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Editor's Note

With the June College Courier, it means we are halfway through examinations for 2023. Our best wishes to candidates who are sitting their Membership or Fellowship exams, and our heartfelt gratitude to the Examiners who make it possible.

It is also the time of year when the College and its Chapters are arranging their annual AGMs and finalising Science Week programs. Not only does the main Conference program look impressive, there is also an extensive range of pre- and post- conferences available. The hard part is choosing which one to attend.

We look forward to seeing you at Science Week!

Courier Editor's Team!



CEO REPORT

On the eve of the ANZCVS examinations for 2023, our appreciation goes out to the dedicated members who have volunteered hundreds of hours of professional expertise over the past year.

The involvement of ANZCVS volunteers in creating and delivering examinations is a testament to the dedication and expertise within the industry. It also highlights the importance of collaboration and community in advancing the veterinary profession.

Over the past 12 months, staff have reviewed and updated our examination processes and

online delivery platform. Drawing on feedback from both Examination Teams and Candidates, we have made several improvements to streamline workflows and enhance the user experience, so we can uphold and refine the high standards and quality that our examinations are known for.

Science Week 2023 is also rapidly approaching (27-29 July 2023). New venue, more sessions, generous sponsors, more exhibitors, and we would love to see more of you. It's the perfect opportunity for our members to come together, network with like-minded colleagues, and immerse themselves in the fantastic atmosphere. So take advantage of this - join us!

Stephen Alderman, CEO

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Amy Lane, President



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CERTIFY:

As the weather cools off in the southern hemisphere, the heat starts to rise in the College with the imminent examination period looming. However, as processes have continued to be refined over the years, the office examinations team, currently led by Mrs Jenny Burnett, is extremely capable of ensuring the quality and security of the examinations.

The pandemic forced a shift in the examinations workshop, that had previously been successfully held in the February each

year, to an online workshop. The workshop is now split into 2 sessions, November and February, with the earlier session providing education on writing exams, including blueprinting, multiple choice question writing, higher order questioning and marking keys. The online format has allowed attendance from a greater number of Chapters, including members who may not be examining but are contributing questions, or simply have a keen interest to develop these skills for the future. Examining teams can then lay the groundwork for designing their exams which can be brought to the February meeting, where the experienced Board of Examiners members assist them to refine their questions to be in line with the College policy. This process, along with the use of Microsoft Teams for examination redrafting and collaboration, has led to an increase in timely delivery of examinations being submitted to the College office where they are distributed to a Board of Examiners member for review. Once any concerns are redressed by the examining team, the papers are sent to the Chief Examiner for final approval. Given there are 285 Membership candidates and 25 Fellowship candidates being examined this year, it is clear there are many hours of time invested by the volunteer examining teams, the Board of Examiners, and



the Chief Examiner. Therefore, I will take this opportunity to thank the examining teams, the current Chief Examiner Jennifer Carter, Assistant Chief Examiners Lydia Hambrook and Linda Abraham, and all Board of Examiners for their continued time and expertise.

EDUCATE:

The cornerstone to the College's education pillar is the annual College Science Week conference. This year the conference is being held at the Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre in beautiful Broadbeach, Queensland. The impetus for the move to this venue was that after only 2 face-to-face conferences, the College had already outgrown the space that could be provided at the Star, Gold Coast. The Convention Centre has increased flexibility in the provision of lecture theatres and exhibition space for our industry colleagues. There is also greater scope for Chapters to deliver pre-conference workshops delving deeper into more niche topics. A record 22 Chapters have conference programs over the 3-day conference, and 9 Chapters also holding workshops on the Wednesday. The abstract presentations are always an interesting mix of topics covering some of the research that is being undertaken in our region. There will

also be poster presentations that have not previously been promoted at Science Week. The preliminary program is on the Science Week website and registrations are open.

SHARE:

The Purpose statement in the current College strategic plan is "Advancing professional qualifications and education across the veterinary sector, for the benefit of society". Many College Chapters are doing remarkable work in sharing their knowledge with others in the veterinary sector and wider society. I would like to highlight the work of one Chapter, Veterinary Anaesthesia and Analgesia, who have recently established an Anaesthetic Monitoring Continuing Education Course which is structured as a 6-month modular course with opportunity for direct interaction with the educators. All veterinarians (including non-ANZCVS members) and veterinary nurses can register. This is a fantastic initiative from the Chapter to deliver on the College's purpose. More information and registration can be found on the VAA Chapter page on the College website by [clicking here](#).

If you would like to get involved in the College's work, there are numerous opportunities available. Chapter executive roles, examining or contributing exam questions, Science Week convening, Board of Examiner members, Council and its subcommittees are all roles undertaken by enthusiastic volunteer members. These roles provide an opportunity to develop stronger connections with your colleagues and develop new skills. College office staff and Council are always willing to hear your thoughts and ideas as to how the College can continue to thrive.

Finally, best of luck to those candidates sitting examinations this year!

Amy Lane, President



EXAMINATIONS REPORT

**Dr Jennifer Carter,
Chief Examiner**



I cannot believe it is June already!

The beginning of June opens our 2023 examinations cycle with over 285 candidates sitting written papers across 17 Membership and 6 Fellowship subjects. Following on from our successes utilising computer-based examinations last year, the examinations are being run using the online platform again this year and are delivered in designated testing locations.

All of you can relate to the stress and excitement of being a candidate during this time of year, but if you haven't ever examined for the College it may be hard to appreciate the enormous effort of our wonderful volunteer examining teams. The examiners have been hard at work designing high quality examinations, all of which are submitted to a multiple-step review process. I would like to take this time to personally, and on behalf of the rest of the Board of Examiners, thank each and every examiner who has contributed to the 2023 exams.

The College examinations would not be possible without the tireless effort from my fellow Board of Examiners members who all deserve a big round of applause and a pat on the back when you see them at Science Week. Lastly, I draw

everyone's attention to the tireless work of our College office in supporting the examination processes. From maintaining communications with candidates and examiners, to organising venues, to liaising with the Board of Examiners, and even entering the exams into the online platform, the Office really is the keystone that makes the whole exam process possible. In particular, a huge thank you to Mary Anne, Jenny and Jill for all that you do – both visible and not.

Unfortunately, I won't be able to attend Science Week this year to thank you and to congratulate the successful candidates in person but know that I will be thinking of you all and cheering your successes from Melbourne.



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Dr Rachel Tan, Project Officer



Maintenance of Credentials

The introduction of Maintenance of Credentials (MOC) requirements commenced after the July 2021 examination period. The MOC requirements will apply to all Members and Fellows who are awarded their qualifications from 2021 onwards. Existing Members may choose to participate in MOC on a voluntary basis. Compulsory MOC will be introduced for all Fellows from 2023, including retrospective inclusion.

The MOC program should allow the individual to reflect on their personal knowledge and performance, commit to a process of improvement and re-evaluation, and promote engagement within their professional organisation. The overall result is to improve quality of the profession, which can be externally promoted and align with accrediting body requirements. The complete details about MOC can be found at Australian and New Zealand College of Veterinary Scientists (anzcvs.org.au).

MOC requirements consist of a designated number of hours per 5-year period which can be achieved through relevant practice in the discipline, ongoing learning, and active involvement in the College. At the end of each 5-year period (the first being July 2026), Members and Fellow will be categorised as follows:

- Legacy MOC: Existing Members who have not elected to participate in the MOC program
- Active MOC: Members and Fellows who have completed MOC requirements
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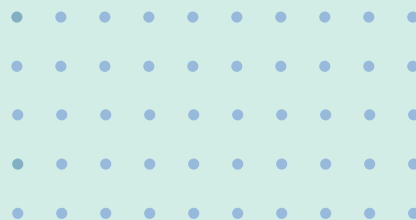
It is important to note that active / inactive status is not currently linked to general or specialist registration in Australia or New Zealand. In addition, if you do not wish to participate in the MOC program, you do NOT lose your post nominals at any time unless you cease to be a financial member of the College. The decision on whether to maintain an active status with the College is a personal one and may be dependent on your assessment on whether an “active” MOC status will impact on your professional life.

Answers to frequently asked questions about the MOC can be found [here](#).

The College is currently in development of a web-based portal to record MOC requirements and will keep members updated when it is available for use. In the interim, please find Microsoft Excel templates to record your MOC information at:

[Members](#)

[Fellows](#)



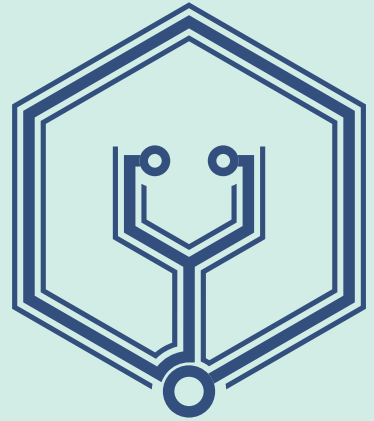
Science Week 2023

REGISTRATION

Preliminary program is now available with updates once weekly until final program confirmation in June. To register - [Click here.](#)

PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS

Seven chapters will be hosting 8 pre-conference workshops on Wednesday 26 July. Registration will be available separate to Science Week registration on the [website.](#)



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Chapter	Workshop
Dentistry	Handling and application of restorations.
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Small Animal Surgery	Specialists and Residents Day
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In response to Member feedback and with the lifting of many COVID-19 restrictions, we are delighted to announce a new format for Science Week 2023 social events:

- **Thursday 27 July:** Happy Hour will now include poster sessions and delegate interaction with authors. A range of alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages are included with admission which is complimentary with each conference registration. Additional tickets can be purchased.
- **Friday 28 July:** Science Week Conference Dinner will be a less formal social event so delegates can catch up with friends and colleagues. Standard beverages will be complimentary. There will be canapes at event opening with Street Food stations distributed around the room. Low key music with seated tables to accommodate 10-12 people will be available. Chapters, clinics, and organisations can book or have full tables sponsored if desired. Ticket price will be all inclusive at \$125.
- **Saturday 29 July:** ANZCVS Awards Dinner will be a formal event where family, friends and colleagues can celebrate the achievements of Membership, Fellowship and College

Award Recipients. Standard beverages will be complimentary accompanying a 3-course menu. Tables to accommodate 10-12 people will be available. Chapters, clinics, and organisations can book or have full tables sponsored if desired. Ticket price will be all inclusive at \$165.

If successful 2023 candidates would like to attend the 2023 Awards dinner, the deadline for ticket bookings is midday Friday 21st July. Alternatively, you can attend the 2024 Awards dinner. In addition, due to COVID related problems over the last 3 years, any candidates who were awarded Membership and Fellowship in 2021 and 2022 and have not had the opportunity to have their testamur presented in person, will also be receiving an email inviting them to the Awards Dinner with the registration link.

You do not have to attend Science Week to be able to attend the Awards Dinner. To book tickets to the Science Week social events only, please go to: [Social function only form \(eventsair.com\)](https://eventsair.com)





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FAMILY PROGRAM

We have significant feedback from delegates on trying to offer an aligned program for families and partners who are also visiting. Discount tickets will be available through special links for the Village Roadshow Attractions (Sea World, WetnWild, Movie World, Paradise Country and Australian Outback Spectacular) and Ardent Leisure (Dreamworld, Whitewater World, Skypoint).

Due to scheduling conflicts at the GCEC, for the first time this year Science Week falls outside school holidays. For many, it will be the third week of term 3 of the school year. For parents with younger children (6-12) the College had proposed to trial an on-site kids activity provider (Bricks4Kids) for the Saturday. Unfortunately, there has been insufficient interest to proceed with this activity as the minimum number of registrations (15) has not been met.



Examination Evolution and Support - MCQ Pilot Project and becoming an examiner

The College is interested in any Members who wish to submit multiple choice questions (MCQ) to develop MCQ question banks for future Membership and Fellowship examinations. Currently we have teams for Veterinary Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation, Veterinary Anaesthesia and Analgesia, Dairy Cattle Medicine, Medicine of Cats,

Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care, Small Animal Medicine and Small Animal Surgery.

If you have the interest and time to write any MCQ questions for your Membership or Fellowship subject, please review the following resources:

- [Clinical MCQ Build Guidelines](#)
- [MCQ Guidelines](#)
- [MCQ Checklist](#)
- [MCQ Submission Form](#)

Please use the MCQ submission form to submit questions via email to Rachel Tan at po@anzcvs.org.au. Alternatively, if you are attending Science Week, bring them with you and meet with one of our team to discuss and review them.

SCIENCE WEEK 2023 – Interested in becoming involved with ANZCVS Exams?

Please come and visit ANZCVS staff and Board of Examiners at our exhibition booth. We are also hoping to have a meeting room available for individuals to come and discuss the exam processes and how to become involved in assisting future veterinarians to become Members and Fellows.

In addition to information on examinations, if you would like more information or assistance in helping your Chapter build questions (MCQ, short-answer or essay) questions for exam banking, you can access one on one advice from our team.



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Call for Nominations

The Board of Examiners is seeking new Members or Fellows of the College to join the Board of Examiners.

In order to join the Board, you must have previously served as an examiner for the College, and have an interest in examinations, assessment, education and the College generally.

Expertise in assessment practice and/or managing training programs is highly desirable.

Interested persons must be available for Board of Examiners meetings, the Examiners Workshop February annually

and examination duties during the Science Week examination period, and must be enthusiastic and willing to contribute to Board activities. Successful applicants

will be selected by Council following recommendation made by the BoE. It is desirable that within the Board there be representation from a wide breadth of subject backgrounds and working experiences, a mixture of Members and Fellows, a gender balance, and some representation from New Zealand.

Board of Examiners members join either the Training and Credentials Committee or the Examinations Committee. They are expected to attend College examinations to act as observers during the examinations, and attend Board meetings. These are currently held via Zoom, however there are usually two - three face-to-

face meetings held when possible, in addition to videoconference meetings as required during the year. BoE members should be able to devote at least five-seven hours per week to duties associated with the Board of Examiners. They are valuable members of a progressive and dynamic team, ably supported by College staff.

For further information please contact the Examinations Team.

A link to the application form can be found [here](#). Completed application forms should be forwarded to the College office by email or post by Friday 30 June 2023.

HOW TO APPLY

To apply, download and complete application form online [here](#).

Completed application forms should be forwarded to the College office by email or post by Friday 30 June 2023.

For further information please contact the Examinations Team:

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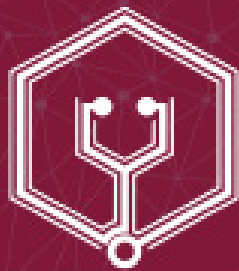
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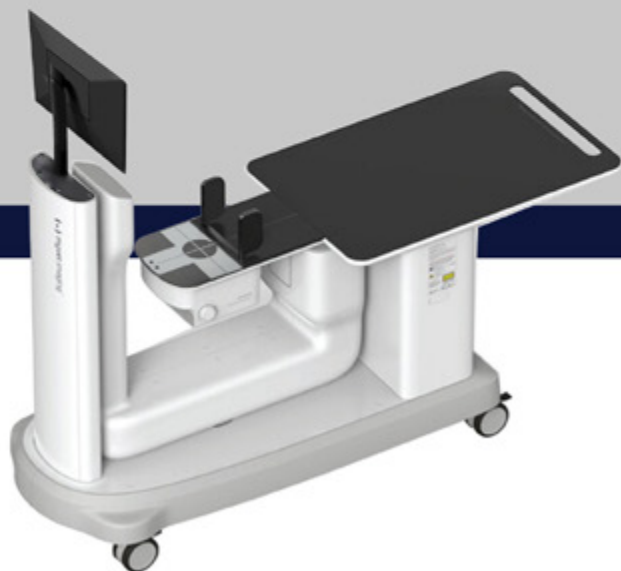
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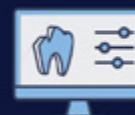
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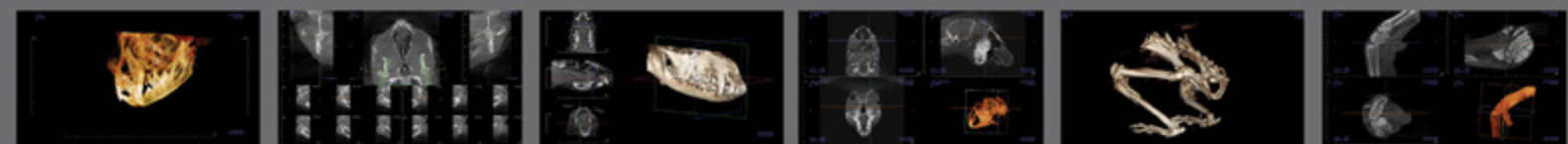
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CHAPTER REPORTS

ANIMAL WELFARE

The Chapter is not only excited about the great program for 2023 Science Week which includes international speakers presenting at joint sessions, Sarah Heath (Behaviour medicine), Rowena Packer (Brachycephaly) and Ian Robertson (Animal law) but two of our members have received special acknowledgement.

Dr Andrea Harvey's ground-breaking work on assessing welfare of wild animals is being applied to a multitude of diverse wildlife issues including Australian water birds as indicators of water quality and wetland health, koala conservation and predator-prey relationships with dingoes and kangaroos. Andrea's research has focused on wild horses but has enormous potential benefits for many other species.

Andrea's latest article Mental Experiences in Wild Animals: Scientifically Validating

Measurable Welfare Indicators in Free-Roaming Horses is published in Animals.

Congratulations are also extended to Dr Anne Quain for being selected as one of the inaugural residents of The Ethics Centre. Anne was one of a diverse range of practitioners including writers, artists, designers, veterinarians, cultural leaders, researchers and business professionals. The residency program provides an opportunity for thinkers, leaders, makers and facilitators to create and share in a collaborative and welcoming space.

The Chapter congratulates Dr Roger Meischke for attaining Life Member of the College. Well done Roger.

The Chapter is also offering the 2023 Animal Welfare Veterinary Student Publication Award to encourage and recognize students publishing to further our understanding of animal welfare. The Award is open to all veterinary students, including postgraduates who have published in the last 18 months. Details will be circulated to all College chapters soon. This is the second time the Award has been offered.

Dr Dianne Evans
President



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Chapters continued ...

DENTISTRY

Kia ora koutou!

For the first time since the Covid pandemic we will have members from New Zealand attending Science Week in person, and we are looking forward to all being able to learn, chat and socialise together once more. A fantastic two-day series of lectures and a hands-on workshop on the topic of restorations has been organised. Expert speakers will cover a variety of topics relating to oral health in animals, including Vital Pulpotomy, Management of Linguoversed Deciduous Mandibular Canines in Dogs, and Peripheral Caries in Horses.

We will then welcome local Dentist, and honorary professor at the University Of Queensland School of Dentistry, Professor Ian Meyers. He will give a lecture which will be followed by the workshop, which will focus on the handling and application of restorations. Throughout his career as an academic and clinician he has developed extensive experience in comprehensive patient care, diagnosis and management of worn and broken-down dentition, geriatric and aged care dentistry, adhesive restorative dentistry and dental materials, and the management of patients through minimum intervention dentistry. This workshop will only be available to members of the Veterinary Dentistry Chapter who have their Membership in Small Animal Dentistry and Oral Surgery or Equine Dentistry as there is a required background of knowledge required. The workshop is made possible with the help of [Dentsply Sirona](#).

This year also sees the Veterinary Dentistry Chapter celebrate its 30th Anniversary. The Chapter formed in 1993 with a small group of Australian pioneers. To celebrate we are inviting all Veterinary Dentistry Chapter members to attend a celebratory Dinner (Venue TBA) on the Thursday night (27th July) of Science Week on the Gold Coast. To help us celebrate, iM3 who have been a wonderful long term strong supporter of the Chapter will be taking care of the bar tab for the night.

Science Week will be a fantastic chance to integrate with chapter members and colleagues in a relaxed setting. Whether you were one of the first members or only became a member last year, you are welcome. We look forward to seeing you!

Nga mihi,

Dr Janine Van Dam
President



Chapters continued ...

EMERGENCY AND CRITICAL CARE

Dear Members and Fellows of the ECC Chapter

With Science Week just around the corner, we wanted to update you on the amazing 3-day program we have scheduled.

Firstly, we have the pre-conference RECOVER BLS and ALS rescuer sessions (registration is available online).

We have the following international keynote speakers covering the following topics:

Dr Sheila Carrera-Justiz DVM DACVIM (Neurology)
Clinical Associate Professor
University of Florida

- Intervertebral disc disease
- Updates on seizures

Dr Christine (Chrissie) Rutter DVM DACVECC
Clinical Associate Profession
Texas A&M University

- Smoke inhalation & burns
- Tips & tricks for managing brachycephalics
- Heatstroke
- Advances in oxygen administration

Dr Ivayla Yozova MVM DMV MBA AFHEA DACVECC DECVECC
Senior Lecturer
Massey University, New Zealand

- Feline circulatory shock
- Clinical assessment of volume overload in cats

There is a dedicated young speakers session on Thursday afternoon and Scientific abstract sessions on Saturday morning. The AGM will be held following the young speakers session at 5.30pm on Thursday.

We would also love to get together for a chapter dinner on Thursday night, more details to follow!



Lastly, I wanted to introduce to you Dr Katie Nash who has done an amazing job of putting together this 3-day line-up as the ECC Science Week Convenor this year.

Katie Nash is a UQ grad and past Pet ER intern who has always loved the energy and intensity of emergency work. Katie found her love for critical care whilst completing her ACVECC residency at Auburn University, Alabama. Since being boarded in 2017 Katie has worked in both private and academic practice in the states and now back in sunny Queensland. Her clinical interests include haemostatic disorders, polytrauma, mechanical ventilation and post-arrest care. In her spare time, Katie loves climbing, beach trips and exploring with her two gorgeous dogs Ruby and Benjamin.

We are looking forward to seeing you all at Science Week!

Sarah, Ella and Nats



EPIDEMIOLOGY

The schedule for Science Week 23 is shaping up well with a great variety of abstract presentations.

This year the Epidemiology chapter is combining with Veterinary Public Health to provide a pre-conference workshop titled "Molecular and genomic epidemiology of microbial pathogens." We have two fantastic presenters in Prof. Nigel French and Prof. Ruth Zadoks who will be running practical sessions on the tools and techniques available for supporting food safety and disease investigation. Further details and registration can be found here: [Science Week - Pre-conference Workshops](#).

Thanks,

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EQUINE

We are looking forward to an excellent 3-day Equine Chapter program with a combined session with the SMR and Reproduction Chapters, in addition to the latest research with 7 short abstract presentations. We have great local speakers in addition to 2 international keynote speakers. Dr. David Levine will be presenting lectures on imaging and PET scanning, treatment of tendon and ligament injuries, skin tumours and use of transdermal CO₂. Dr. Rana Bozorgmanesh will be speaking on azotaemia, acupuncture, transfusion medicine and fluid therapy. Our AGM will be at 5:30pm on Friday 28th of July and a Zoom invitation will follow. There will be opportunities for networking at several social events, including the Equine Chapter Dinner on Thursday 27th July from 7pm (sponsored by BOVA Aus).

The Equine Chapter will provide an AU\$300.00 refund to their members

FELINE

Dear Feline Chapter members,

With College Science Week (CSW) rapidly approaching, we're excited to be bringing you a fabulous feline stream with topics spanning FIP, urinary, behaviour, dermatology and much more. We would like also to remind members of the upcoming Feline Chapter Dinner, which will be held on the Thursday of the conference (27th July 2023) at Harvest Buffet, The Star - Broadbeach. If you'd like to express interest in attending, please email Keshe at secretaryfeline@anzcvcs.org.au. More information on how to book tickets will be available soon. Huge thanks to our Feline Chapter Science Week convenors, Dr Chantal Celindano and Dr Rachel Korman, for organising this year's program. We're excited to see you there!

We're also pleased to announce the award of our inaugural Feline Chapter Travel Grant, which has been bestowed to Dr Sally Coggins to facilitate her traveling to the USA to present her ground-breaking research at the ACVIM forum. Luckily for us, Sally will also be presenting her findings at CSW – so make sure you register to learn all the latest in novel FIP treatments.

Lastly, Feline Chapter President, Dr Rachel Korman, welcomes all members to an informal journal club held online each Wednesday morning at 8:15am. Anyone interested can contact drkorman@catspecialists.com.au to be added to the email list.

As always, we invite any member who wishes to get involved in chapter activities, whether that be examining, acting as a conference convenor, or sitting on one of the committees, to get in touch with us. We'd love to hear from you!

Thank you all for your support this year, and hopefully we'll see you at CSW 2023!

Kind regards,

Dr Rachel Korman (President)
Dr Alison Jukes (Treasurer)
Dr Keshuan (Keshe) Chow (Secretary)



registering for the 3 days at Science Week who has passed memberships or fellowships in the last 3 years or has a taxable income under \$60K. Please email allison.stewart@uq.edu.au for details.

A big thank-you to our exam committees for working on questions for equine practice, equine medicine membership exams. We wish the candidates the best of luck and hope they will be joining us as members soon. Please encourage any of your colleagues to consider taking membership exams in the future.

Our engagement team have been presenting information to equine special interest groups at the Australasian universities to inform students about the College, Science Week and membership exams.

Dr Alison Stewart
President



MEDICINE AND MANAGEMENT OF LABORATORY ANIMALS

We are very excited for Science Week and have a great line-up of speakers covering a broad range of topics. This year Science Week is being held at the Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre, Queensland. It is in person only, with no online component and no session recordings (sorry!). MMLA program dates are Thursday 27th and Friday 28th July. Friday will include a collaborative program with the Animal Welfare Chapter. Science Week concludes on Saturday 29th July.

The AGM will be held on Thursday 27th July from 5:30-6pm (location TBA) after the Science Week proceedings for the day. It will be a hybrid meeting for those who attend Science Week and for those who are only able to Zoom in. Additional information regarding the AGM will be sent to members soon. Please consider nominating for a position and lend us a hand in the next year. Many thanks as well to all members of the current Executive,

specifically to Mandy Errington who has done a fantastic job of organising an excellent Science Week program.

In addition to the fast-approaching Science Week, the Openness Agreement, previously mentioned in the last newsletter, has now been finalised. It will officially be launched at the Australia New Zealand Council for the Care of Animals in Research and Teaching (ANZCCART) Conference in August of this year. For more information please visit the ANZCAART or Understanding Animal Research Oceania websites.

As most Chapters within ANZCVS have a research or teaching component, this is a topic all groups should discuss and consider. We hope to see many of you at Science Week to catch up on all the exciting things you all have been up to over the past year. See you soon!

Cheers, Dr Emily Barrick





ONCOLOGY

Our Oncology Chapter is looking forward to an exciting Science Week program next month which Drs Kathleen O’Connell and Elias Gumpel have worked hard to put together. We will have presentations on Saturday 29th July, including an exciting mix of surgical and medical oncologists, as well as a pathologist. We are looking forward to panel discussions on surgical margins and adjuvant chemotherapy for solid tumours in dogs and cats. Hopefully this will encourage some healthy debates! We also have an Oncology lunch catered for all Oncology Chapter members. These talks will be followed by ‘Aperol, Gin and Martini’ at 4:30pm in lieu of our AGM. Our annual AGM has been postponed until after Science Week, as an online meeting (Zoom/Teams) to encourage a wider attendance. It will be time for a new treasurer to be voted in and the usual rotation of office bearer roles. If anyone is keen to get involved in any of the College roles, please let us know either prior to or at the AGM.

A big thank you to Claire Cannon for organising the Resident review workshop via Zoom in April. This would not have been possible

without our volunteer presenters including Drs Selvi Jegatheeson, Johanna Todd, Nick Lai and Claire Cannon. Topics included examination techniques and tips, apoptosis, chemotherapy fundamentals and tumour immunology and immunotherapy. We had a great turn out and we will aim to continue to run these sessions annually if possible.

We did not have any candidates sitting the Oncology Fellowship examinations in 2023. However, we wish all candidates well sitting in other chapters for both membership and fellowship.

Please don’t hesitate to contact us regarding chapter matters and/or if you would like to be involved in chapter activities.

Warm regards,

Laura Brockley

presidentvetonco@anzcvs.org.au



Chapters continued...

SMALL ANIMAL MEDICINE

Dear Members,

It's almost halfway through the year already! As chapter examinations near, I find myself reflecting on my own residency and journey to becoming a specialist and thinking of others going through this same process. Whether they are just beginning their long journey or nearing the end, it's no easy task committing to a residency program. Residency programs take an enormous amount of sacrifice financially, emotionally, mentally and physically. Speaking from experience, however, I can say the rewards at the end are ever so sweet. Hence, if there is ever a time in your journey where you think of giving up, remember you are worthy, you are enough and you can do this!

To all individuals sitting membership or fellowship examinations, best of luck! I'll be thinking of you all during this difficult time.

Remember to come along to College Science Week this year and get involved in the activities and events. The Medicine Chapter will be celebrating its members and their dedication to the chapter with a special cocktail event on Wednesday night at Nineteen at The Star, Broadbeach. So come along. Cannot wait to share a drink or two with you all there.

Your President,
Dr Luke Johnston



SMALL RUMINANT

This year is our examination year and we have a handful of sheep candidates but unfortunately no goat candidates. We had a sheep on-line study group with one of our past examiners but several decided not to sit. The President delivers a Time On Line course on Goat Medicine and Husbandry via the University of Sydney's Centre of Veterinary Education and it is hoped that in future years, some of these participants will do their membership exams. The chapter only offers exams every second year.

Most of our members have been very busy dealing with the high worm burdens in sheep and goats due to the excellent spring, summer and autumn rains. One of our members, who is a Local Land Services vet, has been offering free worm egg counting courses in New South Wales to sheep and goat farmers.

Dr Sandra Baxendell
President



Chapters continued...

SURGERY

Dear Surgery Chapter Members,

Thank you for your patience in regards the pre and post ANZCVS conference workshops. Philip Moses, myself and the Surgery Chapter Committee have worked very hard to bring you an excellent four day programme with a post conference workshop on the Sunday. We are excited that this has finally been launched.

This year we are incredibly lucky to have two international speakers. These speakers have a huge wealth of experience and teaching. This year's Surgery Chapter Science Week and combined ANZCVS Conference is going to be one of the best we have ever experienced. The program is relevant and the knowledge presented will be invaluable to all surgeons, whatever their level of experience. The [Members](#) and [Residents and Specialists](#) Days have been targeted to these audiences and will provide a more intimate learning experience, to register for either Workshop, [click here](#). There is also a social function after these preliminary days on the Wednesday night, kindly sponsored by Knight Benedikt.

We look forward to welcoming to the Gold Coast, Professor Dan Lewis, Eminent Scholar and ASO Chair, Orthopedic Surgery Service Chief at The University of Florida, College of Veterinary Medicine. Professor Antonio Pozzi, Director of the Clinic of Small Animal Surgery and head of the Small Animal Department at the University of Zurich. Both are highly experienced, innovative surgeons, widely published and excellent presenters.

A summary of the whole conference event:

- **Wednesday 26 July:** [Members Day](#) (pre-conference workshop)
- **Wednesday 26 July:** [Specialist and Resident Day](#) (pre-conference workshop)
- **Thursday 27 July – Saturday 29 July:** Main Conference

- **Sunday 30 July:** [Tendon & Ligament repair with synthetic implants and interference screws](#) (post-conference workshop - Novetech Surgical)

Note that the main abstract day this year will be SEPARATE from the main program. This will mean that on the Saturday 29 July, you will have a choice between the main program, and any abstract sessions you are interested in. [Click here](#) to view a copy of the program and this will appear officially on the conference website shortly.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone at the ANZCVS Science Week this year!

Dr Abbie Tipler BVSc MANZCVS FANZCVS
Acting President Surgery Chapter
on behalf of Philip Moses and the
Surgery Chapter Committee





VETERINARY BEHAVIOUR

With Science Week fast approaching, the Veterinary Behaviour Chapter is anticipating a fantastic week of learning and collegial discussion. We have a fabulous line up of international speakers and are thrilled to be sharing joint sessions with Feline Medicine, Dermatology and Welfare Chapters. Please see the programme on the ANZCVS website for more details.

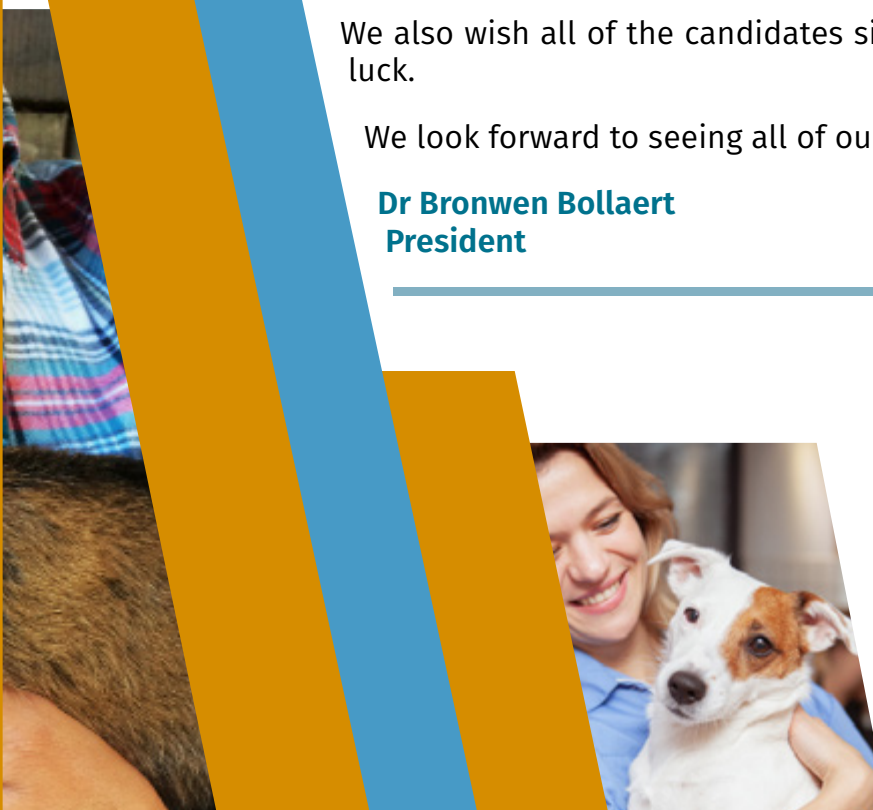
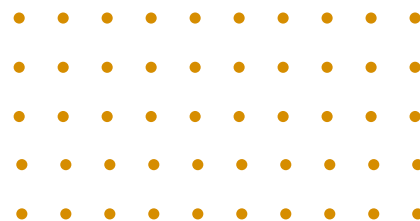
We will also be enjoying a social Chapter Dinner during Science Week, so we call on all members and fellows to purchase your tickets soon so that you don't miss out.

We will be hosting our AGM shortly after Science Week. Please keep an eye out for email communication over the coming weeks about this.

We also wish all of the candidates sitting their membership exams the best of luck.

We look forward to seeing all of our colleagues on the Gold Coast in July!

Dr Bronwen Bollaert
President



Chapters continued...

VETERINARY SPORTS MEDICINE AND REHABILITATION

The VSMR Science Week Convenors would like to remind everyone that our first ever hands-on pre-conference workshop entitled “Rehabilitation Techniques: Boost Your Laser, Shockwave and Therapeutic Exercise Know-How”, will be held on Wednesday 26th July 2023! Space is strictly limited to 20 attendees to maximise your hands-on training with our engaging speakers. For more details, [click here](#). The event is booking up quickly so register your interest by emailing swconvenorvsmr@anzcvms.org.au as early as possible. This event is open to members and non-members, so if you have any colleagues interested in these topics, please encourage them to attend as well.

We have also planned a 3-day stream of VSMR Science Week lectures, with a number of international speakers presenting (in person!) across a range of topics. Our theme for this year is osteoarthritis so the topics will apply to VSMR members, as well as veterinarians in general and surgical specialty practices. Our

Keynote speaker is Dr Kristin Kirkby-Shaw with fellow international speakers in the canine stream being Dr Kara Amstutz and Dr Cara Blake. In the equine stream, our international speakers are Drs David Levine and Rana Bozorgmanesh. As always, our local speakers include a combination of veterinarians and physiotherapists working in VSMR. We are combining some sessions with the Small Animal Practice Chapter, and our full day of equine lectures with the Equine Chapter, so there will be plenty of opportunity to network across chapters. For more details visit: [Science Week - Program](#).

And a final reminder: we are holding our AGM on Thursday 27 July 2023 from 5.30pm-6.00pm to bridge the time between the last lecture and Happy Hour; I’m sure with the goal of getting to Happy Hour on time, we will have a speedy AGM! If you are interested in contributing to, or just finding out what goes on in the executive and exams committees, I encourage you to attend and participate. Our membership is growing, and unless we hear your voices, we can’t adequately advocate for you.

I look forward to seeing everyone at Science Week!

Dr Yoko Clinch
President & Science Week Co-Convenor



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Closing date to register intention to sit for Fellowship examinations in 2024:

30 JUNE 2023

NO applications will be accepted after this date.

Fellowship Candidates wishing to sit Fellowship examinations in 2024 should note that it is mandatory to register their intention to sit with the College office before 30 June 2023.

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 the 31 October.

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

THANK YOU EXAMINERS!

In appreciation of our Examiners – thank you!

The College and Board would like to thank the large number of examiners for their time and effort in preparing, marking and delivering the examinations across the broad range of subjects on offer. Your contributions are vital to the continuation and success of the College examination process.

Membership Examiners

First Name	Surname	Subject
Michael	McGowan	Animal Reproduction
Xavier	Schneider	Animal Reproduction
Derek	Keeper	Animal Nutrition (Ruminant)
Charlotte	Westwood	Animal Nutrition (Ruminant)
Susan	Beths	Medicine & Surgery of Unusual Pets

Olivia	Clarke	Medicine & Surgery of Unusual Pets
Jaclyn	Gatt	Medicine & Surgery of Unusual Pets
Tristan	Rich	Medicine & Surgery of Unusual Pets
Matthew	Izzo	Medicine of Dairy Cattle
Ashley	Phipps	Medicine of Dairy Cattle
Cristina	Rosales	Medicine of Horses
Stacey	Sullivan	Medicine of Horses
Richard	Sides	Medicine of Sheep
Rob	Suter	Medicine of Sheep
Trish	Holyoake	Pig and Health Production
Kit	Parke	Pig and Health Production
Chloe	Cheung	Small Animal Medicine
Jim	Connah	Small Animal Medicine
Gemma	Coulter	Small Animal Medicine
Sonya	Estens	Small Animal Medicine
Brendan	Gammeter	Small Animal Medicine
Nicolle	Kirkwood	Small Animal Medicine
Bruce	Lamond	Small Animal Medicine
Stefan	Radich	Small Animal Medicine
Louise	Roberts-Bailey	Small Animal Medicine
Graham	Swinney	Small Animal Medicine
Albie	Thomas	Small Animal Medicine
Sarah	Vaughan	Small Animal Medicine
Adrian	Witham	Small Animal Medicine
Stephanie	Colthurst	Small Animal Surgery
Luke	Ellis	Small Animal Surgery
Alex	Lai	Small Animal Surgery
Jun Ren	Loh	Small Animal Surgery
Kadie	O'Byrne	Small Animal Surgery
Kate	Phillips	Small Animal Surgery

Ben	Porter	Small Animal Surgery
Tesh	Smalle	Small Animal Surgery
Lauren	Tardiani	Small Animal Surgery
Louise	Bass	Veterinary Anaesthesia & Analgesia
Corinna	Chia	Veterinary Anaesthesia & Analgesia
Jacqui	Ley	Veterinary Behaviour
Jake	Lin	Veterinary Behaviour
Katrina	Ward	Veterinary Behaviour
Fiona	Warton	Veterinary Behaviour
Antonia	Brown	Veterinary Emergency & Critical Care
Brian	Lam	Veterinary Emergency & Critical Care
Rod	Meehan	Veterinary Emergency & Critical Care
Liz	Napier	Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care
Michele	Rebelo	Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care
Juliette	Riddall	Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care
Caroline	Romeo	Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care
Penny	Seet	Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care
Adrian	Simon	Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care
Xanthe	Warde	Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care
Andrew	Wester	Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care
So Young	Yang	Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care
Ye	Yao	Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care
Marta	Hernandez-Jover	Veterinary Epidemiology
Anke	Wiethoelter	Veterinary Epidemiology
Lucy	Cudmore	Veterinary Practice (Equine)
Robbie	Kent	Veterinary Practice (Equine)
Carla	Kowald	Veterinary Practice (Small Animal)
Georgia	Ladmore	Veterinary Practice (Small Animal)
Adrian	Bryce	Veterinary Radiology (Small Animal)
Paul	Crocker	Veterinary Radiology (Small Animal)
Katrina	Garrett	Veterinary Radiology (Small Animal)

THANK YOU EXAMINERS!

Shanaka	Sarathchandra	Veterinary Radiology (Small Animal)
Ben	Ahern	Veterinary Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation
Christopher	Elliott	Veterinary Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation
Samantha	Franklin	Veterinary Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation
Cate	Steel	Veterinary Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation

Fellowship Examiners

First Name	Surname	Subject
Melinda	Cowan	Avian Medicine and Surgery
Tom	Tully	Avian Medicine and Surgery
Mike	Coleman	Small Animal Medicine
Emily	Cook	Small Animal Medicine
Tunbi	Idowu	Small Animal Medicine
Madeleine	Roberts	Small Animal Medicine
Carla	Appelgrein	Small Animal Surgery
Nick	Cleland	Small Animal Surgery
Kirsten	Deruddere	Small Animal Surgery
James	King	Small Animal Surgery
Sam	Snelling	Small Animal Surgery
Guy	Yates	Small Animal Surgery
Corrin	Boyd	Vet Emergency Medicine and Critical Care
Claire	Sharp	Vet Emergency Medicine and Critical Care
Mike	Bernays	Veterinary Ophthalmology
Rachael	Grundon	Veterinary Ophthalmology
Robin	Stanley	Veterinary Ophthalmology
Xander	Heuzing	Veterinary Radiology
Marjorie	Milne	Veterinary Radiology
Rachel	Pollard	Veterinary Radiology
Devon	Thompson	Veterinary Radiology
Darrel	Yap	Veterinary Radiology



ANZCVS 2023 KEY DATES

- 24 & 25**
JUN ○ Fellowship Practical/Oral Examinations
- 30**
JUN ○ Intention to Sit Fellowship exams 2024 due
- 1-3**
JUL ○ Membership Oral Examinations
- 14**
JUL ○ Voting for Council closes
- 26**
JUL ○ Pre-Conference Workshops
- 27-29**
JUL ○ Science Week
[Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre]
- 28**
JUL ○ College AGM
- 28**
JUL ○ Conference Dinner
- 29**
JUL ○ Awards Dinner
- 31**
OCT ○ Membership Examination 2024
Applications close
- 31**
OCT ○ Fellowship Credentials due
- Dec/Jan** ○ Christmas Office closure
23 Dec 2023 - 7 Jan 2024 [to be confirmed]



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