

# Respiratory Medicine & Oncology

Hilton Darwin, 32 Mitchell Street, Darwin NT



## Veterinarians and Nurses Conference



### Welcome to the AVA NT Conference 2020 - Kim Smith, President

The AVA Northern Territory Division's "Top End" Conference is a small, but world class conference where you are welcome and not lost in the crowd. I invite you to come and join the NT veterinarians in an amazing un-spoilt part of the country in the wet season for a weekend of first class continuing veterinary education.

This year Dr Aaron Herndon from the University of Queensland will provide an exciting update on topics in respiratory medicine & Dr Rod Straw from Brisbane Veterinary Specialist Centre will provide us the latest information on oncological conditions cranial to the diaphragm which will include a session on the commonly seen Mast Cell Tumour. An exciting informative programme is promised for both veterinarians & nurses.

This meeting is a great chance to recharge, relax, spend a little more time in the "Top End", maybe catch a barra, as well as an opportunity to meet old friends and make new friends. I look forward to meeting you there.



## Dynamic Nurses program

Don't miss a great range of speakers and topics for the nurses program headed up by Rod Straw and Aaron Herndon covering topics of chemotherapy and palliative care, managing acute respiratory distress, oxygenation and BOAS, rebalancing the gut microbiota and much more!

### Talks include:

- Respiratory diagnostics, pneumonia and radiology
- Oesophageal disease and its relationship with BOAS
- The Oncology Roadshow 1 to 5 using the interactive Kahoot system (game based learning platform) involving an interactive, energetic, case based learning program to give you the information necessary to help dogs and cats in your clinic with head and neck cancer, thoracic tumours and mast cell tumours
- Updates on antimicrobial resistance and animal welfare

### What you will learn:

- Mast cell tumours – so common and so variable – how to establish a system of management for these horrible cancers that will work for you and your patients.
- Improved skills at diagnosing pneumonia and other respiratory conditions. The diagnosis of pneumonia hinges on the chest radiograph but knowing when to take chest radiographs can be tricky. The veterinarian must put together findings from the history, physical examination, and possibly response to initial therapies to decide if radiographs should be checked.
- Managing grief : How do you deal with giving and receiving bad news? What about your staff, your patients' families and how can this all be managed better? Share experiences if you like or just come along to switch gears and look at the human side of what we do.
- How to better help patients with cancer in the head, neck and thorax.

## Key Speakers



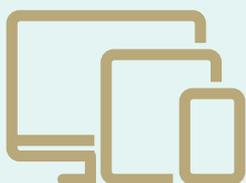
**Rod Straw** - Director of a multidiscipline veterinary referral hospital, Brisbane Veterinary Specialist Centre (BVSC) and is the founder of Australia's comprehensive cancer centre with the Southern Hemisphere's first veterinary linear accelerator.



**Aaron Herndon** - After graduating with his DVM from Texas A&M University he served three years in the US Army Veterinary Corps. Aaron spent 12 years in private practice before returning to academia in 2010 to complete a combined small animal internal medicine residency and PhD with a focus on feline endocrinology. Aaron joined the staff at the University of Queensland in 2015.

## Pricing

For full details and to book please visit - <http://bit.ly/NT-2020>



**Full registration (includes scientific sessions, happy hour and conference dinner)**

Prices start from \$375

**Day registration (includes scientific sessions for nominated day)**

Prices start from \$160

**Conference Dinner (Saturday 15 December, 7:00pm - late)**

Prices start from \$125

Saturday 15 February 2020		
Time	Veterinarian Stream Signature Room	Nurses Stream Ambassador Room
8.30am – 9.00am	Registration	
9.00am – 9.50am	<b>Oncology Road Show 1 - Head &amp; neck</b> <i>Rod Straw</i>	
9.50am – 10.30am	Morning Tea	
10.30am – 11.20am	<b>Respiratory diagnostics</b> <i>Aaron Herndon</i>	
11.20am – 12.10pm	<b>Pneumonia &amp; radiology</b> <i>Aaron Herndon</i>	
12.10pm – 12.30pm	<b>CVO Update</b> <i>Sue Fitzpatrick</i>	
12.30pm – 1.40pm	Lunch	
1.40pm – 2.30pm	<b>Oncology Road Show 2 - Head &amp; neck</b> <i>Rod Straw</i>	<b>Chest Radiography &amp; Diagnosis</b> <i>Aaron Herndon</i>
2.30pm – 3.10pm	Annual Meeting	<b>Be one step ahead; rebalancing the gut microbiota</b> <i>Penny Dobson</i>
3.10pm – 4.00pm	Afternoon Tea	
4.00pm – 4.50pm	<b>AMR in your clinic: is the resistance futile?</b> <i>Guy Weerasinghe</i>	<b>Nursing for Oncology Cases, Chemotherapy and Palliative Care Part 1</b> <i>Rod Straw</i>
4.50pm – 5.00pm	<b>AVA Update</b>	
5.00pm – 6.00pm	<b>Happy Hour</b>	
7 for 7.30pm	Conference Dinner	

Sunday 16 February 2020		
	Veterinarian Stream Signature Room	Nurses Stream Ambassador Room
8.30 – 9.00am	Registration	
9.00am – 9.50am	<b>Oncology Road Show 3 - Thorax</b> <i>Rod Straw</i>	<b>Oxygenation &amp; managing BOAS</b> <i>Aaron Herndon</i>
9.50am – 10.30am	Morning Tea	
10.30am – 11.20am	<b>Pleural space disease</b> <i>Aaron Herndon</i>	<b>Nursing for oncology cases, chemotherapy and palliative care part 2</b> <i>Rod Straw</i>
11.20am – 11.30pm	<b>Animal welfare</b> <i>Peter Phillips</i>	<b>Grief and grieving (11.20am - 12.10pm)</b> <i>Rod Straw</i>
11.30pm – 12.20pm	<b>Mediastinal disease</b> <i>Aaron Herndon</i>	<b>Animal welfare (12.10pm - 12.20pm)</b> <i>Peter Phillips</i>
12.20pm – 1.40pm	Lunch	
1.40pm – 2.30pm	<b>Oncology Road Show 4 - Mast cell tumours</b> <i>Rod Straw</i>	<b>Myxomatous mitral valve disease in dogs</b> <i>Eve Haupt</i>
2.30pm – 3.10pm	<b>Case Based Studies - an emphasis on grieving</b> <i>Rod Straw</i>	<b>Acute respiratory distress</b> <i>Aaron Herndon</i>
3.10pm – 4.00pm	Afternoon Tea	
4.00pm – 4.50pm	<b>Oesophageal disease &amp; it's relationship with BOAS</b> <i>Aaron Herndon</i>	<b>AMR in your clinic: is the resistance futile?</b> <i>Guy Weerasinghe</i>
4.50pm – 5.00pm	<b>Q&amp;A</b>	

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