
12:00-12:30	Case Discussion
12:30-13:30	Lunch
13:30-15:00	NeuroFacilitation Techniques (Active Motor Focus)
15:00-15:30	Afternoon Tea
15:30-16:30	Lab & Demo
15:30-17:00	Case Discussion



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**Small Animal Medicine with** Radiology -

**Neurology Masterclass** 



Wednesday 23 July 2025 8:00AM to 5:00PM







\$280 Residency Training

08:00-08:30	Registration	
08:30-09:30	Session 1 - Big Bits and Little Tips of the Veterinary Neurological Examination - Christine Thomson	
09:30-10:30	Session 2 - Big Bits and Little Tips of the Veterinary Neurological Examination - Christine Thomson	
10:30-11:00	Morning Tea	
11:00-12:00	Session 3 - What to expect when you find the unexpected - Imaging spinal diseases other than IVDD - Majorie Milne	
12:00-13:00	Session 4 - Non-infectious inflammatory CNS diseases - where are we now? - Patrick Kenny	
13:00-14:00	Lunch	
14:00-15:00	Session 5 - Is CT now redundant for brain imaging? - Majorie Milne	1
15:00-16:00	Session 6 - Neuromuscular weakness - pathways to diagnosis - Patrick Kenny.	
16:00-16:30	Afternoon Tea	
16:30-17:30	Session 7 - The Year in Review: highlights from recent developments in the world of neurology - Sam Long	



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All workshops include morning/afternoon teas and lunch





## **COUNCIL ELECTIONS**

## vzcvs Polls now open!

#### The Role of the College Council

The College Council serves as the governing body that oversees the College on behalf of its members. As the Board of Directors, the Council manages the strategic objectives of the College, playing a crucial role in shaping the future of the veterinary profession in Australia and New Zealand.

#### **Election of Council Members**

Four impressive nominees are standing for election to the Council. Be sure to read their personal statements and cast your vote for the candidate you believe should represent you and the College Membership.

If you are unable to locate the email from TrueVote or need assistance with the voting process, please reach out to TrueVote at <a href="mailto:support@truevote.com.au">support@truevote.com.au</a>.

### **Voting Polls close 13 July 2025**

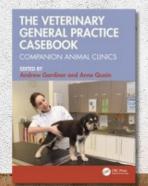
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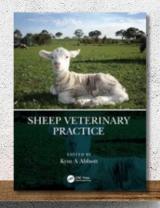
#### **MEMBER DISCOUNT**



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For orders of 5-49 books, use code **'ANZBULK24'** for a massive 35% discount!

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#### **Animal Reproduction**

We are looking forward to a fantastic Animal Reproduction Chapter program at Science Week. The program will begin on Thursday afternoon and run through until Friday afternoon, with a focus on the latest research and practical updates across a wide range of topics. For example, sessions will include ophthalmic essentials for theriogenologists, setting up a bovine IVF lab, perinatal lamb care, and several canine reproduction presentations. We're also excited to include content on birds and exotic pets, and an important update on age at first calving in dairy heifers.

We hope to have lively discussions in our panel discussion about comparative C-sections on Friday afternoon.

On Saturday, we look forward to joining the Equine Chapter for a full day dedicated to equine reproduction.

Our AGM has been scheduled to be held remotely in August – please keep an eye out on the Notice of AGM email, we encourage all members to attend.

A big thank you to our exam committee for their ongoing work in preparing membership exam content. We wish all candidates the best of luck and look forward to welcoming new members to the Chapter in July. We hope to see many of you at Science Week. It promises to be an excellent program with great opportunities to connect, learn, and collaborate.

#### **Animal Welfare**

We are very excited about our Science Week program which promises to be as thought provoking as it is diverse – a huge thank you is extended to our convenor Dr Fiona Esam for a wonderful job!

We are very excited that Emeritus Professor David Mellor will describe his journey spanning over 60 years which has led him, together with hundreds of colleagues, to develop and refine the Five Domains Model. The Five Domains model has become the 'go to' animal welfare framework, and David will provide an overview of its development in the context of an extended career in Animal Welfare Science.

We also extend a warm invitation to all college members to attend presentations on topics of interest including equine and canine welfare, refinement of common procedures in veterinary practice, welfare considerations for cephalopods and much more. This is a wonderful opportunity to update your knowledge, learn about active research projects, network and contribute to our chapter.

Animal Welfare Chapter continued...

We look forward to seeing as many of our chapter members attend Science Week as possible, to not only delve into some excellent contemporary animal welfare issues but to also meet up and catch up, especially at the Chapter Dinner on Thursday night.

This year we have the added benefit of joining the Veterinary Behaviour Chapter to allow even more networking. Hope to see you there!

#### **Emergency and Critical Care**

In February, a number of the Chapter attended the Examiners workshop to write examination questions and review MCQs. A huge thanks is deserved for the Membership and Fellowship Head Subject Examiners Dr Caroline Romeo and Dr. Trudi McAlees, their teams and the respective Chairs Dr Ivan Moses and Dr Sarah Purcell for the mammoth task of putting together and reviewing examinations, as well as the Subject Standards Committee team led by Dr Leah Wright. Their combined efforts ensure the ongoing fairness and rigorousness of the ECC membership and fellowship examination process.

We would like to wish every success to the 2025 membership and fellowship candidates.

March saw the latest instalment of the Chapters popular ongoing Bites and Insights webinar series with Dr Katie Nash who presented a highly informative and well-attended webinar on transfusion medicine.

Recordings of the webinars can be found on the ANZCVS website.



We are also looking forward to Vet Science Week 2025. Our Chapter Science Week Convenors Dr Rebekah Donaldson and Dr James Cooper have been busy putting together an excellent program.

This year, the Small Animal Medicine and Emergency & Critical Care chapters are co-hosting our international keynote speaker Dr Dana LeVine who will be presenting on immune mediated haematological disorders such as IMTP and IMHA.



Emergency and Critical Care Chapter continued...

Our Chapter speakers will be Dr Corrin Boyd presenting on haemorrhagic shock, thrombosis and anti-thrombotic therapies, Dr Kerrie Doolan presenting on xenotransfusions and adverse effects of blood transfusions, Dr Ivan Moses presenting on anaphylaxis and FATE, Dr Rebekah Donaldson speaking on shift patterns and staffing levels in emergency and critical care facilities. There will also be panel discussions with Dr Claire Sharp, Dr Kerry Doolan and Dr Katie Nash on making the most of your blood product use and coagulation case studies, and Dr James Cooper and Dr Karina Graham will be presenting on intravascular embolization of haemorrhagic neoplasia and what will no doubt be an interesting case series. We also have exciting resident and abstract program sessions planned!

The ECC stream will then wind up the year in review with Dr Corrin Boyd and Dr Claire Sharp.

Hope to see you all at Science Week on the Gold Coast!

#### **ECC Chapter Executives**

(Dr Sarah Purcell – President, Dr Katie Nash – Vice President, Dr Natsuko Kitamura-Druery – Treasurer and Dr Michele Rebelo – Secretary)

### **Epidemiology**





#### **Professor Jenny-Ann Toribio**

#### Winner of the AVA & ANZCVS Kesteven Medal 2025!

This well-deserved recognition is a testament to Jenny-Ann's unwavering commitment to advancing international veterinary science. Through her tireless efforts in providing technical and scientific support to low and middle-income countries, she's made a lasting impact on animal and public health across borders.

Her mentorship of countless Australian and international students has helped shape the next generation of veterinarians, and her dedication to capacity building has strengthened communities and institutions around the world.

The chapter is thankful for her exceptional leadership, generosity of spirit, and enduring contribution to global veterinary medicine. We are proud to celebrate this outstanding achievement.

Epidemiology Chapter continued...

#### Collaboration with clinical colleagues

Candidates for Fellowship in some of the clinical chapters would often be appreciative of some help with their clinical research projects, specifically in the areas of study design, data collection setup, and statistical analysis. If any Epi members or candidates would be interested in collaborating with a clinical colleague, get 'hands on' practical experience, and likely receive authorship on a publication, could they contact Ristan (Ristan Greer, rmg@torusresearch.com.au) in the first instance and she can put them in touch.

#### Join us at the GCCEC for Vet Science Week 2025!

We're excited to invite Epidemiology and Veterinary Public Health Chapters members to attend and contribute to what promises to be a dynamic and engaging 2.5-day program. This year's program features collaborative sessions with the Pharmacology and Animal Welfare Chapters, covering key topics such as:

- Antimicrobial resistance
- · Veterinary social work
- · Dog bite prevention
- Mass euthanasia in response to HPAI

We are especially excited to hear from <u>you</u> during our panel discussion on Saturday morning titled: **Veterinary Epidemiology – Future Challenges and Opportunities.** This interactive discussion will explore how our Chapter can foster growth, enhance collaboration with clinical colleagues, and better advocate for the improved application of veterinary epidemiology across private practice, academia, and government sectors.

#### Thank you for your abstract submissions!

The Epidemiology and Veterinary Public Health (VPH) Chapters received a total of 28 abstract submissions. We thank all presenters for generously volunteering their time and expertise.

If you have any queries or require further information, please contact your Chapter convenors:

- Tiffany O'Connor & Tabita Tan swconvenorepi@anzcvs.org.au
- Allen Petrey <a href="mailto:swconvenorvph@anzcvs.org.au">swconvenorvph@anzcvs.org.au</a>

We are also seeking additional volunteers to join the Vet Science Week convenor team. If you're interested in playing a key role in shaping next year's program, please get in touch. This is a rewarding opportunity to contribute to your profession and connect with colleagues across Australia and New Zealand.

We look forward to seeing you on the Gold Coast in July!

#### Animal Disease Insights: A New Platform to Visualise Disease Outbreak Trends and Distribution

In response to the growing need for a comprehensive and user-friendly resource, One Health Epi Consulting has developed the Animal Disease Insights platform—a centralised hub for visualising animal disease outbreak data.



Epidemiology Chapter continued...

As reports of animal diseases rise globally, this platform will prove invaluable for veterinarians, epidemiologists, animal health policymakers, and journalists seeking both global and countryspecific disease information.

The platform consolidates key data, including the latest news stories and disease intelligence, empowering users to track emerging trends, monitor outbreaks, and make evidence-based decisions with greater efficiency. It complements existing systems such as the World Organisation for Animal Health's (WOAH) World Animal Health Information System (WAHIS). While WAHIS provides similar data, this platform offers distinct filtering and visualisation features, including news stories about animal diseases, to enhance the user experience.

With its modern interface, the platform strengthens disease surveillance by enabling users to track emerging animal disease threats and take proactive measures to prevent future outbreaks. It allows users to visualise global disease patterns, track country rankings, explore trends over the past 20 years, and access detailed information on specific outbreaks. Moreover, the platform's ability to monitor news stories related to animal diseases adds further value by providing timely, up-to-date intelligence for informed decision-making.

Developed by One Health Epi Consulting using their own resources and without any external funding, this platform is a unique initiative offered completely free of charge. As it continues to evolve, future enhancements—such as the integration of social media data-will further enhance its ability to provide real-time, reliable disease intelligence.

Access the platform at https://onehealthepi.com/dashboard to discover how it can support your work.

#### **Heading to VSW?**

Keep an eye on your mailbox for possible Chapter Dinner information. Get to know your fellow Chapter Members!

#### **Equine**

We are looking forward to welcoming our Chapter Members, Fellows and other delegates to the Equine Chapter stream of Science Week. We have an exciting program featuring lectures on the topics of neurology, gastroenterology and standing surgery, with a fantastic line-up of international and local speakers. We will also collaborate with both the Sports Medicine Chapter and Animal Reproduction Chapters to present full-day combined streams.

The Annual General Meeting of the Equine Chapter will be held during the Science Week program on the afternoon of Friday 25 July. We encourage all members to attend in-person or online (details to follow via email) and would also like to encourage all members to consider serving the Equine Chapter, either on the executive committee, on examinations teams or other roles such as subject standards committees.

We hope to see everyone at Science Week!

Dr Nicholas Bamford - President, Equine Chapter



The Feline Chapter were overjoyed to see that Dr Katherine Briscoe was named as the 2025 winner of the ANZCVS Meritorious Award. This award is intended to reward a member or fellow of the College, who has consistently and tirelessly contributed to the College through voluntary service at chapter or higher level. Kath has served as an examiner at Membership and Fellowship level in addition to holding the role of Chapter Executive President.

Kath is described by members of current and previous Feline Chapter Executive committees as someone who served graciously and humbly and has always been a mentor for other members. Kath's leadership style was warm and supportive and she is still active in contributing to work of the Chapter.

Her leadership in the feline vet community, both in Australia and overseas, is highly commendable and well recognised. We look forward to seeing this award be presented to this incredibly valuable member at the Awards Dinner on Saturday 26th July.







Feline Chapter continued...

#### Feline Chapter Programme Science Week 2025

Science week is not far away and we warmly welcome you to attend the feline stream running over 24<sup>th</sup> -26<sup>th</sup> July. This year the feline stream is not to be missed!

The programme will explore feline gastroenterology, pancreatopathies, and hepatobiliary disease, complemented by cutting-edge lectures on emerging topics such as the role of Proteomics and Metabolomics in Veterinary Gastroenterology along with a broad range of other clinically significant subjects.

We are proud to welcome an exceptional line up of local and international speakers, including Professor Caroline Mansfield, Dr Lara Boland, Dr Jane Yu, Dr Rebekah Donaldson, Dr Susan Piripi, Dr Sarah Helmond, Dr Mark Westman, Dr Niquet Reid and our international keynote speaker, Associate Professor Jonathan Lidbury.

A huge thank you to our program sponsors, IDEXX and Royal Canin for supporting us financially so we can bring this program to you.

You can find further details about our program here.

#### **Feline Chapter Dinner**

We also have a Chapter Dinner at the Harvest Buffet at The Star on Thursday the 24<sup>th</sup> July from 6.45pm. For a bit of fun we have a "Fabulously Hawaiian" theme so dust off your loudest shirt, string up those leis, and channel your inner Meow-loha spirit as we come together for a night of feline fun, island vibes, and delicious food in tropical style. Expect mai tais, meow-mele energy, and a room full of cat-loving colleagues ready to purr-ty!

**Cost:** \$65 (subsidised) - includes a buffet dinner and an alcoholic beverage to go with it!

**RSVP:** Email <u>vetlinton@gmail.com</u> ASAP – places are limited!

Payment Details: BSB: 034093 | Account: 754375

Please include your name as the reference when transferring funds.

A special thank you to IDEXX for generously contributing to the evening in order that we can offer you tickets at a subsidised cost.

#### **Annual General Meeting**

Our Feline Chapter AGM has been held during Science Week over the last few years, however, this year we will hold the event remotely in the first week of September to allow more members, including those from overseas, an opportunity to attend. The AGM meeting pack will be circulated 30 days before the meeting itself so keep a look out for this pack in your inbox soon after Science Week concludes.





Feline Chapter continued...

#### **Member Engagement**

We would love to welcome as many of our members as possible to attend the AGM to find out more about the committee and our work. We would also welcome chapter members to consider whether they may be able to help out with tasks currently being performed by the Chapter Executives, such as acting as an examiner or a mentor. Members are well qualified to perform either of these tasks having recent knowledge of what it is like to sit examinations and the current Examination team and Chapter Exec are very keen to support anyone willing to put their hand up!

If you are a current mentor, acting as an examiner is a natural extension of the rewarding work you already do, and will provide you with opportunities to shape the future of our Chapter and its people.

Finally, in order to ensure that our work continues to be aligned with what you, our members, need; we will be sending out a survey along with the AGM pack to better understand what Feline Chapter members want from the Executive Committee and the Science Week program. Any and all feedback is welcome!

Ngā mihi Natalie Lloyd

## Medicine and Management of Laboratory Animals

We are now rolling into the busy time of the year for MMLA. We have several exciting events in our upcoming schedule, with the highlight being the ANZCVS Science Week in July. The MMLA program is going to be fantastic this year, featuring three international speakers over two and a half days. Part of the program includes partnering with the Pathobiology Chapter, of which we are excited to be involved with. It should be an epic event and we hope to see as many of you as possible!

Before we all convene at Science Week, we have a Journal Club meeting scheduled for June 20 at 11am Perth time. We are still accepting papers/presenters for this meeting, so if you have an exciting case or a new paper you'd like to discuss, please email details to the Chapter President prior to June 17.

In addition to Science Week, we have our AGM coming up on Friday July 4 (11am Perth time). This will be held over Zoom and shouldn't take more than an hour. Information and an invite to the AGM should have been sent to all members. We will have some vacancies in the Exec team (Treasurer and Science Week Convenor) and we need to fulfil some spots in the Examination Committee.



MMLA Chapter continued...

We'd love to see some fresh faces and ideas, so if you are at all curious or thinking you might like to get involved, please contact the Chapter President or Secretary for more information about what these positions entail. And lastly, if you have not received the AGM invite email, please send us a quick email and we will get it out to you.

To conclude, a list of important events and dates are below. We hope to see you at one, or all the events!

#### • Journal Club:

- Zoom June 20 @ 11am (Perth time)
- Please email Chapter President if you would like to join.

#### MMLA AGM:

• Zoom July 4 @ 11am (Perth time). Please email the Chapter if you have not received an invite.

#### • ANZCVS MMLA Science Week 2025:

- o Gold Coast July 24-26
- Partnering with the Pathobiology Chapter for some sessions
- o 3 International Speakers
- o 2 Panel Sessions

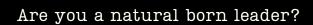
#### MMLA Science Week Dinner:

- o Hideaway Kitchen and Bar, 2657 Gold Coast Highway
- July 24 @ 7pm
- ~\$75 per person (cash only)
- Please <u>RSVP via this link</u>

Take care everyone!

Cheers, Emily (Chapter President)





A diligent little worker bee?

Know your hashtags from your hashbrowns?

Wherever your strengths lie, your Chapter needs your help. Reach out to your Chapter Executives or the College Office, to see how you can get involved.



#### **Ophthalmology**

We are looking forward to our College Science Week 2025 program, where Dr Ron Ofri will be lecturing on a variety of topics including endothelial dystrophy, sudden blindness and of course, visual optics. We will also combine with the behaviour chapter with 2 lectures from NCSU behaviour specialist Dr Sara Bennett. Our chapter dinner will be Thursday night after happy hour with further details to follow. The AGM will be Friday 25<sup>th</sup> July at 3pm. Please email us if you wish to put forward any thoughts or new ideas.

We congratulate Dr Kelly Yates for being awarded the ANZCVS Fellowship Research Grant 2025! We hope this will help contribute to an interesting addition to the veterinary ophthalmology literature.

Good luck to all candidates sitting Fellowships in Veterinary Ophthalmology this year!

Regards,

Dr Matt Sanders & Dr Yvette Crowe Ophthalmology Chapter Secretaries

#### **Pharmacology**

The Pharmacology Chapter have been busy this year organising an exciting program for Science Week 2025. The Chapter has worked hard at securing two international well renowned speakers, as well as collaborating with other Chapters in this process.

The eminent veterinary microbiologist, Professor Luca Guardabassi will be our international keynote speaker. Prof Guardabassi has advanced our understanding of antimicrobial resistance through a distinguished career of research and commitment to veterinary antimicrobial stewardship. There will be shared sessions with the Dermatology, Small Animal Medicine, Epidemiology and Veterinary Public Health Chapters.

Additionally, Professor Katrina Mealey a veterinary pharmacologist best known for her role in the discovery of the ABCB1 (MDR1) gene in cats and dogs will be presenting. The combination of these two distinguished speakers will make for an exceptional few days.

Finally, there is a lot of 'behind the scenes' when it comes to securing these speakers and the Chapter would like to thank all of those involved in this process, especially our Chapter Secretary Gail Versluis for all her work here.

Madelaine Guy-Moore (President of Veterinary Pharmacology)



#### **Small Animal Medicine**

As we head into the final preparations for VSW25, we're excited to highlight a joint pre-congress day hosted by the Small Animal Medicine and Radiology Chapters, focused on Neurology. This promises to be a day of high-level, collaborative discussion and learning and we hope to see many of our members there.

Of course, the main program of VSW25 will also be packed with cutting-edge medicine content, including two incredible keynote speakers, Dana LeVine and Jane Sykes. We're proud of the breadth and depth of this year's offering and grateful to all those behind the scenes who help bring it to life.

The SAM Support Series was a great success, with strong engagement from members of the Small Animal Medicine Chapter as well as other Chapters across the College. Thank you to all our speakers and participants for embracing this opportunity to focus on non-clinical clinical education, supporting not just our medical knowledge, but also each other.

As always, we want to take this opportunity to thank our volunteers who contributed to this year's Membership and Fellowship exams. We also farewell Luke Johnston and Sonia McGill. Their designated terms as Vice President and Treasurer respectively have come to any end after several years of dedicated service on the Executive Committee in many roles. We don't have a Chapter or new members without all of your generosity, time and effort.

We'll be putting out a call for new volunteers to join our Chapter committees and working groups. Please take a moment to consider how you might be able to give back to your College community.... we'd love to hear from you!

We look forward to connecting with many of you at VSW25!

Elizabeth Thrift Chapter President

## Would you like to make a deposit to the MCQ Question Bank?



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#### **Small Ruminant**

This year was the year for examinations for our chapter and we have 2 sheep candidates. Unfortunately we did not have any goat candidates as the 1 vet that had been mentored for a year changed positions and then pulled out. Some executive members have done the training and have been working on a bank of multiple-choice questions as well.

The president started her Centre for Veterinary Education, University of Sydney "Time on Line" goats course and has been posting daily case studies to help those vets that registered. She has been running this course every year for a while now but numbers were lower than previous years unfortunately. Hopefully some of these vets will go on to do their exams in 2 years' time.

In an attempt to encourage more small animal vets to get involved with treating goats in their communities, the president will be speaking at the AVA conference and her Zoom recorded lecture on disbudding, castration and pain relief will then go onto the AVA website for the next year. She will also be speaking on "Goats 101" for a long session at the International Sheep Veterinary Conference to be held in Wollongong in October.

The Small Ruminant Chapter will be holding its AGM on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> July at 3pm via Zoom. Members are asked to please attend and also volunteer for a position. We do everything by email and have few to no meetings but for the chapter to continue we need to fill key positions.

Contact the president <u>presidentsmallruminant@anzcvs.org.au</u> or the secretary <u>secretarysmallruminant@anzcvs.org.au</u> if you can help or attend.



#### **Veterinary Behaviour**

The Veterinary Behaviour Chapter has had a strong and exciting start to 2025, with several fantastic educational events and a growing sense of collaboration across disciplines.

Since the last courier edition, Dr Melanie Rockman has hosted two webinars:

**"Reading the Signs: Recognition and Treatment of Pain"** presented by Dr Matt Gurney, a European specialist in anaesthesia and analgesia. Dr Gurney explored pain assessment tools in both acute and chronic settings, and how to adapt these when working with behaviourally complex patients.

**"Compulsive Behaviours Across Species"** presented by Dr Marion Desmarchelier, a specialist in both zoo medicine and behavioural medicine. This highly engaging session explored fascinating case examples and current research into compulsive behaviours in domestic and exotic species.

Access to all <u>recordings</u> of past webinars is available via the College LMS -  $\frac{\text{Click here to see what's available}}{\text{College LMS}}$ .

We're now looking ahead to Science Week 2025, themed "Collaborating for Patient Care", with a fantastic program developed by Dr Melanie Rockman and Dr Bronwyn Sharman.

Our keynote speaker will be Dr. Sara Bennett, DVM, MS, DACVB, Clinical Assistant Professor and Veterinary Behaviour Specialist from North Carolina State University, College of Veterinary Medicine. Dr. Bennett leads a dynamic behaviour department and will provide invaluable perspectives on collaborative case management and patient-centred behavioural care.

We're thrilled about our merged streams with General Practice, Animal Welfare, and Ophthalmology, featuring an exceptional lineup of speakers:

- Dr. Jacqui Ley BVSc (Hons), FANZCVS (Veterinary Behaviour), PhD, DECAWBM
- Dr. Kersti Seksel BVSc (Hons), MA (Hons), FACVSC (Veterinary Behaviour), DACVB, DECAWBM
- Dr. Ron Ofri BSc, DVM, PhD, DipECVO Ophthalmology Specialist & Keynote Speaker

The Behaviour Chapter Social Dinner will be held on Thursday 24 July at The Deck, Broadbeach Tavern, in conjunction with the Animal Welfare Chapter. We look forward to seeing many of you there for a relaxed evening of connection and conversation. <u>Tickets can be purchased via this link</u>.

Veterinary Behaviour Chapter continued...

The Chapter AGM will be held online on Tuesday the 15<sup>th</sup> of July. This year, we will be seeking expressions of interest for the roles of Conference Convenor and Education Coordinator. I would like to warmly thank Dr Bronwyn Sharman and Dr Melanie Rockman for their energy and commitment in these roles—your work has been hugely appreciated and has helped strengthen the Chapter's presence and educational offering.

Please consider nominating if you'd like to be part of shaping the Chapter's direction and education in the coming year.

Looking forward to seeing many of you at Science Week and online over the months ahead.

Warmest regards, Dr Lucy Scott President, Veterinary Behaviour Chapter

#### Catch up on our webinars!

Treatment of
Acute Phase Anxiety **Dr Karen Overall** 

The First 18 Weeks **Dr Jacqui Ley** 

Post-Surgical Management of Physical,

Emotional and Behavioural Health

**Dr Gabrielle Carter** 

An Insider's C Writing Case **Dr Anne Jac** 

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Dr Jill Sackman

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Dr Bronwen Bollaert

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Dr Kersti Seksel

Diet, Behaviour Should we **Dr Isabell**e

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## Veterinary Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation

Monthly Canine online VSMR journal club meetings are a fun way to speak and learn about recent research. Sessions are casual, but focussed on discussing rehab trends & the evidence behind them, whilst also being a great opportunity to catch up with colleagues over a quick morning coffee.

The canine VSMR articles are sent out about 1-2 weeks before the meeting, we encourage members to take turns presenting 1 paper each (structured template provided). Hosted by Dr Ah Young Kim, this monthly meeting is currently aimed at people with a canine VSMR interest.

The equine VSMR Journal club is also run in conjunction with University of Queensland, with Ben Ahern as the host & coordinator. Please get in touch with the chapter Secretary to express your interest in either! All interested parties are welcome to attend.

The VSMR Science Week Coordinating team are really exciting to share that not only have we organised for Amie Hesbach PT, DPT, MS, CCRP, CCRT to lead our pre-conference workshop (Wednesday 23 July 2025) on neurologic rehabilitation techniques and be our keynote speaker for the Science Week conference, but we have also convened an array of Australian (Naomi Boyd, Leah Bradbury, Patrick Kenny, Jack Davey, Ah Young Kim & Shin Ling) and international speakers (Barbara Royal, Janet van Dyke) to discuss various state of the art aspects of neurologic patient care over Thursday 24th & Friday 25th July.

It is going to be an exciting and thought-provoking series of lectures, and we look forward to seeing everyone there. The equine VSMR sessions are being convened for Saturday 26th July in conjunction with the equine chapter and feature an array of local and international speakers as well (Sarah Colmer, Laura Fitzharris, Ashleigh Morrice-West, Chris Whitton, Catherin McGowan & Lesley Goff). These talks will be centered around rehabilitation associated with musculoskeletal breakdown.

We are currently looking for some volunteer neurologically affected dogs to be used as demonstration dogs in our preconference workshop (Wednesday 23 July 2025). Please contact <a href="mailto:swconvenorvsmr@anzcvs.org.au">swconvenorvsmr@anzcvs.org.au</a> if you would like more information as to what would be involved, or have patients/dogs yourself that would be interested in sharing part of their day with us, so that we can learn how to improve our neurologic rehabilitation outcomes.



#### Zoo and Wildlife

The Zoo and Wildlife Chapter wishes to congratulate two of its members, editors Larry Vogelnest and Tim Portas, on the very recent publication of the revised edition of Current Therapy in Medicine of Australian Mammals. This text includes valuable updates on all chapters from the previous edition plus a new chapter on assessment, triage and treatment of bushfire-affected wildlife. There are contributions throughout the book from numerous Chapter members, so well done to all involved. It sure is a worthwhile addition to your bookshelf and one that future examination candidates will no doubt become familiar with!

Intention to sit applications are currently open for our two subject examinations (Australasian Wildlife Health Management and Zoo Animal Health Management) that will next be offered in 2026. Preparations began in February this year with representation from both the Chapter's Subject Examination Committee and Subject Standards Committee at the ANZCVS MCQ Writing Workshop. A question bank has been created and our Examination Committee will continue to build on and review the cache.

With no formal program at Science Week this year, the Chapter Executive has decided to host our 2025 AGM in August via Zoom. The date and time are yet to be confirmed but as soon as the details are firmed up, we'll be in touch via email.

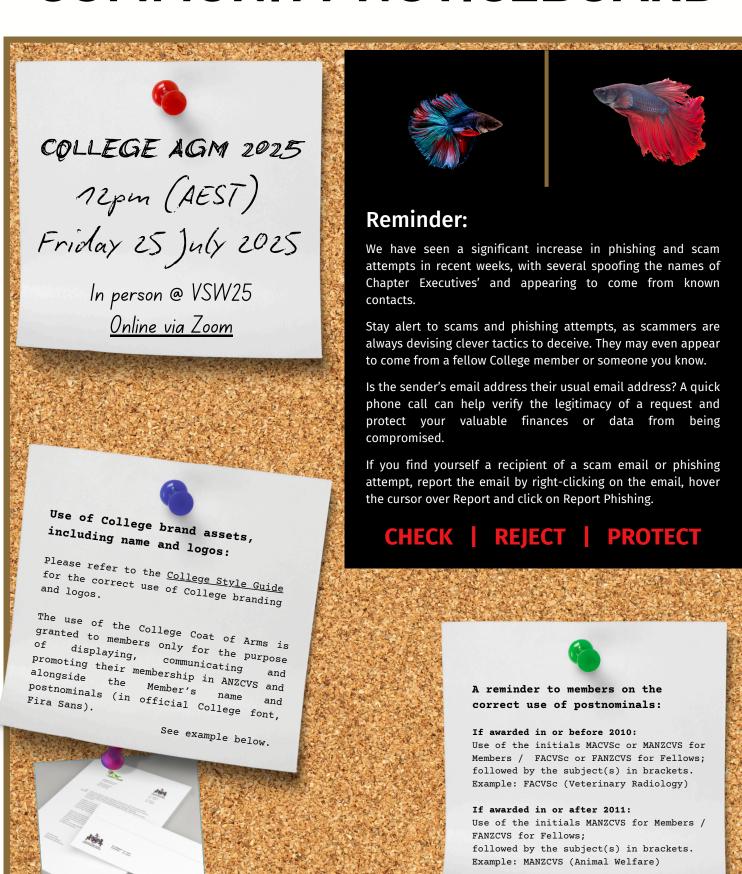
For those who will be attending other Chapter's programs at Science Week in July, I hope to bump into you there in person. Otherwise we'll see you online at the AGM. And please do get in touch with Jessica (<a href="mailto:secretaryzooandwildlife@anzcvs.org.au">secretaryzooandwildlife@anzcvs.org.au</a>) if you are interested in nominating for a committee role or would like to know more about how to get involved in Chapter activities.

Michelle Campbell-Ward President, Zoo and Wildlife Chapter





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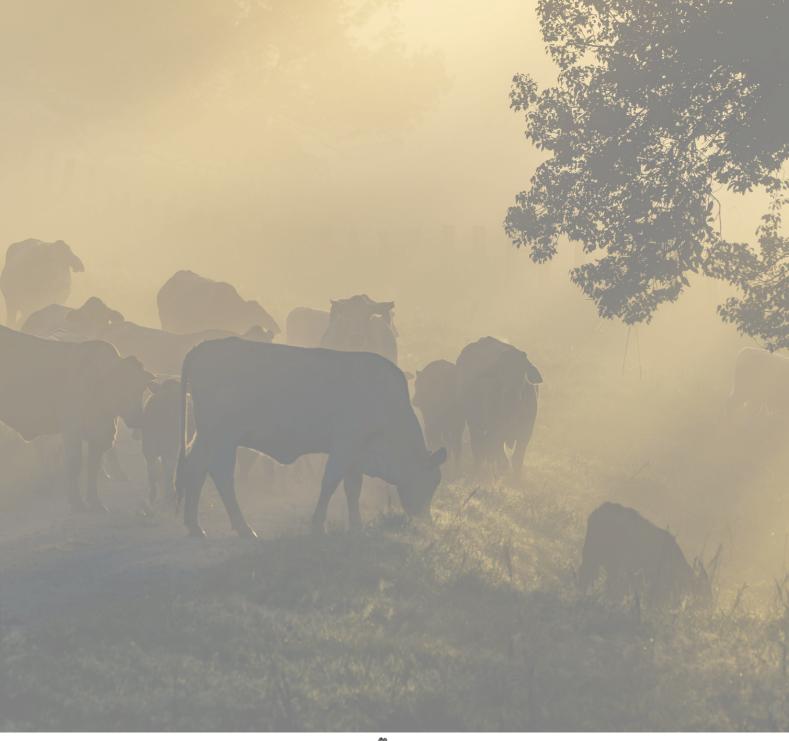


## **ANZCVS 2025 KEY DATES**





If you would like to contribute or request an article to be included in future College Couriers, please reach out to the <u>College Office team!</u>





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