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We extend a warm welcome to you at our milestone event in the Wales veterinary calendar, on Thursday and Friday 4-5 July, at Aberystwyth, a picturesque university town on the stunning west Wales coast. We promise a strong programme of learning for livestock, equine and companion animal practice, alongside a varied exhibition. Relax in the evening amongst friends and colleagues, and soak up the summer atmosphere. We are really looking forward to a fantastic event with everyone's participation – it's great to see you here!



Kate O'Sullivan | Vets Cymru Organising Committee



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Programme Overview

Main Lecture Programme

At Vets Cymru we have three streams across the two days aimed at different audiences; however, as an attendee, you can choose to attend the stream most appropriate to you and can also swap between streams from session to session.



The Large Animal Stream takes place in A14 in the Hugh Owen building and will cover Livestock and Equine topics.



The Small Animal Vet Stream takes place in A12 in the Hugh Owen building and will cover many aspects of companion animal practice.



The Small Animal Vet Nurse Stream takes place in Medrus 4 of the Penbryn building and is aimed at companion animal veterinary nurses.



Practicals

Alongside the lecture programme we also have a couple of Practicals being run by Burtons on both Thursday and Friday. The morning practical takes place at 10:00-11:00 and is aimed at Vet Nurses; with the afternoon one aimed at Vets taking place at 14:40-15:40. You don't need to pre-book these workshops, just turn up and take part.







Thursday Drinks

Immediately following lectures on Thursday, we have a free drinks reception taking place at 17:00-18:30 in the exhibition (Penbryn: Medrus Mawr). There will be complimentary drinks and some musical entertainment. Pop along for some networking opportunities as well as catching up with colleagues and friends. This is open to all attendees.




Programme – Thursday 4 July Morning

	Large Animal Stream Hugh Owen: A14	Small Animal Vet Stream Hugh Owen: A12	Small Animal Vet Nurse Stream Penbryn: Medrus 4	Practical Sessions Penbryn: Medrus 3
0900	09:00-09:50 Vector Borne Diseases (Livestock, Horses & Dogs) Suzanna Bell, Animal & Plant Health Agency (APHA)	09:00-09:50 Top Tips for Practice: Itchy Dogs & Itchy Ears David Godfrey, BSAVA	09:00-09:50 The Value of the Nurse in Caring for a Pet with Cancer Owen Davies, Bristol Vet Specialists	
1000	10:00-10:50 Understanding & Managing the Changing Risks of Tick-borne Diseases in the UK: The OPTICK and TickSolve Projects Beth Purse, Optick 	10:00-10:50 Cardiology Part I: Help this Puppy has a Murmur. When Should I Be Worried? Rachel James, James Specialist Veterinary Cardiology	10:00-10:50 How to Assess Evidence for Vet Nurses, Increasing Skills in Clinical Analysis and Evidence- based Medicine Amanda Curtis, Essity Animal Health 	10:00-11:00 Not another scope to clean! Cheryl Stear, Burtons Medical Equipment 
1100	10:50-11:40 EXHIBITION & REFRESHMENTS IN PENBRYN: MEDRUS MAWR			
1200	11:40-12:30 Help! Is it a Notifiable Disease? Alan Murphy, Animal & Plant Health Agency (APHA)	11:40-12:30 Cardiology Part II: DCM - The Silent Killer Rachel James, James Specialist Veterinary Cardiology	11:40-12:30 Nurse Utilisation and Delegation Amelia Sherwood, Linnaeus	
1300	12:30-13:40 EXHIBITION & LUNCH IN PENBRYN: MEDRUS MAWR			


Programme – Thursday 4 July Afternoon

	Large Animal Stream Hugh Owen: A14	Small Animal Vet Stream Hugh Owen: A12	Small Animal Vet Nurse Stream Penbryn: Medrus 4	Practical Sessions Penbryn: Medrus 3
	12:30-13:40 EXHIBITION & LUNCH IN PENBRYN: MEDRUS MAWR			
1400	<p>13:40-14:15 Pathophysiology of Large Animal Respiratory Disease (Cattle & Horses) Shaun McKane, Cotts Farm Equine</p>  	<p>13:40-14:30 Oncology "In-House": Why You Don't Need Sophisticated Equipment to Care for Pets with Cancer Owen Davies, Bristol Vet Specialists</p> 	<p>13:40-14:30 Contextualised Wound Care: A Real-life Scenario Amelia Sherwood, Linnaeus & Amanda Curtis, Essity Animal Health</p>	
	<p>14:15-14:45 Immunology of Large Animal Respiratory Disease (Cattle & Horses) Amanda Gibson, Aberystwyth University</p> 			
1500	<p>14:45-15:30 Vaccination Against Respiratory Diseases in Livestock: What to Consider Monika Ptaszynska, MSD</p> 	<p>14:40-15:30 Top Tips for Practice: Itchy Cats & Feline Dermatological Cases David Godfrey, BSAVA</p>	<p>14:40-15:30 Cardiology: Blood Pressure: Who? How? What's the Point? Rachel James, James Specialist Veterinary Cardiology</p>	<p>14:40-15:40 You can get through that Pylorus! Cheryl Stear, Burtons Medical Equipment</p> 
	15:30-16:10 EXHIBITION & AFTERNOON REFRESHMENTS IN PENBRYN: MEDRUS MAWR			
1600	<p>16:10-17:00 Backyard Poultry Ian Jones, Hafren Vets</p>	<p>16:10-17:00 Chemotherapy "In-House": How to Out Common Medical Oncology Treatments Safely, Without Referral Owen Davies, Bristol Vet Specialists</p>	<p>16:10-17:00 How to Have a Cat Friendly Clinic David Godfrey, BSAVA</p>	
1700	17:00-18:30 EXHIBITION DRINKS RECEPTION IN PENBRYN: MEDRUS MAWR			

Programme – Friday 5 July Morning

	Large Animal Stream Hugh Owen: A14	Small Animal Vet Stream Hugh Owen: A12	Small Animal Vet Nurse Stream Penbryn: Medrus 4	Practical Sessions Penbryn: Medrus 3
0900	09:00-09:50 Parasitology Part I: An update on liver and rumen fluke – current strategies for diagnosis and control Sioned Timothy, Boehringer Ingelheim 	09:00-09:50 Combined Session – Hugh Owen: A12 Antimicrobial Stewardship: An Update Fergus Allerton, Willows		
1000	10:00-10:50 Parasitology Part II: Fluke Diagnostics, the Key for Control – Aberystwyth University Research Updates Russ Morpew, Aberystwyth University	10:00-10:50 Approaching the Blocked Cat: Tips for Success Alasdair Hotston-Moore	10:00-10:50 Leadership for Veterinary Nurses: The Role of Coaching and Mentoring Emma Anscombe-Skirrow, Aberystwyth University	10:00-11:00 Not another scope to clean! Cheryl Stear, Burtons Medical Equipment 
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1200	11:40-12:30 Comparison of Sustainable Farming, Climate Change Effects Between Uganda and the UK Lorna Brown	11:40-12:30 Gall Bladder Disease: A Medic's Perspective Fergus Allerton, Willows	11:40-12:30 The Blocked Cat: From Admission to Discharge Alasdair Hotston-Moore 	
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1400	13:40-14:15 How to Set Up a Successful Farmer Group: A Practitioner Perspective Claire Junes, WVSC	13:40-14:30 Skin Flaps & Grafts: Understanding the Principles Alasdair Hotston-Moore	13:40-14:30 Best Practice Infection Control: Top Tips to Minimise Risk Emma Gerrard, College of Animal Welfare	
	14:15-14:45 How Can My Vet Help Me with New WG Regulations? A Farmer's Perspective John Yeomans, Farmer			
1500	14:45-15:30 Proposals in the Sustainable Farming Scheme to Promote Veterinary & Farmer Collaborative Working: Promote Farm Performance & Carbon Emission Reduction Peter Howard, Welsh Government	14:40-15:30 Combined Session – Hugh Owen: A12 Approach to Pyrexia Fergus Allerton, Willows		14:40-15:40 You can get through that Pylorus! Cheryl Stear, Burtons Medical Equipment
				
	15:30-16:10 EXHIBITION & AFTERNOON REFRESHMENTS IN PENBRYN: MEDRUS MAWR			
1600	16:10-17:00 Caring for Yourself Within Your Vet Practice Alison Mackiewicz & Simon Payne, Aberystwyth University	16:10-17:00 Maxillectomy & Mandibulectomy: What Can We Do? Alasdair Hotston-Moore	16:10-17:00 The Resilient Veterinary Nurse Emma Anscombe-Skirrow, Aberystwyth University	
1700				
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Our Speakers



Fergus Allerton

BVSc CertSAM DipECVIM-CA
FRCVS

Willows

Fergus graduated from the University of Bristol and completed a residency in Internal Medicine at the University of Liege, Belgium. He is a diplomate of the European College of Veterinary Medicine. Fergus is actively involved in veterinary antibiotic stewardship and contributed to the development of the PROTECT ME guidelines (latest version out now). Within ENOVAT he is working on recommendations for antibiotic use for surgical prophylaxis. He is the current editor of Companion and the BSAVA Formulary and is also a member of the WSAVA Therapeutic Guidelines Group and a clinical medicine lead for RCVS Knowledge.



Emma Anscombe-Skirrow

Aberystwyth University

After registering as a veterinary nurse in 2008, Emma specialised in nursing of exotics and worked in this field before moving into veterinary nurse education. She has been involved in delivery of both Level 3 and HE veterinary nursing programmes and is currently setting up the new FdSc Veterinary Nursing at Aberystwyth University. She completed an MSc and teaching qualifications alongside working full time and works with the RCVS in accrediting veterinary nursing qualifications. Emma is passionate about preparing veterinary nurses for their future roles in supporting themselves and each other when working in industry and has embedded this into the new course as much as possible.



Suzanna Bell

Animal and Plant Health Agency (APHA)

Suzanna has worked as a Veterinary Investigation Officer for APHA for 20 years, completing diagnostic postmortems, investigating potential new and emerging diseases and monitoring endemic diseases of livestock and wildlife. Suzanna gained a "Tropical diseases of Cattle and Wildlife" Master's degree through Pretoria University, completing modules particularly focused on vector borne diseases and a project on the UK dairy farm distribution of *Culicoides* midges. More recently Suzanna has worked in a Vector borne disease liaison role within APHA, looking to identify ways of developing and improving Vector borne disease surveillance and research within APHA.



Lorna Brown

Lorna graduated BVSc Liverpool in 1966 and joined Ibadan University, Nigeria, teaching Veterinary Anatomy researching into Trypanosomiasis pathology for MSc(Vet). From 1973–80 she was the first veterinarian in Kiribati, Central Pacific, conducting animal disease surveys and developing control measures. In 1983 to 2022 Lorna was Principal of mixed veterinary practice, Montgomeryshire, establishing the sheep artificial breeding centre, which later amalgamated with WIRS, Aberystwyth. From 2022 onwards, Lorna has continued sheep breeding work and ultrasound pregnancy scanning.

In 1989 Lorna co-founded charity Dolen Ffermio (Farming Link) aiming to raise awareness locally of world food, farming issues and supporting community projects in Uganda, involving livestock improvement, permaculture, education in schools and development of a Vocational Training Institute.



Amanda Curtis

RVN

Essity Animal Health

Amanda has been practicing as an RVN since 2012, she has worked in variety of veterinary settings, with a passion for intensive care nursing and quality improvement. She moved into education in 2020 teaching student veterinary nurses at degree and diploma level, before moving to Essity Animal health as the inside sales specialist providing wound care education and support to veterinary professionals.

Amanda has written for various publications on wound care and quality improvement and lectured nationally on these topics. She is passionate about bringing evidenced based veterinary nursing to the forefront and is currently studying for a BSc in Health science to expand her knowledge of public health with a particular focus on microbiology and antimicrobial resistance.

Our Vets Cymru Speakers



Owen Davies

MA VetMB MVetMed
MANZCVS(SAM)
DACVIM(Oncology) DECVIM-
CA(Oncology) MRCVS

Bristol Vet Specialists

Owen graduated from Cambridge University in 2005 and spent almost 10 years in general practice, undertaking large animal and small animal work, both in the UK and in India. He then undertook a residency in medical oncology at the Royal Veterinary College in London before moving to Highcroft Referrals in Bristol, now known as Bristol Vet Specialists.



Emma Gerrard

DipHE CVN BSc (Hons) CVN
NCert Surg Nsg RVN (RAMA)
KSQP

College of Animal Welfare

Emma qualified as a Veterinary Nurse in 2005 from Myerscough College, Preston and gained the Diploma of Higher Education Clinical Veterinary Nursing in June 2009 followed by the RCVS Diploma in Advanced Veterinary Nursing (Small Animal) in January 2010. In 2011, she graduated with a BSc (Hons) Clinical Veterinary Nursing top up degree. Emma was awarded the NCert in Surgical Nursing in April 2023. Emma has worked in mixed practice, small animal, and emergency out of hours across the Mid Wales/Shropshire borders. She now works at the College of Animal Welfare as a BScVN tutor and is the module lead for theatre practice. Emma volunteers for the BSAVA CYMRU/Wales region and is the editor of the 2nd edition Pocketbook for Veterinary Nurses. Her interests are varied but she has a passion for infection control and surgical nursing particularly orthopaedics.



Amanda Gibson

Aberystwyth University

Dr Amanda Gibson is a Lecturer in Immunology at Aberystwyth University and leads the Innate Immunology Team at the Centre of Excellence for Bovine Tuberculosis. She holds a PhD in Molecular Immunology from the Royal Veterinary College and a BSc (hons) in Immunology from the University of Glasgow. She has 15 years' postdoctoral experience in large animal immunology research ranging from innate immune responses to BVDV, pattern recognition in E. coli mastitis and more recently early innate immune responses to Bovine tuberculosis. Dr Gibson teaches "principles of science" on the joint BVSc course at the Aberystwyth School of Veterinary Sciences.



David Godfrey

BSAVA

David qualified from RCVS in 1988 and has spent a career largely in practice. After working in small animal practice, he obtained the RCVS CertSAD and CertSAM and then jointly opened the first English feline-only practice and saw referrals in feline internal medicine and dermatology. During this time, he obtained the North American Diploma in Feline Practice and then a FRCVS for studies in feline osteoarthritis. Afterwards he worked for a clinical laboratory for a few years then returned to practice to be a peripatetic small animal dermatologist throughout the West Midlands. He also offers BAER hearing testing. His main hobby is volunteering for BSAVA.

In 1994 David opened the first feline-only practice in England in partnership with his wife Rosie.



Alasdair Hotston-Moore

Alasdair qualified from the University of Cambridge in 1990. Following graduation, he joined Bristol Vet School. He was Lecturer and latterly Senior Clinical Fellow in Small Animal Soft Tissue Surgery at Langford. He was Head of Referral Surgery at Bath Vet Referrals until 2017, when he became a Group Veterinary Advisor for Independent Vetcare.

From 2018-2020 he was Chief Medical Officer at Concordia Petcare (Shanghai, part of the New RuiPeng Petcare Group).

From 2022-23, he was with Medivet as a Group Veterinary Director. He is now offering in-clinic teaching in soft tissue surgery, formal lecturing and peripatetic surgery. He holds post graduate qualifications in small animal surgery, veterinary radiology, small animal cardiology and medical education.

He has published widely in peer reviewed journals as well as lectured nationally and internationally.



Peter Howard Welsh Government

Peter qualified from RVC in 1990 and worked as a large animal practitioner for 8 years in the UK and 18 years in New Zealand. He was also a Veterinary Investigation Officer at Langford and part of the FMD response in 2001. Peter spent 2 years teaching at Adelaide University and also worked for New Zealand Government as part of their Mycoplasma bovis eradication programme. On recent return to UK, he is excited to work as part of SFS design for Welsh Government from an animal health and welfare perspective.



Rachel James

MA VetMB Cert SAM CertVC
DVC MRCVS

James Specialist Veterinary Cardiology

Rachel is an RCVS recognised specialist in cardiology gaining her Diploma in Veterinary Cardiology in 2008 after a residency training program at Liverpool University Small Animal Teaching Hospital. She has worked in cardiology referral and University vet schools since gaining her Specialist status. Rachel brings considerable expertise, dedication and experience to any veterinary practice and she took the plunge and set up her own independent cardiology practice, James Specialist Veterinary Cardiology, in 2015. Outside of work Rachel has an equestrian interest with her family and has 5 dogs and 4 cats.



Claire Jones

MRCVS BVetMed

WVSC

Claire graduated from RVC in 2011 and started in practice in North Wales. She remained at the same practice for 12yrs, specialising in farm animal work and started and ran a successful Flock health club for the last 5yrs. Claire enjoys all aspects of clinical work, especially farm animal surgery and preventative herd and flock health and gained a great deal from working with farmers to help them focus and improve stock welfare, health and productivity.

Claire married a Welsh beef and sheep farmer and in 2024 on returning from her second maternity leave she decided to move to a non-clinical role working at the Wales Veterinary Science Centre. She took up a role as a Veterinary Disease Investigator to bring herself a new challenge and further opportunities within the profession.

Our Vets Cymru Speakers



Ian Jones

MA VetMB MRCVS

Hafran Vets

Ian qualified from Cambridge Vet School in 1985 and Hafren Veterinary Group and is still there now. He worked predominantly in the farm animal sector, and in 2004 started undertaking a significant amount of poultry and game bird work. For 15 years he had a commercial free range poultry farm with his wife. He now works exclusively with poultry and game bird workload.



Alison Mackiewicz

CPsychol, AFBPsS, FHEA, Dip.TA Practice

Aberystwyth University

Alison Mackiewicz is a senior lecturer in psychology at Aberystwyth University, and her research areas of interest are in gender, alcohol/substance use, and mental health. She is also a counsellor and psychotherapist practicing in Ceredigion, and has experience of working with issues including anxiety, depression, low self-esteem, trauma, eating disorders, sexual abuse, alcohol and drug problems, and relationship difficulties. She practices transactional analysis, which is a technique for understanding how human beings communicate and why they relate to each other in certain ways. As part of the process, they investigate how the past may still be impacting the present; for example, what was learnt from early relationships and how it affects adult lives.



Shaun McKane

Cotts Farm Equine

Shaun gained his veterinary degree from the University of Sydney in 1993. Since then, he has undertaken a PhD, a residency position and become a Boarded Specialist with both the American and European Colleges of Equine Internal Medicine. He has worked as senior lecturer in Equine

Internal Medicine at the University of Liverpool and joined Cotts Equine in 2010 to provide specialist services in areas such as respiratory disease, cardiology, ophthalmology and neurology.



Russ Morpew

Aberystwyth University

Originally from Kent, Dr Russ Morpew is a Reader of Biochemistry and Parasitology at Aberystwyth University since 2013. Russ moved to Aberystwyth in the late 90s to undertake a degree at the university and is now considered an Aberystwyth 'Lifer' having completed both his undergraduate degree, 1997-2000, and his PhD, 2003-2007, at Aberystwyth and has remained at the university ever since. His research focusses on the discovery and development of improved control options for veterinary helminth parasites including flukes, tapeworms and roundworms. Using protein biochemistry technologies his research aims to improve diagnostics and chemotherapeutics and has maintained a strong link to the industry throughout with projects involving farming unions, levy bodies, research labs and pharma. Some current research focuses on improving liver fluke diagnostics and understanding the impact of rumen fluke on the ruminant microbiome.



Alan Murphy

BVMS DBR MSc MRCVS

Animal & Plant Health Agency (APHA)

Alan qualified in 1990 and spent sixteen years in mixed practice, concentrating on livestock species in the Northwest of England. He was awarded a Diploma in Bovine Reproduction (DBR) during this time. Alan left practice in 2006 to join the Veterinary Laboratories Agency (VLA) now the Animal and Plant Health Agency (APHA); as a Veterinary Investigation Officer (VIO). This enabled him to pursue a career in diagnostic pathology and disease investigation. He has studied for further qualification with the support of the APHA and was awarded a MSc in Applied Toxicology (Distinction) from Surrey University. Alan became involved with undergraduate teaching at the Nottingham Vet School and has only recently stepped down from his role as Clinical Assistant Professor in Farm Animal Veterinary Pathology at the School. This part time post utilised his VIO knowledge and allowed him to indulge his enthusiasm for teaching.



Simon Payne

Aberystwyth University

Simon is a behaviour change and implementation scientist at Aberystwyth University, where he coordinates the exciting MSc in Behaviour Change Science. Simon's current research applies his expertise to projects of relevance/potential interest to vets, including mixed farming, conservation of endangered species in Africa, sheep scab, and bovine tuberculosis in Pembrokeshire.



Monika Ptaszynska

MSD

Monika graduated as veterinary surgeon from the Veterinary Faculty in Warsaw and spent several years there working as an academic teacher and researcher focusing on reproduction and biotechnology. After having successfully defended her doctoral thesis, she had joined the pharmaceutical industry in 1998, and since then has been providing MSD AH clients with technical and clinical support at the global and national levels. Monika is specialising in reproduction, immunology, and infectious diseases in ruminants. She is passionate about supporting vets in the use of various sources of clinical and production insights to provide tailored health programmes on farms.



Beth Purse

Optick

Beth is an ecological modeller and senior scientist at the UK Centre for Ecology and Hydrology. She leads One Health inter-disciplinary projects in both India and the UK that integrate ecological surveys, participatory methods and modelling to understand socio-ecological processes driving zoonotic risks in changing ecosystems and co-develop decision support tools and risk guidance with local communities and decision makers. The UK TickSolve and OPTICK projects investigate land use and climate change drivers of human and livestock tick-borne disease impacts to inform the evidence base for integrated cross-sectoral responses and interventions. Beth is an appointed member of DEFRA's Scientific Advisory Committee on Exotic Diseases.

Our Vets Cymru Speakers



Amelia Sherwood

Linnaeus

Amelia began her nursing career in 2008 and developed an early interest in wound management and tissue viability, anaesthesia and clinical governance. Having always championed the veterinary nursing profession, her passion for educating and encouraging nurses to utilise their skill sets steered Amelia to teaching wound management to veterinary teams and speaking on the subject at various national events. She spent many years in lead and head nurse positions within primary care practices and as an OSCE examiner and SQP assessor. In more recent years, she diversified into non-clinical roles as a Territory Account Manager for a veterinary instrument supplier, prior to joining Linnaeus in 2023 as Regional Nursing Manager for the South West.



Cheryl Stear

Burtens Medical Equipment

Cheryl has been working in the field of endoscopy for over 25 years. Joining Burtens Medical Equipment in 2015, Cheryl quickly defined lines of supply and established a complete new product range for the company including manufacturing of some own brand products. Cheryl has continued to develop training techniques and protocols for vets and nurses to ensure a successful and safe endoscopy, she also works on a regular basis with BEVA, BSAVA, Colleges, Universities and Learning Academies all over the world.



Sioned Timothy

BVSc MSc MRCVS

Boehringer Ingelheim

Sioned is Livestock Technical Manager at Boehringer Ingelheim Animal Health UK. She qualified as a vet from the University of Liverpool, where she also completed an MSc in Veterinary Infection and Disease. She then worked in large animal practice in West Wales, before moving to industry. She spent 2023 working as global technical manager for the Boehringer ruminant antiparasitic portfolio. Sioned's interests include clinical parasitology, particularly in relation to how scientific concepts around sustainable parasite control can be translated into practice.



John Yeomans

Farmer

John was born and brought up in the middle of Birmingham. He is sort of a first-generation farmer but will explain more in his talk. John decided farming was for him by his mid-teens. He worked on farms before attending the Welsh Agricultural College and then went on to farm where he is now. John met his wife Sarah the year after he left Aberystwyth, and they have three adult sons who have travelled and worked around the world.

John has been very lucky over the years to receive some travel scholarships to look at farming around the world and in the UK.

He is currently farming just over 270 acres rising to over 1400 feet in three blocks. He is keen to promote productive farming, working hand in hand with enhancing the environment.

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Lecture Summaries

Thursday 4 July
Large Animal Stream
Hugh Owen: A14

09:00-09:50

Vector Borne Diseases (Livestock, Horses & Dogs)

Suzanna Bell, Animal & Plant Health Agency
(APHA)

KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- To understand the importance of vector borne diseases as emerging global disease threats
- Identifying specific vector borne disease threats and how we determine the risk level
- Identifying ways of improving our detection and surveillance of Vector borne diseases

10:00-10:50

Understanding & Managing the Changing Risks of Tick-borne Diseases in the UK: The OPTICK and TickSolve Projects

Beth Purse, Optick



KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Become familiar with how tick-borne disease burdens are changing in the UK—key drivers, risk factors and impacts
- Understand the One Health approach and how ecology, social science, modelling and

epidemiology are being combined to understand impacts of livestock tick-borne diseases and develop new solutions (within the OPTICK project)

- Understand the role of farmer, vet and land manager perceptions and priorities in tick-borne disease management, highlight opportunities to engage with the OPTICK and TickSolve projects

11:40-12:30

Help! Is it a Notifiable Disease?

Alan Murphy, Animal & Plant Health Agency
(APHA)

KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- A review of the clinical signs of specific ND's of greatest significance to UK livestock currently
- The means by which suspected ND incidents should be reported
- To highlight the key frontline role practitioners play in ND surveillance



13:40-14:15

Pathophysiology of Large Animal Respiratory Disease (Cattle & Horses)

Shaun McKane, Cotts Farm Equine



KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Participants will be able to identify how the comparative lung anatomy affects the differing pathophysiology of pulmonary disease in horses and cattle
- Participants will be able to describe how the difference in pulmonary mechanics results in different susceptibility to clinical respiratory disease in horses and cattle
- Participants will be able to discuss how differences in large animal husbandry impact the types of respiratory disease that predominate in horses and cattle

14:15-14:45

Immunology of Large Animal Respiratory Disease (Cattle & Horses)

Amanda Gibson, Aberystwyth University



KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Understanding host immune responses to respiratory infections from the neonate to adult animal
- Understanding the impact of stress and environmental factors on immune responses



- Assessing recent advances in immunology from novel diagnostics to infectious disease research

14:45-15:30

Vaccination Against Respiratory Diseases in Livestock: What to Consider

Monika Ptaszynska, MSD



Prophylactic vaccination against key respiratory pathogens represents a key part in the control of respiratory diseases in livestock. For vaccination protocols to be effective in livestock production conditions, recommending vets need to take a few fundamentals under consideration. As considerable percentage of respiratory diseases takes place in young animals, their unique immune status will define the age at

which the animal can respond to vaccination and the type of vaccines that should be used. Diagnostic investigation based on specific epidemiology of respiratory conditions in each livestock species and production stage will target the choice of vaccine composition and timing of the vaccination to ensure desired protection. Finally, the ability of the animal owner to compliantly facilitate or execute the vaccination programme often will narrow the recommendations to products that can realistically be expected to be efficacious in each farm set-up.

KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Understand the neonatal immune functions and post-natal development of immune competence in key livestock species, and their impact on the susceptibility to respiratory pathogens and ability to respond to vaccination
- Ability to draft and apply a diagnostic investigation path in situations of respiratory diseases outbreak and monitoring aimed at actionable results and constructive engagement with animal owner
- Ability to perform basic situation analysis and combine it with principles of respiratory diseases epidemiology to develop core vaccination programmes

16:10-17:00

Backyard Poultry

Ian Jones, Hafren Vets

KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- To make vets in practice feel more confident about seeing poultry as a first opinion
- Overview some common conditions presented by owners of back yard flock
- To offer practical solutions and possible outcomes of backyard poultry conditions

Thursday 4 July Small Animal Vet Stream Hugh Owen: A12

09:00-09:50

Top Tips for Practice: Itchy Dogs & Itchy Ears

David Godfrey, BSAVA

KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- To go back to practice with new tips about how to choose anti-itch treatments for an itchy dog
- To go back to practice with new tips about how to work out why an itchy dog is itchy to enable long-term control
- To go back to practice with more confidence and knowledge about dogs with ear canal disease and helping them

10:00-10:50

Cardiology Part I: Help this Puppy has a Murmur. When Should I Be Worried?

Rachel James, James Specialist Veterinary Cardiology

KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- At the end of the lecture the delegates will be able to discuss how to evaluate on clinical examination a puppy with particular attention to the CV system with the correct auscultation technique
- Different heart murmurs and their causes

Lecture Summaries

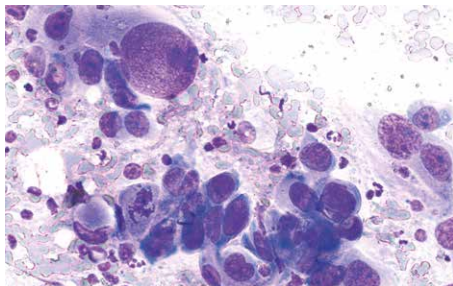
will be discussed. Heart sounds and murmurs will be played to illustrate the points

- The lecture will discuss the differential diagnosis for different heart murmurs, discussing those that need treatment and those that don't

11:40-12:30

Cardiology Part II: DCM – The Silent Killer

Rachel James, James Specialist Veterinary Cardiology



13:40 -14:30

Oncology “In-House”: Why You Don’t Need Sophisticated Equipment to Care for Pets with Cancer

Owen Davies, Bristol Vet Specialists



In this lecture we will discuss that the fundamentals of veterinary oncology are the fundamentals of being a good vet! Starting

with a solid history, clinical examination, listening to owners' questions and helping them to understand the disease process you will find that clients will be incredibly appreciative, and making an effort with these “basics” will help bond them to your practice. While advanced imaging techniques (for example CT scans, lymphangiography and image-guided biopsies) are undoubtedly very useful, you will also find that careful radiography, use of fine needle aspiration and surgical biopsies may give you the information you need in a surprising number of situations. Rather than offering either a “gold standard” approach or nothing, there is nothing wrong with tailoring the investigations to their pet's particular situation (providing the client understands the different options available!). In this lecture I will discuss examples of how I approached common cancers during my 10 years in first-opinion practice.

KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Understand that the most important step in managing a cancer case is educating and communicating with the owner
- Describe what benefit advanced imaging/ referral-level staging will bring over staging tests in-house for common cancers
- Outline factors of high and low prognostic significance in common small animal cancers

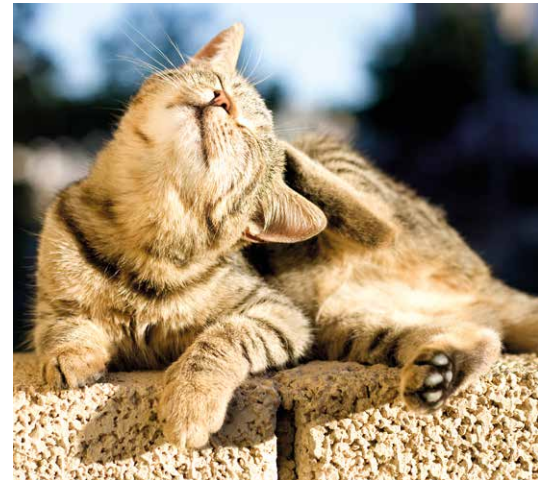
14:40-15:30

Top Tips for Practice: Itchy Cats & Feline Dermatological Cases

David Godfrey, BSAVA

KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- To go back to practice with new tips about how to choose anti-itch treatments for an itchy cat



- To go back to practice with new tips about how to work out why an itchy cat is itchy to enable long-term control
- To go back to practice with more confidence and knowledge about feline dermatology

16:10-17:00

Chemotherapy “In-House”: How to Out Common Medical Oncology Treatments Safely, Without Referral

Owen Davies, Bristol Vet Specialists

KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- The equipment needed to safely administer cytotoxic drugs in practice
- Important safety measures to prevent exposure of yourself or your staff to cytotoxic drugs
- Appropriate pre-and post-chemo monitoring tests for commonly used cytotoxic medications

Thursday 4 July Small Animal Vet Nurse Stream Penbryn: Medrus 4

09:00-09:50

The Value of the Nurse in Caring for a Pet with Cancer

Owen Davies, Bristol Vet Specialists

Caring for a pet with cancer should be viewed as a highly important step in promoting animal welfare. Whether definitive or palliative treatment is given, it is important that the veterinary team work with owners to support the pet, rather than giving a "I'm sorry there's nothing I can do" approach, which usually results in owners to seeking advice from unqualified individuals!

And a good veterinary nurse will have the ideal skillset for caring for a pet with cancer. Furthermore they will find that all their skills are used daily. In this lecture we will discuss how adept skills in rapidly assessing animals, venipuncture, performing complex clinical procedures, showing empathy, advocating for patient welfare and multi-tasking are invaluable to oncology care. And nurses are often very good at all of these!

For those people who have experienced cancer treatment in human medicine this should be of little surprise; in human medicine the "treatment journey" is led by highly skilled nurses, the Doctors only getting involved in the diagnosis, recommending a treatment, and various decision-making "milestones" along the way. A clear career development pathway for interested RVNs to specialise in veterinary oncology is now developing, and in

this lecture, we will discuss more about what the "Onco-RVN" job is about!

10:00 -10:50

How to Assess Evidence for Vet Nurses, Increasing Skills in Clinical Analysis and Evidence-based Medicine

Amanda Curtis, Essity Animal Health

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KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Understanding of the hierarchy of different evidence sources using practical examples
- Skills for critically analysing different types of evidence
- Explore what makes some evidence 'good' or 'bad' and how we can spot the difference

11:40-12:30

Nurse Utilisation & Delegation

Amelia Sherwood, Linnaeus

KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Legislation and guidance around RVN and SVN delegation
- The benefits of effective nurse delegation and utilisation
- Methods to promote nurse utilisation in clinical practice

13:40-14:30

Contextualised Wound Care: A Real-life Scenario

Amelia Sherwood, Linnaeus & Amanda Curtis, Essity Animal Health

KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Appreciation of different wound dressings and their uses
- Correct application of wound dressings based on phase of wound healing



- Understand how to take an evidence-based approach to wounds

14:40-15:30

Cardiology: Blood Pressure: Who? How? What's the Point?

Rachel James, James Specialist Veterinary Cardiology

KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Why blood pressure should be measured— This lecture will discuss why blood pressure measured and why this is important. Hypertension and hypotension will be discussed
- Which cases should have blood pressure measured, what clinical signs and diseases could potentially lead to abnormalities in blood pressure
- How to measure blood pressure accurately and repeatably. What possible pitfalls can occur and how to resolve them

16:10-17:00

How to Have a Cat Friendly Clinic

David Godfrey, BSAVA

KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- To go back to practice with new tips about how to make visiting veterinary practices better for cats, their owners and their veterinary helpers too
- To identify stressed cats and how to help
- Being more confident as a cat advocate in your practice

Lecture Summaries

Friday 5 July
Large Animal Stream
Hugh Owen: A14

09:00-09:50

Parasitology Part I: An update on liver and rumen fluke: current strategies for diagnosis and control

Sioned Timothy, Boehringer Ingelheim



KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- An insight into the biology and epidemiology of liver fluke and rumen fluke, and it's relevance to control of these parasites



- An understanding of diagnostic approaches to both parasites and how these can be used appropriately in different farm settings and at different times of the year to assess risk and inform management
- A knowledge of the different treatment options, their advantages and limitations, and the ability to develop a farm-appropriate treatment control plan using this information alongside diagnostic/risk assessment

10:00-10:50

Parasitology Part II: Fluke Diagnostics, the Key for Control – Aberystwyth University Research Updates

Russ Mophew, Aberystwyth University

Aberystwyth University (AU) has been researching the control of parasitic helminths for over 80 years. This session will build upon your diagnostic understanding to improve fluke control linking to anthelmintic usage and environmental risk mapping. It will cover some of the latest AU research discoveries including the understanding of extracellular vesicles released by flukes and how they can be utilised for diagnostic development.

KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Examine how chemotherapeutic control of flukes is underpinned by effective diagnostics
- Understand how diagnostics can be utilised for both the animal and the environment
- Explore the roles of fluke extracellular vesicles and how they can be exploited for improved diagnostics

11:40-12:30

Comparison of Sustainable Farming, Climate Change Effects Between Uganda and the UK

Lorna Brown

KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Consider the climate change events in Uganda and UK
- What are the effects on farming practices and human population?
- Examine strategies to mitigate harmful climate effects

13:40-14:15

How to Set Up a Successful Farmer Group: A Practitioner Perspective

Claire Junes, WVSC

An informal interactive discussion specifically designed to help you and your practice set up and run a successful farmer group. We will discuss the key points of the following areas:

- What to include in farmer memberships
- Appropriate charging structure
- Day to day running of the group
- Communication with your clients
- Potential problems you may encounter along the way

We will also discuss the changes to future farming policy in Wales and what this will mean for you as vets in practice, with an update on the current AHIC (Animal Health Improvement Cycle) pilot project.

We will leave time for any questions along the way.

14:15-14:45

How Can My Vet Help Me with New WG Regulations? A Farmer's Perspective

John Yeomans, Farmer

KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Working with the vet to help understand and utilise animal health and welfare regulations of the new Sustainable Farming Scheme
- Developing a relationship with your vet and what does the farmer want out of the relationship
- Working with the vet to optimise animal production through making performance improvements such as reducing lameness in the ewe flock. Improving herd and flock fertility
- Working with the vet to achieve a fire prevention not fire brigade approach through vaccination etc.

14:45-15:30

Proposals in the Sustainable Farming Scheme to Promote Veterinary & Farmer Collaborative Working: Promote Farm Performance & Carbon Emission Reduction

Peter Howard, Welsh Government

KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- The Animal Health Improvement Cycle – what is it?
- Biosecurity – how can we improve farm biosecurity?
- How can we promote on farm Welfare improvements?



16:10-17:00

Caring for Yourself Within Your Vet Practice

Alison Mackiewicz & Simon Payne,
Aberystwyth University

KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- You will learn how to realise what is shaping yours and others communication and interactions
- Helping you become self-aware creates options and the possibility of doing things differently
- Helping you gain and maintain autonomy
- You can make more sense of the behaviour you see around you and put it into a wider context

Friday 5 July Small Animal Vet Stream Hugh Owen: A12

09:00-09:50

Combined Session with Nurse
Stream – Hugh Owen: A12

Antimicrobial Stewardship: An Update

Fergus Allerton, Willows

KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Recognise the importance of optimising antimicrobial use in practice
- Learn about currently available stewardship tools and resources
- Find out when antibiotics should (and shouldn't) be used for surgical prophylaxis

10:00-10:50

Approaching the Blocked Cat: Tips for Success

Alasdair Hotston-Moore

KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Learn and apply some practical investigation techniques for obstructive FLUTD
- Learn some practical tips to relieve obstruction more successfully
- Understand the principles of tube cystotomy, perineal urethrostomy and prepubic urethrostomy

Lecture Summaries

11:40-12:30

Gall Bladder Disease: A Medic's Perspective

Fergus Allerton, Willows

KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Know the different mechanisms underlying jaundice in the dog focusing on post-hepatic aetiologies
- Develop a logical approach to the diagnostic investigations of biliary disease
- Recognise and manage common differentials for this presentation including gall bladder mucoceles

13:40-14:30

Skin Flaps & Grafts: Understanding the Principles

Alasdair Hotston-Moore

KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Understand the blood supply to random pattern flaps, axial pattern flaps and free skin grafts
- Understand the planning required for free skin grafts to overcome the barriers to survival
- How to plan the development of random pattern flaps and the common axial pattern flaps (TDAPLF, CSEAPF)
- Understand the planning required for free skin grafts to overcome the barriers to survival

14:40-15:30

Combined Session with Nurse Stream – Hugh Owen: A12

Approach to Pyrexia

Fergus Allerton, Willows

KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Develop a logical stepwise approach to pyrexia investigation
- Learn when anti-pyretic measures can be employed empirically
- Differentiate between infectious and non-infectious aetiologies of pyrexia



16:10-17:00

Maxillectomy & Mandibulectomy: What Can We Do?

Alasdair Hotston-Moore

KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- How to identify cases suitable for surgery based on histopathological diagnosis.
- How to identify cases suitable for a straightforward surgical solution.
- How to perform rostral mandibulectomies, premaxillectomy and rostral maxillectomies.

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Combined Session with Small Animal Vet Stream – Hugh Owen: A12

Antimicrobial Stewardship: An Update

Fergus Allerton, Willows

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10:00-10:50

Leadership for Veterinary Nurses: The Role of Coaching & Mentoring

Emma Anscombe-Skirrow, Aberystwyth
University

KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Define coaching and mentoring and identify the purpose of each in veterinary practice
- Consider the benefits of coaching and mentoring to the individual, the team, and the organisation
- Understand the roles of coaching and mentoring in relation to effective clinical learning and development

11:40-12:30

The Blocked Cat: From Admission to Discharge

Alasdair Hotston-Moore



KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Understand the investigations that are useful to plan management of cats with obstructive FLUTD.
- Understand and assist with unblocking difficult cases of FLUTD
- Plan and deliver the nursing care of cats after relief of obstruction or surgery
- Offer owner's advice on care after discharge

13:40-14:30

Best Practice Infection Control: Top Tips to Minimise Risk

Emma Gerrard, College of Animal Welfare

KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Consider the basic underpinning principles of infection control in veterinary practice
- Become familiar with the tools needed in infection control
- Understand how to minimise the risk of nosocomial infections

14:40-15:30

Combined Session with Small Animal Vet Stream – Hugh Owen: A12

Approach to Pyrexia

Fergus Allerton, Willows

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16:10-17:00

The Resilient Veterinary Nurse

Emma Anscombe-Skirrow, Aberystwyth University

KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Identify common causes of stress and discuss its effects on the body
- Consider the attributes of a resilient veterinary nurse
- Understand how to proactively manage stress and identify the benefits of personal resilience



Thursday 4 & Friday 5 July Drop in Practicals



Penbryn: Medrus 3

10:00-11:00

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KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Understand how to support the vet in taking samples
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14:40-15:40

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KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Learn new techniques to get you through the pylorus, improve your driving skills and reduce patient anaesthesia times
- Practice removing foreign bodies using different instruments and techniques
- Know how to obtain good pathological samples and learn how to reduce equipment failure and breakages

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