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EDITOR'S DESK

Welcome to the final edition of the College Courier for 2019. It's been a busy and exciting year for the College as we reflect on the past 50 years of the College and continue to plan for strategic and sustainable growth of the College, whilst keeping Members at the forefront of everything we do.

On behalf of the College Council, Board of Examiners and College staff, we wish you and your family happy and safe holidays.



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CORRECTIONS

We regret and apologise for the following omissions and errors in the August College Courier:

New Fellow, Penny Thomas' biography was incorrect. Please view the correct version [here](#).

The VAA Chapter article was omitted. Please view it [here](#).

➔ PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dr Zoe Lenard, President



As the year draws towards a close, it is good to reflect on what we as a College community have achieved through the year.

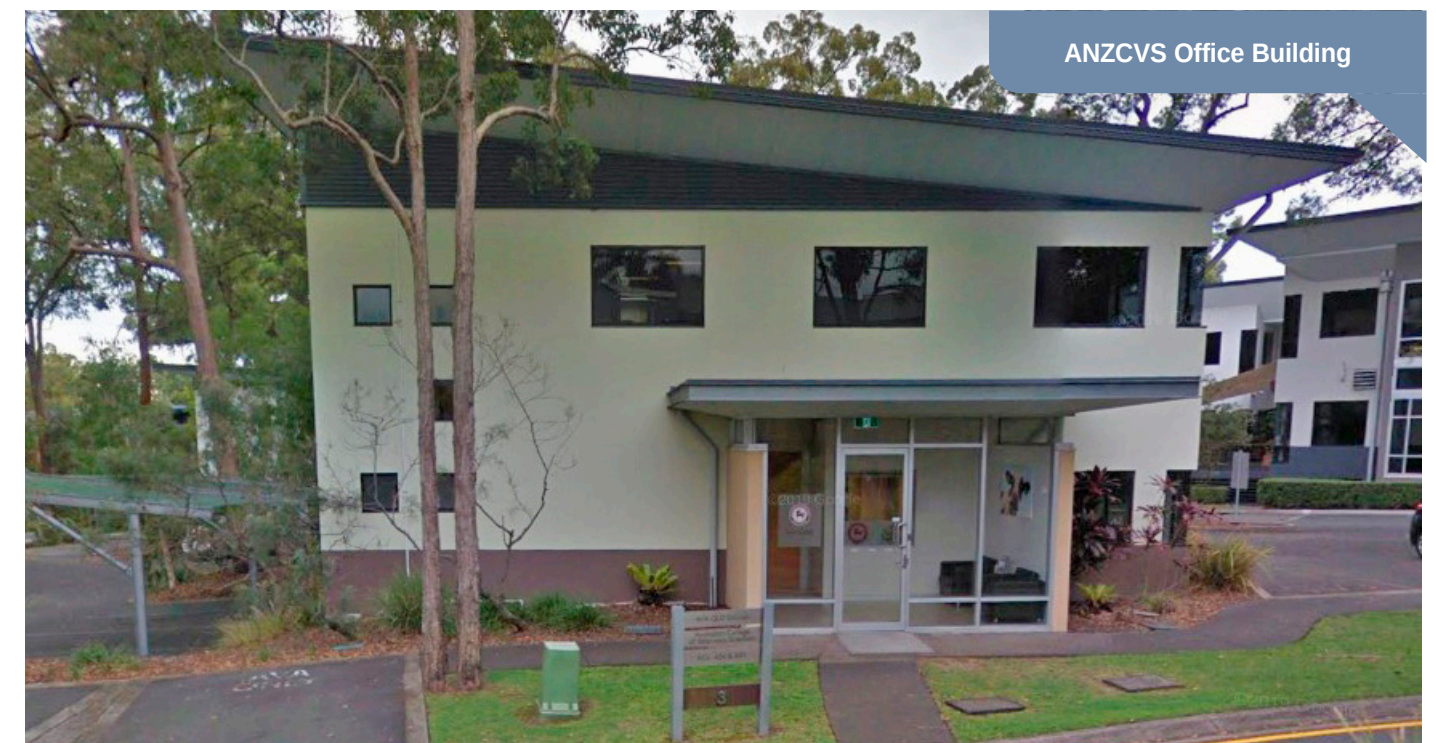
The College has taken residence in its "new" office, downstairs at 2404 Logan Road, Eight Mile Plains. After over a decade sharing the building formally known as AVA House with the Queensland division of the AVA, we traded places after purchasing the building in September. This allows our office team of eight to expand and the Queensland division are continuing

their good relationship, moving upstairs as tenants. The move went very smoothly.

Reflection on Science Week 2019 occurred in August, with the Science Week team meeting in person to work out how to improve the event in 2020. Staying with The Star, there are some exciting new changes to next years' format, both in better engagement of members and continued delivery of excellence in scientific programming, as well as focusing on our cultural diversity.

**STAYING WITH
THE STAR IN 2020!
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ANZCVS Office Building



Council reviewed its strategic plan in September in a 2-day meeting at the new office in Brisbane. The session was facilitated by the excellent Dr Mark Burgemeister, who, in addition to being a long-standing Member of the Cattle Chapter, is a talented facilitator, strategic thinker and trainer. The session was successful and highly enjoyable, and we look forward to publishing the strategic plan in the New Year.

A few changes have occurred in the ANZCVS office Team. We welcome new staff member, Ms Libby Scharf who is working in an administrative assistant role. Libby has experience in working with membership organisations and medical environs and we look forward to introducing her to our Members.

We sadly farewelled Mr Shane Klintworth as CEO in late October. Although only in the role for a relatively short time, Shane was instrumental in helping guide the Council through complex negotiations regarding the College office location, culminating in the purchase of AVA House.

Shane's other achievements included starting the work of reviewing our information, technology and communication systems, and reviewing our organisational culture. Shane was keen to harness College skills more efficiently in a manner that crossed Chapter boundaries, particularly in the fields of wellness and wellbeing, and this is a process that we will continue to focus on.

Shane left the ANZCVS to pursue a senior leadership role for a

not-for-profit in the disability sector. He reflected to me that he was blown away by the positivity and dedication of College members and staff and their



Our staff will take a well-earned break in late December. They may be known to many of you (particularly those of you who interact with exams), but many of you may not interact with the team.

They work hard for our College to get the best out of exams, Science Week and member services, often quietly in the background with little acknowledgement. I encourage you to email the office and share your thanks with our staff for all that they do for our College.

Exams:
Robyn Pettigrew and
Lynda Kennedy

Administration/Management:
Mary Anne Hiscutt
Sharon Tinsley
Libby Scharf

support for excellence in the veterinary profession. We wish him all the best. Council has commenced a recruitment process to hire our next CEO. In our transitional phase from an operational to a strategic Council, and given the ongoing growth in our College, the role of the CEO is vital for sustainability into the future. Our hard working and loyal staff continue their work in exams, management and member engagement/events planning, as well as enacting some of our strategic goals (including transitioning to electronic assessment). We hope to announce a new appointment shortly.

Membership and Marketing:
Thy Boskovic

Projects: Rachel Tan

I would like to thank you for your ongoing support of my Presidency and the work of our Council.

It is a privilege to work with the team of Council and all our volunteers (Board of Examiners, examiners, Chapter executives, Council committees).

I hope that whatever your plans are over this Christmas and holiday season, you are safe and can spend time with your loved ones.

Merry Christmas
Zoe

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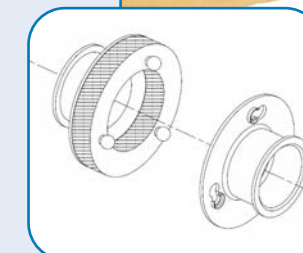
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➔ EXAMINATIONS REPORT

CHAPTER SUPPORT OF THEIR 2020 ENROLLED CANDIDATES

As we come to the close of examination enrolments for 2020 it is not only an important time for Chapters offering exams to forward their

examiner nominations to the College office but also for Chapters to consider how they will help those candidates enrolled in preparing for examinations.

The vision of the Board of Examiners when they split the Chapter Examiner Committee (CEC) into two committees for each subject was that the Subject Standards Committee (SSC) branch would not only update subject guidelines as needed but develop

mentoring and study group programs for their enrolled candidates.

Below is an extract from the Subject Committees Handbook:

1.3 Promote Mentoring and Candidate Preparation

A number of Chapters have promoted mentoring by way of study groups, webinars, and podcasts.

It is recommended that the SSC keep a list of available study groups or people willing to mentor candidates in their discipline. The College office often has enquiries from candidates regarding mentoring, to which they are directed to the College website mentor list. It is envisaged as SSC develop their mentoring/ education programs the College office will also direct candidates to the Chair of the SSC for further information on mentoring activities by the Chapter.

Some Chapter education initiatives include:

- ANZCVS Avian Chapter Membership Training [Video](#)
- Membership study group: University of Melbourne, DEDJTR, AAHL - [Epidemiology](#)
- Veterinary Pharmacology Study Course [Modules](#)

Links to information for candidates regarding the College oral examinations and past exam papers:

- Oral Examination Information to Assist [Candidates](#)
- Sample Written [papers](#)
- Sample Fellowship examination [papers](#)

As subjects develop ideas for study groups or mentoring programs, we can include and build on suggestions in the Handbook, which may help other Chapters develop their programs.

Please note that Chapter members on the Subject Examinations Committee (SEC) must not be involved in mentoring as they are the examination developers. This includes any Chapter President or Executive as some may also be examiners in 2020.

We look forward to hearing of the success stories from the development of your Chapter's mentoring program.

ENROLMENT NUMBERS FOR 2020 EXAMINATIONS

The enrolment numbers for 2020 membership examinations are the highest in College history, with 386 membership enrolments over a range of 25 subjects.

It is great to see a substantial increase in our newest subjects in Veterinary Practice. The three large subjects – Emergency and Critical Care, Small Animal Medicine and Surgery – all have around 60 enrolled candidates. However it is always pleasing to see the enrolment numbers increase in all Chapters subjects, therefore increasing the number of members in all College Chapters.

Currently fellowship credentials are under review and it is expected that there will be 21 fellowship candidates over eight subjects, which is similar to the number of enrolments in recent

years. For credentialing candidates it can be a nerve racking time waiting to receive confirmation if their credential documents have been approved, the last hurdle before preparing for exams. We wish all fellowship candidates all the best in their examination preparation.

EXAMINERS WORKSHOP 2020

The Board of Examiner is thankful that the Council continue to support the initiative of the Examiner Workshop.

From the first one held in February 2013 these workshop have grown in strength and popularity with many subjects expressing interest in attending. As numbers are restricted the Board reviews what subjects are being offered in the coming year before inviting subject examiners.

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It is a busy time over the coming months with examination development in full swing. On behalf of the Board of Examiners, thank you and best wishes to the extensive number of volunteers the College examinations rely on, from credential reviewers, examiners and SEC Chair exam reviewers.

A special thanks also to members of the Board of Examiners who tirelessly dedicate their time by contributing to continued improvement of the College training program and examination processes.

Wishing you all a happy holiday season.

Thank You Volunteers ❤️

COLLEGE NEWS

→ Dr Rachel Tan
Project Officer



LIFE MEMBERSHIP

It has been brought to our attention that the majority of Members are unaware of our Life Member Policy. This policy covers all Members and Fellows if they have retired from full time employment and wish to apply for Life Membership or Fellowship.

Members/Fellows are eligible for Life Membership/Fellowship if they have retired from full time employment, **AND** have: **EITHER** reached the age of 60 years **OR** been a College member for 30 continuous years or more.

Life Members/Fellows are exempt from payment of annual fees and levies but retain all their rights and privileges including the right to vote and continuing membership of chapters willing to accept them as a Life Member/Fellow.

For more information and to apply, please view the Life Membership [Policy](#) on our website.

HIGHLIGHT ON SCIENCE WEEK LECTURES – SMALL ANIMAL MEDICINE AND DERMATOLOGY!

The Members of the Small Animal Medicine Chapter were privileged to have Professor Karin Allenspach from Iowa State University deliver a series

of lectures. Dr Allenspach holds a PhD in veterinary immunology from the University of Bern, Switzerland, for her work on canine chronic enteropathies. We were fortunate that she agreed to have 6 of her lectures recorded this year which focused on various aspects of inflammatory bowel disease.

The Dermatology chapter had a great selection of local speakers including Dr Greg Burton who is the director of the Animal Skin, Ear and Allergy

Service at the Melbourne Veterinary Specialist Centre and Principle Fellow in Dermatology at the University of Melbourne Veterinary Teaching Hospital. His professional interests are canine atopic dermatitis and topical therapy in the management of skin diseases. Available online are two of his lectures on the use of Cytopoint and Apoquel.

Videos from SW 2019 are available by login to the member [portal](#).

DERMATOLOGY SCIENCE WEEK VIDEOS

INFLAMMATION, VIRUSES AND TUMOURS: WHAT CLINICIANS SHOULD KNOW CANCER BIOLOGY - DAVID ARGYLE

Inflammation, viruses and tumours: what clinicians should know ...

- EBV/HHV4: 1964, detected by EM from African patients with Burkitt's lymphoma.
- Unusual geographical distribution suggested an environmental cause such as a virus.
- However, African patients had EBV+ tumours, others lacked EBV.
- ? Did not follow the Galilean principles of causality (i.e. the virus is both necessary and



MAINTENANCE OF CREDENTIALS (MOC)

The second draft of the MOC guidelines has been released and minor amendments made following feedback. The proposed final guideline for implementation on July 1st, 2020 can be downloaded [here](#).

There have been a number of recurring questions posed by Members about the specifics of the MOC guidelines. A FAQ document has been written to address these questions and can be viewed on our website [here](#).

The College would like to highlight to Members and Fellows that under

no circumstance will you lose your post nominals as long as you are a financial member of the College. This is independent of each individual's MOC status.

The decision of the individual to participate in the MOC program needs to be considered in view of whether an inactive MOC status will impact on their professional life.

At this time, the AVBC has no regulations on whether Fellows wishing to attain or maintain their specialist registration will be required to adhere to MOC requirements.

Another ongoing concern is the recording of case numbers. There

will be **NO** requirement for individuals to maintain individually identifiable case logs.

The MOC guidelines simply require you to document the NUMBER of cases or hours of work per month or quarter. Please also see the FAQs regarding inclusion of representing patients/cases and report in case of audit.

ACCESS TO LIBRARY RESOURCES FOR MEMBERS AND CANDIDATES

In the last eNews, discussion of access to library resources for Members was included. Please view the information on our website [here](#).

If you have any questions or feedback on any of the above projects, please contact me via email at po@anzcvcs.org.au.

THE MOC PROGRAM MAY ALSO BE IMPORTANT FOR FUTURE PROGRESSION TOWARDS RECOGNITION OF AN "ADVANCED PRACTITIONER" STATUS.

EXCITING NEW CHANGE TO THE COLLEGE AWARDS DINNER

CANDIDATE TESTAMUR CHANGES

The College has been considering ongoing feedback from a large number of candidates that they have neither the additional leave from employment or energy to attend Science Week and/or accept their testamur the same year that they undertake their examinations. Council has recently approved a policy to allow successful candidates the opportunity to elect to receive their testamur the year completed or following year after the successful completion of exams.

Eligible Members will be contacted in due course with more information.



AWARD FORMAT CHANGES

Council has also recently approved to reformat the Awards Dinner to an Awards Ceremony, which will take place at 5.30pm on the final day of Science Week on Saturday 11 July 2020, at The Star, Gold Coast.

The Awards Ceremony will be free for all candidates and encourage more family, friends, Members and general public to attend to congratulate new Members and Fellows as well as College Award winners. The new format will be similar to University graduations.

New Members and Fellows, Award winners and their guests are then invited to continue the celebration at the Conference Cocktail Party beginning at 7pm, where they will also be recognised throughout the evening. Tickets to the Conference Cocktail Party are \$85 per person and can be purchased mid-March 2020.

SATURDAY 11 JULY 2020

5.30pm Awards Ceremony

6.30pm Post Awards Ceremony and
Pre-cocktail Party drinks

7.00pm Conference Cocktail Party



AWARD CITATIONS 2019

Award citations from the College Awards Dinner 2019 are now available on our website for viewing.

[VIEW HERE](#)

COLLEGE AWARD NOMINATIONS

Nominations for the College Awards are now open and we would like to encourage members to consider nominating a veterinary peer or colleague for one of the prestigious College Awards in 2020.

College Awards:

- College Prize
- Ian Clunies Ross Memorial Award
- Fellowship Training Scholarship
- Fellowship Research Grant
- Meritorious Service Award
- Most Commendable Paper in an International Journal
- Membership Travel Grant

The closing date for all Awards is 28 February 2020. Nominations should comply with the relevant criteria available on our [website](#), and should be forwarded to the College office.

For assistance please contact Dr Allen Bryce, Chair of the College Awards Committee, by directing your enquiry through the College office.

SCIENCE WEEK 2020

SAVE THE DATE

9-11 July 2020
The Star, Gold Coast

INDUSTRY EXHIBITIONS AND SPONSORSHIP

Industry exhibition and sponsorship bookings are now open. If you know of a company that would benefit from getting in front of up to 1000 leading veterinarians from Australia and New Zealand, please direct them to the conference website www.vetscienceweek.com.au or contact Thy Boskovic at marketing@anzcvs.org.au for more information.

Registrations for Science Week will open in March 2020.

Planning for Science Week 2020 is well on the way as we plan to deliver another cutting-edge veterinary scientific conference.

Twenty-three Chapters will be offering a program at Science Week, along with pre and post conference workshops from six Chapters. The College is also exploring the possibility of running additional workshops covering resilience and change management. Stay tuned for more information.

The Science Week Committee is also pleased to present the inaugural Conference Cocktail Party, which will conclude Science Week. Featuring a live band, charismatic entertainer and a lively MC, the Conference Cocktail Party will celebrate collegiality and the College as we head into our 50th year anniversary celebrations.

Visit www.vetscienceweek.com.au to keep up to date.

ABSTRACTS

Scientific abstract submissions for selected Chapters will open on 13 January 2020 via our online submission's portal on the Science Week website.

Don't miss this opportunity to showcase your research amongst Australia and New Zealand's leading veterinarians.

Poster and oral abstract submissions will be accepted.





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KEY DATES

Abstracts open
13 January 2020

Registrations open
9 March 2020

Early bird registrations
close 30 April 2020

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NEW ASSOCIATE MEMBERS 2019

The College would like to warmly welcome our new Associate Members:

DR KELLAM BAYLEY
Ophthalmology Chapter
Lower Hutt, New Zealand

DR NELLIE CHOI
Dermatology Chapter
Western Australia, Australia

DR ELEANOR MARDELL
Feline Chapter
Cheshire, United Kingdom

PROF ROMY HEILMANN
Small Animal Medicine
Bautzen, Germany

DR WILLIANA BASUKI
Veterinary Dentistry Chapter
Queensland, Australia

DR MARTINA MOSING
Veterinary Anaesthesia and Analgesia
Chapter, Western Australia, Australia

DR MATHIEU RAILLARD
Veterinary Anaesthesia and Analgesia
Chapter, New South Wales, Australia

DR MATTHIAS LE CHEVOIR
Small Animal Medicine Chapter
Singapore

DR SAMANTHA TAYLOR
Feline Chapter
Hampshire, United Kingdom

HONORARY FELLOWS

DR PAUL CUSACK
Animal Nutrition (Ruminant)

DR CHARLOTTE WESTWOOD
Animal Nutrition (Ruminant)

2020 COLLEGE SUBSCRIPTIONS

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➔ NZ REPORT

Dr Allen Bryce



WORLD VETERINARY ASSOCIATION CONGRESS 2020

The 2020 World Veterinary Association Congress (WVAC) will be held 6-8 April 2020 in Auckland, New Zealand, in conjunction with the highly successful NZVA Annual Conference.

We encourage all ANZCVS Members, Fellows and their colleagues to attend this unique opportunity to come together to explore the challenges that face animal health and welfare, and demonstrate the value of the profession for the public good in a changing world.

Full details are at:
www.wvac2020.com

"... unique opportunity to come together to explore the challenges that face animal health and welfare ..."

THE NEW ZEALAND NETWORK OF THE COLLEGE

New Zealand members will recall the survey carried out in late 2018 to gauge support for setting up of a New Zealand branch or network. The concept received very strong support from NZ members.

The College Council has approved the establishment of a New Zealand Network to enhance engagement of New Zealand members with the College and with each other. The Network will be self-managing, and self-sustaining financially after an initial period when the College will assist with seeding money.

An interim committee has been formed to get the Network running, with Wayne Ricketts, Allen Bryce, Charlotte Cantley, Janine van Dam and Michelle Dicken. The interim committee will be replaced by an elected committee in 2020. Interim North Island (led by Dr Cantley)

and South Island (led by Dr van Dam) sub-committees are also planned.

We intend to consult further with New Zealand members on how the network should run and what activities it should organise. A Facebook page will be set up to facilitate communication.

Inaugural functions are being planned for the first quarter of 2020, one in the Waikato and one in Canterbury. There may also be a Network function at the World Veterinary Congress in Auckland in April 2020.

It is important that the Network complements, and does not duplicate, the work of the NZVA. In fact, the College Council and the interim committee members see the Network as an opportunity to enhance the College's engagement with NZVA, VCNZ and with Massey University's veterinary school.

New Zealand members who wish to get involved in running the network, or have suggestions about network activities, are encouraged to contact the interim committee members.



MYCOPLASMA BOVIS ERADICATION

New Zealand's Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI), supported by industry bodies DairyNZ, Federated Farmers, and Beef+Lamb New Zealand, is continuing its program to eradicate *Mycoplasma bovis* from New Zealand's dairy and beef cattle herds.

New Zealand is the first country to attempt national eradication of *M. bovis*, capitalising on the fact that *M. bovis* was detected before it had spread widely.

M. bovis was first identified in New Zealand in July 2017, following

collaboration between veterinarians and farm staff investigating an unusual pattern of disease. The evidence points to the disease entering New Zealand no earlier than 2015 – possibly in imported semen or illegally imported veterinary medicines.

The eradication program relies on bulk milk testing of dairy farms; tracing of cattle movements to and from confirmed infected farms; ELISA and PCR testing of cattle in suspect herds; restrictions on movements off suspect and infected properties; and slaughter of infected herds.

Slaughter can be delayed, for example until dairy cattle are dried off. Compensation covers all verifiable

losses that result from by MPI regulatory actions.

To date (20/11/2019), 209 properties have been confirmed as infected, over 120,000 cattle have been culled, and over NZ\$120 million in compensation claims have been assessed. The full cost of eradication over 10 years was estimated to be \$886 million, including \$16 million in loss of production and \$870 million in the cost of the response and compensation to farmers. It was estimated that the disease would cause similar losses to the cattle industries, if eradication was not attempted. Most of the work should be completed in the first few years.

Additional information is available [here](#).





Blaine Harrington

The 36th World Veterinary Association Congress (WVAC 2020) will be held 6–8 April 2020.

WVAC 2020 provides a unique opportunity for veterinarians in all branches of the profession globally to come together in New Zealand to explore the challenges that face animal health and welfare, and demonstrate the value of the profession for the public good in a changing world.

Register now at wvac2020.com.

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*You must pay for your registration before the 31 December 2019 to receive the \$500 prezzy card. Amount in NZD.



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➔ CHAPTERS

ANIMAL WELFARE CHAPTER

2020 Science Week, 9 - 11th July

Planning for our program for Science Week 2020 is underway including shared sessions with three other chapters – Veterinary Anaesthesia and Analgesia, Cattle, and Veterinary Behaviour. Exciting topics include practical pain management in companion animals and also aspects, including ethical aspects of decision making for older animals and in ICU situations.

We will explore aspects of sentience in cattle, particularly in relation to cattle that are confined for at least part of their lives, as well as an update on the management of heat stress, and developments with live exports with the Cattle Chapter.

In other sessions we plan to look at the use of animals in sport and tourism, and hear about some new thinking for ways of assessing and managing stress in animals. Keep the dates free as this will be one year not to miss out! Thanks to Nita Harding, our wonderful Scientific Convenor for her dedication in coordinating what will be an excellent program.

Membership Examination

Examinations will be held next year and we have 12 candidates enrolled, which is the highest number on record and so very exciting to see the growth in interest in animal welfare. Thank you to chapter members who have offered to act as mentors – this is greatly appreciated! Also, thanks to Virginia Williams who is a point of contact for candidates for extra guidance and support (other than examination preparation).

Fellowship Guidelines

The revised Fellowship Guidelines have been finalized and can be found [here](#).

This has been a long and challenging process but special thanks to our two Fellows, Andrew Fisher and Kevin Stafford for revising the guidelines and the support and assistance from the College.

Chapter Banner

A selection of images covering several different species to convey the diversity of animals pertaining to the animal welfare chapter has been submitted to start layout design. The next stage will be to circulate a draft design to chapter members once this is received.

David Bayvel Award

The Chapter will once again offer a \$1000 scholarship for recognition of outstanding contribution to the field of animal welfare in honour of the late Dr David Bayvel. Closing date will be in April with more details being available soon on the Chapter Website.

All the best to all College Members for a safe and happy festive season!

CATTLE CHAPTER NOVEMBER 2019

We are looking forward to an exciting program for Science Week 2020 with a focus on housing in Beef and Dairy cattle.

We will be aiming to include some joint sessions this year where some of our topics align with other chapters. We will also be delving into animal

health technology and the implications on cattle management, veterinary practice and how we, as vets, can stay involved.

Our speakers this year will be locally based with several key speakers from both Australia and New Zealand so that we can get the latest relevant information for our herd systems.

We are also excited that we will have several emerging scientists who will bring us up to date with the research that is being undertaken in our tertiary institutes in both Australia and New Zealand. We look forward to seeing you all at Science Week next year.

Joey Rheinberger (President)



Photo courtesy of dairynz

DENTISTRY CHAPTER

This year's Science Week program saw an unprecedented number of members and guests attend lectures. We attribute this attendance to strong leadership by the outgoing committee members, membership feedback on what they want to see in Science Week lectures, the procurement of high-quality speakers and an understanding that dentistry really doesn't fit into that boring old box of 'something the nurses do'.

We would like to thank outgoing president Dr Rebecca Tucker and the committee for the huge amount of work they have put into raising the bar on membership communication and the production of such a high-quality Science Week program. This chapter is small enough that we know each other by first names (even if we only ever see each other once a year!) yet big enough that there is a maintained balance between new graduated, experienced veterinarians and specialists. A massive congratulations to Dr Kevin Ng and Dr Williana Basuki for obtaining the ever-difficult Diplomate by examination to the American Veterinary Dental College (AVDC). We are so pleased to welcome Dr Ng back to Australian shores and welcome another specialist into the fold.

Equine dentistry fellowship continues to be in high discussion amongst members. A working committee has been established to ensure this topic continues to make progress and meet the demands placed on it by the numerous veterinarians who wish to pursue this in the years to come. An update is planned for delivery at the next AGM. In addition, the equine dentistry membership guidelines have now been updated, a huge thanks to the many members who gave their input into this discussion.

2020 sees 8 veterinarians sitting their memberships in equine dentistry and a total of 13 veterinarians in small animal dentistry for the ANZCVS, oral examinations will be spread over two days. We wish all these members

the very best for the months ahead while they knuckle down to study, and encourage any membership candidates who either does not have a mentor, or does not feel that they are being adequately mentored, to reach out to the College. Remember life is 90% of what happens to you (or for you!) and 10% of how you react - you have the choice!

Science Week 2020 is going to be the stage for something new: we are inviting (not actually inviting, it is as compulsory as you can get without actually being compulsory) new chapter members and those who sat their membership exams prior to Science Week to present a 15 minute lecture on a routine or unusual case that taught them something, a topic that interests them or something else of their choice for the Science Week program. The chapter hopes this will encourage veterinarians sitting membership exams to stay on and relax after their exams, and to experience Science Week from a contribution point of view which will encourage further engagement and participation for the years to come.

Office bearers for 2020 are

- President: Olivia James
- President Elect: Janine van Dam
- Secretary: Wayne Fitzgerald
- Treasurer: Aaron Forsayeth
- Science Week Coordinators, shared role: Aaron Forsayeth, Christine Hawke and Greg Sezun

EMERGENCY AND CRITICAL CARE

This coming year for the ECC Chapter is set to bring some change. Though the Chapter has and is devoted to providing examinations and a scientific meeting on what is current and controversial in Veterinary ECC, our capacity to attract, prepare candidates and retain our members and fellows is currently being reviewed.

We encourage all current members input in developing and establishing our Chapter's position in the veterinary profession.

In light of this, Science Week 2020 is set to showcase some exemplary talent in our profession. Dr Kate Hopper will be joining us as a keynote speaker. Dr Hopper is the co-editor of Small Animal Critical Care Medicine and having written the chapters on mechanical ventilation, will be running a pre-conference Wednesday ventilatory workshop. There is also discussion around Dr Hopper running a full day pathophysiology resident forum which members are also invited to attend, though more on this in the new year.

Dr David Cooksley, a human emergency trauma and retrieval physician will also be speaking. Dr Cooksley is currently employed by the Department of Emergency Medicine, Sunshine Coast Hospital and Health Service (SCHHS), and has a role with the RAAF 'Military Critical-care Aeromedical Transport Team'.

Given his speciality in high level trauma, he will be speaking on the finer points of traumatic resuscitation and how it can translate to the veterinary profession.

In addition, we will see speakers discussing the latest evidence surrounding different pressor therapy for our critical patients and their use in resuscitation, including new transfusion research, presentation of the new coming transfusion consensus



Dr Kate Hopper



statement, as well as a look at Mental Health in the veterinary profession.

This latter point will be presented by world renowned Mental Health advocate Liz Crowe. Liz is an Advanced Clinician Social Worker with 20 years' experience and currently works in children intensive care units in Brisbane's major hospitals.

She is currently completing her PhD in Staff Wellbeing in the Paediatric Intensive Care Unit. Her recent speaker positions include SMACC and a veterinary meeting in September this year.

The Chapter hopes to deliver a level of excellence in 2020 that is consistent with our current standards and member expectations, making it accessible and relevant to all of our current and future candidates.



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EPIDEMIOLOGY CHAPTER

As we approach the end of another year we wish to recognise the outstanding support of our members to ensure the ongoing success of the Epidemiology Chapter.

Our large volunteer workforce is essential to maintain the Chapter's initiatives and functions, and we thank all those who have contributed. In particular, we wish to recognise Marta Hernandez-Jover for her energetic and valuable contributions to the Chapter in her role as President during the last year. We also wish to acknowledge David Jordan as he steps back from his role on the Chapter Examination Committee, having supported the Chapter in a range of activities over many years. Finally, we are pleased to announce that Michael Paton was awarded Life Membership of the Epidemiology Chapter, bringing the Chapter's current number of life members to 30.

This year has seen the start of a number of new initiatives for the Chapter:

- To promote a community atmosphere, the Chapter launched an official Facebook page, open to all members. The online community currently has 65 active members, and admins Jennifer Davis and Caitlin Wood are doing a fantastic job maintaining the group. All members are strongly encouraged to join and share!
- The Chapter continues to recognise veterinary students by providing awards for each university to present each year. The Chapter is currently investigating a new system for student prizes, which will include the opportunity for recipients to attend Science Week.
- A copy of the recently updated Study Guide was made available on the Chapter website, and feedback from the 2019 membership candidates was very positive.

As always, members of the Executive and the Science Week Convenor team have been busy behind the scenes, and planning for the Science Week 2020 program and biennial pre-conference workshop is already underway.

We anticipate the program will include shared sessions with a number of other disciplines, including the Veterinary Public Health and Cattle chapters. Put 9 – 11 July 2020 in your calendars now, and join us for another exciting week on the Gold Coast!

Wishing you a safe and enjoyable holiday period, from all the office bearers for 2019/2020.

Corissa Miller (President), Emilie Vallee (Vice-President/Secretary) and Francette Geraghty-Dusan (Treasurer); and the Science Week Convenor team (Troy Laidlow, Jennifer Manyweathers, Joshua Aleri and Caitlin Pfeiffer)

FELINE CHAPTER

Once again preparations for examinations and CSW 2020 are in full swing. The Feline Chapter will host examinations in both Fellowship and Membership, with Membership examinations again being held in the UK and Australia/NZ.

Our Membership qualification continues to be recommended and endorsed by ISFM as the "go to" for recognition of further study in the field of Feline Medicine and is becoming increasingly popular in Europe.

To this end, if any members wish to volunteer for roles as examiners we would welcome the enthusiasm. As noted previously, the Feline Chapter will host a pre-congress Masterclass prior to CSW 2020 followed by a feline-focused stream at the Congress proper.

We look forward to seeing our chapter members there. As we approach the festive season the Chapter executive would like to thank the College and its members for their hard work throughout this year, and wish everybody a very safe and happy 2020.

MEDICINE AND MANAGEMENT OF LABORATORY ANIMALS CHAPTER

At the 2019 Chapter AGM the following appointments were confirmed:

Officers of the Executive Committee

President – Julie Ferguson.

Treasurer – Lewis Vaughan

Secretary – Malcolm France

Other Executive Committee member – Liz Dodemaide

Appointments to non-executive positions:

Subject Examination Committee (SEC) – Julie Ferguson (Chair)

Subject Standards Committee – (SSC) Liz Dodemaide (Chair) and Gabrielle Musk (Assistant)

Science Week Co-ordinator – Gabrielle Musk and Malcolm France (sponsorship)

Web Co-ordinator – John Inns

Many of these positions will be vacated in 2020 and the participation of members is required to ensure the viability of the Chapter.

Science week 2019 was a success thanks to the efforts of Malcolm France as Science Week Co-ordinator. Two days of sessions were developed and included collaborative sessions with the Veterinary Anaesthesia and Analgesia and Animal Welfare Chapters.

Science Week 2020 will be held on the Gold Coast July 9-11. Collaborative sessions with Animal Welfare and Anaesthesia are proposed within a 1.5- 2 day program.

We are now encouraging Chapter members to consider attending and presenting at the 2020 meeting. As a preliminary program is required to be developed by February, those interested in presenting in the Science Week program should get in touch with Gabby Musk at swconvenorlabanimals@anzcvs.org.au

OPHTHALMOLOGY CHAPTER

Well it's been an action-packed year for the Ophthalmology Chapter and as we draw closer to the end of 2019 we can reflect on our two very interesting scientific meetings and some great social gatherings.

In March we were lucky enough to coax out one of Europe and the USA's most talented diplomates, Dr Gillian McLellan for our 'Glaucoma Forum' which was held in the picturesque wine country of Victoria's Yarra Valley.

Gillian captivated delegates over two amazing days with all things 'glaucoma' which stimulated fascinating and lively discussion amongst attendees.

During Science Week we hosted Dr Eric Ledbetter, Associate Professor of Ophthalmology at the Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine. Dr Ledbetter provided delegates with a very thorough update on canine and feline herpes virus antiviral treatment and the clinical uses of confocal microscopy in veterinary ophthalmology.

We are also very excited to welcome some new ANZCVS Ophthalmology Chapter members, Dr Taemi Horikawa DACVO, Dr Kellam Bayley ECVO Diplomate and two recent ANZCVS Ophthalmology Fellows Dr Hayley Volk and Dr James White.

We are looking forward to an exciting Science Week meeting in 2020 and hope to see you there!

ONCOLOGY CHAPTER

On November 16, we held a Veterinary Oncology Development Day with Fellows/Diplomates and candidates across Australia coming together – the candidates received some training towards their examinations and the Fellows/Diplomates prepared for next year's Fellowship exams.

This year we embraced modern technology and held both meetings via zoom. This allowed more people to contribute, and saved the Chapter money and reduced the environmental impact of travel. As many of you know, preparing high quality examinations is extremely taxing, therefore, by spreading the load, we hope this process will be sustainable into the future. We have also designed a 'rolling' examination team: commencing as Examiner one year, then Senior Examiner the next year, followed by Head Subject Examiner. Examiners are involved in examining for a 3-year term, but in doing this, the knowledge gained is conserved and passed onto to the newest member of the examining team.



SMALL ANIMAL MEDICINE CHAPTER

It is hard to believe that we are at the end of another year. I am so grateful for the wonderful contributions to our chapter by so many people including those involved in organising and delivering the examinations, Science Week organisers and contributors, supervisors and mentors.

I would like to also thank my fellow Chapter Executive members, the College Council Members, the Board of Examiners and College office team for making everything tick over as it should.

I have had an update from our 2020 Science Week convenors Drs Kate Heading and Linda Fleeman and the program is looking fabulous!

The Small Animal Medicine Chapter will run a full 3-day programme at Science Week in 2020. The keynote speaker will be Dr Clare Rusbridge, Professor in Veterinary Neurology at the University of Surrey, and one of the highlights will be an in depth half-day session in collaboration

with the Radiology and Small Animal Surgery chapters that will focus on all aspects of Chiari-like Malformation and secondary syringomyelia in dogs.

There will also be presentations by engaging Australian and New Zealand speakers on a range of other small animal medicine topics, and ground-breaking research summarised in both oral and poster research abstracts. Submissions will open for research abstracts in January and close on 16 March 2020.

We look forward to welcoming as many of our members and future members to this wonderful conference event so make sure you put College Science Week in your diary for 9 – 11 July 2020!

At the SAM chapter AGM 2019, members voted to again contribute to a Small Animal Medicine Residents' Forum in 2019 after the success of the inaugural event in Sydney last year. This year's event was held at the end of November 2019 and was again a success with 29 residents and registrars attending from all over Australia and New Zealand supported

by 10 Brisbane-based specialists and was held at the University of Queensland St Lucia campus.

The aim of the weekend was to provide talks and discussion at a level sufficient to assist in preparation for Fellowship examinations, as well as a valuable networking and social support opportunity.

There were presentations on a diverse range of topics including oncology, endocrinology, neurology, emergency and critical care, cardiology, urogenital disease, gastrointestinal disease as well as antimicrobial resistance and stewardship.

Added to the scientific content was important advice from previous Fellowship candidates on study and examination technique and discussions regarding mental health.

In addition, clinical psychologist Dr Nadine Hamilton also presented a session regarding veterinarian wellbeing and strategies to cope with the stresses inherent to our industry, which was proudly supported by Veterinary Specialist Services.



The organisers Drs Else Jacobson, Caitlin Mack and Luke Johnston would like to also thank the generous financial support of the ANZCVS Small Animal Medicine Chapter and Hills Pet Nutrition without whom the event would not have been accessible to so many participants.

They would also like to make a very special mention to all the specialists who donated their weekends to support this event – Drs Catherine Chan, Terry King, Elias Gumpel, Erika Meler, Gemma Birnie, Kathleen O'Connell, Emily Cook, Rachel Korman, Elizabeth Dill-Macky and Ann Thompson.

The organisers hope to continue this as an annual event that hopefully vary in location around the countries to make it as accessible to as many participants as possible.

On behalf of your SAM Chapter Executives Drs Guy Wolfenden (Secretary), Amanda Taylor (Treasurer), and I, we would like to wish you and your families a wonderful festive season.

Please don't hesitate to contact me at presidentsam@anzcv.org.au for any chapter enquiries or contribution. I'd love to hear from you.

All the best, Fleur James – President

(Content contributions from Drs Linda Fleeman and Else Jacobson).

VETERINARY ANAESTHESIA AND ANALGESIA CHAPTER

The Chapter of Veterinary Anaesthesia and Analgesia has been in existence, in its current form, since 2016 and after careful consideration we are proud to release our Mission Statement:

Our mission is to practice and promote excellence in veterinary anaesthesia and analgesia and improve animal welfare in veterinary clinical practice and animal research. Through education, training, outreach and engagement we will empower veterinarians and veterinary professionals to safely and skilfully work in this discipline with pride, confidence and acumen.

This statement will govern our activities and focus our efforts to achieve our goals.

Please feel free to contact us to make suggestions about how we can support your practices in our area of expertise.

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VETERINARY PUBLIC HEALTH CHAPTER

Veterinary Public Health Chapter activities continue to be directed at supporting the interests and needs of our membership and, for those seeking to join the College, providing relevant resource material and mentor support to assist examination candidates.

It is most pleasing to be able to note that successful membership candidates from 2019, Drs Angela Scott and Tristan Ingle are now serving the Chapter as, respectively, a website administrator and a Science Week coordinator.

Much effort is presently being directed at defining the themes and content of the Chapter's Science Week 2020 program, which will again be conducted over three days and include a time slot for the Chapter's Annual General Meeting.

One key theme will involve the role of veterinary leadership as a success determinant in the delivery of international, national and sub-national programs across the many facets of the veterinary public health discipline.

The speakers chosen will be drawn from Australia and New Zealand and will offer a broad range of insights into leadership styles and approaches. Another theme will present contemporary topics on zoonotic disease and is being developed in collaboration with the Epidemiology Chapter. We anticipate that, as with other collaborations for Science Week programs in recent years, our joint efforts with other Chapters will be much appreciated by delegates.

On another matter, it is important to note that the College will be offering Veterinary Public Health membership examinations in 2020. We wish prospective candidates well and direct their attention to helpful material on the Chapter's website.



ANZCVS KEY DATES



2019/2020

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| 31 OCT | Fellowship Credentials due date | 3 July | Voting for Council closes |
| 31 OCT | Membership Examination application due date | 4 & 5 JULY | Fellowship Practical/ Oral Examinations |
| 21 DEC | College Office closed for Christmas | 4, 5 & 6 JUL | Membership Examinations |
| 6 JAN | | | |
| 7, 8 & 9 FEB | Examiners Workshop combined with Board of Examiners and Council Meetings | 6 JUL | Examiners Dinner |
| 28 FEB | Applications close for College Awards | 7 JUL | Board of Examiners Meeting |
| MAR | Call for Council Nominations and Board of Examiner Nominations (if appropriate) in the March courier | 9, 10 & 11 JUL | Scientific Meeting |
| 24 MAY | Council Nominations closed | 10 JUL | Annual General Meeting |
| 29 MAY | AGM and Ballot Papers to Members | 11 JUL | Awards Dinner |
| 9 & 10 JUN | Written Examinations | 3 & 4 AUG | MOC UK Oral Examinations |

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