Feline Medicine in the Yarra Valley

The AVA (Victorian Division) 2011 State Conference will be held at the award-winning RACV Country Club at Healesville. The Yarra Valley is renowned for its fine cool climate wines, and is situated within easy reach of Melbourne. We will be providing 12 hours of high quality education by world class speakers. Accommodation is available at the RACV Country Club, but book early as numbers are limited. The highlight of the weekend will be the Saturday night Conference Dinner, where an expert Sommelier will present a range of fine Yarra Valley wines to accompany an excellent meal.

Australian Veterinary Association (Victorian Division)
2011 State Conference
11-13 March 2011

Come for one day or two days of lectures, or pamper yourself and your partner with a fantastic long weekend.
Keynote Speakers

Professor David Bennett (sponsored by Hill’s Pet Nutrition)
BSc(Hons), BVetMed(Hons), PhD, DSAO, DVM, FHEA, MRCVS, Institute of Comparative Medicine, Division Companion Animal Science, University of Glasgow, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, UK.
Professor David Bennett is Associate Dean at the University of Glasgow Veterinary Faculty and head of a research group. In addition to his clinical and teaching interests, his current research includes osteoarthritis in cats, the role of cytokines in arthritis and other sites of inflammation, the application of gene therapy to arthritis and the use of stem cells in cartilage repair. Professor Bennett has been awarded numerous awards and is an honorary life-time member of the British Veterinary Orthopaedic Association in recognition of his outstanding contributions to small animal orthopaedics. He has over 300 publications. He is on the editorial boards of Veterinary Comparative Orthopaedics and Traumatology and Journal of Feline Medicine and Surgery.

I was fortunate enough to listen to Prof. Bennett present at a Feline osteoarthritis symposium 3 years ago. His research and insights into feline pain and in particular feline osteoarthritis sparked my interest and led to my own research in this field. His work has helped open all our eyes to the "silent" world of chronic pain in cats and its successful management today and amazing possibilities into the future. He is one of the foremost veterinary orthopaedists in the world today, with his surgical experience and levels of published research hugely respected. His presentations will be invaluable to any veterinarian with an interest in pain management and osteoarthritis.—Dr. Richard Gowan, BVSc(Hons) MACVSc(Feline Medicine) CMAVA The Cat Clinic - Prahran

Associate Professor Julia Beatty
BSc(hons) BVetMed PhD FACVSc (feline medicine) MRCVS, Feline Medicine Specialist, Associate Professor in Small Animal Medicine
Associate Professor Julia Beatty co-runs the busy feline medicine referral service at the Valentine Charlton Cat Centre, University of Sydney. Her career has been devoted to improving the health of cats. Julia graduated from the Royal Veterinary College, London in 1989 then, after a period in practice, moved to the University of Glasgow where she completed a PhD and post-doctoral studies on Feline Immunodeficiency Virus. She has practiced feline medicine in primary and referral facilities and is a registered Specialist in Feline Medicine. She is currently Associate Professor in small animal medicine at the University of Sydney. Her group’s main clinical research interests are feline infectious diseases. Julia has published over 50 peer-reviewed papers and book chapters. She presents clinical research and continuing education seminars internationally.

Program

Friday, 11th March 2011

7.00pm-8.30pm Welcome Reception
Join us for the official welcoming drinks and canapes.
# Conference Program

## Saturday, 12th March 2011

### 8.00-8.45  
**REGISTRATION**

### 8.45-9.00  
**CONFERENCE OPENING REMARKS AND WELCOME**  
Dr. Bill Harkin, Victorian Division President

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### 11.00-11.30  
**MORNING TEA IN EXHIBITION AREA**

### 11.30-12.30  
**Geriatric Neurology: Diseases of older cats**  
Dr. Sam Long

### 12.30-1.30  
**LUNCH IN EXHIBITION AREA**

### 1.30-2.30  
**Eosinophilic dermatoses**  
Dr. Greg Burton

### 2.30-3.30  
**Pleural effusion—a practical approach to determining aetiology**  
Associate Professor Julia Beatty

### 3.30-4.00  
**AFTERNOON TEA IN EXHIBITION AREA**

### 4.00-5.00  
**Some anatomical & physiological idiosyncrasies of the cat**  
Dr Robert Furneaux

### 7.30-11.00  
**Conference Dinner**  
An expert Sommelier will match delightful Yarra Valley wines with exceptional food prepared by the RACV Country Club chefs.
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## Conference Program

### Sunday, 13th March 2011

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RACV Healesville Country Club

Nestled in the foothills of the Great Dividing Range and only a 75 minute drive from Melbourne, RACV Healesville Country Club provides guests with the perfect Yarra Valley retreat.

Facilities include the Terrace Café, library, sports bar, One Spa, fitness centre, games room, billiards room and indoor heated swimming pool.

Healesville Country Club also offers a variety of onsite recreational facilities including the fully redeveloped 18 hole golf course, a new four hole short course and a new practice putting green. You’ll also find tennis courts, a three rink bowling green, a croquet lawn, and even a jumping pillow for children.

Accommodation Yarra Valley

Please make your accommodation booking directly with the venue of your choice and make your own enquiries regarding location, rates and travelling time to the RACV Healesville Country Club.

RACV Healesville Country Club—(Conference Rate $206) Telephone 5962 4899


Balgownie Estate Vineyard Resort & Spa Telephone 9730 0723

Mt Rael Telephone 5962 1977

The Sebel Telephone 9760 3355
http://www.mirvachotels.com/sebel-heritage-yarra-valley

Gracedale Yarra Valley Telephone 5962 1248

Chateau Yering Telephone 9237 3333

Ainsworth Estate Telephone 5964 4711

Healesville Hotel Telephone 5962 4002

Healesville Motor Inn Telephone 5962 5188

Melba Lodge Telephone 9730 1511

For more accommodation options visit http://www.visityarravalley.com.au
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## Registration Form/Tax Invoice/Receipt

Please keep a copy of this page as your receipt and use a separate form for each person.

### Delegate Details

AVANANNNNo: _____________

AVA members—please include member number for recording of Vet Ed points

**Title: __________ First Name: __________________ Surname: __________________**

Company/Organisation/Practice: ______________________________________________________

Address: __________________________________________________________________________

Suburb: ___________________ State: ______________ ______ Postcode: __________

Telephone: ___________________ Mobile: ___________ _____ Email: _________________

Please indicate if you do NOT want your contact details to be provided to conference delegates/exhibitors/sponsors.  

### Cost and Registration

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### Social Events

**Friday Evening Welcome Reception**

Name(s):__________________________________________

No. Attending _______  

@ $95.00.  

**Saturday Evening Conference Dinner**

Name(s):__________________________________________

No. Attending _______  

@ $95.00.  

**Not an AVA member?**

Submit an AVA membership application form with this registration and pay member registration rates! Go to www.ava.com.au, click on “Join the AVA”

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- **Cheque** (payable ‘The Australian Veterinary Association’)

- **EFT** Account Name: The Australian Veterinary Association Ltd  
  
  BSB: 062 104  
  Account No: 10111913  
  Reference: VicReg (insert your name)

Please complete and return this form (with copy of EFT receipt) Fax: (03) 9600 2940 or Eml: avavic@ava.com.au