

ANZCVS Vet Science Week 2026
Friday 24 July 2026 to Sunday 26 July 2026

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08:00	WELCOME TO COUNTRY CEREMONY & OFFICIAL COLLEGE WELCOME											08:00		
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08:30	Session 1 <i>Animal Welfare and Vet Behaviour</i>	Session 1 <i>Pathology*</i>	Session 1 <i>Cattle</i>	Session 1 <i>Emergency Critical Care</i>	Session 1 <i>Small Animal Medicine and Feline</i> <i>Sponsored by Royal Canin</i>	Session 1 <i>Surgery</i>	Session 1 <i>MMLA and Zoo and Wildlife</i>	Session 1 <i>VAA</i>	Session 1 <i>Dentistry</i> <i>Sponsored by Im3</i>	Session 1 <i>Vet Epidemiology and Vet Public Health</i>		Session 1 <i>VSMR</i>	08:30	
08:30	Introducing the teleomene Cristina Wilkins	Keynote: Whole genome sequencing (WGS) – applications in research and diagnostic investigations Kim Halpin	International Keynote: In sickness and in health till death do us part: Rethinking livestock causes of death Prof Craig McConnel	Keynote: Professor Elizabeth Rozanski	Tubulopathies in dogs and cats Dennis Woerde	Abdominal imaging Presenter TBC	Presentation title TBC Scott Echols		Staged dentistry – POV from business, GP vet, vet dentist, nurse, anaesthetist Gary Turnbull, Maggie Burley, Kieron Madden, Tara Cashman, Bec Tucker	Animals in the machine: AI and animal ethics Simon Coghlan		International Keynote: The science behind the application and effects of manual therapies Ellen Martens	08:30	
09:30	Optimisation of environments for domestic cats Caroline Thursfield	Molecular meets morphology - an introduction to in situ hybridisation and spatial transcriptomics Anjana Karawita and Richard Ploeg	Wearables: Navigating the seas of data - lessons from veterinary practice Line Ferriman	Keynote: Professor Elizabeth Rozanski	Glomerular diseases in dogs and cats Dennis Woerde	Gambling with the gallbladder - you in or out? Bryden Stanley	Diseases of aquarium fish - mycobacterium Michael Grima	International Keynote: Captive wildlife Nigel Caulkett				International Keynote: Canine sports medicine: the European experience with treatment of common injuries Ellen Martens	09:30	
10:00	What owners and lab studies tell us about chews for dogs Rimini Quinn							Group discussion: Staged dentistry		The use of AI and other technologies to monitor and inspect animals at processing establishments Sarah Babington			10:00	
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11:00	Session 2 <i>Animal Welfare and Vet Behaviour</i>	Session 2 <i>Pathology*</i>	Session 2 <i>Cattle</i>	Session 2 <i>Emergency Critical Care</i>	Session 2 <i>Small Animal Medicine</i> <i>Sponsored by Royal Canin</i>	Session 2 <i>Surgery</i>	Session 2 <i>MMLA and Zoo and Wildlife</i>	Session 2 <i>VAA</i>	Session 2 <i>Dentistry</i> <i>Sponsored by Bova</i>	Session 2 <i>Vet Epidemiology and Vet Public Health</i>	Session 2 <i>Feline</i>	Session 2 <i>VSMR</i>	11:00	
11:00	Insights into canine adoption data Georgie Caspar	Keynote Speaker: Next generation sequencing (NGS) for diagnostics - the good, the bad and the ugly (40 minutes) Prof Glenn Browning	DataLive: How vets can add value to Wearables conversations Matt Buckley	Keynote: Prof Elizabeth Rozanski	International Keynote: Managing immune-mediated haemolytic anaemia and immune-mediated thrombocytopenia on a budget: Applying spectrum of care principles Prof Andrew Mackin	Abdominal inferno - managing peritonitis Bryden Stanley	Marsupials - Monitoring, catching/trapping, release, field treatment/euthanasia. Stephanie Shaw		Feline chronic gingivostomatitis - dental treatment - current body of evidence Christine Hawke	Feline seizures and neurobehavioural conditions: An update Stacey Bradley		Diagnostic musculoskeletal ultrasound in canine patients Katharina Flatz	11:00	
11:30	Prediction errors in animal learning Cath Henshall	Antibiograms and MICs - uses and misuses (30 minutes)	FMD and an mRNA vaccine Peter Kirkland				Field work and ethics Stephanie Shaw						11:30	
12:00	Breed differences in judgment bias Richard Seymour							International Keynote: Captive wildlife Nigel Caulkett		Abstract session			12:00	
12:10		Keynote Speaker: Faecal multiplex PCR assays - a veterinary microbiologist's perspective Prof Glenn Browning (with contributions from Graham Swinney and Hannah Schneider)	Nutrition and Technology 1 Ian Lean	Keynote: Prof Elizabeth Rozanski	Beyond steroids and NSAIDs: The rise of targeted immunomodulatory and anti-inflammatory therapies in veterinary practice Prof Caroline Mansfield	Charles Liver lobectomy Presenter TBC	Ethics of wildlife interventions Michelle Campbell-Ward			Presentation TBA	Updates in feline virology Alison Stickney	Extracorporeal shock wave therapy Madeline Brown	12:30	
12:30	Canine welfare indices in air transport Jacqui Ley & Kersti Seksel												12:30	
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14:00	COMPASS guidelines for conducting research into animal behaviour modification Cath Henshall	Highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) – recent developments in birds and mammals Frank Wong and Mark Hawes	Update on clinical mastitis research John House		Microbes, medications and maturity: How early exposure influences lifelong immune health Prof Caroline Mansfield				Use of novel cadaveric preservation for medical and surgical training Scott Echols	Experience with gorillas Emma Johnston	Greyhound dentistry - medical - fibrinolysis, Hyper K+, stress (not malignant hyperthermia) Sarah Bigby	Advances in the management of feline chronic gingivostomatitis Andrea Harvey	International Keynote: Canine manual therapy: case-based discussion of indications and contraindications Ellen Martens	14:00
14:30	Updates on E-BARQ Kate Fenner												14:30	
14:40			Evaluation of a on-farm mastitis diagnostic kit to optimise antibiotic use under New Zealand pastoral conditions Richard Munn	Panel discussion: Advanced respiratory support panel Prof Elizabeth Rozanski, Assoc Prof Claire Sharp, Panelist 3 TBC, Panelist 4 TBC		Abstract session					Abstract session		14:45	
15:00	Recognising the fearful feline and the importance of a holistic approach to care Sally Nixon	Pattern before pathogen: CNS infections in livestock Pedro Pinczowski							Large animal anaesthesia Gaby Musk				15:00	
15:20									Sustainability and managing environmental impacts of veterinary anaesthesia Asher Allison	Greyhound Dentistry - dental - CCUS, malocclusion, attachment loss Janine Van Dam	Dermatology - Immune mediated disease of the skin / FASS / APGs Alex Moore	International Keynote: Canine sports medicine: case-based discussions of the physiotherapist's approach Ellen Martens	15:20	
15:30	Conflict behaviours in ridden horses Prof Paul McGreevy	Microbes in the mucosa – pathogenesis of bacterial gut disease Mark Hawes	Mastitis Diagnostics and AI Presenter TBC						Comparison of three different agents for cane load anaesthesia John Inns				15:30	
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16:30	Avian behaviour and welfare Prof Raf Freire	Chlamydiosis in mammals and birds Martina Jelocnik and John Mackie	Developing mastitis and reproduction consultancy in clinical practice Steve Cranefield	Resident Lecture: Presentation title TBA Tegan Hunt					Analgia and alternative interventions in rodent procedures Presenter TBC	Understand the ventilator to set inspiration and consider species particularities to optimise expiration Mathieu Raillard	Team based approach to dental procedures: Defining the nurse's role Maggie Burley	Beyond enteritis: Clostridium species causing intra-abdominal disease Clare Thomson	Fact or fiction when it comes to (oral) analgesics. What do we know? Asher Allison	16:30
17:00	When dogs meet macropods Randi Rotne and Sophie Masters		Dairy farmer-female veterinary advisor relationships in New Zealand Katrina Roberts	ECC Chapter AGM		Rad body wall tumours Presenter TBC							17:00	
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18:30	Happy Hour	Happy Hour	Happy Hour	Happy Hour	SAM Chapter AGM Happy Hour	Happy Hour	Happy Hour	Happy Hour	Happy Hour	Happy Hour	Happy Hour	Happy Hour	18:30	
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08:30	Animal welfare teaching in Australian veterinary schools Prof Clive Phillips	Forensic Toxicology Prof Rachel Allavena	International Keynote: Update on infectious bovine keratoconjunctivitis (pink eye) Prof Craig McConnell	Advanced respiratory support in tick paralysis: Nuances, complication & lessons learnt. Ellie Leister	The takeaway: From information overload to actionable insights - 2025/26 literature review Luke Johnston	Perioperative preparation for BOAS - optimizing outcomes Bryden Stanley	Guardians of the 3Rs: Opportunities to better support Animal Ethics Committee (AEC) members in Australia. Preliminary results from a survey of AEC members. Mandy Errington	Behavioural modifying agents within the perioperative period Nicole Lobry de Bruyn	Systemic antibiotic use in ophthalmic surgery Katy Hou	PTSD/EMDR Gabrielle Carter	Successful treatment and monitoring of two hyperglycaemia koala cases undergoing rehabilitation using the Freestyle Libre 2 monitor. Presenter TBC	The Ear-resistible Challenge: Diagnosis & Management of Canine Otitis Externa Dani Hoolahan	08:30
09:00	One Welfare for equine veterinarians Lesley Hawson	Keynote: Forensic investigation of mass graves and mortality events Lydia Marwood			Anticoagulant rodenticide toxicity Prof Andrew Mackin	Norwich terrier UAS/GOLPP - latest updates Grace Lai and Bryden Stanley	Management of facility teams Louise Rabbit	Group Discussion: Using behavioural modifying agents when managing maladaptive pain	Unilateral extraocular myositis with secondary optic neuritis in a 1-year-old dog Emma Gordon		Outcomes of cataract surgery in French bulldogs Elise Sherrington		Successful treatment and cure of Nidovirus-1 in a bluetongue lizard Presenter TBC
09:30	Characteristics of successful dog adoption Eileen Thumpkin	Keynote: Forensic Radiology Lydia Marwood	Vibriosis Mark Westman	Vibriosis Presenter TBC	Anticoagulant rodenticide toxicity Prof Andrew Mackin	Norwich terrier UAS/GOLPP - latest updates Grace Lai and Bryden Stanley	Management of facility teams Louise Rabbit	Group Discussion: Using behavioural modifying agents when managing maladaptive pain	Outcomes of cataract surgery in French bulldogs Elise Sherrington	Veterinary behaviour Jacqui Ley	Analgesia & anaesthesia in Australian frogs: A case report on amphibian amputation (Green & Gold Bell frog) Presenter TBC	Feline Pruritic Dermatitis Dani Hoolahan	09:30
10:00	Where are we on whips? Prof Paul McGreevy	Keynote: Domestic violence and animal abuse in Australia Lydia Marwood	Jo Griffith Memorial Speaker Wildlife Pharmacology: Pharmacokinetics of treatments for sarcoptic mange in wombats Presenter TBC						10:00				
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11:00	Welfare assessments on feedlots Assoc Prof Teresa Collins	Abstract session		Tick antiserum & trends in epidemiology Ellie Leister	Immune-mediated polyarthritis Prof Andrew Mackin	Epiglottic retroversion Bryden Stanley	Metabolic and welfare impacts of diabetes induction using Streptozotocin (STZ) in mice John Inns	Presentations TBA	ACES update Chloe Hardman	Veterinary behaviour Kersti Seksel	Greater Glider translocation project in Central QLD Presenter TBC	5 top things I learnt on the Vet Vault Hubert Hiemstra	11:00
11:30	Welfare benchmarking in dairy Mike Shallcross			Alternative injection method such as intra cranial magna in mice and rats and intra faecal in rats Emily Barrack	Who let the genes out: Canine inherited eye disease Sarah Coall	Chromobacterium violaceum pathology in free-ranging koalas associated with a significant wet weather event Presenter TBC	11:30						
12:00	An update on WOA as it relates to Australia and NZ Carolyn Guy			Investigating the risk of emerging fungal diseases in platypus in Australia mainland Presenter TBC	AI use in veterinary medicine Hubert Hiemstra	12:00							
12:30	Animal Welfare in China Prof Clive Phillips			International perspectives on high caseload management in wildlife hospitals Presenter TBC	12:30								
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15:00	CONFERENCE CLOSE												15:00