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Special thanks to our Conference Committee for the many hours spent planning, debating and finetuning our conference this year:

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Dr David Neck

Conference Committee

Welcome to the Conference

I have been involved in producing conferences for the Australian Veterinary Association for over ten years now, through the ASAVA conferences and the AVA National Conference and now through the AVA WA Division, and I have not looked forward to conference as much as this one, ever.

You might ask why?

The best conference I have so far attended was in Christchurch- the ASAVA conference several years back. The venue was awesome, the delegates were in fine form and the speakers put on a show like no other. Dennis Chew was one of them, and he is back down-under, this time in the better half of the bigger country that make up the antipodes. For those who don't know Dennis, his CV is longer than the flight to Perth from Ohio State University where he is Professor Emeritus. Urine and bladders are his thing, and we've got him talking on both.

I have been a member of the AVA National Conference committee for many years, and shared some of that time with Gaille Perry who was then representing AVBIG. Gaille always presented such sound logic at our meetings, and now we've got her talking about what she is good at, which is animal behaviour. As well as memberships and a PhD in this topic, Gaille has a Diploma of Education and a Bachelor of Educational Studies, so she stands a better than average chance of getting some cutting edge knowledge through into my impenetrable skull.

The WA Division has been generating a well deserved reputation over at National AVA headquarters for producing THE social program to be jealous of. Every year we get a mystery gala dinner theme that tops the previous year and if there is one thing vets in the west can do, it is socialise!

The theme this year is "Heads and Tails" - which kind of began as a discussion of having anatomical topics for the conference but then morphed into the toss of coin head-and-tail, as a metaphor for a poor decision making technique. (Just ask Harvey "Two Face" Dent of Batman fame). Instead of leaving decision-making to chance, our local speakers this year have embraced the theme and will deliver better systems for deciding the best course of action to take. From Guy Lester talking on decision making with the ataxic horse, to Enoch Bergman giving decision making for calvings and caesarians, our pool of local talent is very deep, and they will be sharing years of experience in their select fields with us all.

The nursing stream and the Trade Fair are both excellent additions to the conference and are well supported by industry. The trade are in fact the original reason this conference exists, as for years WA had the only stand-alone veterinary trade fair in the country. There is always a new item to be found for the clinic out on the trade floor and I've got the credit card warmed up and fully charged.

The final reason I look forward to this conference is the catch up I get with colleagues and friends, many of whom I haven't seen since last year. I especially value my chance to catch our rural colleagues who come along to support the show. I look forward to catching you all at some time during the conference this year! Welcome to conference!



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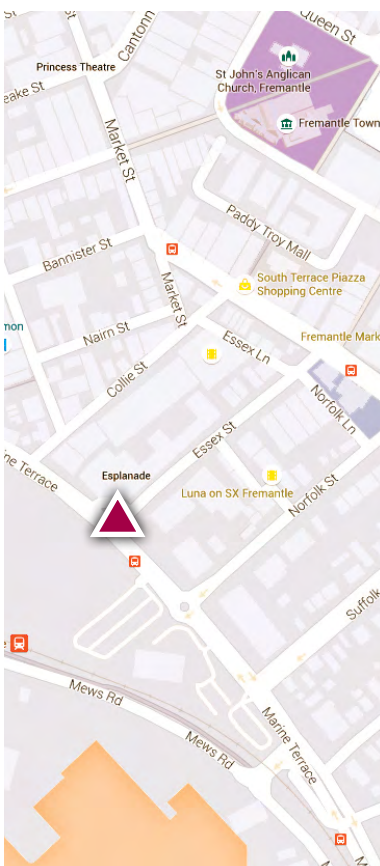
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An additional 13 car parks in the vicinity. Prices start from \$6.50 for the evening. More information at: www.fremantle.wa.gov.au/City_services/Transport_and_parking.



From the US



Dr Dennis Chew

DVM, Dipl ACVIM (Internal Medicine)

Dr Dennis Chew is a 1972 graduate of the College of Veterinary Medicine at Michigan State University. He did a one-year internship at South Weymouth Veterinary Associates and a two-year residency in internal medicine and nephrology at the Animal Medical Center in New York City. He became a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine in 1977.

Dennis was an attending veterinarian at The Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine Teaching Hospital for 36 years and is now Professor Emeritus. Most of his work in clinics, research and publications involves urology/nephrology in small animals. He has special interests in urinary endoscopy, disorders of calcium metabolism, treatment of renal secondary hyperparathyroidism and idiopathic/interstitial cystitis of cats.

He has authored over 100 peer-reviewed publications and two editions of the Manual of Nephrology and Urology in Small Animals.

From the East



Dr Gaille Perry

BVSc, MACVSc (Animal Behaviour), PhD, DipEd, BEd Studies

A University of Queensland (UQ) graduate, Dr Gaille Perry worked in mixed practice for 10 years, as well as breeding, training and showing Border Collies, Old English Sheepdogs and Arabian horses. She returned to university to complete a Diploma of Education then a Bachelor of Educational Studies. Her lifelong interest in animal behaviour led to a membership of the College of Veterinary Scientists in 1993 and a PhD in animal behaviour at UQ with Assoc. Prof. Judith Bradshaw in 1999.

For 26 years, Gaille was a principal teacher at Brisbane North Institute of TAFE, retiring from that position in 2011 to pursue her other interests. She continues as Director of Studies for the Delta Instructors Course, consultant at Sydney Animal Behaviour Service and to the RSPCA Queensland. She completed a project for the RSPCA to produce a national dog training course in 2012 and is currently involved in one to produce a validated behaviour assessment for dogs.

Gaille has held most positions in the Behaviour Chapter of the Australian College of Veterinary Scientists and Australian Veterinary Behaviour Interest Group and retains membership to both groups. She has been a member of the AVA conference organising committee for six years and regularly speaks at local, national and international behaviour conferences.

From the Bar



Mr Johnson Kitto

Our keynote speaker is barrister and solicitor Johnson Kitto, Managing Partner of Kitto & Kitto and ABC Radio co-host of the weekly "Law Talk". He will speak on **"A lawyer, a vet and a prostitute walk into a bar..."**

Johnson is a born and bred Western Australian who grew up on a farm in Kojonup, which he and his brother still run, and went to Hale School before studying law at the University of WA.

Johnson has appeared in every court in WA since as counsel on criminal, civil, family and administrative law matters. He has also appeared in the State Administrative Tribunal, The West Australian Industrial Relations Commission, coronial inquests, Corruption and Crime Commissions and in various professional, regulatory and private tribunals.

His experience includes conduct of serious indictable criminal matters (including armed robbery, aggravated sexual penetration without consent, wilful murder and narcotic importation), from initial advice, visiting crime scenes and initial remand, through to Supreme Court or District Court trial; sentencing, and appeal.

When not working with his brother Grantham for their family-owned legal practice Kitto & Kitto or at their farm, you can find Johnson scuba diving and boating around Rottnest and Exmouth. He also holds a pilot's licence, a Marine Radio Operators Certificate, a Certificate III in Maritime Transport Operations (Master of a commercial maritime vessel)-Coxswain, a welding trade certificate and a love of animals including his pet Labrador.



Local Experts



Dr Louise Bass
*BSc BVMS MANZCVSc
 (Surgery, Anaesthesia and
 Critical Care) DECVAA*

Upon graduating from Murdoch University in 1996, Dr Louise Bass worked in small animal practice in Adelaide before working in the United Kingdom for two years.

On her return to Perth, she gained memberships to the Australian and New Zealand College of Veterinary Scientists in Surgery in 2003, and Veterinary Anaesthesia and Critical Care in 2005. She completed a residency at Murdoch University Veterinary Hospital in Veterinary Anaesthesia at the end of 2007 and in 2010, started her own veterinary anaesthesia consultancy, Perth Veterinary Anaesthesia. In 2014, she achieved Diplomate status with the European College of Veterinary Anaesthesia and Analgesia. In 2015, she qualified to register as a Specialist in Veterinary Anaesthesia with the Veterinary Surgeons' Board (WA).



Dr Susan Beetson
BSc (Hons) BVMS PhD

Dr Susan Beetson graduated from Murdoch University after which she completed an internship in Small Animal Medicine and Surgery at Murdoch and was employed as a resident in Clinical Pathology for two years. In 1985, she completed an Honours degree in clinical biochemistry and nutrition and in 1994 gained a PhD also in clinical biochemistry.

Sue has worked as a clinical pathologist at VETPATH Laboratory Services for many years and was the senior and managing partner from 1998 until 2007, when the business was sold. She currently runs an in-practice clinpath consultancy service based in WA and consults throughout Australia. Sue is also an Adjunct Associate Professor at Murdoch University Veterinary School and has lectured and consulted throughout the country on clinical pathology.



Dr Enoch Bergman
DVM

Dr Enoch Bergman grew up in the small town of Wild Horse, Colorado, population seven. Hoping to meet more people and to learn a few tricks to help his local friends and family raise cattle more ethically and profitably, he caught a ride up to university, sadly, never to return!

He is now located in Esperance WA with his wife, three children, dog, and about 500 Angus breeders. He recently stepped down from his role as president of the Australian Cattle Vets and spends his time trying to make his new friends and family more profitable!



Dr Ellie Crisp
BSc BVMS

Dr Ellie Crisp graduated from Murdoch University in 2004 and began work in racetrack practice in Melbourne. Two years later, she continued her association with racetrack practice in Sydney.

Ellie moved to Perth in 2009 and entered a more diverse equine practice, before completing a residency in Equine Medicine and Surgery at Murdoch University in 2014. During her residency, Ellie began researching exercise-induced pulmonary haemorrhage in thoroughbreds and in 2014 expanded this research into a PhD.

Local Experts



Dr Annemarie Cullimore

MVB MACVS MVS

Dr Annemarie Cullimore is an Associate Veterinarian at Ascot Equine, WA. Annemarie graduated from University College Dublin, Ireland in 2003. After graduation, she spent two years working in mixed animal practice in Ireland before immigrating to Australia.

She worked in racetrack practice in Adelaide for four years during which time she passed the Australian membership examination in equine surgery. In 2010, she moved to Western Australia and completed a three year residency training programme in equine medicine at Murdoch University. She passed the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine's specialist board examination in Large Animal Internal Medicine in 2014 and completing a Master's thesis on Inflammatory Airway Disease in the horse in 2015. Annemarie started working at Ascot Equine in March 2016. She has a special interest in poor performance and field exercise testing in the equine athlete.



Dr Martin Dolinschek

*BSc, BVMS,
MANZCVSc
(Equine Dentistry)*

Dr Martin Dolinschek graduated from Murdoch University in 1997 before spending a year in Northam and then settling into a partnership at the Midland Bullsbrook Veterinary Hospitals for the next 15 years. Initially a mixed practice vet, he gradually migrated towards large animals, then horses only, then equine dentistry only! Martin sat and attained membership to the ANZCVSc in 2003 in equine dentistry and since 2012, has run a dentistry only practice servicing a wide range of equestrian clients throughout the state.

He sees referral cases for numerous veterinary practices in WA and also consults out of Murdoch University. With Dr Rachel Stone, he is active in the dentistry teaching component of the final year equine students and has presented at numerous dentistry courses. Martin is a passionate educator of clients, vets and students about the merits of good quality dentistry for the benefit of the horse, their owners and vets.



Dr Anne Fowler

*BSc (Vet) (Hons) BVSc, MANCVS
(Avian Health,
Australian Wildlife Health,
Medicine of Unusual Pets)*

Dr Anne Fowler graduated with Honours from Sydney University. Throughout her career in both mixed and small animal practice in both NSW and Victoria, she has always been interested in birds and exotic pets. This interest in the less common species that veterinarians treat culminated in Anne achieving her Memberships in the Australia and New Zealand College of Vet Scientists in Avian Health (2004); Medicine of Australasian Wildlife (2008) and Medicine and Surgery of Unusual Pets (2013).

In 2007, after being involved in providing veterinary care to wildlife burnt in fires around Melbourne, she created a manual and one day course on the assessment and treatment of burnt wildlife. This has been delivered throughout Australia to carers and vets to more than 1400 people. The manual has since been used by the Victorian government to create a more extensive document on the response to burnt wildlife.



Dr Jill Griffiths

BSc, BVMS, MVS

Dr Jill Griffiths is the Veterinary Supervisor of the Murdoch Pet Emergency Centre.

Jill has always done a substantial amount of emergency work and in 2003, decided to move into emergency work full time. She has worked in Perth, the wheatbelt and in the far north of WA, and enjoys the challenge of having to cope with whatever comes through the door. She loves crises, diagnosing and stabilising really critical patients and a good stitch up, and has a special interest in pain management.

For relaxation, Jill runs around in circles after two small children and escapes daily for a horse ride, and thinks there are not many better things than a great cross country gallop.



Local Experts



Dr Peter Harding

*BVSc (Hons) MANZCVS MVS
 Diplomat of the American
 College of Veterinary
 Surgeons*

Dr Peter Harding spent his childhood mustering cattle and sheep on stockhorses in the NSW Southern Highlands at his parent's beef and sheep property. He graduated from Veterinary Science at the University of Melbourne in 2004. Although he started his career in dairy cattle practice, he soon shifted his focus to equine practice.

Pete completed a three year residency in Equine Medicine and Surgery, along with a research Master's in Local therapy for equine orthopaedic infections at Murdoch University. After a stint at Ascot Equine Veterinarians in 2011, Pete accepted a surgical position for a busy multi-site racetrack practice in Melbourne. He passed his American College of Veterinary Surgeons diplomat examinations in early 2013 and became registered as a specialist in Equine Surgery. Pete returned to Ascot Equine Veterinarians mid-2014, where he continues to pursue his strong interest and enthusiasm for lameness and all facets of equine surgery.



Dr Fleur James

*BSc BVMS (Hons) FANZCVS
 Registered Specialist in
 Small Animal Medicine
 (WA)*

Dr Fleur James is a 2000 Murdoch University Veterinary graduate and enjoyed four years in small animal general practice before pursuing her career dream of specialising in small animal internal medicine. She started working at Murdoch University Veterinary Hospital (MUVH) in 2004 and started her formal residency program in 2005.

During her residency, Fleur enjoyed the opportunity to attend and present at national and international conferences as well as train with eminent internists and oncologists at MUVH, Melbourne, Brisbane, Cambridge (UK), Liverpool (UK), and Davis California (USA). Fleur was awarded Fellowship of the Australian College of Veterinary Scientists in 2009. After her residency, she remained at Murdoch as Senior Registrar in Small Animal Medicine and Oncology and co-ordinator of the Murdoch Animal Cancer Care Unit for eight more years and recently moving to Perth Veterinary Specialists in 2015.



Dr Fiona Lacey

BSc, BVMS

Dr Fiona Lacey left school at 16 to go and work with horses but decided a career in veterinary medicine was what she wanted. Returning to school, she completed her TEE and was accepted into Murdoch University, graduating in 1998. Her career began in Adelaide in a racetrack practice but she soon realised that reproduction was for her and secured a job at Agnes Banks Equine Clinic. Her three years there gave her a very thorough grounding, which she then expanded on by doing several seasons in the UK, Northern Ireland and New Zealand. Fiona returned to Perth in 2004 and started Olive Grove Equine Clinic in 2006. They focus very strongly on reproduction and directly manage upwards of 350 mares each season. They manage thoroughbreds, as well as a large number of chilled and frozen AI mares. They currently run a successful embryo transfer programme and are aiming to expand that to include freezing embryos and oocyte recovery. They also have a CASA system which is helping them to deliver accurate and objective assessments of sperm.



Dr Guy Lester

*BSc BVMS PhD Dipl ACVIM
 (LAIM)*

Dr Guy Lester graduated from Murdoch University in 1983 and spent time in practice in the Northern Territory and Western Australia before completing a PhD in equine gastrointestinal diseases. Guy then completed a clinical residency in Internal Medicine at the University of Florida and became board certified by the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine in 1992.

Guy joined the Medicine faculty and reached the level of Associate Professor at the University of Florida. During this period, he was a senior member of the Island Whirl Equine Colic Research Laboratory and Director of the Hofmann Equine Neonatal Intensive Care Unit. Guy returned to Murdoch University to head up the Equine group in 2002. His current clinical interests include equine gastrointestinal diseases, including gastric diseases and intestinal motility, equine cardiac physiology and disease, and exercise-induced pulmonary haemorrhage.

Assessment and treatment of burnt wildlife workshop

By Dr Anne Fowler *BSc (Vet) (Hons) BVSc, MANCVS (Avian Health, Australian Wildlife Health, Medicine of Unusual Pets)*

Friday 28 October 2016, 9.00am–5.00pm
Prince Regent Room. Esplanade Hotel Fremantle



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The objective of this training day is to provide information to attendees on treating burns in wildlife. It is important to understand how emergency response crews operate and how to perform effective, humane triage and examination.

Anne will show participants how to treat the burns as well as impart the importance of providing supportive care for debilitated, fire-affected animals. Anne will also be covering rehabilitation and release of wildlife. Using the basic principles in treating burns, veterinarians will have information to assess and treat burns in domestic animals and livestock. On the day, attendees will be assessed in a short test (20 questions, multiple choice, open book) and on how well they perform a hand bandage.

The outcome of the training day is to have a resource list of veterinarians, vet nurses and/or wildlife carers that are knowledgeable on the assessment and treatment of burnt wildlife.

Attendees receive a 100+ page colour manual on treatment of burnt wildlife.

Assessment and treatment of burnt wildlife workshop

Prince Regent Room
Esplanade Hotel Fremantle

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8.30am–9.00am	Workshop registration
9.00am–10.00am	Role of emergency services at a fire – how wildlife fits in
10.00am–11.00am	Assessment of burnt wildlife
11.00am–11.15am	Morning tea
11.15am–12.15pm	Treating burnt wildlife
12.15pm–12.45pm	Complications of burns
12.45pm–1.15pm	WA emergencies: Recent responses <i>Erica Honey</i>
1.15pm–2.00pm	Lunch
2.00pm–2.30pm	Supportive care of the burnt animal
2.30pm–3.15pm	Rehabilitation and release
3.15pm–3.45pm	Afternoon tea + finish quiz
3.45pm–4.00pm	Demonstration of bandaging
4.00pm–5.00pm	Practical: bandaging hands – hand & finger bandage
5.00pm–5.15pm	Introduction to WAYER <i>Joan Deetman</i>
6.30pm–10.30pm	Trade Fair in the Ballroom, Esplanade Hotel Fremantle



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Friday 28 October 2016

08.30am - 5.15pm

Burns workshop (see page 9 for program details)

6.30pm–10.30pm

Trade Fair in the Ballroom Esplanade Fremantle

Saturday 29 October 2016

Small animals: King sound and admiralty gulf		Large animals: Carnac
7.45am	Conference registration	
8.15am	Welcome and AVA talk	
8.45am	<p>Gaille Perry <i>Behaviour Modification Drugs- should you dispense them and, if so, what more do you need to do?</i></p> <p>Terms like separation anxiety and noise phobia roll off the tongues of most dog owners these days and most know that drugs are available to assist anxious dogs. Should you prescribe them? And what other advice should you give?</p>	<p>Annemarie Cullimore What's the noise? Diagnosing dynamic airway abnormalities in the horse</p> <p>Establishing an accurate diagnosis is crucial to determine the most appropriate management for horses with airway dysfunction. Overground endoscopy has become an essential tool in the investigation of horses with poor performance and airway noises. By having a definitive diagnosis, we can make better treatment recommendations and have more favourable outcomes.</p>
9.50am	PLENARY: When to Say No (Panel session facilitated by Dave Neck)	
10.55am	Break in the Trade Fair Area, Ballroom (40 minutes)	
11.35am	<p>Dennis Chew <i>Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD): Diagnosis and initial management – part 1</i></p> <p>Diagnosis, IRIS staging, and initial treatment of CKD in dogs and cats will be reviewed. The benefits and limitations of renal diets and the use of intestinal phosphate binders to achieve targeted control of serum phosphorus will be featured.</p>	<p>Annemarie Cullimore Colic - to refer or not to refer?</p> <p>The identification and early referral of horses that may require colic surgery is essential to maximise the chance of a successful outcome. This presentation will discuss the diagnostic work-up of colic cases and the factors which should be considered in deciding the most appropriate treatment of these cases.</p>
12.35pm	Lunch in Trade Fair Area, Ballroom (1 hour 25 minutes)	
2.00pm	<p>Dennis Chew <i>Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD): Further management – part 2</i></p> <p>Treatment of renal secondary hyperparathyroidism with the use of phosphorus restriction and the active vitamin D metabolite calcitriol will be featured. Dampening the RAAS system with ACE-inhibition and calcitriol will be introduced as well as benefits to reduce proteinuria, renal inflammation, and renal fibrosis.</p>	<p>Guy Lester Decision making on the ataxic horse</p> <p>This talk will focus on evaluation of the horse with suspected ataxia, including examination techniques, diagnostic aids, differential diagnoses, and management. The talk will focus on diseases known to occur in Western Australia.</p>
3.05pm	<p>Gaille Perry <i>Aggression in Dogs – what is the veterinarian's role in its diagnosis and management?</i></p> <p>Aggression is not a behaviour – it is a complex suite of behaviours so there is no "one size fits all" approach to its management. Only by a thorough understanding of dog behaviour and careful exploration of the facts in each case can the veterinarian offer appropriate advice to owners on their options.</p>	<p>Fiona Lacey Decision making for equine dystocia</p> <p>While equine dystocia is not an overly common occurrence, it IS an equine emergency. The decisions you make will have a direct effect on the outcome of the foaling. There is nothing in the world more satisfying than delivering a live foal from a difficult dystocia but what factors do you need to consider prior to instigating treatment and how can you prepare yourself?</p>
4.05pm	Break, Southern Cross Lobby (15 minutes)	
4.20pm	<p>Dennis Chew <i>Treatment of routine and recurrent urinary tract infections (UTI) in dogs</i></p> <p>The use of quantitative urine culture to confirm the diagnosis of UTI will be reviewed. Treatment with high-dose short-duration (HDSD) enrofloxacin will be introduced as an alternative to standard treatment protocols in dogs with uncomplicated UTI. The importance of differentiating persistent, relapsing, and reinfections will be emphasised.</p>	<p>Fiona Lacey Tools for good decision making in broodmare management</p> <p>How hard can it be? Get some sperm to the egg and let nature take its course? Or can we do more? The answer is a resounding yes – by arming ourselves with decent equipment, a good working knowledge of treatment options and an understanding of the common problems and pitfalls, we can make better decisions which will lead to better results for our clients</p>
5.25pm	AVAWA Annual Meeting (35 minutes)	
7.30pm	Mystery Gala Dinner in the Ballroom	



Sunday 30 October 2016

	Small animals: King sound and admiralty gulf	Large animals: Carnac	Nurses: Prince regent
8.30am	Conference Registration		
8.45am	<p>Gaille Perry <i>What's new in the world of Behavioural Medicine?</i></p> <p>Behaviour is an emerging field of interest to a range of scientists including ethologists, psychologists, sociologists and others. Canine (and now Feline) Science Forum is a bi-annual event where this information is shared. Veterinary Behavioural Medicine conferences are also held regularly in both Europe and the USA. This paper will share information on some of the latest papers of interest to veterinarians.</p>	<p>Pete Harding <i>How to approach head trauma in the horse</i></p> <p>The horse being a flight species not uncommonly presents to us with severe injuries to the head – some with large obvious lesions and some with more subtle yet just as sinister lesions. This talk will focus on the assessment and management of horses with acute head trauma.</p>	<p>Fleur James <i>Nutrition for the gastrointestinal patient – what to feed, when, why and how?</i></p> <p>Nutrition for some can unfortunately been lower on the list of treatment priorities when it comes to managing a case with GI disease. Achieving appropriate nutritional status in the patient with GI disease can also be challenging. This lecture will explore the options for feeding and how to achieve the goal of increased and appropriate food intake without being detrimental to the patient.</p>
9.45am	PLENARY: Johnson Kitto: A lawyer, a vet and a prostitute walk into a bar....		
10.45am	Break in Southern Cross Lobby (15 minutes)		
11.00am	<p>Dennis Chew <i>Idiopathic / Interstitial Cystitis in Cats - FIC (Pandora Syndrome)</i></p> <p>The systemic nature of FIC will be reviewed and the differential diagnoses discussed. Multi-modal environmental modification and enrichment (MEMO) will be emphasized as the most successful treatment strategy for FIC and that use of drugs is not often needed when MEMO has been successfully prescribed and implemented first.</p>	<p>Pete Harding <i>Decision making when assessing wounds in the distal limb</i></p> <p>Wounds involving the distal limb of the horse are a regular occurrence, and given the numerous vital structures with little soft tissue protection, they can have dire consequences. This talk will focus on how to determine the structures involved in wounds of the distal limb and using this information to formulate the best management plan.</p>	<p>Gaille Perry <i>An update on puppy classes</i></p> <p>Puppy classes are an integral part of many veterinary practices yet there is little information on behaviour and training in the Veterinary Nursing Training Package. In many practices the way classes are conducted and the exercises taught are passed down from one Nurse to the next, which can result in outdated and often harmful training. This presentation will cover best practice in puppy classes.</p>
12.00pm	<p>Fleur James <i>Metronomic chemotherapy</i></p> <p>The use of metronomic chemotherapy has increased in popularity over the last few years. What is the rationale behind the use of metronomic chemotherapy, when is it appropriate and what do we prescribe? How safe is it and how do we best look after our patients and our clients? This lecture will explore the answers to those questions</p>	<p>Martin Dolinschek <i>From carpentry to dentistry</i></p> <p>For far too long now, equine dental care was done mainly by non veterinary practitioners and our role was limited to sedating or “floating” off sharp enamel points. However proper dentistry is now becoming critical with real diagnosis of pathology using a number of different modalities and treatment options are expanding all the time.</p>	<p>Gaille Perry <i>What every vet nurse needs to know about cat behaviour</i></p> <p>Cats are not small dogs! Different species – completely different behaviour so different challenges for owners. A thorough understanding of their behaviour can assist nurses to offer appropriate advice to kitten owners and to owners of older cats who need help in training and management.</p>
1.00pm	Lunch in Southern Cross Lobby (45 minutes)		

Sunday 30 October 2016 (continued)

	Small animals: King sound and admiralty gulf	Large animals: Carnac	Nurses: Prince regent
1.45pm	<p>Dennis Chew Management of cats with urethral obstruction</p> <p>The causes of urethral obstruction will be reviewed. A method to relieve urethral obstruction WITHOUT use of urinary catheters or urethral flushing that employs drugs and decompressive cystocentesis will be described. The use of atracurium, lidocaine, prazosin, and sacrococcygeal nerve block will be reviewed as to their usefulness</p>	<p>Enoch Bergman Decisions, decisions, dystocia: Setting triggers for bovine dystocia intervention</p> <p>Producers will benefit from clear guidelines regarding dystocia intervention, and so will their calves! From a veterinary perspective, we will benefit dramatically from being called in earlier and more consistently! This talk will focus on advice to be given to clients regarding their intervention, and advice to them on when to "phone a friend". A great talk for periurban veterinarians with small bovine caseloads.</p>	<p>Louise Bass 1. Anaesthesia: Getting back to basics 2. Exotics: All for One, One for All?</p> <p>An anaesthesia presentation covering the basics of small animal and exotic anaesthesia equipment before exploring the wide world of exotic anaesthesia. Great anaesthesia nursing is about understanding patients and equipment to get the best and safest outcomes. We will endeavour to use some species specific case examples to assist your understanding.</p>
2.45pm	<p>Dennis Chew Fixing urinary incontinence in dogs – What are your options?</p> <p>Differentials for the diagnosis of urinary incontinence in dogs will be reviewed. Treatment of PSMI using estrogens, alpha adrenergic agents, and/or anticholinergics will be detailed. The use of urethral bulking agents and installation of the urethral hydraulic occluder will be reviewed for consideration when standard treatment fails.</p>	<p>Ellie Crisp Exercise-induced pulmonary haemorrhage (EIPH) in thoroughbred racehorses: an investigation of risk factors and the impact on performance.</p> <p>This talk will provide a brief background on EIPH, included prevalence, diagnosis, risk factors, and the impact on performance. Implications for management will also be discussed</p>	<p>Jill Griffiths Nursing Management of Patients with an Obstructed Lower Urinary Tract</p> <p>The nursing of patients with an obstructed lower urinary tract, both before and after unblocking, can be frustrating and time consuming, and close monitoring is essential to reduce complications. Appropriate use of catheters, monitoring and the maintenance of hygiene and patient outcome comfort are essential for a happy outcome.</p>
3.45pm	Break in Southern Cross Lobby (15 minutes)		
4.00pm	<p>Dennis Chew Diagnostic and interventional urinary endoscopy</p> <p>Inflammatory and infiltrative lesions of the bladder and urethra will be demonstrated. The utility of cystoscopy for diagnosis of ectopic ureter(s) and for staging the extent of transitional cell tumour will be highlighted. Urethral bulking with collagen, laser lithotripsy, and laser ablation of ectopic ureter will be introduced.</p>	<p>Enoch Bergman Proud to produce protein</p> <p>Fecundity is inversely proportional to survivability. The reality is that beef and sheep producers and the vets that support them are almost always environmentalists and welfare advocates! End the guilt!</p>	<p>Sue Beetson What information can urine and faecal samples tell us?</p> <p>Learn the magic of what urine and faecal samples can tell us about our animals. We will cover the basics of analysing samples and interpretation of the results.</p>



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