

AVA QLD Division Annual Conference 2015  
in conjunction with AVA East Coast Conference Roadshow 2015

# CARDIO

# RESPIRATORY

## DISEASE IN DOMESTIC ANIMALS

*"Heart of the Matter"*

### Registration Brochure

6 - 8 March 2015

Mercure Capricorn Resort, Yeppoon, QLD





## About the AVA

The Australian Veterinary Association (AVA) is the professional organisation representing veterinarians across Australia.

The AVA aims to advance veterinary science by promoting continuing education for members.

## The conference

The QLD Division Annual Conference theme in 2015 is 'Cardiorespiratory Disease in Domestic Animals'. Streams will include Small Animal and Nursing.

It will be held at the Mercure Capricorn Resort in Yeppoon, QLD from 06 - 08 March 2015.



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USA Keynote speaker



Excellent nurses stream

## The venue

Nestled amongst 22,000 acres of sprawling tropical coastline, Mercure Capricorn Resort Yeppoon offers an unparalleled range of leisure facilities, sightseeing activities and day tours within the Capricorn Coast region.

The resort is located 45 kilometers east of Rockhampton on 20 kilometres of beachfront where guests can walk, jog or horse ride while looking out towards the cool clear waters of the Great Barrier Reef and tropical islands of the neighbouring Keppel Island Group.

There are over 25 activities to choose from at the resort including two championship golf courses, a wetlands tour and rainforest canoe adventure, lawn bowls, tennis, guided horse riding, archery, beauty and massage therapy and more.



**International Keynote Speaker:**  
**Dr Mark Rishniw** *Specialist in Cardiology*

## AVA QLD President, in conjunction with the AVA Central Branch President - Welcome



It is with a great deal of pleasure that I invite all Veterinarians and Veterinary Nurses to attend the AVA Qld Division's next Annual Conference on 6 - 8 March 2015. This conference will be held at the Mercure Capricorn Resort, Yeppoon.

We have a very strong continuing education program for delegates built around our International speaker, cardiologist Dr. Mark Rishniw from Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine. Mark will be supported by local speakers.

The theme of the conference is:

### **THE HEART of the MATTER CARDIORESPIRATORY DISEASE of DOMESTIC ANIMALS**

The weekend will cover imaging, diagnosis and treatment of Cardiorespiratory conditions.

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The resort boasts a magnificent array of activities, together with its quality accommodation and wide choice of restaurants and bars. There are over 25 activities to choose from at the resort including two championship golf courses, a wetlands tour and rainforest canoe adventure, lawn bowls, tennis, guided horse riding, archery, beauty and massage therapy and more.

This will be a wonderful weekend of updating your cardiology knowledge from an international renowned speaker. There will also be a one day large animal program on disease surveillance on the Saturday and a one day Veterinary Nurse program on the Sunday, which will run concurrently.

The large animal event will need separate registration so please contact the AVA Qld Division at [avald@ava.com.au](mailto:avald@ava.com.au) for more information.

Wayne Hein  
Qld Division President

**Register for the full-weekend registration & receive 14 Vet Ed Continuing Education Points.**

*Automatically added to your account post-conference.*

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## Accommodation options

### **Mercure Capricorn Resort Yeppoon**

Farnborough Road  
 Yeppoon QLD 4703  
 P: 07 4925 2525

W: [www.mercurecapricornresort.com.au](http://www.mercurecapricornresort.com.au)

### **Echelon Apartments Yeppoon**

18 - 22 Anzac Parade  
 Yeppoon QLD 4703  
 P: 07 4939 0900

W: [www.echelonyeppoon.com.au](http://www.echelonyeppoon.com.au)

### **Bayview Tower**

4 Adelaide Street  
 Yeppoon QLD 4703  
 P: 07 4939 4500

W: <http://bayviewtower.com.au>

### **Yeppoon Surfside Motel**

30 Anzac Parade  
 Yeppoon QLD 4703  
 P: 07 4939 1272

W: <http://yeppoonsurfsidemotel.com.au>

## Social activities

Casual drinks and canapés for delegates and industry will be held on Friday evening in the exhibition area. Saturday night pre-dinner drinks will be held in the exhibition area dinner will be held within the resort. Dinner is included in full registration for paying delegates only. Additional tickets can be purchased for guests and nurses.

For accompanying persons and those planning to stay longer, there are many surrounding activities. Wildlife Sanctuaries, island boom-netting, gem fossicking, and exploring ancient forests are all on offer throughout this diverse region, with activities on offer catering to singles, couples, groups and families.

Take advantage of opportunities for the experienced scuba diver or the first-time snorkeler and take a cruise around the Keppel Islands to explore the stunning coral reefs and marine life of the Great Barrier Reef. Create your own adventure holiday and take a self-drive tour, visiting national parks and recreation areas. You could ride a horse along a beach, or experience outback-style adventure and learn how to muster cattle on a cattle station. Go on a wild caving adventure at Capricorn Caves, explore natural limestone caves or squeeze through tight tunnels.

For many more activities on offer, please see the links below

Check out opportunities at:

- <http://www.capricornholidays.com.au/destinations/yeppoon/attractions>
- <http://www.discoveraustralia.com.au/queensland/yeppoon.html>

## Keynote Speaker



**Dr Mark Rishniw** BVSc MS PhD DipACVIM (Internal Medicine and Cardiology)

*Lecturer in Internal Medicine and Cardiology  
Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, USA*

Mark graduated from the University of Melbourne Faculty of Veterinary Science in 1987. He practiced for four years and then completed two residency programs (Internal Medicine at Washington State University and Cardiology at University of California, Davis). Along the way he obtained a MS (physiology).

After a year as a Registrar at the University of Melbourne in 1996, Mark moved to Cornell as a Lecturer in Cardiology for three years.

In 2000, he started a PhD (physiology and developmental biology), which he completed in 2009. Midway through his PhD, Mark joined the Simpson Lab as a part-time post-doctoral associate. He has remained a small part of the Simpson Lab since that time.

Mark is a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine in both Internal Medicine and Cardiology.

Mark's interests are clinical research, cardiology and occasionally gastro-intestinal diseases. His main function in the laboratory is to divert the Laboratory Director (Simpson) sufficiently to allow the rest of the staff to get stuff done.

## Conference theme

The theme of the three conferences will be **CARDIORESPIRATORY DISEASE IN DOMESTIC ANIMALS** which will include **TWO** streams: Small Animal and Nursing. Some sessions will be combined for all attendees.

Topics to be covered over the conference include: Cardiac Cases, Diagnosis of CHF, Anaesthetic Monitoring, Resuscitation, Echocardiography, Murmurs & Chronic Cough, Pericardial Disease, Asthma, Cardiotherapeutics, Heart Failure, Cardiac Intervention, Nutrition for Cardiac Patients and many more...



## Local Speakers



**Dr Brad Gavaghan** BVSc MACVSc FANZCVS (Cardiology Specialist - All Species)

*Director - Veterinary Cardiology and Imaging (VCI)*

*Referral Cardiologist - Veterinary Specialist Services (VSS)*

Brad studied veterinary science at the University of Queensland graduated with a Bachelor of Veterinary Science. He then completed a cardiology residency program at the University of California and an externship at the paediatric cardiology unit at the UC Sacramento Med School.

He currently operates a cardiology referral service in Brisbane at Veterinary Specialist Services.

Brad's research and clinical interests include the quantification of diastolic dysfunction, coil embolisation of intra-hepatic vascular shunts and interventional cardiology.



**Sue Crampton**

*Business Manager*

*Crampton Consulting Group*

Sue is acknowledged as a leading speaker, trainer and consultant across Australasia in the areas of practice and organisational development, strategic planning, communication excellence & staff development and management.

Sue has a Bachelor of Business, majoring in Human Resources and Marketing, as well as her Diploma in Company Directorship (GAICD) and a Masters in NLP.

Sue invests time working as the HR Manager for Provet and maintaining a weekend role as a veterinary nurse in a quality mixed practice in Brisbane.

Sue has a practical hands-on approach and brings with her a wealth of both corporate and small business skills, having been the founder of the much respected AIRC and CCG, which is now proudly a business unit of the Provet Group of Companies.

Sue commenced her career in the UK as a veterinary nurse in 1982 and has gained invaluable global veterinary knowledge having worked in the USA, Hong Kong and frequently visits countries such as UAE, Malaysia to lecture, coach and consult.



## Conference program

Social Events      Friday 6 March      - Welcome Drinks in Exhibition Area  
 Saturday 7 March      - Pre Dinner Drinks Reception and Dinner

### Saturday 7 March 2015

08.00 - 08.20      Registration  
 08.20 - 08.30      Welcome and Announcements  
 08.30 - 09.15      **Dr Mark Rishniw**  
 Triage of Cardiac Cases  
 09.15 - 10.15      **Dr Brad Gavaghan**  
 ECGs - Tracing the Problem  
 10.15 - 10.45      *Morning Tea in the Trade Display Area.*  
 10.45 - 11.45      **Dr Mark Rishniw**  
 Diagnosis of CHF in Dogs: Back to basics  
 11.45 - 12.45      **Dr Mark Rishniw**  
 Diagnosis of CHF in Cats: And you thought it was easy!  
 12.45 - 13.45      *Lunch in the Trade Display Area.*  
 13.45 - 14.00      **Delisa Appleton**  
 Hill's Pet Nutrition - Topic TBC  
 14.00 - 15:00      **Dr Brad Gavaghan**  
 Dogs with Murmurs and Chronic Coughs: Nobody's sleeping  
 15.00 - 15.30      *Afternoon Tea in the Trade Display Area.*  
 15.30 - 16.30      **Dr Brad Gavaghan**  
 Syncope: a clinicians guide to understanding neurocardiogenic syncope  
 16.30 - 17.15      **AVA QLD Division Annual Meeting**

### Sunday 8 March 2015

08.00 - 08.30	Registration & Welcome/Announcements	
	<b>SMALL ANIMAL</b>	<b>NURSES</b>
08.30 - 09.30	<b>Dr Brad Gavaghan</b> Cardio-renal Syndrome: A practical guide to managing this common problem	08.30 - 10.00: <b>Sue Crampton</b> Patient-Advocacy: The emerging trend of nursing-led patient care
09.30 - 10.30	<b>Dr Mark Rishniw</b> Cardiotherapeutics in dogs: A critical approach	10.00 - 10.30: <b>Sue Crampton</b> Team Emergencies: How to handle difficult team dynamics
10.30 - 11.00	<i>Morning Tea in the Trade Display Area.</i>	
	<b>SMALL ANIMAL</b>	<b>NURSES</b>
11.00 - 12.00	<b>Dr Mark Rishniw</b> Cardiotherapeutics in Dogs: continued.	<b>Dr Brad Gavaghan</b> A practical guide to the use of Technology when monitoring the Cardiac Patient (BP, assessment, ECG, etc)
12.00 - 13.00	<b>Dr Mark Rishniw</b> Cardiotherapeutics in Cats: Science or Faith?	<b>Dr Brad Gavaghan</b> Physical Examination as a tool for monitoring the cardiac patient
13.00 - 14.00	<i>Lunch in the Trade Display Area.</i>	
14.00 - 15.15	<b>COMBINED: Mental Health Session</b>	
15.15 - 15.30	<i>Afternoon Tea in the Trade Display Area.</i>	
15.30 - 16.30	<b>COMBINED: Dr Mark Rishniw</b> Assessing the atrial size by radiographs and echocardiology	
16.30 - 17.15	<b>COMBINED: Dr Mark Rishniw &amp; Dr Brad Gavaghan</b> Case Studies	



# BOOK IT

Register prior to 6 Feb for Early Bird

To register  
[CLICK HERE](#)

	AVA Members	Non AVA Members	Nurses
<b>Early Bird - Full Weekend</b> (<6 Feb 2015)	\$640	\$1,320	\$280
<b>Full Weekend</b>	\$740	\$1,420	\$330
<b>One Day Registration</b>	\$385	\$770	\$200
<b>Welcome Drinks</b> (Accompanying Person)	\$35	\$70	\$35
<b>Saturday Dinner</b> (Additional Guests)	\$110	\$220	\$110
<b>Student - Early Bird - Full weekend</b> (<6 Feb 2014)	\$250	\$500	N/A
<b>Student - Full Weekend</b>	\$270	\$540	N/A
<b>Student - One Day registration</b>	\$125	\$250	N/A
<b>New Graduate</b> (1-3 yr) - <b>Early Bird - Full Weekend</b> (<6 Feb 2014)	\$400	\$800	N/A
<b>New Graduate</b> (1-3 yr) - <b>Full Weekend</b>	\$450	\$900	N/A
<b>New Graduate</b> (1-3 yr) - <b>One Day Registration</b>	\$300	\$600	N/A
<b>Accompanying Person</b> (non vet) <b>Full Weekend</b> (including social events)	N/A	\$295	N/A
<b>Accompanying Person</b> (non vet) <b>Day Registration</b> (no social events)	N/A	\$75	N/A

*Friday Night Drinks, Saturday Night Dinner, lunches and teas included in full registration. Single day registrations do not include drinks or dinner. All prices include GST.*

**HANDY TIP: Use your Provet Plus Points to pay!**



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