

Brisbane Veterinary Practitioners Branch Meeting

6 & 7 March, 2021
Stradbroke Island
Beach Hotel



Back to normal - what does that mean in 2021

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President's Welcome

The BVP committee wanted to present a program that was relevant to local veterinarians and the changes they have experienced since the COVID pandemic started. While many features of our practice are the same, many things have changed. Increased demand for veterinary services has been seen in many practices.

On the clinical side, there are more urgent cases, and a rapid increase in puppy adoption. Dr Mark Haworth is an Emergency and Critical Care specialist who will give a number of talks that will provide an update on common emergency presentations to help practitioners manage the load of urgent cases. Dr Kate Bruce will share her experience from a busy 24 hour general practice and give some front line insight into the conditions being seen in practice associated with the increased rate of pet adoption (Puppy diseases) as well as some of the consequences we are seeing from designer dog breeding.

The program will be rounded out with presentations on resilience from Dr Natasha Wilks, a practitioner forum for discussion, an update from the Veterinary Surgeon's Board from Philip Moses and an open discussion about the challenges of practice management in the pandemic with David Cook. We hope this is a diverse program that covers the main issues relevant to practitioners in our area.

We'd love to see as many colleagues there to both participate in the meeting, and develop relationships with like minded colleagues, not to mention the venue is pretty good too!

Dr David Cook
BVP Branch President



About the AVA

The AVA is the peak national body representing the Australian veterinary profession, delivering a range of services and benefits to over 9,500 members.

For nearly 100 years, we've represented Australian veterinarians nationwide. Providing our members with access to continuing professional development (CPD) of the highest calibre on the latest scientific thinking is a key focus of the AVA. Our CPD program planning begins up to two years in advance to ensure it includes veterinary science and business training that is interesting, relevant and accessible, so that we maintain a highly skilled veterinary workforce. Looking ahead we will embrace new technologies to proactively assist our members with more flexible and appropriate learning outcomes.

Membership is made up of veterinarians in practice, industry, government and academia.

Why you should attend



Expand your knowledge

Learn new techniques and gain 9 CPD points.



Invest in yourself

Invest in your development, career and business.



Product updates

Chat with industry specialists on the latest products and scientific advances.



Network

Connect with colleagues and like minded people.



Meeting destination

An island paradise only 2 hrs and a world away from Brisbane. The original “Straddie Pub” first opened in 1962. Over this time it has gathered a rich folklore over the years – wild brumbies eating bread off customers tables, chooks roosting in the famous tree out the front, carpet snakes in the bar ceiling and the annual BVP branch meeting has also become an icon of the hotel.

In 2006 the “Old Pub” was demolished and redesigned with the inspiration of the Mantra Ray. Nestled on the headland a few short steps from the beautiful white sandy beaches and natural bushland.

To book accommodation please call 07 3409 8188 or email reception@stradbrokehotel.com.au and quote BVPconference to receive your corporate discount.



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Meet the speakers



Dr Kate Bruce

Kate has been a small animal GP and emergency veterinarian for the past 5 years, and has recently made the move to The Brisbane Veterinary Specialist Centre as a hospital vet.

Kate is known for her veterinary based Instagram page, where she promotes pet education for the general public, shares veterinary insights, and provides commentary on animal welfare to her more than 34,000 followers.

She has seen firsthand the explosion in pet ownership amidst the COVID-19 pandemic, and will be presenting on the impacts this has had, both in veterinary clinics and the wider community.

Dr David Cook

David graduated from the University of Queensland in 2005 with bachelor degrees in Veterinary Science and Commerce. After working in mixed animal practice in Victoria, David undertook an 18 month internship at Veterinary Specialist Services.

Following a further two years in general and referral surgical small animal practice in the United Kingdom, David returned to Veterinary Specialist Services to undertake a residency program. David achieved Fellowship in Small Animal Surgery in 2015. David is part of the surgical team at Veterinary Specialist Services with a broad case load but particularly enjoys orthopaedic and neurosurgery.

David's special interest area is arthroscopic joint surgery. This involves keyhole surgical techniques for joint diseases such as cruciate ligament disease, elbow dysplasia and shoulder conditions. Other areas of interest are treatment of hip conditions, intervertebral disc disease, treatment of athletic performance animals, fracture repair and minimally invasive soft tissue surgery (laparoscopy).



Dr Mark Haworth

Mark graduated with first class honours in from the University of Queensland. He went on to complete a rotating internship at Queensland Veterinary Specialists. Having a passion for emergency and critical care, he undertook a position at Murdoch University in Perth. He was awarded membership in this field with the Australian College of Veterinary Scientists and commenced a residency in emergency and critical care also at Murdoch University. He became board certified with the American College of Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care in 2012. He obtained a Masters in Veterinary Medical Science in 2014.

Mark now heads the ECC department at the University of Queensland Veterinary Teaching Hospital to continue his passion for high quality emergency and critical care and teaching.



Meet the speakers

Dr Natasha Wilks

Natasha Wilks is a Veterinarian with 17 years' experience and an executive coach and trainer with 10 years' experience. She has spoken at veterinary conferences nationally and trained veterinary practices both nationally and internationally; and is a contributing author to the 8th edition of the VetCoach book.



Natasha is married with two gorgeous kids and enjoys living in the Redlands. Natasha is a volunteer speaker for beyondblue, a national organisation that works to raise awareness about anxiety and depression, reduce the associated stigma and encourage people to get help. She became a beyondblue speaker because she is passionate about positive mental health and reducing the stigma of mental illness.

The veterinary profession has a very high rate of suicide, depression and anxiety and Natasha wants her colleagues and other professionals to seek help early. Natasha's interests include travelling, exploring and heading to the galleries and museums.

Dr Phil Moses



Philip graduated from the University of Sydney in 1986 and worked in cattle practice in western NSW and then mixed practices until cured of the desire to become a large animal practitioner. He then moved to the UK in 1990 and began the long road to small animal surgical specialisation.

After completing his Certificate in Small Animal Orthopaedics at the Royal College in 1994, he then worked in referral practice before returning to Australia in 1996. Philip then commenced his residency in small animal surgery in private practice in Brisbane completing MANZCVS in 1998, before working at the University of Sydney as Senior Registrar then Head of Surgery in 2000. In 2001 he travelled to the United States to the University of Florida as a visiting scholar, before returning as a founding partner of Veterinary Specialist Services in Brisbane.

Philip completed his FANZCVS in Small Animal Surgery and registered as a Specialist in 2003 and is an Adjunct Professor with the University of Queensland. Surgical interests include: brachycephalic airway syndrome, spinal anomalies particularly of brachycephalic dogs, spinal surgery especially IVDD in chondrodystrophic dogs as well as all aspects of soft tissue, neurological and orthopaedic surgery. As well as undertaking research projects with Westmead Children's Hospital in Sydney and the University of Queensland, he has presented at numerous conferences in Australia and overseas, published widely in Veterinary Journals as well as Textbooks.

Philip is a Chartered Member of the AVA and an elected Member of AO. During 2010-2014 he was President of the Australian and New Zealand College of Veterinary Surgeon, and is currently a Councillor of the College. Philip has been one of two elected members of the Veterinary Surgeons Board of Queensland since 2009.

Meeting program

Saturday 6 March 2021

8.00am - 8.20am	Delegate Registration
8.30am - 9.30am	Snake envenomation in cats and dogs - Dr Mark Haworth
9.30am - 10.30am	Heat stroke in dogs - Dr Mark Haworth
10.30am - 11.00am	Morning Tea
11.00am - 12.00pm	Sustainable success - burn brightly without burning out - Dr Natasha Wilks
12.00pm - 1.00pm	Acute Haemorrhagic Diarrhoea Syndrome - Dr Mark Haworth
1.00pm - 2.00pm	Lunch
2.00pm - 3.00pm	Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation - Dr Mark Haworth
3.00pm - 3.30pm	Afternoon Tea
3.30pm - 5.00pm	Member Forum & VSB Update - Dr Phil Moses
6.30pm - 9.30pm	Pre dinner Canapes and Drinks followed by a 3 course dinner

Sunday 7 March 2021

8.00am - 8.20am	Delegate Registration
8.30am - 9.30am	The COVID-19 Pet Ownership Boom and Associated Impacts Dr Kate Bruce
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10.30am - 11.00am	Morning Tea
11.00am - 12.00pm	Managing a practice through the pandemic: experiences at VSS Dr David Cook
12.00pm - 1.00pm	Lunch & conclusion of meeting

Registration Information and Pricing

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Full Registrations	Early Bird closes 14 February	Standard Rate
AVA Member <i>Inclusions: digital conference proceedings, Morning & Afternoon Tea, Lunches and Saturday Dinner</i>	\$295	\$395
Non Member <i>Inclusions: digital conference proceedings, Morning & Afternoon Tea, Lunches and Saturday Dinner</i>	\$590	\$790
AVA Student Member / AVA New graduate: <i>digital conference proceedings, Morning & Afternoon Tea, Lunches and Saturday Dinner</i>	\$260	\$360
Lectures Only	Saturday	Sunday
AVA Member <i>Inclusions: digital conference proceedings, Morning & Afternoon Tea and Lunches</i>	\$175	\$150
Non Member <i>Inclusions: digital conference proceedings, Morning & Afternoon Tea and Lunches</i>	\$350	\$300
Accompanying Person (scientific sessions not included)		Standard Rate
<i>Inclusions: Morning & Afternoon Tea, Lunches and Saturday Dinner</i>		\$255
Additional Saturday Dinner ticket		Standard Rate
Saturday Dinner only: AVA Member / AVA Student Member / AVA New Graduate / Nurses / Practice Staff / Guest		\$110

Additional Information

Privacy Policy

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Cancellations received from Tuesday 23 February 2021 will not be refunded. Substitute delegates will be considered.

Cancellations that are COVID-19 related for either sickness or Government restrictions full refunds will be processed.