The profession: better working together

For 2019 we're introducing

Innovation Symposium - Sunday 5 May
Plenary - VetEd Talks - Wednesday 8 May
Food Security Day - Thursday 9 May

Register online: conference.ava.com.au
AVA President’s Welcome

Perth is always a favourite city of mine to visit, and with our 2019 AVA Annual Conference being held in Perth it will be a standout for my calendar. As our largest conference, we’ll bring you a blend of the very best in education, the latest trends and ideas with Perth’s raw natural beauty. As a destination, Perth has so much to offer and is known as Australia’s sunniest capital city, this city is bustling with bars, restaurants, shopping and attractions.

The 2019 AVA Annual Conference has something for every veterinary background and interest. Gain an educational edge through best in class Continuing Professional Development opportunities, including international speakers, hands-on labs and workshops, panels and lectures taught by experts in all fields of veterinary science. If you are interested in the bigger picture come to the Food Security Day - where with the help of a select number of world experts, we will consider the crucial food security issues facing humanity up to 2050. Network with your peers and discover products and services that will enhance your veterinary practice and career.

Dr Paula Parker

Why Attend?

The largest gathering of veterinary professionals in Australia

The AVA Annual Conference brings together more than 800 veterinary professionals for a week of world-class veterinary education from local and international experts, over 100 exhibitors showcasing the latest technology and services as well as an extensive social program. Plus, gain hands-on experience at one of our workshops and field trips.


This year, we’re bringing you:

- **Innovation Symposium | Sunday 5 May 2019 9.30am – 4.45pm**
  Hear the latest from industry and researchers as they present their clinical research and findings directly to the profession.

- **VetEd Talks – Passion for the Profession – Plenary | Wednesday 8 May 2019 11.30am-1.30pm**
  Back by popular demand and now in a plenary format, the VetEd Talks bring you inspirational stories and innovative ideas from fellow veterinarians.

- **Food Security Day – Thursday 9 May 2019 8.00am – 4.30pm**
  How is the world going to feed itself into the future and what is going to be the effects on the environment, animal and human welfare and biosecurity? Consider the crucial food security issues facing humanity up to 2050. During the day a series of experts from around the world will review the ‘assets’ available to meet this need and to consider the environmental, welfare and biosecurity implications. These will have a global perspective whilst also highlighting the Australian perspective and the role of our animal industries.

- **AVA Poster Competition | Monday 6 May until Thursday 9 May 2019, 2.00pm**
  Showcasing clinical research from veterinarians and a great opportunity to raise their professional profile at Australia’s largest gathering of veterinary professionals.

Not an AVA member? Join now and save up to $1,737!

Become an AVA member and you can attend the AVA Annual Conference at the AVA member price.

By joining the AVA now, you’ll save on the cost of your conference registration and your AVA membership will also be extended until 30 June 2020 – that’s up to six months of free membership! The earlier you act the more you save.

Contact members@ava.com.au or 1300 137 309 to join now.
Plenary Sessions

**Monday 6 May 2019 | 10.45am-12.15pm**

*Work-Life balance; the Myths, the Lessons and the Responsibilities with Nigel Marsh*

Nigel Marsh is a top-rated speaker, both in Australia and around the world on how to get the best out of business, life and those around you. His TED speech on work/life balance remains the most viewed ever given outside America with well over two million hits.

A best-selling author, he’s had more than 25 years of branding and marketing experience including roles as CEO of D’Arcy Australia, CEO of Leo Burnett Australia, Regional Group CEO of Y&R Brands ANZ and, more recently, chairman of The Leading Edge, a world-class strategic research consultancy. Nigel is also the co-founder of Earth Hour, an environmental movement which now engages more than 162 countries.

**Tuesday 7 May 2019 | 12.00pm-1.15pm**

*The Science of Vet Talk with Cindy Adams*

Cindy Adams, MSW, PhD is Professor in the Department of Veterinary Clinical and Diagnostic Sciences at the University of Calgary. Professor Adams has designed and directed the first veterinary communication curriculum in North America and pioneered a research program regarding communication in veterinary medicine. Her research has focused on communication education, veterinary-client communication in large and small animal contexts, animal welfare, companion animal death and human grief. She has presented widely and advised veterinarians, veterinary practice teams and veterinary educators throughout North America, Europe, Australia and the Caribbean.

**Wednesday 8 May 2019 | 11.30am-1.30pm**

*VetEd talks*

Following the great success of last year - The AVA is once again offering an exciting and innovative session - VetEd Talks – Passion in the Profession. The aim of the session is for veterinarians to present succinct inspirational stories and food for thought to the profession. Eight shortlisted speakers will present for 10 minutes about their passion in life and for the veterinary profession.

**Thursday 9 May 2019 | 11.30am-12.30pm**

*Food Security and Emerging Infectious Disease with Delia Grace*

Delia is an epidemiologist and veterinarian with 20 years experience in developing countries. She is a graduate from several leading universities including the National University of Ireland, Edinburgh University, the Free University Berlin and Cornell University. She leads research on zoonoses and foodborne disease at the International Livestock Research Institute in Kenya and the CGIAR Research Program on Agriculture for Human Nutrition and Health. Her main research focus is food safety in the domestic markets of developing countries.

Introducing our Keynote Speakers

**Cindy Adams (Canada) | Stream: Business, Education, Industry**

Refer to Plenary Sessions for Cindy’s biography.

**Sessions include:**
- Experience in communication curricula for veterinary education
- Why and how does it go wrong
- How to take the message home to your practice and staff
- Communication in Veterinary Medicine: Mainstream Activity or Minority Sport?
- Practical in Practice Communication
- Core skills of Veterinary Communication
- The Science of Vet Talk – Tuesday plenary

Australian Veterinary Association Wellness Centre

We invite all delegates to participate in an annual health check and wellness survey. There is also the opportunity to take time-out and enjoy a ten-minute seated massage and other mindfulness practices before heading back to lectures.
Introducing our Keynote Speakers


Donald Broom is Emeritus Professor of Animal Welfare at Cambridge University, Department of Veterinary Medicine. His research concerns scientific assessment of animal welfare, cognitive abilities of animals, ethics and sustainable farming. He was Chairman or Vice Chairman of EU Scientific Committees on Animal Welfare 1990 – 2012. He has 360 refereed papers and 11 books.

Sessions include:

• Aspects of assessing pain during disease and operations in farm animals
• Some animal production methods are unsustainable: factors include poor welfare
• Welfare sentence and law: an international perspective
• Sentience, welfare, ethics and human entertainment
• Tourism and marine mammal welfare
• The welfare of animals during transport

Gonçalo da Graça Pereira (Portugal) | Stream: Behaviour

Gonçalo has a Master in Clinical Ethology and Animal Welfare at the Faculty of Veterinary from the Universidad Complutense de Madrid, a PhD in Veterinary Science at the Institute of Biomedical Science Abel Salazar in O’Porto and Diplomate by the European College of Animal Welfare and Behavioural Medicine. He is President of the European College of Animal Welfare and Behavioural Medicine (ECAWBM) and Vice-President of the European Society of Veterinary Clinical Ethology (ESVCE).

Sessions include:

• Environmental Enrichment: can living conditions lead to cat's behavioural problems?
• Is it simply a toilet or details make the difference? Approaching main causes of elimination problems
• I’m getting bald! Is it stress? Feline psychogenic alopecia
• Who is guilty? Mind? Body? Or both?
• Old cats: Behaviour problems and treatment
• Life skills for kittens: what can owners do to help kittens grow up into confident cats?
• Noise reactivity: diagnose and treatment

Jerzy Gawor (Poland) | Stream: Dentistry and Unusual Pets

Dr Jerzy Paweł Gawor graduated from the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Academy of Agriculture in Wrocław Poland, has a PhD, and is a Diplomate of the American Veterinary Dental College (AVDC) and European Veterinary Dental College (EVDC). He is Past President of the Federation of European Companion Animal Veterinary Associations and President Elect of the European Veterinary Dental College.

Sessions include:

• Treatment options for linguoverted canine teeth in dogs
• Malignant oral tumours - preparing for the worst
• Managing oral fractures - the dentists’ way!
• Introducing endodontics: pulp capping in practice
• Challenging periodontal disease case management
• What went wrong? Mistakes and malpractice in small animal dentistry
• Examination and diagnosis of oral diseases in rabbits and rodents
• Rabbit dentistry - common treatments

Delia Grace (Kenya) | Stream: Public Health

Please refer to the Plenary Session for Delia’s biography.

Sessions include:

• International Perspective on One Health
• No food security without food safety: lessons from low and middle income countries – Thursday Plenary
Introducing our Keynote Speakers

Gayle Hallowell (UK) | Stream: Equine
Gayle graduated from the University of Cambridge and then completed a large animal rotating internship and combined internal medicine and critical care residency at the Royal Veterinary College, London. She then completed a PhD investigating aortic valve prolapse in the horse at the University of Nottingham. She is currently Professor in Veterinary Internal Medicine and Critical Care at the University of Nottingham. She is clinically active spending 60% of her time in the clinic and undertakes clinically based and informed research, particularly relating to gastric and cardiovascular disease. Her other interests include fluid therapy and blood gas analysis.

Sessions include:
- Practical fluid therapy for use in the field and clinic
- Getting the most from clinical pathology – what’s useful and what’s not
- Case discussion on the management of the sick foal
- Case discussion of when a colic is not a colic
- Cardiovascular derangement in the critically ill horse
- Case discussions on equine emergency and trauma cases

Gudrun Ravetz (UK) | Stream: Business and Industry
Gudrun still does not know what she wants to be when she grows up so is thankful for the varied career the veterinary degree has given her. Gudrun is a Past President of the British Veterinary Association and is Head Veterinary Officer for Simply Health Professionals.

Gudrun has spent time in a variety of clinical roles as well as industry and management. She also has a graduate diploma in law and a post graduate certificate in business.

Gudrun has an interest in the challenges and opportunities around veterinary recruitment and retention as well as what lies ahead for the veterinary profession and animal health and welfare.

Sessions include:
- Keeping vets happy at work
- State of the International Market Panel
- State of Human Resources Panel

Rikke M Schultz (Denmark) | Stream: Acupuncture
Dr Rikke Schultz graduated from the Veterinary University in Copenhagen in 1992. She has spent 5 years in a mixed practice in Iceland and 8 years in a large equine practice in Denmark. Since 2005 she has had her own holistic equine practice, and in 2011 she participated in animal fascia and anatomy research at University of Copenhagen where she also serves as censor at exams in veterinary anatomy. She holds qualifications in veterinary acupuncture by IVAS, and equine osteopathy. She is a board member of European Veterinary Society of Osteopathy.

Sessions include:
- Fascia - the forgotten tissue parts 1 & 2
- Acupuncture points on the head with regard to cranio-sacral therapy
- Myofascial Kinetic Lines in Horses and Dogs parts 1 & 2
- Fascia planes, acupuncture meridians and points
- Myofascial Kinetic Lines and acupuncture meridians (primary and 8 extras)
- Test and treatment of the lines with specific acupuncture points

Catherine Sturgeon (UK) | Stream: Small Animal

Sessions include:
- Adrenal surgery
- Biliary Tract Surgery
- Caesarean section: Optimise your approach
- Feline tail pull injury
- Feline urethral obstruction and rupture
- Oesophageal FB: to scope or operate
- Supporting the trauma patient
- Surgical haemorrhage: arrest the bleed
The region’s largest veterinary trade exhibition

Over 100+ companies will be exhibiting making this the largest veterinary exhibition in Australia. Pre-plan your visit to the exhibition and see who will be there before the conference even begins. Visit the ‘Exhibitors’ page at conference.ava.com.au for all the latest information.

Unable to attend the conference? Come to the exhibition only

Don’t miss out on visiting the largest trade show in the region with over 100 exhibitors displaying new equipment and pharmaceuticals to benefit you and your work.

- Sunday 5 May 2019, 6.00pm-8.00pm – Welcome reception and exhibition opening
- Monday 6 May-Wednesday 8 May 2019, 9.30am-5.30pm
- Thursday 17 May 2019, 9.30am-2.00pm

Breakfast Sessions

Visit: conference.ava.com.au/program/breakfast-sessions
Complimentary for registered delegates. Places are limited so register early.

Royal Canin Breakfast
Monday 6 May 2019, 6.45am for 7.00am-7.50am - Bellevue Ballroom 2
Understanding the Canine Brain with Dr Nicole Lobry de Bruyn, BSc BVMS MANZCVS (Feline medicine and Animal behaviour).

Hill’s Pet Nutrition Breakfast
Tuesday 7 May 2019, 6.45am for 7.00am-7.50am - Bellevue Ballroom 2
Managing concurrent diseases in pets: an integrated approach. Panel discussion lead by an internal medicine specialist.

Australian Christian Veterinary Fellowship (ACVF) Breakfast
Tuesday 7 May 2019, 6.45am for 7.00am-7.50am – Bellevue Lounge
Wisdom for life.

Zoetis Breakfast
Wednesday 8 May 2019, 6.45am for 7.00am-7.50am - Bellevue Ballroom 2
The Diagnostic Approach to Pruritic Dermatitis in Dogs.

Greencross Vets Breakfast
Thursday 9 May 2019, 6.45am for 7.00am-7.50am - Bellevue Ballroom 2
Update on our Research Portfolio including antimicrobial stewardship programs for general practice and our UTI study.
Workshops and Field Trips

Receive hands-on practical experience from veterinary experts across different interest areas.

**Equine Veterinarians Australia Dental Workshop**
*Saturday 4 May 2019 7.30am – 5.30pm and Sunday 5 May 2019 8.00am – 4.00pm*
*Murdoch University, Murdoch*

*Kindly supported by CAVE – Murdoch*

This introductory wet workshop with Drs Rachel Stone and Martin Dolinschek provides you with the theoretical and practical knowledge. Topics include the anatomy, examination, charting, pathology 101 and 201, sedation, analgesia, local anaesthesia, radiology, floating, restorations, pulp capping and beyond plus case studies

- AVA member: $2,300
- Group member: $1,975
- AVA student/new graduate member: $1,250
- Non-member: $3,200

**Unusual Pet and Avian Veterinarians (UPAV) Perth Zoo Field Trip**
*Sunday 5 May 2019 9.00am – 3.00pm*
*Perth Zoo, 20 Labouchere Rd, South Perth*

A behind the scenes tour of Perth Zoo Hospital with resident veterinarian, Simone Vitali. The day includes bus transfers and entry into Perth Zoo to enjoy exploring the zoo at your leisure. Bus leaves from PCEC at 9.00am sharp and departs from the zoo at 3.00pm.

- AVA Member: $75
- Group Member/Partner/Guest: $50
- AVA student/ new graduate member: $50
- Non-member: $100

**Australian Veterinary Dental Society (AVDS) Small Animal Dentistry Workshop**
*Sunday 5 May 2019 9.00am – 4.00pm*
*Veterinary Anatomy Laboratory, Murdoch University, Perth*

*Kindly supported by CAVE – Murdoch and iM3*

Learn new skills or refresh your existing small animal dentistry techniques including diagnosis, radiology, and extractions.

- AVA member: $1,000
- Group member: $900
- AVA new graduate member: $900
- Non-member: $2,000

**AVA Mental Health First Aid Training Workshop**
*Thursday 9 May 2019 8.30am–4.00pm*
*Meeting Room 9, Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre*

Part 2 of our certified course that will enable you to identify and support someone who is experiencing a mental health crisis.

*This workshop forms part of the accredited blended learning MHFA course which comprises of 8 hours of online e-learning (valued at $370). Completion of the online component prior to this workshop is mandatory.*

Expression of interest.

**Equine Veterinarians Australia (EVA) - Pre-Purchase Examination Workshop**
*Friday 10 May 2019 9.00am – 4.00pm*
*Meeting Room 8, Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre*

*Kindly supported by Guild Insurance.*

Presented by Dr Kirsten Neil BVSc (Hons) MACVSc MS DACVIM Cert. ISELP DACVSMR and Dr Nick Kannegieter BVSc PhD FAVSc

Fully guided and interactive, delegates will be using EVA’s 5 Stage Pre-Purchase Examination video to learn pre-purchase examinations for the Sporthorse, Racehorse and Juvenile. The workshop will cover how to communicate effectively with the purchaser and vendor; how to report abnormal findings; how to assess the use of radiology, endoscopy and drug screening and very importantly how to avoid litigation by a disgruntled client.

- AVA member: $525
- Group member: $425
- AVA student/new graduate member: $195
- Non-member: $1,050

**Veterinary Business Group (VBG) Practice Management Exclusive Insights Tour**
*Friday 10 May 2019 8.30am – 5.30pm | Various venues*

A behind the scenes tour of three outstanding small-animal veterinary practices in Perth. This tour will provide unique insights into the running of a successful practice and includes morning tea, lunch and transport between the practices.

- AVA member: $699
- Non-member: $1,298

Visit:
Australian Veterinary Acupuncture Group (AVAG) - Myofascial Kinetic Lines Workshop - tests and treatment
Friday 10 May 2019 8.30am – 12.30pm | Cliftons – Parmelia House, 191 St Georges Terrace, Perth

Presented by Dr Rikke Shultz DVM. Continuing from Dr Shultz’s lectures on the importance of fascia, this introductory workshop will cover the dog and horse with regard to anatomy, function, testing and points for treatment. Join us for a Bush Tucker walk in King’s Park in the afternoon.

- AVA member: $330
- Group member: $275
- AVA student/new graduate member: $250
- Non-member: $660

Australian Veterinary Acupuncture Group (AVAG) – Bush Tucker Walk
Friday 10 May 2019 2.00pm – 4.00pm | Meet at the Botanical Café, end of Fraser Avenue, Kings Park

Join us for a guided tour to learn about the native plant use of the Nyoongar Indigenous people and early settlers, with a focus on medicinal plants. The walk will take us through the Botanic gardens with amazing views of Perth and the river. Walk duration approximately 1.5 hours. Stay on for afternoon tea at the Botanical Café afterward (own cost).

- AVA member: $10
- Group member/partner/guest: $10
- AVA student/new graduate member: $10
- Non-member: $20

Australian Veterinary Behaviour Interest Group (AVBIG) Workshop - Improving Companion Animal Handling Skills
Friday 10 May 2019 8.30am – 2.00pm | Venue: TBC

- Learn how to reduce fear and anxiety in the consultation room
- Learn to recognise signs of stress in anxiety in animals
- Practice handling skills to reduce stress.

Bus transport will be provided. Please bring your own drinks.

- AVA member: $70
- Group member/partner/guest: $50
- AVA student/new graduate member: $50
- Non-member: $140

Awards Ceremony and Annual General Meeting
Monday 6 May 2019 3.30pm-5.00pm

Celebrate with your colleagues who will be honoured at this year’s awards ceremony, followed by the Annual General Meeting where you will hear about the year that was from AVA’s elected representatives.

Australian Veterinarians for Animal Welfare and Ethics (AVAWE) and Australian Veterinary Conservation Biology (AVCB) Workshop
Animal Welfare and Conservation: their role in the future of livestock production.
Kindly supported by Boehringer Ingelheim and AVA Animal Welfare Trust
Friday 10 May 2019 9.00am – 4.30pm | Lounge Room, Mount Lawley Golf Course, 1 Walter Rd, Inglewood

Don Broom (UK), Robyn Alders (Aus), Delia Grace (Kenya) will explore, debate and discuss strategies for maintaining good animal welfare for domestic and wild animals in the face of increasing livestock production. Scott Thompson (Aus) will discuss faunal rescue programs and land clearing.

- AVA member: $100
- Group member: $100
- AVA student: $40
- Non-member: $200

AVA Leadership Master Class | Presented by Graham Richardson - The Art of Mentoring
Friday 10 May 2019 10.00am – 3.00pm | Meeting Room 9, Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre

Kindly supported by Guild Insurance, GuildSuper, Hill’s Pet Nutrition, PetSure, Provet and Virbac.

This interactive workshop will enhance the skills of experienced mentors and business professionals to further develop their leadership skills, try out new tools and techniques in managing the learning conversation, setting and pursuing goals, resolving conflict, active listening, mindfulness and crafting powerful questions.

- AVA Mentors: $95
- AVA member: $150
- Non-member: $300

VetEd points can be achieved over the whole week, and delegates can earn extra points by attending one of the post-conference workshops and field trips. AVA members must include their AVA membership number when registering for the conference for automatic awarding of points to their VetEd statement.
## Social Program

### AVA Welcome Church Service
**Sunday 5 May 2019 3.30pm**
All welcome to start the week with connection and reflection. No cost - attendance free

### Welcome Reception and Exhibition Opening
**Sunday 5 May 2019 6.00pm – 8.00pm | Exhibition Hall, Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre**
*Kindly supported by Asteris*
Pick up your conference pack early and join us over drinks and canapes for the welcome reception and exhibition opening. Registration opens at 3.00pm.
- Inclusive for registered delegates and accompanying guests
- AVA member/students/new graduates: $75
- Non-member: $150

### Meet and Greet Quiz Night and Supper
**Sunday 5 May 2019 8.00pm – 10.30pm | Meeting Room 8, Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre | $69**
First time at the AVA conference or interested in making new friends? Join us after the welcome reception for a great night of quiz fun, pasta and drinks.

### Accompanying Guest Meet and Greet
**Monday 6 May 2019 10.00am – 10.45am | Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre**
Meet new people and arrange to meet up during the week.

### Happy Hour
**Monday 6 May-Wednesday 8 May 2019 6.00pm-7.00pm | Exhibition Hall, Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre**
- Inclusive for registered delegates and accompanying guests.
- Additional tickets: $75 per day

### Equine & Dine plus Veterinary Business Group Dinner
**Monday 6 May 2019 7.00pm – 9.00pm | “Small Print Bar” at The Print Hall – Brookfield Place, 125 St. Georges Terrace, Perth**
*Kindly supported by Randlab*
EVA is teaming up with AVA’s Veterinary Business Group (VBG) hosted by the EVA President Dr Cristy Secombe and the VBG Chair Dr Paula Parker. Please note that this is not a sit-down dinner.
- AVA member: $89
- Group members/Partner/Guest: $59
- AVA student/new graduate member: $29
- Non-member: $178

### AVA Gala Dinner
**Thursday 9 May | 7.30pm-midnight**
Bellevue Ballroom, Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre
Delegates and partners – $120
Non delegates and non members – $240

### Alumni reunions - Monday 6 May 2019

#### The University of Adelaide Alumni Drinks
**7.00pm – 9.00pm | Lalla Rookh, Lower Ground, 77 St Georges Terrace, Perth | Complimentary**
Hosted by Professor Wayne Hein, Head of School of Animal and Veterinary Sciences and Dean of Roseworthy.

#### Charles Sturt University Veterinary Science Alumni Cocktail Party
**7.00pm – 9.00pm | Metro Bar and Bistro – Lounge Terrace area, 33 Mounts Bay Road, Perth | $20**
Hosted by Associate Professor Rob Woodgate (new School of Animal Veterinary Science Head of School).

#### The University of Queensland Veterinary Alumni Cocktail Reception
**7.00pm – 9.00pm | The Pinnacles Room – Parmelia Hilton Perth, 14 Mill Street, Perth | $20**
Hosted by Professor Nigel Perkins, Head of the UQ School of Veterinary Science.

#### University of Melbourne Veterinary Alumni Reception
**7.00pm – 9.00pm | State Buildings – The Mark Function Room, cnr St Georges Terrace & Barrack Street, Perth | $20**
Hosted by Head of the Melbourne Veterinary School.

#### James Cook University Veterinary Alumni Reception
**7.00pm – 9.00pm | Gramercy – Bar and Kitchen, Central Park, 10/777 Hay Street, Perth | $20**
Hosted by Associate Professor Rob Woodgate (new School of Animal Veterinary Science Head of School).

#### Murdoch University Veterinary Alumni Reception
**7.00pm – 9.00pm | Metro Bar and Bistro – Lounge Terrace area, 33 Mounts Bay Road, Perth | $20**
Hosted by the Principal of the School of Veterinary Medicine.

#### Australian Small Animal Veterinarians (ASAV) Recent Graduate Dinner
**Tuesday 7 May 2019 7.30pm – 10.30pm | Bellevue Lounge, Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre**
*Kindly sponsored by Hill’s Pet Nutrition*
A casual dinner for 2016-2018 graduates to share stories from their first years in practice with members of the ASAV Executive Committee and their peers.
- AVA member: $130
- Group member: Complimentary
- Group Partner/Guest: $130
- AVA student/new graduate member: Complimentary
- Non-member: $260
Australian Veterinary Conservation Biology (AVCB), Australian Veterinarians in Public Health (AVPH) and Australian Veterinary History Society (AVHS) Combined Dinner

Tuesday 7 May 2019 7.30pm | The Windsor Hotel, 112 Mill Point Rd, South Perth

Join friends and colleagues for a relaxed evening of pub grub and cold drinks and enjoy a pleasant ferry ride across the Swan River. Drinks purchased separately.

- AVA member: $60
- Group member/partner/guest: $40
- AVA student/new graduate member: $30
- Non-member: $120

Australia Cattle Veterinarians (ACV) and Sheep, Camelid and Goat Veterinarians Annual Combined (SCGV) Dinner

Wednesday 8 May 2019 7.00pm - 10.00pm | The Garden Bar, The Lucky Shag, Ferry Route Barrack St Jetty, Riverside Drive, Perth

Casual dinner with substantial canapes including sliders and pizzas. Pay for your own drinks.

- AVA member: $75
- Group member/partner/guest: $58
- AVA student/new graduate member: $50
- Non-member: $150

Veterinarians in Education Research and Academia (VERA) Dinner

Tuesday 7 May 2019 7.00pm – 9.00pm | The Print Hall, 125 Georges Terrace, Perth

Drinks included.

- AVA member: $100
- Group member/partner/guest: $75
- AVA student/new graduate member: $50
- Non-member: $200

Australian Veterinarians in Industry (AVI) Dinner

Tuesday 7 May 2019 7.00pm | Sentinel Bar & Grill, 111 St Georges Terrace, Perth

Two-course dinner with drinks included.

- AVA member: $75
- Group member/partner/guest: $65
- AVA student/new graduate member: $65
- Non-member: $150

Australian Veterinary Orchestra Charity Concert

Wednesday 8 May 2019 7.30pm – 9.00pm | Riverside Theatre, Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre

Kindly supported by Hill’s Pet Nutrition, Henry Schein Veterinary Solutions, and Sparkline.

Enjoy a relaxing evening of beautiful music, provided by our very own veterinarian orchestra.

- AVA member/partner/guest: $19
- Non-member: $38

Australian Veterinary Acupuncture Group (AVAG) Dinner

Wednesday 8 May 2019 7.30pm - 10.30pm | The Reveley – First Floor Dining Room - Eastern Promenade, Elizabeth Quay

Two-course meal. Drinks can be purchased on the night.

- AVA member/partner: $65
- Group member/partner/guest: $55
- AVA student/new graduate member: $55
- Non-member: $130

Australian Veterinary Behaviour Interest Group (AVBIG)

Wednesday 8 May 2019 7.30pm - 10.30pm | Venue: TBC

Meet colleagues from all areas of the profession with an interest in behaviour for a casual dinner.

- AVA member: $70
- Group member/partner/guest: $55
- AVA student/new graduate member: $55
- Non-member: $140

Australian Veterinarians for Animal Welfare and Ethics (AVAWE) Dinner

Wednesday 8 May 2019 7.00pm - 10.30pm | Must Winebar, 519 Beaufort St, Highgate

A fine dining experience with a guest speaker and drinks included.

- AVA member/group member/partner/guest: $95
- AVA student/new graduate member: $85
- Non-member: $190

AVA Gala Dinner

Thursday 9 May 2019 7.30pm - midnight | Bellevue Ballroom 2, Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre

Kindly supported by Guild Insurance.

Join us and celebrate the AVA, its members and Award winners.

Two-course dinner, drinks, music, and fun

- Delegates and partners: $120
- Non-delegates, non-members: $240

Accommodation

We have negotiated special AVA conference accommodation rates through Ozaccom+. You can book by visiting the ‘Getting there, staying there’ page at conference.ava.com.au.

Member Forum

Thursday 9 May 2019 4.30pm-6.00pm

Hear about our advocacy actions and strategies, and the Board’s key projects. This is your opportunity to ask the Board; have your voice heard and hear what’s happening in your association. Come. Listen. Consider. Discuss. Enjoy.
## Conference and Exhibition Registration

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### Full week registration:
- Attendance at scientific sessions
- Admittance to industry exhibition
- Satchel (including conference materials)
- Welcome reception and exhibition opening (Sunday)
- Morning and afternoon tea, lunch (Monday–Thursday)
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- Attendance at scientific sessions (on nominated day only)
- Admittance to industry exhibition (on nominated day only)
- Satchel (including conference materials)
- Morning and afternoon tea, lunch (on nominated day only)
- Happy hour (Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday only)
- Downloadable proceedings

### Exhibition only:
All delegates have complimentary access to the trade show extravaganza.

Unable to attend the conference? Then don’t miss out on visiting the largest trade show in the region with over 100 exhibitors displaying new equipment and pharmaceuticals to benefit AVA members, students/new graduates - $65 per day.

Happy Hour an additional $75

Non-members: $125. Happy hour an additional $75

### Practice registration - all delegates must be AVA members:
- Practice registration badge (one per practice)
- Attendance at scientific sessions (one person per day)
- Admittance to industry exhibition (one person per day)
- Satchel (including conference materials – one per practice)
- Welcome reception and exhibition opening - Sunday (one per person)
- Morning and afternoon tea, lunch (one person per day)
- Happy hour – Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday only (one person per day)
- Downloadable proceedings

### Accompanying guest:
Accompanying guests must be accompanied by registered delegate. Scientific sessions are not included.
- Welcome Reception – Sunday 5 May 2019, 6.00pm-8.00pm
- Accompanying guest’s welcome morning tea – Monday 6 May 2019, 10.00am-11.00am
- Morning and afternoon tea, lunch (Monday–Thursday)
- Accompanying guests name badge
- Happy hour (Monday–Wednesday)
- Accompanying guests may attend plenary sessions (Monday-Thursday) but must be accompanied by a registered delegate.

### Practice Managers and Vet Nurses
Practice Managers and Vet Nurses can join the Australian Veterinary Association to receive a member discount at AVA CPD conferences.
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**Morning Tea - Exhibition Hall**

President’s Welcome

Plenary - Work-life balance; the Myths, the Lessons and the Responsibilities  
*Nigel Marsh*

Lunch - Exhibition Hall

**Afternoon Tea - Exhibition Hall**

AVA Awards Ceremony Annual and Annual General Meeting

5:00-6:00  
**AFAST and TFAST: How can I get the best from these tests?**  
*Zoe Lenard*

6:00-7:00  
**Happy Hour - Exhibition Hall**

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**Thursday 9 May 2019**

**Afternoon Tea - Exhibition Hall**

- **Ben Cunneen Memorial Plenary** - No food security without food safety: lessons from low and middle income countries Delia Grace

**Lunch - Exhibition Hall**

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