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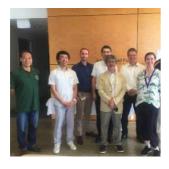
News and events



Students reach movember target

Last year, beloved anatomy technician Mick Cobbin agreed to shave his iconic moustache on the condition that \$5000 was raised for movember. Upon hearing this target, Dr Dick Wright also agreed to shave his beard. Previous years have attempted the \$5000 goal (set by Mick) without success, but last year's first-year team named "Sons of Mick" smashed the target and raised \$6365 for suicide prevention in young men. We should mention that Mick's wife has never seen him without a moustache and we

would like to send her our apologies. We'd like to thank Mick and Dick for being such great sports and inspiring us to raise as much as we did. We hope their faces aren't too cold tonight.



Visit from Iwate University in Japan

A delegation from Iwate University in Japan visited SVS on 12 February 2020. The aim of the visit was to seek possibilities for research collaboration and post graduate student exchange. The delegation included Yoshio Yamamoto (Professor) Veterinary Anatomy, Hiroshi Sato (Professor) Toxicology (chemically-induced toxicity), and Daisuke Fukui (Associate Professor) Veterinary Surgery (small animal and wild animal). Accompanying them was Dr Tetsuo Mizuno (AJWCEF).



First One Health Poultry Hub Annual conference

In February Joerg Henning attended the first *One Health Poultry Hub* conference in Ahmedabad, Gujarat (the state where Mahatma Gandhi birthplace is located), India. SVS is a key partner of the *One Health Poultry Hub*, a global alliance to help developing nations manage intensive poultry farming hazards. The Hub is led by the Royal Veterinary College (RVC) and is funded through United

Kingdom Research and Innovation's Global Challenges Research Fund (37 million Australian dollars) and includes partners in Asia, Australia, Europe and the UK. Almost 80 veterinary, public health, and social scientists came together to design research activities to investigate the impact of intensified poultry production on human and animal health in India, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka and Vietnam. The UK Chief Veterinary Officer, Dr Christine Middlemiss, and the British Deputy High Commissioner to Gujarat and Rajasthan, Peter Cook, were guests of honour at the conference. A wide range of workshops ranging from policy development, social science approaches to data collection, and molecular methods, were included in the workshop program. The conference was nearly cancelled because of the coronavirus outbreak; however, the conference demonstrated the real benefits of face-to-face interactions and highlighted the importance of a global One Health network for surveillance, identification, and prevention of infectious diseases.



Vet Ed Down Under Gatton well received

The School recently hosted the 'Vet Ed Down Under 2020 Symposium' on Gatton Campus from 11-13 February 2020. This biennial event, open to veterinary and veterinary technology/ nursing academics, teachers, educators, clinicians, practitioners, researchers and students, aims to 'promote veterinary education in the Australia and New Zealand region, through inclusive sharing of research, innovation and best practice'.

Our theme for 2020 was 'Sharing practice, growing together', with three terrific keynote speakers:

- Associate Professor Julie Cary Diplomate ACVS/ Director Clinical Communication Program & Clinical Simulation Center, Washington State University, College of Veterinary Medicine, United States of America
- Dr Eloise Jillings Senior Lecturer/Associate Dean (Admissions & Students),
 Massey University, School of Veterinary Sciences, New Zealand
- Associate Professor Elizabeth Tudor Associate Dean Curriculum, The University of Melbourne, School of Veterinary Science

We had a great response to the call for abstracts with 24 workshops delivered by facilitators representing all of the Australasian veterinary schools, and several from further afield. Thirty-one educational posters were also presented.

The two Post-Conference Workshops delivered on February 13 were well received too:

- 1. Veterinary Service Delivery to Remote Indigenous Communities Talking Practicalities and One Health
- 2. Creative teaching for veterinary clinical skills development

In total we have 128 attendees over the two-day symposium and around 90-100 people for the post-conference workshops. The majority of attendees were from Australia, but we also hosted colleagues from NZ, Germany, Japan, the US and the UK.

The feedback has been positive, as captured by the comments below:

'A fantastic conference - intellectually interesting and with a wonderful sense of community.'

'From the outset the mood was one of welcome and inclusivity. What a friendly and supportive bunch of colleagues to be around- how lucky we are that so many colleagues share our passion for learning and teaching! The conference themes worked so well-and the messages seem to resonate from Keynote to workshop and back to Keynote...'

'A very interesting and stimulating programme of veterinary education. Made lots of contacts and met many interesting passionate people.'

'It was a fantastic conference and I was so impressed with all the energy and passion for teaching and learning!'

'The conference was very enjoyable and well organised. Lots of great ideas currently percolating around in my brain.'

'It was a great symposium and I was so excited to see the level of collegiality and collaboration that was present. In every way it represented the best of what educators should be.'

Thanks to those who helped to make the event a success. We now pass the baton to the Murdoch Veterinary School who will host the event in early 2022!



Cats available for adoption from the CSC

The \$50 cat adoption continues! We're sure the cat of your dreams is right here waiting for you. Photo: Jazz - one of the cats available for adoption. This lovely cat takes a while to settle and startles easily, but she loves with her whole soul. See our Facebook page for more information.

Staff News

Welcomes:

Md Asrafuzzaman Riyadh
Adam Whitelock
Small Animal Rotating Intern
Edward Di Rago
Small Animal Rotating Intern
Katherine Munce
An N Yoo
Small Animal Rotating Intern
Small Animal Rotating Intern

Stephanie Collins Equine Intern

Hazel Allen Veterinary Nurse Intern
Ifreed Glendinning Veterinary Nurse Intern
Lucy Hunkin Veterinary Nurse Intern
Tay-Lee Penney Client Liaison Officer
Andrew Rogers Barn Assistant

Resignations/Departures:

Margie McEwen Clinical Anaesthetist

Fred Pauwel Snr Lecturer in Radiology and Diagnostic Imaging

Elke Erregger Small Animal Clinician

Teacher showcase



Albert Sole Guitart DVM, DACVS

Albert is a Senior Lecturer and Equine Surgery Specialist working out of the Equine Specialist Hospital.

After graduation from the Autonomous University of Barcelona in 2007, Albert did an internship at the University of Guelph, Canada followed by a private practice internship at Rood and Riddle Equine Hospital in Kentucky. Albert moved to the University of California, Davis for his surgical

training where he stayed and worked as an Equine Surgical Specialist for a further two years. Albert moved to Australia in 2014 and worked at Camden Equine Centre, University of Sydney for almost 3 years before joining the University of Queensland.

Albert teaches into a range of veterinary and veterinary technology subjects in the School and teaches students on the equine rotations and elective. Albert received the 'Golden Speculum Clinical Teaching Award' from the final year veterinary students AND also the 'Veterinary Tutor who has made the Most Valuable Contribution to Veterinary Technology Teaching and Learning' Award from the final year Veterinary Technology students in 2019! These awards highlight that Albert's favourite terrain for teaching is the clinical setting (using the case-base teaching approach) – and his ability to engage students from a range of disciplines, in clinical learning. However, in addition to his clinical teaching, Albert is also well known for his hands-on and practical lectures and tutorials where students receive 1:1 guidance, feedback and support. Students appreciate Albert's approachability and effort the puts into making sure his teaching is applied, engaging and fun.

Vital statistics:

Years of teaching: 12 years

Discipline areas: Equine surgery

Course coordination: VETS3018

Teaching courses: VETS2001, VETS3060, VETS3070, VETS4022, VETS 5015

Current RHD students: Equine clinical service provision and clinical teaching for

BVSc and BVT students on rotation

Clinical contribution: Equine clinical service provision and clinical teaching for BVSc

and BVT students on rotation

External Teaching: Equine Veterinary Association CE

Testimonial: 'It was the best hock talk I have ever seen. Thank you! You obviously put a lot of effort into it and it showed.' Dr. Ben Poole, EVA ex-president. EVA Qld State Meeting presentation & webinar, 2018

Student testimonials

"I loved the large animal practicals. Practicals with Albert were great because he explains things well and helps you become comfortable with large animals even if you are terrified. The hub radiology practice was great to understand the angles and rules of taking x rays".

Upcoming events and opportunities



Puppy Preschool

Did you know that UQ VETS Small Animal Hospital is currently recruiting puppies for its next round of Puppy Preschool? If you have a healthy puppy aged between 8 weeks - 15 weeks old that has received at least its first vaccination, then your pup is eligible to attend classes! Our DELTA qualified instructor and highly trained team will focus on teaching you the skills required to understand your puppies behaviour and how to begin training your puppy to learn simple cues that you can use in everyday life. During classes, your puppy will be

exposed to positive, non-overwhelming socialisation, to novel situations, noises, people and of course, other puppies.

The classes are held at our UQ Small Animal Hospital, Gatton Campus and run for 4 weeks.

For further information, please see our website or alternatively contact the Small Animal Hospital on 5460 1788.

Our next round of classes are starting very soon, so be quick to send in your enrolment forms!



AVA National Conference 2020

The nation's largest veterinary event and trade exhibition, covering all fields of veterinary science now with a Masterclass format. Join us on the Gold Coast, 10-15 May 2020.

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Inaugural Conservation Dog Conference, held in Canberra 20th - 21st August

Do you love dogs and wildlife? Learn how dogs are helping us monitor and conserve threatened species at the inaugural Conservation Dog Conference, held in Canberra 20th - 21st August. Abstract submissions are open until Friday 13th March.

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In case of confirmed emergencies such as gas explosions, life threats, confirmed fire, please contact 000 - remember to call out of UQ first by dialling another 0 first, i.e. 0-000.

For medical emergencies, UQ still mandates UQ Security be contacted first, all hours, on ext 53333 or 3365 3333.

In both cases, remember to let them know you are calling from UQ GATTON campus and in the latter case, your building number.

8114 (Veterinary Science Building)

8106 (Veterinary Teaching Building including Anatomy, Post-mortem, MPL and Histo labs)

8156 (Veterinary Medical Centre)

8179 (Clinical Studies Centre)

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