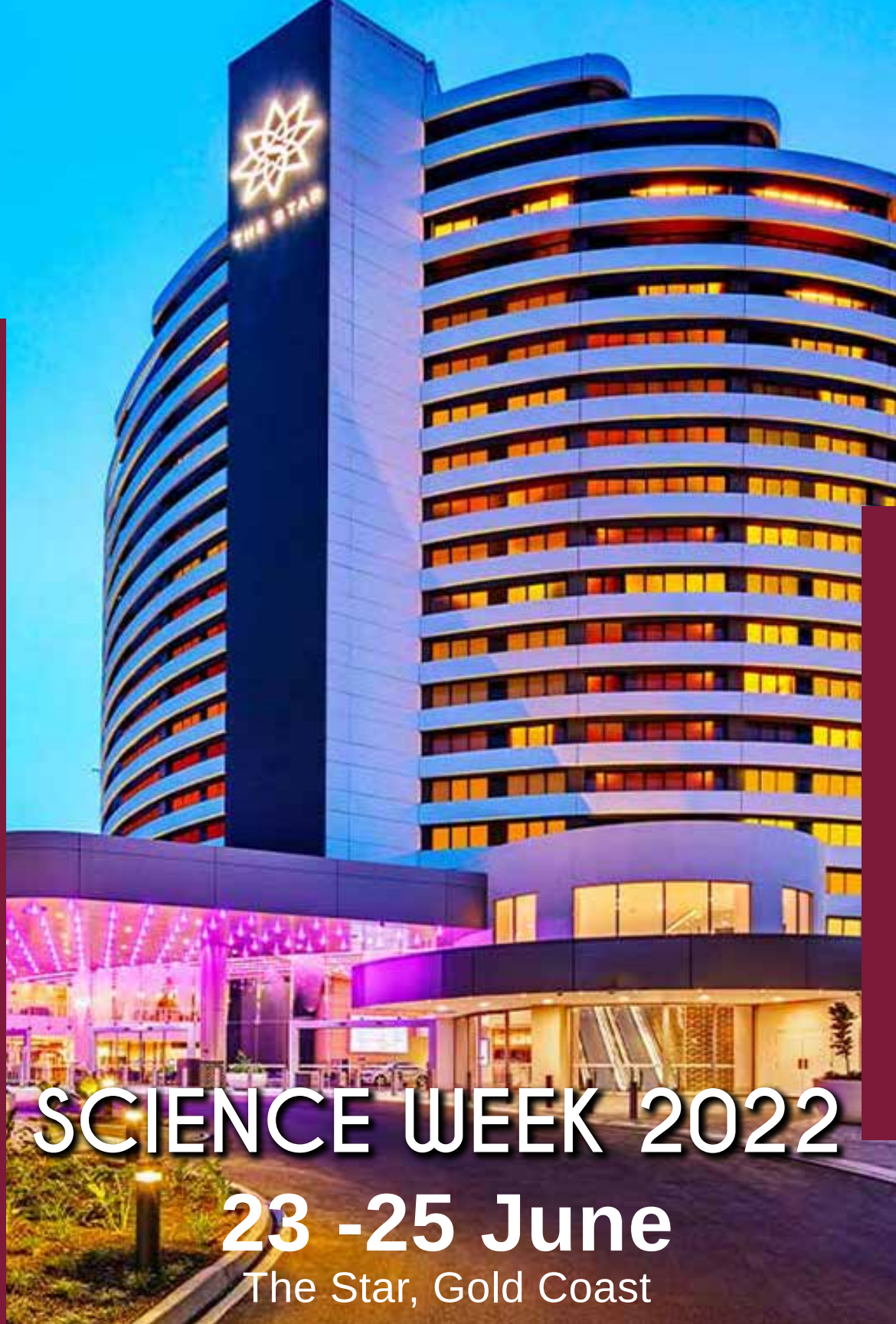




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Welcome to the final College Courier for 2021! Following another difficult year, the College delivered examinations to a record membership cohort and provided another Online Scientific Series. We wish you and your loved ones a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We'll see you in 2022 as we look forward to meeting face-to-face at Science Week.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dr Amy Lane, President



*"We make a living by what we get,
but we make a life by what we give"*

Winston Churchill

As December arrives, so does the season of giving. For some, this may be 'making a list, and checking it twice' to ensure that all the brothers, sisters, aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and close friends have something to unwrap. It can be overwhelming. But what if we practiced giving something that doesn't need to be covered in pretty paper?

What if we practiced giving the most precious gift of all – our time? Our time is precious because it uniquely belongs to us, it is finite, and cannot be taken back once given. Spend time this holiday season with the people you may not have had the opportunity to see this year due to lockdowns or busy schedules.

This precious gift of time is also keenly recognised in the vast volunteer workforce the College relies on every year, in the creation and delivery of quality examinations, and the presentation of our Science Week conference. Recently, our CEO has been reviewing the examination process, and documented that it takes over 400 volunteer roles to deliver the examinations each year. This pool comes from a member base of just over 3100 people. While there are still efficiencies that need to be employed to ensure the examination process can be sustainable year-on-year, as a not-for-profit, membership organisation, the role of the volunteer will always remain a vital part of the process.

Discussions have been had recently by Council and staff about how we can best recognise the precious gift of time that our volunteers are giving. This will be an ongoing narrative and I welcome ideas from our members. However, when I reflect on the three pillars of the College, being Certify, Educate, Share, I hope that the giving and sharing of time, knowledge and expertise as a volunteer with the College, may also be a rewarding experience in itself.

Sadly, the office team said farewell in September to Robyn Pettigrew, who was the College's Examinations Officer for the last eight and a half years. Robyn worked closely with the Board of Examiners to ensure the smooth examination delivery process and ably assisted in the implementation of many processes over the years, such as the examination result reporting software (ERRS). We wish Robyn all the best with her future.

Jenny Burnett has joined the office staff in the role of full-time Examinations Officer. Jenny comes with a vast university experience, having had an administration role within the Business School of Griffith University for 22 years. Two part-time Administration Officers have also joined the team – Sharyn Logan and Rhonda Hodge.

Their individual work experiences bring a varied skillset to the office team, alongside Stephen Alderman, CEO; Dr Mary Anne Hiscutt, Office Manager; Sharon Tinsley, Assistant Office Manager; Jill Meatheringham, Assistant Examinations officer; and Dr Rachel Tan, Project Officer.

With a vibrant new team at the helm, 2022 is already shaping up to be an exciting year. Candidate applications for Membership examinations are already above average.

The written examinations will be delivered via a digital platform. We may FINALLY be able to meet in person on the Gold Coast for a much-anticipated Science Week conference and celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Australian and New Zealand College of Veterinary Scientists. Council will continue to work on delivering objectives on the six strategic focus areas of Certification, Community and People, Financial Capability, Governance, Identity, and Information Technology and Communications.

With Councillors located from the west coast of Australia, the east coast of Australia and New Zealand, we have continued to meet regularly via zoom. We are grateful for the technology to enable this, however, we also look forward to when we can meet in the same room, to continue overseeing and planning how your College continues to progress.





CEO REPORT

Stephen Alderman, CEO



With December upon us, another year is coming to a close. Although it has been another trying period for many, the number of membership examination applications for 2022 surpassed all expectations with over 400 candidates — an impressive number showing the value you have created around ANZCVS examination relevance and credibility in the sector.

There are never enough opportunities to acknowledge the contribution and commitment of hundreds of volunteers who assist us each year. The 2021 examination period required an even higher level of support, logistics and flexibility to ensure quality examinations could occur. On numerous occasions throughout the year, I have heard the Staff and Council all expressing their

gratitude for the support from members who provided the professional expertise and knowledge.

There have been many dramatic societal changes over the last few years. Some of these changes will take time to filter down to our workplaces and our examinations. Others are small but telling changes, e.g. Zoom (the product) is now listed in most dictionaries worldwide. During conference calls, the phrase “you’re on mute” was one of the most globally used terms. Yet, I still get caught out.

We are committed to some important initiatives for 2022 that we believe will reduce the impact in many areas of the examinations. One of these is the electronic delivery of Written Papers. As a result, all candidates will be able

to read and answer all questions online, which reduces many time-intensive tasks, including printing, collating, packaging, distribution, collection, scanning and uploading. Now, papers should be ready to mark as soon as the candidates complete the examination, providing a significant time saving to examiners and removing many of the delays relating to printed papers.

There will be plenty of opportunities for all volunteers and candidates to experience the online examination platform in preparation for the 2022 examinations. Look out for updates over the coming months.

In closing for 2021, the College staff and I wish you and yours a safe and happy festive season and look forward to seeing many of you next year.



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→ EXAMINATIONS REPORT

Dr Peter Bennett, Chief Examiner



As the year draws to a close and we start planning to spend some time with family and friends over the holiday period, I would once more sincerely thank the large number of members of the College who have, and are, contributing to the successful running of the examinations.

Without the hundreds of volunteers who participate as examiners, observers, Chapter executives, Board of Examiner members and the Council, ably supported by the office staff, the examination process would not be able to proceed.

It does not seem that long ago that we were in the midst of the 2021 examinations, and now the preparation for the 2022 examinations is already underway. On Sunday Nov 28th, over 40 members of the College gave up their time to spend the day in a workshop on examination writing. This is a change from recent years when the examiners' workshop was held in early February.

With our increasing familiarity with virtual meetings, we took this advantage to prepare the examiners for the 2022 examinations with the assistance of Liz Norman from Massey University and Neville Chiavaroli from the Australian Council for Education Research who provided an engaging and valuable insight into the examination process. The Board envisages that this will help the examiners as they develop the examinations for next year.

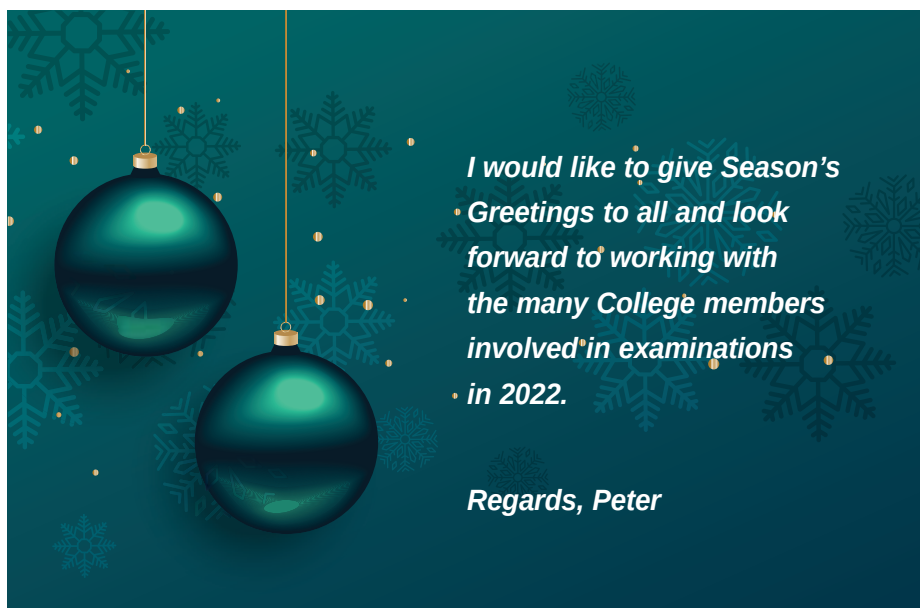
We will continue to work towards providing a COVID safe environment for the examinations in 2022, including minimising the effects of government restrictions on the process.

As has been indicated previously the written papers will be undertaken in an online examination process. This change will improve the distribution of the exam and facilitate the distribution of the papers for marking.

We had a record number of Membership candidates in 2021 and the indications are that 2022 will be much larger than usual. A more expedient behind the scenes process will aid in handling the large number of candidates. The timing of the examination has shifted in its relationship to Science week, though the dates are similar to usual. The move of the timing of Science week has led to this change.

After the 2021 examination period our Examinations Officer, Robyn Pettigrew, made the decision to leave the College for a well-deserved break, especially after the work of the 2020/2021 examinations.

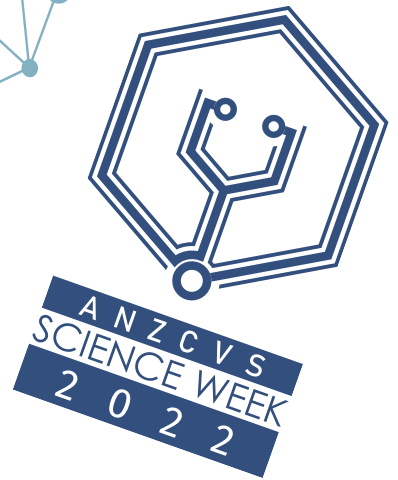
Mrs Jenny Burnett has joined the College in this role and is quickly learning the processes. I would like to thank Jenny, the Assistant Examination Officers Lynda and Jill, along with remainder of the College office staff for their support of the work of the Board. The Assistant Chief Examiners, Jen and Linda, have provided me with great support, along with the Board Members, Stephen, Lydia, Yenny, Liz, Jana and Rena.



I would like to give Season's Greetings to all and look forward to working with the many College members involved in examinations in 2022.

Regards, Peter

Project Officer Report
Dr Rachel Tan



SAVE THE DATE!



Science Week 2022 - June 23-25

Save the dates of June 23-25 for the much anticipated return of an in-person Science Week. This year, ANZCVS celebrates 50 proud years of certifying excellence in veterinary science in Australia and New Zealand. With the success of the virtual and on-demand program in 2021, Science Week 2022 will return as a hybrid event. This means that registration will be available for both in-person and virtual delegates. All registrations will include three months on-demand access to Science Week content.

Also back in 2022 will be our fantastic industry supporters with a full exhibition hall. This year our sponsors have generously provided coffee carts for delegates as well!

We invite you to celebrate with us throughout Science Week and at our not-to-be-missed festival event on Friday 24 June. As examinations will not be finalised until after Science Week, a less formal evening is being planned. There will be entertaining speakers and music celebrating each decade of the College. It promises to be a unique night to mingle with new and old colleagues and celebrate our College.

The theme is Gold and there's no such thing as too much bling! We hope to see you all sparkling with us.

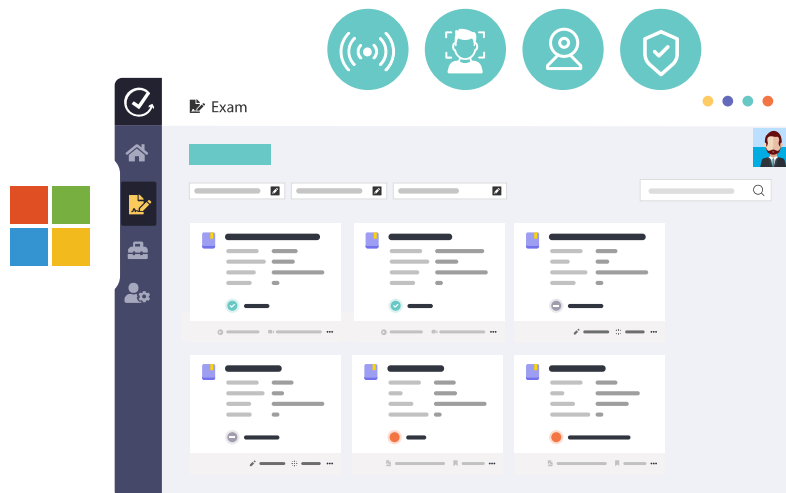




The College is pleased to announce its partnership with AvePoint to deliver all written examinations for 2022 using the Examena digital delivery platform. The platform was selected as it provides a secure, intuitive, online testing experience.

AvePoint was founded in 2001 and is five-time winner of the Microsoft Partner of the Year award. A preview of how examination delivery will work can be found by clicking on this [link](#). More detailed information, including walk through guides, FAQ documents and a sample examination will be released in 2022.

Digital delivery of examinations will enable the remote delivery in multiple international locations. The current plan is to continue to hold the examinations in carefully reviewed locations with trained invigilators to ensure a high standard and uniform experience.



RECOLLECTIONS

by Boyd Jones

My first contact with the College was when I was a lecturer at University of Melbourne in 1970, My Head of Department was Professor Doug Blood who played a large part in the genesis of the College. Doug would tell us of some of the problems with the set up especially the selection of the foundation members and the “cut off” for inclusion. There were some bitter responses from some veterinarians who thought they had been excluded.

In 1973 Doug told me I had been enrolled for the Canine Medicine examination and the exams were in two months’ time, so get prepared. Other lecturers in our group were similarly press-ganged. I sat the examination and passed. Jim Gannon was the examiner and while his knowledge of greyhounds was extensive his knowledge of other areas of medicine was “adequate.” The oral examination was an informal chat which, if I remember, included discussion on systemic fungal diseases that were not present in Australia. I was a member.

In 1974 I was appointed to the President’s Committee along with some other new members who had entered by examination. The role was to try and set a process for examination for membership in the different disciplines.

In 1975 I returned to New Zealand. I promoted the College and its goals to my colleagues in the University and in Practice. I mentored a number of candidates in Canine and Feline medicine. There was no Small Animal Medicine at that time. In NZ the examinations were held at Massey including the oral examinations. Russell Dun was the coordinator for the College in New Zealand. Russell collected subscriptions and ran the financial and other affairs of the College in NZ.

I was a membership examiner in Canine and Feline medicine from 1980 to 2001. Many NZ candidates sat and passed. One candidate who did not pass at his first attempt was my former flat mate from undergrad days. A conflict of interest for me, as examiner, but that was not a concern in those days. At least he confirmed that he was underprepared, and we had done the job as examiners correctly.

I examined Australian membership candidates as well, marking their written papers and meeting at the, now Rydges hotel in Missenden Road near Sydney University to conduct the oral examinations. The oral examinations were an enjoyable event as there were excellent candidates, and you could explore areas of medicine to see what they knew. There were few underprepared candidates and most passed with ease. The examiners were experienced. Chris Bellenger was Chief examiner and did an excellent job to coordinate the examinations and put some structure to them. The examinations were followed by the Science week of the time held in the same hotel. Small numbers but well organised by Geoff Robbins and his team.

I sat Fellowship exams in canine medicine in 1984. There was no official training programme in those days ... front up when you are ready. The written was an open book examination. Not helpful if you had not sat one before. The oral examination was held in Sydney with Brian Farrow as an examiner and a Doctor of medicine from the Australian College of Physicians as co-examiner. Searching questions in many areas ending up with a discussion on *Angiostrongylus cantonensis*. I was prepared and had read veterinary and medical papers of the time. Passed.

I examined a number of Fellowship candidates with Sue Shaw as co examiner. Highly knowledgeable candidates; Jill Maddison, Richard Malik, Grant Guilford, Darren Merrett, Rob Labuc, Peter Irwin and others. All have made a major contribution to small animal medicine in Australia and New Zealand.

From 1991 to 1996 I was a member of council, elected by the constitutional gerrymander that ensured a NZ member was on council. I was college president for 1991 and 1992. Council was an experience. Bryan Woolcock ran the show with tight reins and it was hard even as President to make changes. Meetings were by teleconference and worked well with only one in person meeting each year. I enjoyed meeting and working with a number of colleagues. Hughie Gordon was great fun to work with and was inciteful with his comments on most matters. Bryan Woolcock taught me that words matter. They do.

Most of my practising life has had a College link and I have made a contribution to its operation. I have been rewarded by college awards; Distinguished Service award in 1997, The Small Animal Chapter service award in 2009, a couple of best paper awards in NZVJ and AVP and in 2019, the recipient of the ANZCVS Oration.

The three events I remember as President were the 1992 AGM which was held in Christchurch, NZ. The first time the AGM was held outside Australia. I put forward the motion that the College should be named the Australian and New Zealand College of Veterinary Scientists. There were excellent addresses for and against the motion at the meeting. The meeting attendees voted for the motion but the mail voters were against and we failed to achieve the change by not reaching the required number of votes required by the Australian Companies Act regulations (ACVS was a member). Nevertheless, the seed had been sown!

The second event was my visit to the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons to see if the Australian College qualifications could receive recognition by the RCVS. I was welcomed and had, I thought, a fruitful discussion with the Registrar and President. Great hospitality but a feeling that I was considered a colonial and we were “not up to speed” in many disciplines. We did receive some recognition with post nominals being recognised some years later.

The third event was a dispute in relation to an examination failure, a result the candidate disagreed with and the challenge to the result was pursued with vigour. The College responded through the chief examiner. Unfortunately, the response was not accepted and there were many meetings with the candidate, chief examiner, sub committees etc. Hugely time consuming but part of the business of the College and I hope everyone gained from that experience. I certainly did so. It emphasised the importance of the selection of experienced examiners and standard operating procedures for disputes.

In 1997 I moved to Ireland and my role in the College and the small animal chapter became smaller. I attended a number of Science Weeks and contributed to the small animal chapter. Most of my practising life has had a College link and I have made a contribution to its operation. I have been rewarded by college awards; Distinguished Service award in 1997, The Small Animal Chapter service award in 2009, a couple of best paper awards in NZVJ and AVP and in 2019, the recipient of the ANZCVS Oration. I hope my recollections are accurate. I think my memory is OK!



Former Dean of the UCD School of Veterinary Medicine, Professor Boyd Jones has been honoured with a special award by the Australian and New Zealand College of Veterinary Scientists (ANZCVS). Professor Jones was presented with the College Oration by Professor Caroline Mansfield from the University of Melbourne at the ANZCVS Annual Meeting in July. The College Oration was established in 1977 to give recognition to a veterinarian in Australia or New Zealand who has made a major contribution to veterinary science, especially contributions that have a global and lasting impact, and is arguably the highest honour the College can bestow



➔ MEMBERS NEWS

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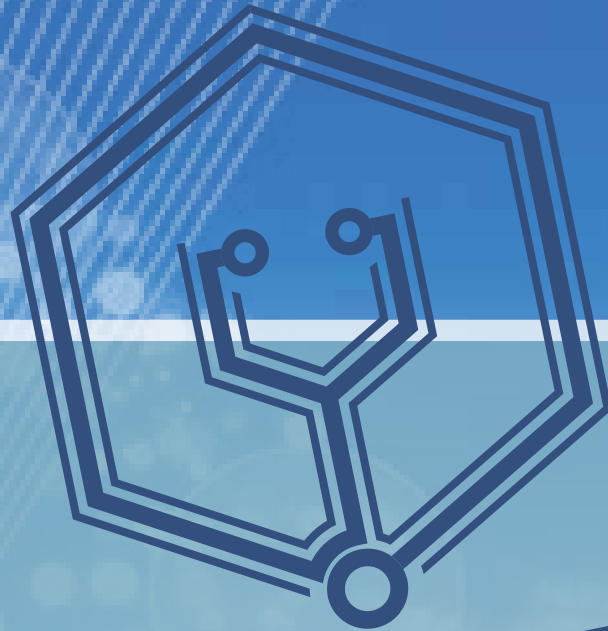
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➔ CHAPTERS

ANIMAL REPRODUCTION CHAPTER

The Reproduction Chapter, like all chapters in 2021 I believe, held our AGM via zoom, on 07 September. Our President, Michael McGowan stepped down from the position after guiding the chapter through the last few years. He has retired from the committee, but is still here as a mentor. Thank-you from us all in the chapter for your excellent work Michael.

Thanks to the new members who have joined us, including especially those who have undertaken and passed their MANZCVS examinations. This year, four of you took the examination, and all four of you passed, congratulations. You have now joined the 'mother of all specialities', and we look forward to many more undertaking the examinations in future. Here's to a long, mutually beneficial and productive relationship. Thanks also to our new and returning committee members, without whom the chapter is merely a named organisation. Thank you also to the College officers who have done such an amazing job not only keeping the College alive, but ensuring it thrives, through this covid19 pandemic.

It has not been an easy two years, but the outlook is looking a lot better with so many of us getting vaccinated against SARSCoV2. With summer on the way, and the holiday season not far away, please have a happy and safe Christmas, and a more settled, and prosperous New Year.

Allan Gunn

President ANZVS Reproduction Chapter

ANIMAL WELFARE CHAPTER

2022 Science Week

Our convenor Fiona Esams is doing an amazing job with handover assistance from Shari Cohen who coordinated a terrific program last year. Our chapter is excited about joint sessions with Animal Behaviour and Small Ruminants. The topics will be diverse, interesting and informative and the best is that we are all aiming to catch up in person. We thank all the speakers who have agreed to participate.

2022 Examinations

Our examiners are about to commence their preparation. It's going to be very busy with three Fellowship candidates and eight Membership candidates. It will be a very big year for two of our Fellowship candidates who are also completing their PhDs. A big thank you to all our examiners.

2022 David Bayvel Award

Yes, it's on again! Our chapter will be calling for applicants for this prestigious

award in honour of Professor David Bayvel who was a strong advocate for the veterinary profession to contribute to improving the lives of animals. More details to follow in the new year.

Vale Professor Bernie Rollin

(February 18, 1943-19 November, 2021)

It is with great sadness that Professor Bernie Rollin, a passionate, committed and courageous philosopher (and motorcycle enthusiast – as pictured on his beloved Harley Davidson in July 2012) who has not only contributed enormously to the establishment of veterinary ethics as its own discipline, and to ethical thinking regarding animals. He leaves an incredible legacy through his drive, wisdom and his teachings.

Thank you Bernie – your spirit continues to inspire.

Those wishing to leave a message of condolence are invited to contribute:

<https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/ft-collins-co/bernard-rollin-10453089>



DENTISTRY CHAPTER

The Dentistry Chapter of ANZCVS is a small, but mighty and inclusive group. We are big enough to support our membership, yet small enough that most members know each other.

We have an active Facebook group page where members can connect with and ask for opinions and advice for challenging cases. This has been very well used since Covid entered our world, though we will be looking forward to meeting up in person hopefully in 2022.

Thirteen new members joined our chapter this year. For Equine Dentistry we would like to welcome Stephanie Brooder, Allie Corripio, Georgia Gurney, Lucy Holdaway, James Meyer and Elizabeth Paton. For Small Animal Medicine and Oral Surgery, we welcome Liorah Atkinson, Kim Bensch, Pato Chan, Carl Davis, Sara Graham, Megan Jeffers and Louise Roberts-Bailey. Congratulations to you all!

This brings our total member number up to 83.

ONCOLOGY CHAPTER

Thank you to all the Oncology Chapter members who have contributed their time over the last 12 months. Thank you also to my fellow Chapter Executive members (Claire Cannon, Sandra Nguyen and now Catherine Chan), the College Council Members, the Board of Examiners and the College office team. We are currently busy preparing the 2022 Fellowship examination and had a very productive exam writing workshop last month. Thank you to all the members who attended and have volunteered their time to write exam questions. A special thank you to Drs Ken Wyatt (Head subject examiner again this year), Kathleen O'Connell (Subject examination committee Chair) and Liz Morgan (Subject examination committee) for their roles in the preparation of the examination.

In November, whilst the exam writing workshop was underway, we also ran a

resident review session which was well received and covered topics including radiation therapy, Immunology/immunotherapy and examination technique. Thank you to Drs Valerie Poirier, Peter Bennett and Claire Cannon for presenting to our residents.

I would also like to thank Drs Kathleen O'Connell and Penny Brown for their consistent and tireless efforts in bringing us the Science week program online again this year which was very successful. We had presentations covering topics including immunotherapy (cancer vaccines, adoptive T cell therapy), oncolytic viral therapy and new or emerging therapies (Tigilanol Tiglate, Monepantel, BH3 mimetics). Thank you also to those who presented.

Thank you to John Blaxill for rekindling our National Journal club and discussion forum and to everyone who has contributed and joined so far.

In November many of our Chapter members participated in the US Veterinary Cancer Society's 2021 online virtual conference. It was an excellent meeting featuring a combination of keynote speakers; clinical updates; resident abstracts and posters; along with a technician stream. The content will continue to be available online for 12 months. Congratulations to our Chapter member, Dr Selvi Jegatheeson, who won her second VCS resident award for her poster entitled "Sensitivity of canine haematological malignancies to BH3 mimetics". For those interested in accessing the VCS Virtual conference, registrations remain open until October 2022 with all content accessible via recorded video sessions.

We look forward to the year ahead and wish you all a safe and enjoyable festive season from all the office bearers for 2021/2022. Please don't hesitate to contact us regarding chapter matters and if you would like to be involved in chapter activities.

Laura Brockley
(presidentvetonco@anzcv.org.au)

MEDICINE AND MANAGEMENT OF LABORATORY ANIMALS

We are hopefully, now emerging from the lockdowns of the COVID pandemic and look to the benefits of widespread vaccination against the disease. One factor that has contributed to the rapid and ongoing development of effective vaccines is laboratory animal research. Our laboratory animals continue to be the key for transition of discoveries from the lab bench to the bedside or perhaps, in this case, our deltoid muscles. Laboratory animals make irreplaceable contributions to the health of our society, and I feel privileged to be involved in their care.

Our chapter, although small, is active and growing. Two veterinarians joined our fold after being successful in their exams in June and, we now number 31. After examinations were postponed last year, and this year's catch-up, we will get back into the swing of things of exams occurring once every two years. So, next year is another exam year. Get out there and do some recruiting to encourage your veterinary colleagues to prepare themselves and obtain membership.

Video conferencing technology and the pandemic have encouraged us to meet regularly via our Journal Club. It is heartening to see regular attendance and those familiar faces on the screen. This year we have had five meetings, once every two months with numerous and diverse topics presented and discussed. These have ranged from disaster management, animal cancer models, clinical monitoring, anaesthesia and analgesia,





and problems occurring after handling and restraint. It is encouraging to see the openness and support given by the members to each other regarding the problems and challenges they face as veterinarians working the research space.

Our Journal Club is not exclusive, it's open also to non-members who wish to prepare themselves for the chapter examinations. Thanks are extended to UniSA for allowing us to use their Zoom platform. This is working well at minimal cost for the Chapter.

Science Week is going to zoom up on us quickly, so we need to start preparations. Gabby Musk and Lydia Pethwick have retired from their coordinating and sponsorship roles.

Thanks Gabby and Lydia for all your work last year, Science Week would not have worked without you. So, due to the loss of these great people we now need two people to put their hands up for these roles. A lot of the groundwork has already been done by Gabby and Lydia so, please volunteer folks.

In addition to this we need presenters and topics for the next conference which is likely to go back to a face-to-face format on the Gold Coast. How about picking one of the topics from our Journal Club, thrash out more detail and summarise the discussions and give us an in-depth analysis at Science Week?

Looking forward to catching up with everybody at the next Journal Club, and in person at Science Week.

Ciao, Lewis

VETERINARY PRACTICE SMALL ANIMAL

Welcome us – a new chapter!

In 2021, a second round of examinations were held following the inaugural examinations in 2019. We welcomed five new enthusiastic members and have accordingly been able to formally branch a new chapter.

NEW CHAPTER VETERINARY PRACTICE SMALL ANIMAL

As a chapter, we are excited to promote excellence and collegiality within the dynamic field of Small Animal Veterinary Practice.

Thanks are again extended to Philip Moses, John Mallyon and College staff for their expertise and enthusiasm to get to this point.

Congratulations are extended especially to Charlotte May, Chelsea Meredith, Carla Kowald, Marilyn Moss and Angela Hodgson whom have passed examinations this year. They join Georgia Ladmore and Don Chan who passed Veterinary Practice Small Animal examinations in 2019.

As a chapter, we are excited to promote excellence and collegiality within the dynamic field of Small Animal Veterinary Practice. This is an area that employs so many veterinarians with such passion, and we want to harness that enthusiasm, and grow a chapter that reflects the joys and challenges of small animal clinical practice across Australia and New Zealand.

To excite this passion and fuel knowledge, we are planning a Science Week program for 2022 with a focus on the challenges of *brachycephalics* – think skin, oncology, ophthalmology as well as surgery. Put it in your calendar and consider this your invitation to join us – we are a welcoming bunch!

Dr Georgia Ladmore, President

VETERINARY PUBLIC HEALTH CHAPTER

The Chapter activities continue to be directed at supporting the interests

of our membership and, for those seeking to join the College by providing relevant resource material and mentor support for examination candidates.

Much effort is presently being directed at defining the themes and content of the Chapter's Science Week 2022 program, which will be conducted over 3 days and include a time slot for the Chapter's Annual General Meeting.

A key theme will involve Biosecurity as an integrated approach to manage risk to human, animal and plant life and health. VPH is collaborating with the Epidemiology Chapter on this with speakers drawn from Australia and New Zealand and will offer a broad range of insights into the management of biosecurity risks.

Other themes will present contemporary topics on zoonotic disease, changes to post mortem inspection and antimicrobial resistance, of which the latter is being developed in collaboration with the Pharmacology Chapter.

We anticipate that, as with previous collaborations for Science Week programs, our joint efforts with other Chapters will be much appreciated by delegates.

On another matter, it is important to note that the College is offering VPH membership examinations in 2022 and that we wish prospective candidates well.

Angela Scott, President



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