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## Tasmania Division Conference 2025

10-12 October 2025 | Wrest Point Hotel, Hobart

Up to 12  
CPD  
points

**Tasmania  
Conference 2025**

**Ophthalmology**



[Click here](#) to register – early bird ends





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## Welcome

The Tasmanian Conference will be held at the Wrest Point in Hobart on Saturday 11 and Sunday 12 October 2025.

This year our focus will be ophthalmology with a veterinary and nurse streams on both Saturday and Sunday.

Come and join us for a wonderful weekend of CPD with full trade display, the ever-popular Friday trivia night sponsored by Provet and the **Eye-Conic** theme conference dinner on the Saturday evening.

## Why attend?

- Two days for vets and nurses
- Trade show Saturday and Sunday – find out about latest services, technology & innovation
- Network – connect with business leaders, friends and colleagues

## Hobart, Tasmania

There are always plenty of interesting things to do in Hobart - find out more [here](#).

Adventure lives here. Draw a circle 20km around the city of Hobart and you can find mountain biking, hiking, kayaking, rock climbing, abseiling and surfing within it.

It's a great opportunity to visit Mona and it's worth checking out the Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery (TMAG). There are a collection of private galleries sprinkled through Salamanca and the city centre.



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## Schedule

### Friday 10 October

7.30pm - 11.30pm: Quiz Night | Drysdale Room | Wrest Point Hotel

### Quiz Night

Join us for a casual Quiz Night at the Wrest Point Hotel, kindly sponsored by Provet. Light supper and cash bar. Join a team and win some fabulous prizes. Must book when registering for the conference.

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### Saturday 11 October

8.00am - 5.00pm

Scientific program – Vets Stream

8.00am - 5.00pm

Scientific program – Nurses Stream

11.00am – 6.00pm

Exhibition & Trade Fair – Boardwalk Gallery Room

7.30pm – 11.30pm

Gala Dinner – Derwent Room

### Gala Dinner – EYE-CONIC – Sponsored by BOQ Specialist

Get ready for a night of glitz, glam, and unforgettable style! We're celebrating the stars who inspire us - from movie legends and fashion icons to cultural heroes and trendsetters. AVA Gold Finance Partner

Includes 3 course dinner, drinks, music, best dressed prizes and fun



### Sunday 12 October

8.00am - 2.30pm

Scientific program and trade fair



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## Venue and Accommodation

At Wrest Point, guests can enjoy spectacular views of the River Derwent, Mount Wellington and Hobart CBD (Central Business District). An indoor heated pool, a choice of on-site restaurants and free in-room WiFi are featured. You can work-out in the indoor health club, which offers exercise equipment, a sauna and a spa. Facilities also include mini golf, free undercover parking and 24-hour reception.

Wrest Point is within 6 minutes' drive of Sullivans Cove and the famous Salamanca Market in the city. The Museum of Old and New Art (MONA) is located 15 km from the property.

All 4.5-star, air-conditioned rooms include a TV, a minibar and tea/coffee making facilities. Some include a bathtub and bathrobes. Rooms with facilities for disabled guests are available on request.

Located on the 17th floor, the award-winning Point Revolving Restaurant serves modern Australian cuisine with French influences. The Birdcage Bar offers live music and premium cocktails.

**Wrest Point Hotel, 410 Sandy Bay Rd, Sandy Bay TAS 7005**  
(03) 6221 1888 | W: [www.wrestpoint.com.au](http://www.wrestpoint.com.au)

[Conference Accommodation Booking Link – 15% off](#)



# Program

Saturday 11 October 2025		
8:00am - 8:55am	Registration Desk Open	
	<b>Veterinary Stream</b> Wellington 1	<b>Nurses Stream</b> Wellington 2
8:50am - 9:00am	Welcome and Opening <i>Rhianna Booth, TAS Division President</i>	
9:00am - 10:00am	The eyes have it: A crash course in seeing what matters <i>Farzin Sahebjam</i>	Ouch! Triage and care for the squinty eyes <i>Penny Lim</i>
10:00am - 11:00am	Presentation Title <i>Simon Hurn</i>	Mastering the Art of ophthalmic Surgery <i>Penny Lim</i>
11:00am - 11:30am	Morning Tea	
11:30am - 12:30pm	Presentation Title <i>Boehringer</i>	Veterinary Nursing: Building a Future Beyond the Ceiling <i>Jen Barlow</i>
12:30pm - 1:00pm	Practice purchase and 'making equipment easy' with Auto- Approval for vets <i>Ursula Coetzee &amp; Jack Pinches (BOQ Specialist)</i>	A Veterinary Nurse Survival Trivia <i>Penny Lim</i>
1:00pm - 1:45pm	Lunch	
1:45pm - 2:30pm	Presentation Title <i>Simon Hurn</i>	Presentation Title <i>Boehringer</i>
2:30pm - 3:30pm	Presentation Title <i>Simon Hurn</i>	Ocular Clues: How Clinical Pathology Supports Ophthalmic Cases <i>Penny Lim</i>
3:30pm - 4:00pm	Afternoon Tea	
4:00pm - 5:00pm	Presentation Title <i>Simon Hurn</i>	Setting Up for Success – From Premed to Discharge <i>Jen Barlow</i>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	Happy Hour	

Sunday 12 October 2025	
8:00am - 8:55am	Registration Desk Open
	<b>Veterinary &amp; Nurses Stream</b>
9:00am - 10:00am	Ancient History or Ticking Time-bombs? The Diseases We Still Vaccinate Against – and Why <i>Mark Kelman</i>
10:00am - 11:00am	The First 30 Minutes of an Emergency <i>Courtney Reddrop</i>
11:00am - 11:30am	Morning Tea
11:30am - 12:30pm	Needles, Noses and Neutralising Antibodies: The Science Behind Smarter Vaccination <i>Mark Kelman</i>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	Giving Everything Without Losing Yourself: How to Thrive in Practice and Purpose-Driven Work <i>Mark Kelman</i>
1:30pm - 2:30pm	Lunch (Conference Closes)



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## Social Events

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**Dress as your favorite icon** or show off what makes *you* iconic. Whether it's old-school Hollywood, pop rovaltv. or your own signature look. this is your chance to turn heads ar

Tickets - \$135.00

Numbers limited.





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## Registration

Includes a 10% GST. Credit card payment only. Early bird closes Wednesday 09 September 2025

### Full Conference – Friday-Sunday

- Friday Quiz Night (must register)
- Attendance at scientific sessions (Saturday and Sunday)
- Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea
- Passport competition

*Does not include Saturday Night Gala Dinner*

### Day registration – Saturday or Sunday

- Attendance at scientific sessions (Saturday or Sunday)
- Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea
- Passport competition

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### 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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Full Conference Registration Pricing	Early Bird – ends 12.09.25	Standard	Onsite 08.10.25
Non-member	\$938	\$1,170	\$1,270
AVA Member or Associate Member	\$625	\$780	\$880
AVA Student	\$315	\$390	\$490
New Graduate/Nurses	\$435	\$545	\$645
<b>Day Registration Pricing (Saturday or Sunday)</b>	<b>**</b>		
Non-member	-	\$675	\$775
AVA Member or Associate Member	-	\$375	\$475
AVA Student	-	\$190	\$290
New Graduate/Nurses	-	\$260	\$360
<b>Social Tickets Only Pricing</b>			
Saturday Night Gala Dinner		\$135	



\*new graduates are up to 3 years out

\*\*Day registration doesn't qualify for early bird

Note: Only current financial 2025 - 2026 members can qualify for the member rate.



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## General Information

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All speakers and sessions were confirmed and correct at the time of printing. The AVA reserves the right to amend the program details as required. For program updates visit the 'program' page of the conference website. The views and advice offered by speakers are their own views and may not represent those of the AVA.

### Cancellation Policy

Cancellations must be received in writing to the Conference Secretariat at [events@ava.com.au](mailto:events@ava.com.au) by Tuesday 10 September 2025. Cancellations received prior to this date will receive a full refund minus \$150 administration fee. Cancellations after this date will not be refunded. Substitute delegates will be accepted.

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