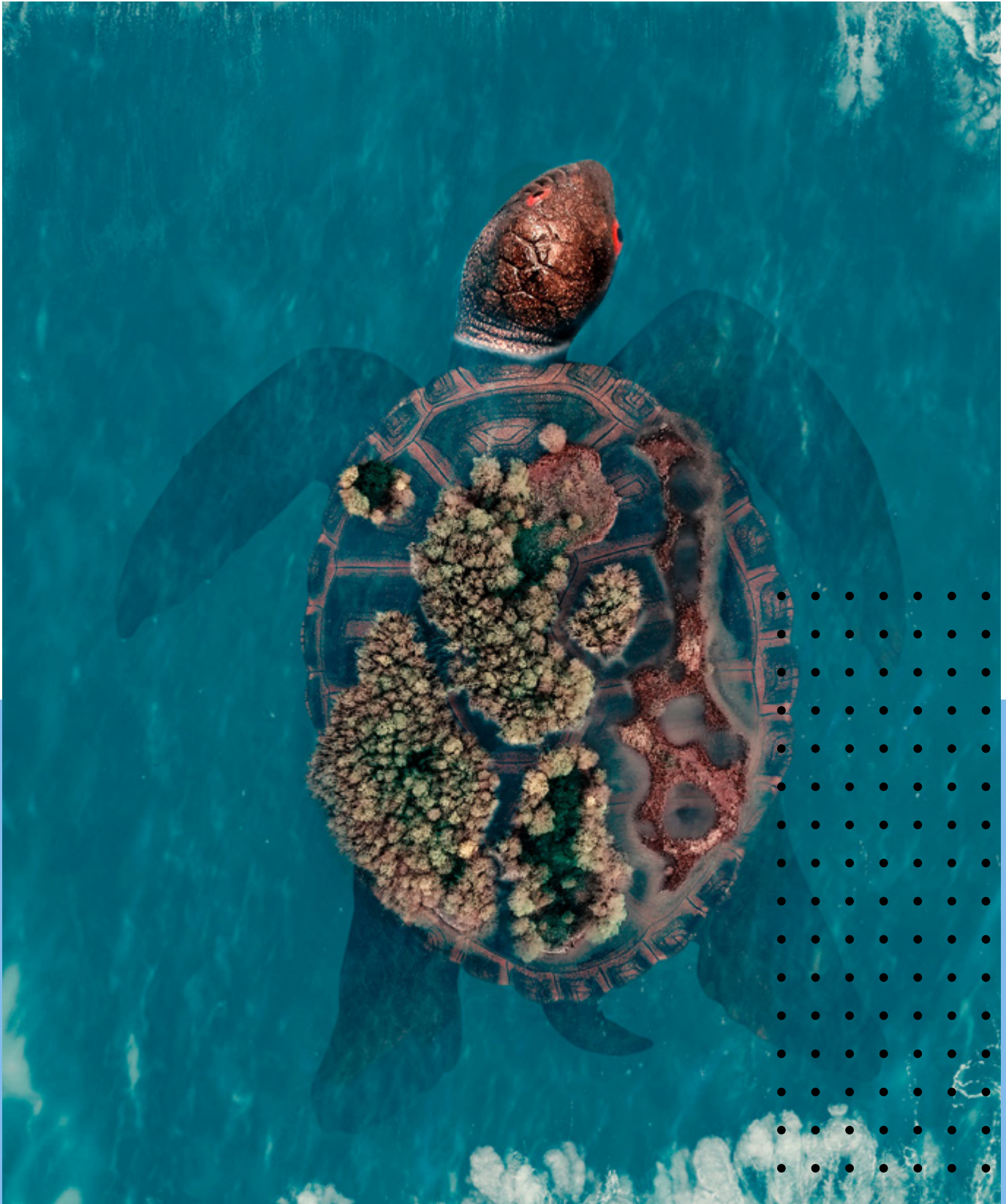


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Editor's Note

And just like that – it's March already. Welcome to the Autumn edition of the College Courier. The College is looking forward to what 2023 has in store. The Examinations team are fine tuning the second year of online examination delivery via Examenia. Science Week is planning to be bigger and better than ever at our new venue and we hope to see you there!



CEO REPORT

Our College community has once again come together to create and deliver examinations for over 300 candidates across 18 subject areas. The expertise and experience of ANZCVS volunteers is essential to our comprehensive examination programs that enhance competencies for those aiming for higher certifications in veterinary science.

As an ANZCVS member, enthusiasm is the only requirement to become a future contributor to your Chapter's examinations! Please consider joining your colleagues in advancing the Veterinary profession.

This year's Science Week event is shaping up to be the biggest year yet, with ten pre-conference workshops scheduled across a diverse range of subjects. I want to take this opportunity to thank our Science Week Convenors, who are ensuring that this event is a success. Their ongoing efforts in organising speakers, sessions and workshops is truly commendable, and we are very grateful for it.

Science Week Early Bird registration is now open, I hope you can make it.

Stephen Alderman, CEO

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT



There seems to be a pattern where every time I reflect on my message for the College Courier, a natural disaster is occurring which affects our people, our animals and hence our work. The north island of New Zealand has recently been battered by severe weather events, most notably Cyclone Gabrielle, which warranted a national state of emergency to be declared by the NZ government. These significant weather events are becoming more frequent and the devastation more widespread. The recovery is long, tiring and costly.

To those in our community who are dealing with the recent events, and those who are still part of the recovery of the events of the last 2 years, our thoughts are with you. Look after yourselves so you can continue to care for your colleagues and the animals requiring assistance. Our friends at Vets for Climate Action are the veterinary voice advocating for policies that reduce Australia's climate pollution at local, state and federal level. Visit their website at vfca.org.au for more information on their objectives and how to get involved.

On a more positive note, the ANZCVS continues to progress in refining the creation and delivery of its examinations. The certification is being more frequently recognised outside of Australia and New Zealand as a benchmark of advanced training in specific fields which is leading to an increase in international candidates. While this is due recognition for the College's product, the College also needs to remain agile to ensure that increased complexity of exam delivery (particularly for the many time zones to be accommodated for during the oral examinations) can be managed. The College also needs to ensure that incoming members can continue to connect with the College thereby contributing to their Chapters to share knowledge and experience.

Hopefully you would have seen advertising on various platforms for College Science Week 2023 at the Gold Coast Exhibition and Convention Centre. Whilst a significant proportion of the organisation of the event has been outsourced, there is still a dedicated Science Week Committee of College members who are ensuring the conference meets the needs of the ANZCVS. Some significant improvements made this year include the provision of pre or post conference workshops being held by 9 Chapters. There will be a new format for Science Week social events: Happy Hour on the Thursday evening will now include poster sessions and delegates will have the opportunity to interact with poster authors. The Science Week Conference Dinner on Friday night will be a less formal event so delegates can catch up with friends and colleagues. The ANZCVS Awards Dinner on Saturday night will be a formal event where

family, friends and colleagues can celebrate the achievements of Membership, Fellowship and College Award Recipients. The Science Week committee has also approved the inaugural Social Program Development. Discounted entry and tickets for multiple attractions has already been secured for various local attractions. This may make it more attractive for families to come to the Gold Coast with conference delegates.

I would like to congratulate and thank all Chapter Science Week convenors for their superb effort in finalising their conference programs early. This allows the College to release the program earlier in the year and offer early bird registration, which ends on 24 May 2023.

Council has some challenges to face in the coming years with the recognition that the number of specialists being trained is not meeting the demand. This is a world-wide problem. Training programs in academia have reduced and private practices are often consumed with their core business and struggle to invest the time required to provide an excellent training program. We need to ensure that the skills our industry deems necessary in specialists are what are being taught and learnt during training – i.e. is the current model of Fellowship training and assessment still the most suitable model in the current era? We need to work collaboratively with academic institutions, private practices, larger corporate veterinary businesses and industry regulatory bodies such as the Advisory Committee on the Registration of Veterinary Specialists (ACRVS). Implementing significant changes to specialist training, which typically takes 3-5

years, will take time but is the key strategic focus area for this year.

Finally, as I write this at the end of February, my thoughts are with all our 2023 examination candidates as they enter the final few months of study. You have already demonstrated success in committing to improving your knowledge in your area of interest and if you remain committed to your goals, you will be rewarded.

Amy Lane, President



EXAMINATIONS REPORT

As we enter this new year, I want to thank all of our College office staff, Council members, Board of Examiners members, and examiners and observers for their incredible contributions to the College examinations process. We have hit the ground running in 2023 preparing for another large cohort of membership examinations and examining teams are busily working on their exams.

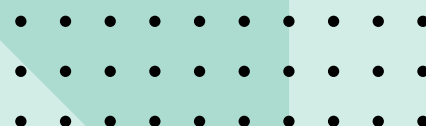
Over the weekend of 4-5 February, we had our virtual subject-based Examiner's Workshops. This format was first used in 2022 and was met with positive feedback. This virtual meeting allows for whole examining teams to meet rather than only being able to facilitate selected individuals meeting in person as we had done in previous years. The general Examiner's Training session was held in November 2022 thus examining teams were well prepared to begin writing their exams and bring strong working drafts to these February sessions. The examining teams met in virtual Teams meetings and had direct input from an appointed Board



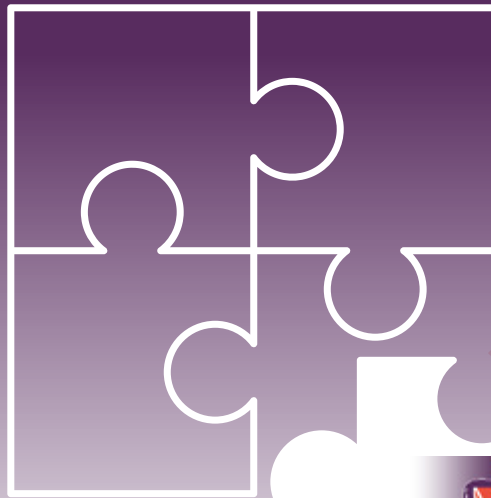
of Examiners representative. This format allows teams to receive real-time feedback from the BOE member. In addition, having the session held in real time allows for immediate answers to questions and clarification if there are misunderstandings. The BOE feels that this method of workshopping is an inclusive and sustainable approach to ensuring that our examination quality remains high.

I'd like to commend all the hard work of our examining teams and I am confident that this will be a great year! I'd also like to extend my best wishes to all of our Membership and Fellowship candidates who are hard at work preparing to sit their exams!

**Dr Jennifer Carter,
Chief Examiner**



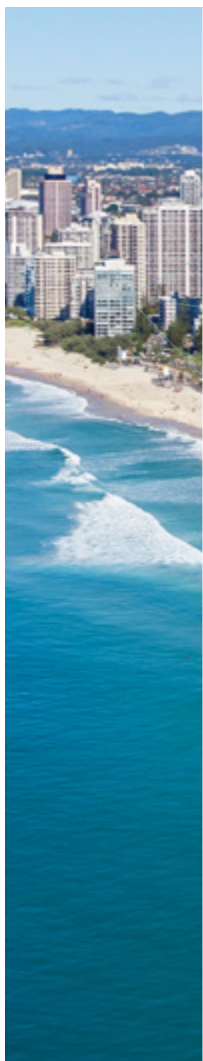
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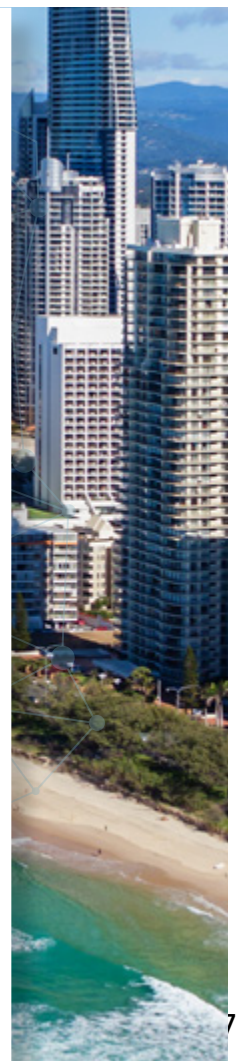


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2023

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27-29 July 2023

Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre
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PROJECT OFFICER REPORT

Dr Rachel Tan, Project Officer

Science Week 27 - 29 JULY 2023

REGISTRATION

Early bird registration is now open

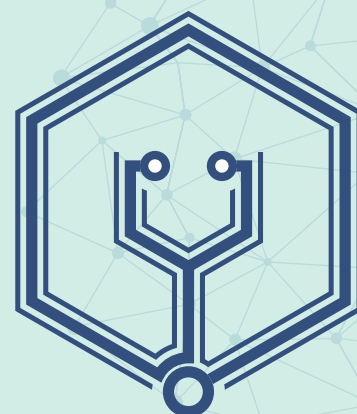
[Registrations | ANZCVS Science Week 2023 \(vetscienceweek.com.au\)](https://vetscienceweek.com.au)

Save up to \$300 on 3 Day Member registration prices up to 26 April.
Standard rates apply from 27 April 2023.

Discount accommodation packages with 3 hotel venues are also available to book during registration.

PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS

Ten chapters will be hosting pre-conference workshops on Wednesday 26th of July. Please stay tuned or follow one of our social media pages for details and upcoming registration.



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Chapter	Workshop
Veterinary Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation	Rehabilitation techniques, boost your laser, shockwave and therapeutic exercise know how
Radiology	CT in Practice
Veterinary Behaviour	Veterinary Behaviour Specialists and Residents Day
Dentistry	Topic to be confirmed
Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care	Topic to be confirmed
Epidemiology	Topic to be confirmed
Small Animal Medicine	Topic to be confirmed
Small Animal Surgery (1)	Members Day
Small Animal Surgery (2)	Residents & Specialists Day
Veterinary Public Health	Topic to be confirmed

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ABSTRACTS

Abstract submissions are open with information and guidelines available at <https://vetscienceweek.com.au/abstractsubmission/>. There are ten participating Chapters with options for in-person and poster presentations. Poster presentations will be displayed for the entirety of the conference in the exhibition hall with the ability for delegates to interact with authors during the Thursday evening Welcome and Happy Hour events.

ABSTRACT SUBMISSIONS OPEN

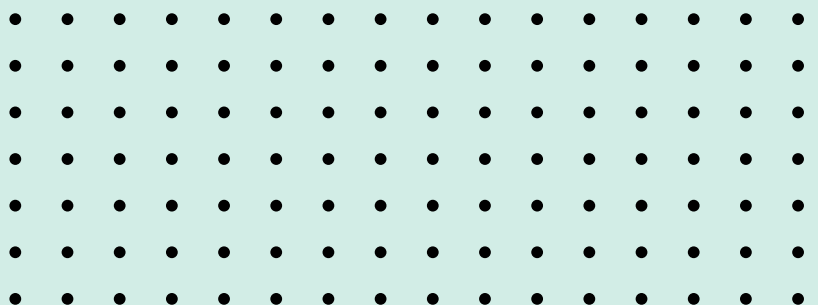
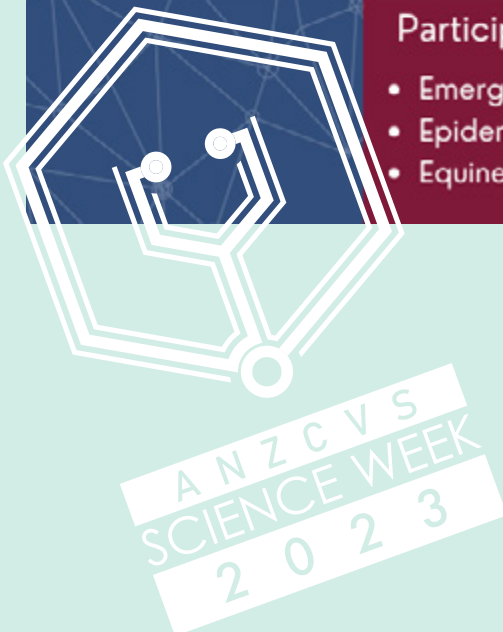
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Participating Chapters

- Emergency Critical Care
- Feline
- Small Animal Medicine
- Epidemiology
- Pathobiology
- Small Animal Surgery
- Equine
- Radiology
- Veterinary Public Health



Science Week 2023 Social Program

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.

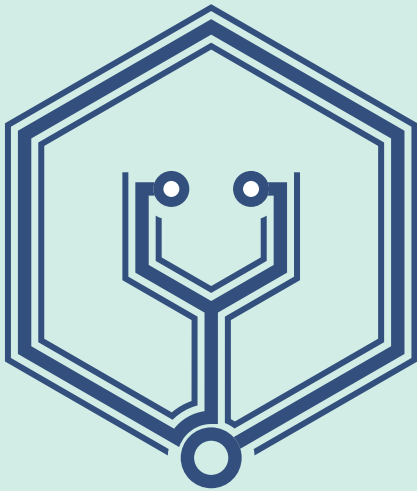
Friday 28 July:

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. Also included are Canapes and Street Food stations at event opening 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 \$125pp.

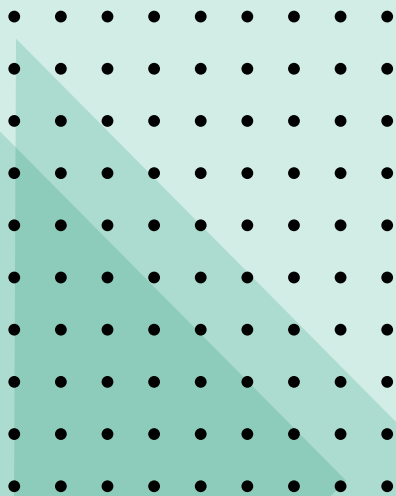
Saturday 29 July:

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 \$165pp.





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2023



Awards Dinner

SATURDAY JULY 29

RECOGNISE | HONOR | CELEBRATE

As new Members and Fellows, we invite you to receive your testamurs at this year's ANZCVS Awards Dinner. Celebrate with family friends and colleagues.

Tickets can be purchased with or independent of Science Week 2023 Registration.

Science Week Family Program

We have significant feedback from delegates on trying to offer an aligned program for families and partners who are also visiting. The College is currently in negotiation with several attraction providers to secure discounts for delegates. Currently 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). Registration links for these tickets will be available on the Science Week website in the next few months.

Due to scheduling conflicts at the GCCEC, 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 is proposing to trial an on-site kids activity provider for the Saturday. This might enable some families to join their parents for the weekend on the Gold Coast.

The current proposal is to schedule an activity provider from 8:20am to program close who can provide a full activity day for kids on site. We are in negotiation with Bricks 4 Kidz who are a well recognised and reputable provider of school holidays programs in Queensland.

To gauge interest and viability of the Saturday kids program, we would appreciate member feedback using the survey survey (<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JBGK563>).

SCIENCE WEEK 2024

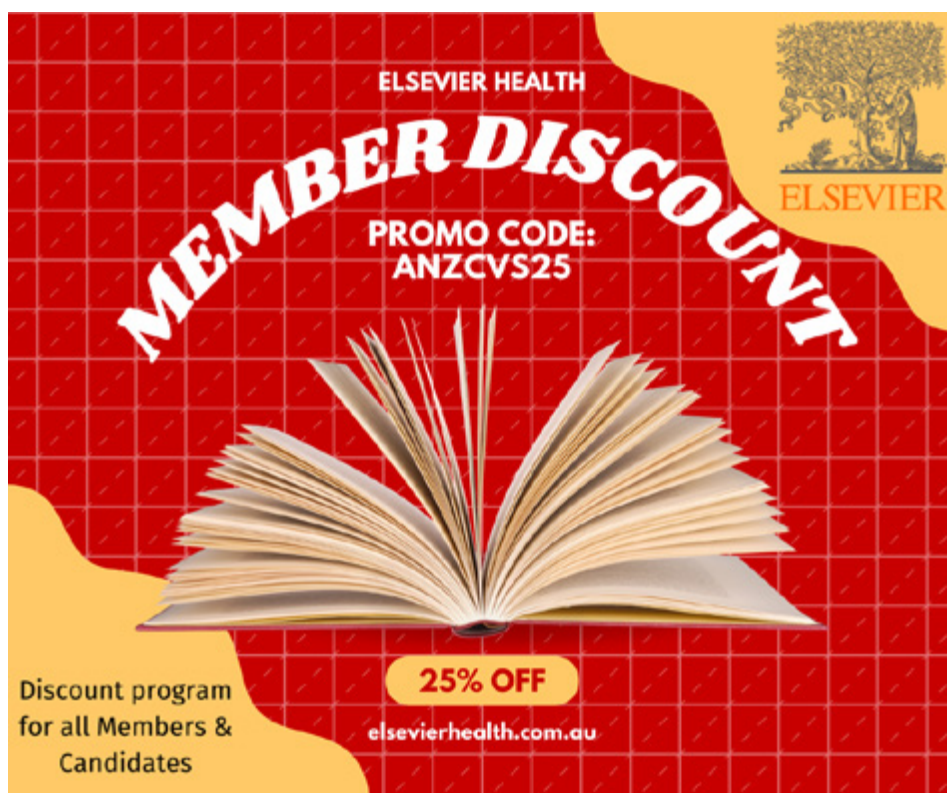
ANZCVS 2024 Science Week has been booked for the Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre (GCCEC) for Wednesday 24th July to Saturday 27th July 2024. The choice of venue was limited to allocation to the College of a government grant for the event. The 2025 event will be moving to a different city!



Examination Evolution and Support MCQ Pilot

The College is still recruiting volunteers to be involved in the MCQ pilot program to develop MCQ question banks. 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 would like to join these teams or participate for another Subject, please contact Dr Rachel Tan at po@anzcv.org.au for more information.



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COUNCIL ELECTIONS AND VOTING

The College Council is the body that administers the College on behalf of the Membership. Your involvement is essential. Two places on Council are available for election this year, with nominations for these positions currently being called.

Dr David Tabrett has indicated that he will stand for re-election to Council. Dr Tabrett is the current Honorary Treasurer and Chair of the Finance and Risk Committee.

Dr Allen Bryce has also indicated that he will stand for re-election to Council. Dr Bryce is the current Honorary Treasurer/ Secretary (New Zealand), Treasurer New Zealand Network, Chair of the Awards Committee and sits on the Finance and Risk Committee.

All members should consider nominating for Council if you have an interest in the future and objectives of the College and a desire to make a significant contribution to the veterinary profession. Councillors are offered directorship training and extensive support from the College office and find the experience of serving on Council to be a most rewarding and enjoyable one. All financial Members and Fellows of the College are eligible for nomination and election for Council. A nomination form is available [here](#).

As a member of the Australian and New Zealand College of Veterinary Scientists, you are encouraged to vote in the 2023 Council election. Council, as the Board of Directors of the College, manages the strategic objectives of the College and therefore significantly influences the future of the veterinary profession in Australia and New Zealand.



RESPONSIBILITIES OF COUNCILLORS

1. Councillors should hold copies of and be familiar with the current Constitution.
2. Councillors have an obligation to participate actively in College affairs and activities and to this end should familiarise themselves with the decisions of the Council and Board of Examiners by reading all Minutes, Policies, Memoranda and Reports distributed by the College Office. Councillors should respond to College issues raised in these documents.
3. Councillors should maintain an active interest in the affairs and activities of the College and its Chapters and provide an avenue of liaison and guidance.
4. Councillors have an obligation to attend in-person Council meetings and the Annual General Meeting where fares, accommodation and necessary meals are paid by the College.
5. Councillors should act as ambassadors for the College by promoting membership and fellowship.
6. Councillors have the same legal responsibilities as the directors of any company of limited liability.
7. All elected Councillors must be prepared to offer themselves for office.
8. Councillors will receive extensive support from College management staff, plus training in corporate governance

HOW TO NOMINATE

To Nominate for Council, please download and complete the online form available [here](#). Nominations close 20 May 2023.

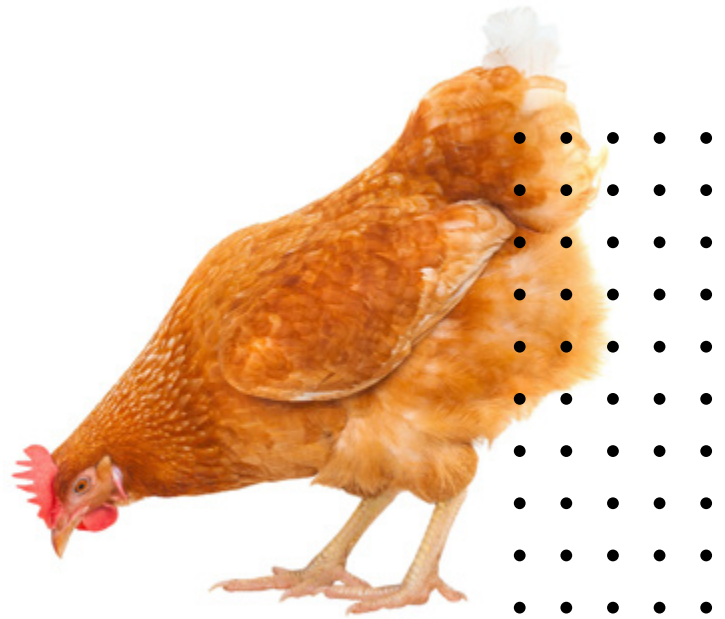
CHAPTERS

ANIMAL WELFARE

2023 Science Week Program highlights

We are very excited about this years program for Science Week. In addition to our full day on general animal welfare topics, we will be hosting joint sessions with three other chapters – Behaviour, Reproduction & Laboratory Animals. We have a great array of international & closer to home speakers. There will be a diverse range of topics covered including sentience and animal welfare legislation, brachycephalics, euthanasia of companion animals, boredom in animals and much more! Special thanks to our convenor Michelle Clatworthy for her amazing work!

Dr Dianne Evans
President



CATTLE

We have an exciting line up this year for the Cattle Chapter that will range in topics from reproduction to point of care testing and calf rearing welfare. We will be sharing our reproduction day with the Reproduction Chapter and it promises to be full of interesting presentations.

We will have 2 workshops in reproduction; one given by Mark Burgemeister on preparing for your reproductive programs financially and one given by Shane Thomson on the practical aspects of embryo transfer. There will be lots of opportunity for round table discussion and questions in these sessions.

Our main speaker will be Scott McDougall on the latest synchrony programs available both here and internationally.

We have several speakers talking about diagnostics and point of care testing with the latest information available and how to get the best results.

On our final day we will be looking at calf rearing and examination including a discussion by John House on calf lung ultrasound.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Dr Joey Rheinberger
President

Chapters continued...

DENTISTRY

Attention all veterinarians! Join us at Science Week 2023 for an exciting opportunity to gain new knowledge (and refresh the old stuff!) and socialise with other professionals in your field. The Veterinary Dentistry Chapter is proud to present a two-day series of lectures and a hands-on workshop on the topic of Veterinary Dentistry. Our expert speakers will cover a variety of topics related to oral health in animals, including Vital Pulpotomy, Management of Linguoverged Deciduous Mandibular Canines in Dogs, and Peripheral Caries in Horses.

On day one and two, attendees will have the chance to attend a series of informative lectures with some of the most knowledgeable and experienced veterinarians in the field. Day three will feature a hands-on workshop where you'll have the chance to put your newly acquired knowledge into practice. Our experienced instructors will guide you through a variety of practical exercises, helping you develop the skills and confidence you need to provide top-notch dental care for your animal patients.

Don't miss this chance to expand your expertise, connect with like-minded colleagues, and gain practical skills you can put to use in your practice. Register now for Science Week 2023!

Dr Aaron Forsayeth
Dentistry Science Week Convenor



DERMATOLOGY

At the end of 2022 the Dermatology Chapter welcomed a new executive with Jeylan Aslan as president and Tina Baxter as secretary. February also marked the inaugural World Veterinary Dermatology Day, established by the World Association of Veterinary Dermatology (WAVD), and held on 3 February. This day was chosen to celebrate the 170th anniversary of the birth of Hugo Schindelka, the father of veterinary dermatology! Hugo Schindelka was trained as both a human medical doctor and veterinarian and wrote the very first veterinary dermatology book "Hautkrankheiten bei Haustieren" (Skin Diseases of Pets) in 1901.



In recognition of World Veterinary Dermatology Day the WAVD has put together two virtual presentations; one on the history of Veterinary Dermatology and the second on the new WAVD Clinical Consensus Guidelines for equine allergic skin diseases. These can be viewed at <https://wavd.org/wvdd23/>

The Dermatology Chapter has also commenced a quarterly Chapter Journal Club with the first session held on February 5th to coincide with World Veterinary Dermatology Day. The Chapter Journal Club is open to all Chapter members plus dermatology residents and interns. The inaugural session had 20 attendees from across Australia and New Zealand and lots of excellent discussion of all things dermatology!

Dr Jeylan Aslan
President

EPIDEMIOLOGY AND VETERINARY PUBLIC HEALTH

Australian Centre for Disease Control consultation

In late 2022, the Epidemiology and Veterinary Public Health (VPH) Chapters were invited to provide a joint written submission, on behalf of the College, as part of the consultations on designing the Australian Centre for Disease Control (CDC). The resulting joint submission will be posted shortly on the Epidemiology and VPH webpages.

The CDC will improve pandemic preparedness and response, lead the federal response to future disease outbreaks, and work to prevent both non-communicable and communicable diseases.

Written submissions will be used to help shape the scope, functions and responsibilities of an Australian CDC and inform how it can best communicate and coordinate across commonwealth, state and territory governments, and non-government organisations.

Feedback from this process will be considered and synthesised to help the Australian Department of Health and Aged Care in refining the CDC model.

Updated Membership guidelines

The Epidemiology Chapter membership guidelines have recently been updated and can be found on the College website: [Veterinary Epidemiology \(windows.net\)](https://www.vetsciences.edu.au/veterinary-epidemiology/windows.net). Many thanks the Chapter's Subject Standards Committee and Subject Examinations Committee (Membership) for your time and effort in bringing the guidelines up to date. A reminder the Epidemiology Chapter is now holding Membership exams every year (previously every second year) - we wish all

candidates sitting Membership exams in 2023 the best in these final months of preparation!

The VPH Chapter is now offering Membership exams biannually with the next round in 2024. The Chapter's Membership guidelines are currently being updated by VPH's Subject Standards Committee.

Science Week 2023

Preparations for Science Week 2023 are well underway. This year the Epidemiology and VPH chapters will be running shared sessions themed 'Pandemic Preparedness', which will culminate in a panel discussion featuring leaders from across the One Health spectrum. We are also planning a one-day, combined Epidemiology and VPH, pre-conference workshop.

VPH will be also co-hosting Science Week presentations with colleagues in the Animal Welfare and Pharmacology Chapters. More details will follow with the College's announcement of the preliminary programme in April.

Finally, abstract submissions are open, so we invite submissions via the Science Week portal at <https://vetscienceweek.com.au/abstractsubmission/>.

For any queries about Science Week 2023, the Epidemiology science week convenor is Brent Jones, who can be contacted at:

swconvenorepi@anzcvcs.org.au

Allen Petrey is the VPH Science Week convenor, contactable at:

swconvenorvph@anzcvcs.org.au

Dr Skye Fruean
President Epidemiology
Dr Elizabeth Parker
President Veterinary Public Health

Chapters continued...

MEDICINE AND MANAGEMENT OF LABORATORY ANIMALS

The year is progressing fast and there are a few important things happening on the MMLA front. One is that planning for Science Week is in full gear. A few weeks ago, our trusty Science Week Convenor, Dr Mandy Errington, sent out information regarding Science Week. We hope you all had a chance to consider her message, but I'll summarise her message below just in case you missed it. Another development that will impact members is the release of the final draft of the Openness Agreement on Animals in Research in Australia prepared by The Australian and New Zealand Council for the Care of Animals in Research and Teaching (ANZCCART). This movement will likely gain traction this year with the proposed launch mid-year, and along with Science Week, should make 2023 memorable.

First up is Science Week. This year it 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 27 and Friday 28 July. Friday will include a collaborative program with the Animal Welfare Chapter. Science Week concludes on Saturday 29 July..

We have 1 ½ days to fill with exciting presentations. We are still welcoming submissions for 30-minute to one-hour presentations, so get in quick! If you know someone who is not a Chapter member who may be interested, please pass this on and ask them to get in touch. Come to think of it, spread the word about Science Week in general. Attendees do not need to belong to the College, and this is the only vet specific conference program in Aust/NZ. It is always good fun. As well as the informative program

content, it is an amazing opportunity to network, share ideas and frustrations, and develop new connections.

Speaking of sharing ideas, ANZCCART is now finalising an Openness Agreement on Animals in Research in Australia. This initiative takes after several other countries that have opened-up to the public with success (the UK, EU, New Zealand, etc.) and aims to follow suit in Australia. The project has been overseen by a working group with representation from peak bodies including the Australian Veterinary Association, NHMRC, Australian Research Council, CSIRO, Medicines Australia, RSPCA Australia, UAR's new Oceania branch, Humane Research Australia, Australia New Zealand Laboratory Animal Association (ANZLAA) and representative bodies of medical research institutes and scientific societies.

The Australian openness agreement underwent a round of public consultation last year and is currently undergoing a final round of consultation within the research community. It is expected that a finalised version will be issued with invitations to organisations to become signatories from late April. The launching of this and the other openness agreements (as well as one under development in the US) are an important step towards a more informed public discourse, and improved ethical and welfare standards when animals are used for scientific purposes.

For more information about MMLA's Science Week program or the Openness Agreement, please contact any one of the MMLA Executive Team. Have a great couple of months and we hope to see you all in July!

Dr Emily Barrick
President

ONCOLOGY

The Oncology Chapter do not have any candidates sitting fellowship examinations in 2023 so our annual meeting to write and prepare the examination was not required at the end of last year. We look forward to the meeting later this year in preparation for the 2024 exams!

However, Drs Kathleen O'Connell and Elias Gumpel have been keeping busy planning the 2023 Science Week program. Our Oncology chapter will be meeting on the Saturday of Science Week again. This is planned for an in-person conference at the Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre (not a hybrid event this year). We have an exciting line up of speakers including surgical oncologists and a discussion regarding surgical margins. We thank Kathleen and Elias for their efforts in organising the Science Week program. Registration has opened for Science Week 2023 and an Early Bird discount of \$300 is available up to the 26 April 2023

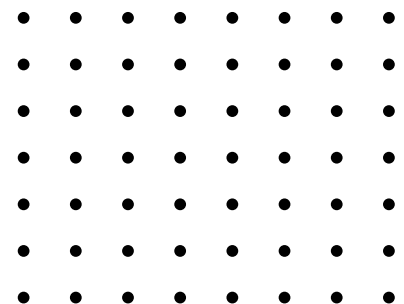
for the 3 day program. There is a new format for Science Week social events based on member feedback and the lifting of many COVID restrictions- check out the conference schedule. We also plan to organise another Oncology dinner at Science Week this year after a fun Chapter dinner last year.

Dr Claire Cannon is also organising the resident review workshop for 2023, aiming for a fully online event in April 2023. If you need any further details, please contact Dr Cannon or myself.

Finally, thank you to Dr John Blaxill for organising our monthly online journal club. It's great to see this continue and to see so many people engaging with interesting discussions and journal reviews.

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

Dr Laura Brockley
President
(presidentvetonco@anzcvs.org.au)



Chapters continued...



SMALL ANIMAL MEDICINE

2023 is underway and our examination teams have been working hard to deliver this year's exams. Thank you to everyone who has volunteered their time and efforts.

Science Week (27-29 July) is up and running and we have a stellar line-up of local and international speakers. The chapter is excited to announce that we are holding a practical workshop "Interventional Procedure pre-conference Workshop: Respiratory and Urinary Procedures" on Wednesday 26 July for those that wish to attend. This will be coordinated by Carrie Palm and William Culp and should be a very insightful workshop. More information on this is to follow.

We are also excited to announce a social gathering for members of this chapter on one evening of Science Week. This is a chance for us to connect as a chapter and get to know each other better. Hopefully we can see you all there!

The AGM will also be held at Science Week in both a virtual and in person manner. Login details will be sent out closer to the date. All members are encouraged to come along. It will be my first as president so I'll do the best I can to run it smoothly and forgive me for any hiccups along the way.

As always reach out if you need and keep learning everyone.

Dr Luke Johnston
President

SMALL RUMINANT

Most chapter members have been very busy advising on worm control to sheep and goat farmers. Worm numbers have dramatically increased after flooding and the warm wet conditions in most parts of Australia and New Zealand. The situations has been made worse due to lack of availability of some worm drenches due to high demand.

A factsheet on caring for goats after floods has been added to the chapter's home page just under the information on FAMACHA cards, which are the main fund raising method of the chapter.

There is now a new national goat Market Assurance Program (MAP) for goats that has 3 modules:

- General biosecurity
- Caprine Arthritis Encephalitis (CAE)
- Johne's Disease

Details are on the Animal Health Australia website. See <https://animalhealthaustralia.com.au/goatmap/>. Also the Chapter president has 2 recorded Zoom webinars explaining the new CAE MAP on her @goatvetoz Youtube channel. See https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KlzZE_GOZss&t=1s for CAE and general MAP information and <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ne9rvcaHCxg&t=217s> for how to fill out the forms. Any registered veterinarian can now be the consulting veterinarian for these MAP schemes for goats so many small animal vets are being asked to do this for pet goat owners.

Dr Sandra Baxendell
President

SURGERY

Dear Fellow Surgeons,

I trust this finds everyone safe and well.

The Surgery Chapter Committee have finalised the Science Week programme and are very pleased to announce that Professor Antonio Pozzi from the University of Zurich and Professor Dan Lewis from the University of Florida will be headlining the programme. Antonio and Dan are excellent speakers with a wealth of knowledge and we hope they will provide much practical information and knowledge to our Members and Fellows. We encourage all Chapter Members to attend what promises to be an interesting and informative 2023 Science Week.

Our programme will have two streams on the Wednesday, one for Members and one for Residents and Specialists.

We will also have a collaborative session with our colleagues from the Radiology Chapter. We hope to have a very successful Science Week and again urge all Members to attend.

The Chapter has also partnered with Four Limb Surgical Solutions to run a Post Conference Workshop. The hands on workshop is led by Dr Philippe Buttin and covers applications of synthetic ligament and use of interference screws covering tendon repair and ligament replacement. This is an excellent course and highly recommended. See the link below.

The programme to date is thus:

[Link to pdf of Programme](#)

[Link to pdf of Workshop](#)

The Chapter AGM will be held via Zoom in early July 2023 – details to follow.

I will not be continuing on as Chapter President as my health has deteriorated, however Dr Abbie Tipler has indicated she would stand in as President until the AGM. If anyone else is interested in any positions within the Chapter Executive please contact Dr Tipler.

Again I urge all new and current Members to be active within your Chapter:

- Volunteer to be an examiner
- Volunteer to be a committee member
- Help with Science Week – as a speaker or session chair

On a personal note, I retired from clinical practice at the end of November 2022 due to my health. This was a very difficult decision and I wish to thank all Chapter Members for their support and friendship over my career.

Dr Philip Moses
President



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VETERINARY BEHAVIOUR

2023 has begun with a great rush of enthusiasm and opportunities for coming together and sharing knowledge.

Membership Examination Guidelines Update:

The College has recently updated the guidelines for the Membership Exams coming up in 2023. We strongly encourage all Membership Candidates to check the College website to ensure they have the latest guidelines for directing their studies. If necessary, please get in touch with your mentor to discuss.

Webinar for Behaviour Chapter Members, Fellows and Candidates for 2023:

Dr Jacqui Ley will be presenting a webinar to current Members & Fellows and Membership Candidates for 2023 on Wed 8th March 8pm (AEDT) on "The Psychology You Need To Know". This will assist in preparing candidates for their upcoming exams. All members, fellows and current candidates are invited to attend, however, there is a

limited capacity for the live event. An email invitation has been sent with instructions on how to register. If you are a current member, fellow or candidate and have not received the email, please get in touch asap.

Science Week 2023:

Dr Ash Hargreaves has been hard at work preparing a fantastic scientific programme for the Behaviour Chapter for 2023. All possible presentation slots have been filled, so it is jam-packed with fabulous presenters and is sure to bring a great deal of wonderful new knowledge and food for thought to all attendees. We are very much looking forward to joining with all our veterinary colleagues in July.

Dr Bronwen Bollaert
President



VETERINARY SPORTS MEDICINE AND REHABILITATION

The VSMR Science Week Convenors have been very busy these past few months organising speakers and sponsors not only for the 3 exciting days of the Science Week Conference, but also for our first ever hands-on pre-conference workshop on Wednesday 26 July 2023!

The pre-conference workshop is entitled “Rehabilitation Techniques: Boost Your Laser, Shockwave and Therapeutic Exercise Know-How”, with space strictly limited to 20 attendees to maximise your hands on training. Our engaging international speakers include Dr Kara Amstutz, Dr Cara Blake and Dr Naomi Boyd. More information will follow soon regarding registering for the pre-conference workshop. The event is likely to sell out quickly, so book your slot as early as possible. As it is open to members and non-members, if you have any colleagues interested in these topics, please encourage them to attend as well.

This year we have not only grown to providing a 3-day stream of Science Week lectures, but have also been very fortunate to have a number of international speakers present (in person!) across a range of topics. Our theme for this year’s conference is based around osteoarthritis. Our Keynote speaker for VSMR-Canine is Dr Kristin Kirkby-Shaw, and she will be providing 4 lectures over 2 days. Our other international speakers in the canine stream are Dr Kara Amstutz and Dr Cara Blake. In the equine stream, we are excited to have international speakers Dr David Levine and Dr Rana Bozorgmanesh present. Our local speakers for both the canine and equine streams are also leaders in their field, and include a combination of veterinarians and physiotherapists working in the field of VSMR. We are combining some of our day 2 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. More details will be available soon!

We are planning to hold our AGM on Thursday 27 July 2023 from 5.30-6.00pm 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!

I look forward to seeing everyone at Science Week!

Dr Yoko Clinch
President & Science Week Co-Convenor

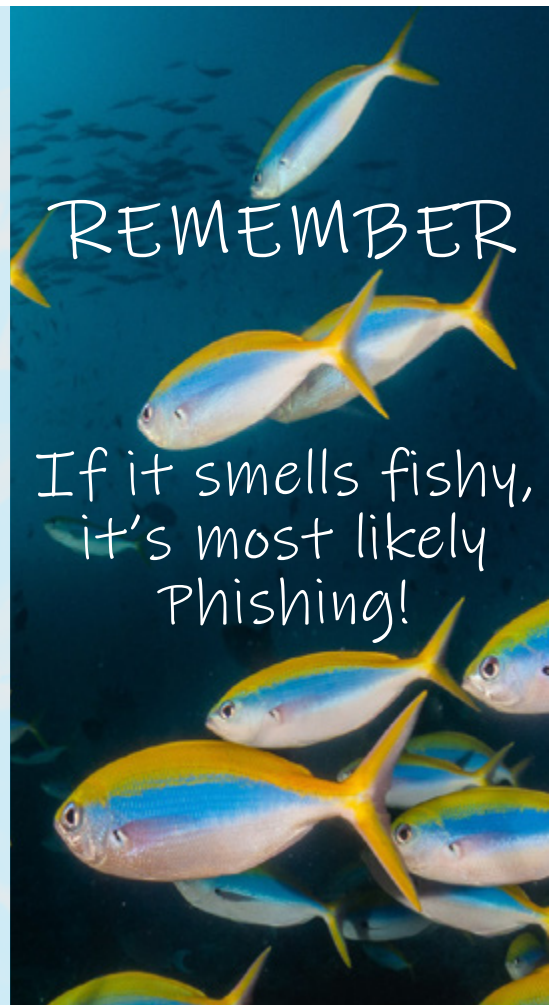
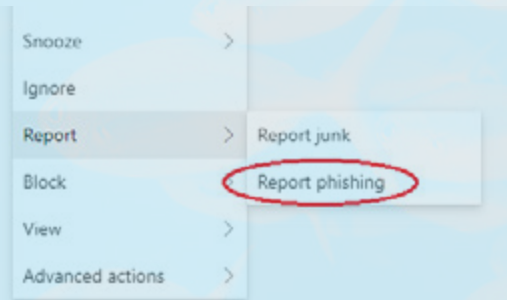
CYBER SECURITY ALERT!

We have been notified of a recent phishing attempt and would like to take this opportune moment to remind our members to be vigilant against suspicious emails and phishing attempts.

What is Phishing? Find out more on the Australian Government's Cyber Security Centre - Phishing - scam emails | [Cyber.gov.au](https://www.cyber.gov.au)

And if you do find yourself a recipient of a phishing attempt, you can report the email as phishing; this will send it to your junk folder and notify Microsoft, which in turn will help filter these emails in the future.

Simply right-click on the suspicious email, hover the cursor over Report and click on Report Phishing.



ANZCVS 2023 KEY DATES



- March**
COLLEGE COURIER
- Call for Council nominations
 - 2 JUN** ○ Council nominations close
 - 6 JUN** ○ Membership Written Examinations
Fellowship Written Examinations paper 1
 - 7 JUN** ○ Fellowship Written Examinations paper 2
 - 8 JUN** ○ Membership Practical Examinations
 - 24 & 25 JUN** ○ Fellowship Practical/Oral Examinations
 - 1-3 JUL** ○ Membership Oral Examinations

- 14 JUL** ○ Voting for Council closes
- 27-29 JUL** ○ Science Week
Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre
- 28 JUL** ○ College AGM
- 28 JUL** ○ Conference Dinner
- 29 JUL** ○ Awards Dinner

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