



# Registration Brochure

The Star Gold Coast  
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Gold Coast, QLD  
**9-12 August 2021**



## Emergency Medicine and Surgery Conference

2021 Small Animal Conference

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## ASAV President Welcome



It is my privilege to welcome you to the 47<sup>th</sup> annual ASAV conference to be held at the The Star, Broadbeach on the Gold Coast from the 9-12 August 2021.

The theme this year is “Don’t panic! The practitioners guide to the emergency galaxy”. The conference will be directed at the nuts and bolts of emergency medicine and surgery for the practitioner in general practice.

Our line-up of top-shelf Australian speakers ensures that if you are a small animal practitioner in Australia this is one conference definitely not to miss.

The ASAV conference is not just about quality continuing education for the small animal practitioner.

There are many great opportunities to catch up with old colleagues and make new friends. The conference has a schedule of social events throughout the week that will accompany the lecture program; the Industry networking drinks in the wonderful trade display, the ever popular New Graduate Dinner and of course the Gala dinner and Awards night.

With 2020 being a write-off from a physical conferencing perspective, the ASAV is determined to make every presentation in 2021 a winner.

Make sure you reserve these dates in your calendar and register now to attend this conference in August.

I look forward to seeing you there.

**Dr Alistair Webb, ASAV President**

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## Top 5 Reasons To Come To The Conference



Up to 5 full days of continuing education sessions and workshops expertly curated by our education committee to help you become more confident in emergency medicine and surgery.



The opportunity to finally connect face to face with colleagues and industry after a difficult year.



A trade and industry show featuring many of your suppliers where you can find out about the latest products and innovations.



Up to 45 VetEd points.



All workshops, social events and accommodation will be under one roof.



## Industry Exhibition

The exhibition will be the networking hub of the conference, giving delegates the opportunity for direct contact with sponsors and exhibitors alike. Refreshment breaks from Tuesday morning to Thursday afternoon will be held in the exhibition, including an exhibition welcome night on Monday evening and a happy hour on Tuesday evening.

All delegates receive complimentary access to the industry exhibition as well as automatic entry into the conference passport competition. Make the most of the opportunity to meet and mingle with companies from across Australia, keep up to date with the latest products and services whilst going in the draw to win a variety of prizes.

## Getting There / Staying There

The appeal of holding our conference on the Gold Coast is first and foremost the easily accessible coastal location, which brings with it a relaxing holiday atmosphere with an abundance of activities.

Located in Broadbeach, The Star Gold Coast is just half an hour from the Gold Coast Airport at Coolangatta, and a 90-minute drive from Brisbane. Accessed by two major airports, the Gold Coast is well positioned offering easy access, direct flights and economical airfares for delegates travelling from around Australia.

With seven of Australia's best theme parks, 40 championship golf courses, more than 600 restaurants and cafes, over 70 kilometres of pristine coastline (only 300 meters away) and an abundance of natural and cultural wonders, the Gold Coast has an almost limitless range of possibilities for creating a memorable conference experience for both delegates and their families.

However, with this years conference venue you won't even have to go off site. With its luxurious accommodation and spa, iconic bars, restaurants and entertainment precincts; what better place to escape an Australian winter!

Visit one of the following sites for further details on what your destination and conference venue has to offer:

[www.destinationgoldcoast.com](http://www.destinationgoldcoast.com)

[www.star.com.au/goldcoast](http://www.star.com.au/goldcoast)

[www.queensland.com](http://www.queensland.com)

### Accommodation

We have negotiated affordable accommodation options directly onsite, please visit [www.ava.com.au/asav-conference](http://www.ava.com.au/asav-conference) for more information or to book. All bookings are through Ozacomm+.



## Keynote Speakers

### Rob Webster



Rob graduated from The University of Queensland in 2000, went into emergency medicine, and never left. He was a founding partner of the Animal Emergency Service in 2005, then commenced residency training in emergency and critical care under the supervision of Professor Steve Haskins attaining FANZCVS qualifications in 2014.

Rob works with multiple business partners to develop Animal Emergency Service into an organisation which helps veterinary professionals fulfill their dreams.

As well as veterinary business, Rob continues to work as an emergency veterinarian, supervises a resident training program in emergency and critical care, participates in collaborative research projects, and teaches EMCC to veterinarians and veterinary students across Australia.

Rob's dreams are to see tick paralysis eliminated as a cause of death of dogs and cats in Australia, and for Animal Emergency Service to be the place emergency vets come to save the sickest pets and build the future of emergency medicine and critical care.

### Ellie Leister



Ellie graduated from the University of Sydney in 2004, she worked in mixed practice before travelling the world during her early veterinary career. Returning to Australia and joining Veterinary Specialist Services in 2012. A short encounter with Professor Steve Haskins inspired her to complete a residency training program (2015-2017) and achieved Fellowship of the Australian and New Zealand College of Veterinary Scientists (FANZCVS) by examination in 2019. Dr Leister became part owner of Brisbane's Pet ICU in 2018, which is now her primary focus, along with clinical research and continuing to develop the 24/7 critical care team.

### Terry King



Terry graduated from The University of Queensland in 1975, spent his first 20 years in general practice, predominately small animal, and then 7 years in The University of Queensland Veterinary Teaching Hospital as medical clinician and director. In 2002, Terry joined Veterinary Specialist Services as a partner and referral small animal clinician in internal medicine with an emphasis on emergency and critical care where he helped establish PICU (Pet Intensive Care Unit), a recognised leader in this field of veterinary practice. Presently notching up 45 years in general and referral practice, Terry enjoys the emergency side of veterinary practice and has a special interest in treating the critically ill. He is highly committed to family veterinary medicine and prolonging the human-animal bond.



## Steven Epstein

Dr Steven Epstein attended University of California at Davis for his Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine. He then went on to complete an internship in anesthesiology at Kansas State University and then completed a three-year residency in veterinary emergency and critical care at UC Davis. Dr. Epstein is now a Professor of Clinical Small Animal Emergency and Critical Care and chief of that service at UC Davis as well as being the disaster response coordinator for the hospital. His research interests are in CPR, diagnostic testing in the emergency room, and antimicrobial resistance patterns.



## Christopher Tan

Chris is a specialist in small animal surgery, based in Sydney, Australia, where he divides his time between clinical practice, post graduate education and research. He is the head of surgery at Sydney Veterinary Emergency and Specialists and is a board member of AOVET Asia Pacific, with his role focused on the delivery of quality education. Chris holds a conjoint lecturer position within the Faculty of Medicine, University of New South Wales, where he works with surgeons and medical researchers from a diversity of fields to combine the knowledge from both veterinary and human surgery to improve patient outcomes across species.



## Christopher Lam

Dr Chris Lam graduated as a veterinarian from the University of Sydney in 2015. After graduation, he worked in small animal practice briefly before commencing a small animal rotating internship at the Ontario Veterinary College (OVC) in Canada.

After his internship, he started a mobile veterinary service in the High Western Arctic of Canada, where he also provided veterinary care for various international sled dog races.

Chris relocated back to Australia in 2018 where he locumed across various small animal practices in VIC/NSW. In 2019, he commenced a ACVIM cardiology clinical residency at Veterinary Specialist Services (VSS) in Brisbane/Gold Coast.

## Program

Time	Tuesday 10 August
6:30am - 7:30am	Morning Yoga Session
6:45am - 8:00am	Royal Canin Breakfast <i>Speaker and topic to be advised</i>
	<small>AVA Gold supporter</small> 
8:00am - 8:15am	Conference Welcome
8:15am - 9:15am	Emergency and critical care in small animal practice - where have we come and where are we going? <i>Terry King</i>
9:15am - 10:15am	The treatment of intoxications - what's new, what's old, what works in the management of small animal poisonings <i>Terry King</i>
10:15am - 10:30am	Chartered Veterinary Practitioner Program Launch
10:30am - 11:00am	Morning Tea <i>Exhibition Area</i>
11:00am - 12:00pm	The dry, the bleeding and the septic: Shock resuscitation in the ER with a clinical focus (Part 1) <i>Rob Webster and Ellie Leister</i>
12:00pm - 1:00pm	The dry, the bleeding and the septic: Shock resuscitation in the ER with a clinical focus (Part 2) <i>Rob Webster and Ellie Leister</i>
1:00pm - 2:00pm	Lunch <i>Exhibition Area</i>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	When to cut and when to cast: Approach to fracture management <i>Chris Tan</i>
3:00pm - 4:00pm	Advances in fracture management: Latest updates from the AO foundation <i>Chris Tan</i>
4:00pm - 4:30pm	Afternoon Tea <i>Exhibition Area</i>
4:30pm - 5:30pm	Life-saving autotransfusions: When and how <i>Ellie Leister</i>
5:30pm - 6:30pm	Happy Hour <i>Exhibition Area</i>
7:00pm - 10:00pm	ASAV Recent Graduate Dinner <i>Cucina Vivo, The Star Gold Coast</i>
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## Program

Time	Wednesday 11 August
6:30am - 7:30am	Morning Yoga Session
6:45am - 8:00am	Hill's Pet Nutrition Breakfast <i>Speaker and topic to be advised</i>
8:15am - 9:15am	State of the Art - Roger Clarke lecture: Elapid snake envenomation - where are we now and what is new? <i>Ellie Leister</i>
9:15am - 10:15am	When there is no room for error: What makes emergency surgery different <i>Chris Tan</i>
10:15am - 11:00am	Morning Tea <i>Exhibition Area</i>
11:00am - 12:00pm	The deadly Australians: Tick paralysis, toad poisoning, puffer fish intoxication - an update on treatment <i>Terry King</i>
12:00pm - 1:00pm	ASAV Annual Meeting and Member Forum
1:00pm - 2:00pm	Lunch <i>Exhibition Area</i>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	The glycaemic emergencies - the hypoglycaemic crisis and hyperglycaemic calamity <i>Terry King</i>
3:00pm - 4:00pm	Pancreatitis - the most common cause of acute abdomen <i>Terry King</i>
4:00pm - 4:30pm	Afternoon Tea <i>Exhibition Area</i>
4:30pm - 5:30pm	Case-based session: Urinary Tract Emergencies - Disasters and how to avoid them <i>Terry King, Rob Webster, Ellie Leister and Chris Tan</i>
7:00pm - Late	ASAV Awards Dinner <i>The Star Gold Coast</i>



## Program

Time	Thursday 12 August
6:45am - 8:00am	Greencross Vets Breakfast <i>Speaker and topic to be advised</i>
8:15am - 9:15am	Bushfire emergency response: Lessons learnt from California Steven Epstein
9:15am - 10:15am	The tertiary survey: How to avoid missed injuries in the trauma patient Chris Tan
10:15am - 11:00am	Morning Tea <i>Exhibition Area</i>
11:00am - 12:00pm	Fluid plans for patients with GI disease: Parvovirus, HGE, intestinal obstruction Rob Webster
12:00pm - 1:00pm	Emergency GIT surgery: Tips and tricks Chris Tan
1:00pm - 2:00pm	Lunch <i>Exhibition Area</i>
2:00pm - 3:00pm	GDV: Stabilisation and surgery Rob Webster and Chris Tan
3:00pm - 4:00pm	GDV: Post-operative care Ellie Leister and Chris Lam
4:00pm - 4:30pm	Afternoon Tea <i>Foyer, outside Plenary Room</i>
4:30pm - 5:30pm	Case-based session: Septic peritonitis Terry King, Rob Webster, Ellie Leister and Chris Tan
5:30pm - 6:30pm	Farewell Drinks <i>Poolside, The Star Gold Coast</i>



# Workshops

## Practice Management Exclusive Insights Tour

Friday 13 August 2021 | Time: 8:00am – 4:30pm

**Capacity:** 20 delegates

A behind the scenes tour of three outstanding small animal veterinary practices on the Gold Coast. Pet Wellness Centre - Burleigh Heads, Reedy Creek Veterinary Hospital, Tallebudgera Veterinary Clinic.

This tour will provide unique insights into the running of a successful practice. We will also be presenting a business analysis of each host practice for delegates to benchmark their own practices against.

Tour inclusions:

- Local transportation: pick up from The Star Gold Coast and drop off to Coolangatta Airport
- Morning tea
- Lunch
- Debrief and feedback session
- Tour booklet

**Cost:**

**ASAV / VBG Full Member or Associate - \$620**

**AVA Full Member or Associate - \$715**

**AVA New Graduate Member or Student Member - \$360**

**Non-Member - \$1,330**





## Mental Health First Aid Blended Online Learning

**Monday 9 August 2021 | Time: 8:30am – 4:30pm**

**Venue:** Coolangatta Rooms 1 - 3, The Star Gold Coast

**Capacity:** 30 delegates

Mental health first aid is the help provided to a person who is developing a mental health problem, or who is experiencing a mental health crisis. Like physical first aid, mental health first aid is given until the person receives professional help or until the crisis resolves.

The course includes:

### **Step 1: Complete the online e-learning module**

This will take approximately 6-8 hours to complete, and you can start straight away using the MHFA online training manual available once your registration is confirmed.

### **Step 2: Attend the full day face to face Workshop**

This component of the training has been tailor made for the veterinary profession and is facilitated by Rosie Overfield. Rosie is an accredited Master MHFA instructor, qualified counsellor and has worked in the veterinary industry for over 20 years.

The training is strictly limited to 30 participants and will be delivered in a full day workshop.

**Important:** you must complete the e-learning component at least one week prior to the workshop.

### **Cost:**

**AVA Full Member, Associate, New Graduate or Student - \$450**

**Non-Member - \$450**

## RECOVER Certification - Basic and Advanced Life Support for Veterinary Professionals

**Friday 13 August 2021 | Time: 10:00am – 5:30pm**

**Venue:** Coolangatta Rooms 1 - 3, The Star Gold Coast

**Capacity:** 20 delegates



Over 100 board-certified veterinary specialists from around the world collaborated to develop the Reassessment Campaign on Veterinary Resuscitation (RECOVER) evidence-based veterinary CPR guidelines. Two of RECOVER's leaders have designed these courses with the Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine for veterinarians, veterinary technicians, and students to learn the core veterinary CPR skills needed to increase survival rates in animals experiencing cardiopulmonary arrest.

We are offering the first face to face opportunity in Australia in 2 years which will allow attendees to complete RECOVER Basic Life Support (BLS) and Advanced Life Support (ALS) Certification. This will be achieved through online pre-learning (videos, assignments and quizzes) and a face to face practical workshop including minimal lecture material with a focus on hands-on team-based learning of what to do in code situations in practice.

This workshop will be facilitated by Trish Farry, Mark Haworth, Margie McEwen and Gary Fitzgerald.

### **Part One: Online** (8.5 RACE points available for the online modules)

#### **Step 1:**

Register online via the ASAV Conference registration platform for the RECOVER Workshop (face to face) and you will receive a link and discount code (30% off) to then register directly with RECOVER for the online portion of the course.

#### **Step 2:**

Complete the online courses in RECOVER Basic Life Support and RECOVER Advanced Life Support.

Both online courses must be completed prior to attending the face to face workshop.

#### **Cost: Online modules**

**\$150 USD**

The above price is in the US dollar, please allow for exchange rates when booking.

### **Part Two: Face to Face**

Complete the face to face workshop at the ASAV Conference to become Certified to Perform RECOVER CPR.

Part one and part two must be purchased separately. You must complete the online modules before you can attend the workshop onsite at the conference.

#### **Cost: Face to face workshop (onsite)**

**ASAV Full Member, Associate, New Graduate or Student - \$550**

**AVA Full Member, Associate, New Graduate or Student - \$650**

**Non-Member - \$890**

The above price is in Australian dollars and is inclusive of GST.



## Industry Breakfasts

Complimentary for all veterinary conference delegates. Places are limited, so please register online during your registration to avoid disappointment.

<b>Tuesday 10 August</b>	<b>Wednesday 11 August</b>	<b>Thursday 12 August</b>
6:45am – 8:00am	6:45am – 8:00am	6:45am – 8:00am
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## Social Program

Relax and unwind after a big day of presentations with these exciting collegial social events, which are included in all full delegate registrations unless stated otherwise. Additional tickets are available for purchase.

### Exhibition Night Welcome

Monday 9 August 2021 | Time: 6:00pm – 8:30pm

Exhibition Area

Enjoy a beverage and delicious food with your fellow delegates the night prior to sessions starting.

Complimentary for all registered delegates. \$110 for non-delegates.

### Morning Yoga Sessions

Tuesday 10 and Wednesday 11 August 2021 | Time: 6:30am – 7:30am each day

Location TBA, The Star Gold Coast

Rise with the sun and come join us for a session of morning Yoga.

Complimentary for all registered delegates.

Each session is limited to 20 attendees, so be sure to RSVP.



### Happy Hour

Tuesday 10 August 2021 | Time: 5:30pm – 6:30pm

Exhibition Area

Following the last session on Tuesday, join us for a drink in the exhibition to relax after a hard day of science.

Complimentary for all registered delegates. \$80 for non-delegates.

### ASAV Recent Graduate Dinner

Tuesday 10 August 2021 | Time: 7:00pm – 10:00pm

Cucina Vivo, The Star Gold Coast

We invite all ASAV members who graduated in 2018 - 2020 to this very special evening. Share stories of your first years in practice in a relaxed and confidential environment.

*Complimentary for recent graduate delegates (graduated in 2018, 2019 and 2020 who are ASAV members). \$120 for mentors/mentees and guests of recent graduates.*

*Numbers are limited.*

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### ASAV Awards Dinner

Wednesday 11 August 2021 | Time: 7:00pm – Late

The Star Gold Coast

Dress to impress as we honour the highest achievers of the small animal profession and celebrate the success of the Conference. Includes 3 course sit down dinner, drinks and entertainment. An evening not to be missed.

*\$160 per ticket for delegates and partners. \$250 for non-delegates.*

### Farewell Drinks

Thursday 12 August 2021 | Time: 5:30pm - 6:30pm

Poolside, The Star Gold Coast

Following the last sessions of the conference, join us for our final farewell drinks and canapes by the pool.

*Complimentary for all registered delegates. \$55 for non-delegates.*



# Registration Pricing

	<b>Early Bird Ends 29 June Save \$420*</b>	<b>Standard From 30 June</b>
<b>Full Week Registrations</b>		
ASAV Full Member or Associate	\$980	\$1,400
ASAV New Graduate Member	\$490	\$700
ASAV Student Member	\$440	\$650
AVA Full Member or Associate	\$1,285	\$1,705
AVA New Graduate Member	\$690	\$850
AVA Student Member	\$640	\$800
Non-Member	\$2,570	\$3,410
<b>Day Registrations</b>		
ASAV Full Member or Associate	\$470 per day	\$580 per day
ASAV New Graduate Member	\$205 per day	\$290 per day
ASAV Student Member	\$185 per day	\$270 per day
AVA Full Member or Associate	\$535 per day	\$710 per day
AVA New Graduate Member	\$290 per day	\$355 per day
AVA Student Member	\$265 per day	\$335 per day
Non-Member	\$1,070 per day	\$1,420 per day
<b>Accompanying Guests</b>		
Adult	N/A	\$400
Child	N/A	\$95
<b>Exhibition Only Registration</b>		
ASAV Full Member or Associate	N/A	\$95 per day
ASAV New Graduate or Student Member	N/A	\$85 per day
AVA Full Member or Associate	N/A	\$110 per day
AVA New Graduate or Student Member	N/A	\$100 per day
Non-Member	N/A	\$200 per day
<b>Additional Social Tickets</b>		
	<b>Delegate</b>	<b>Non-Delegate</b>
Exhibition Night Welcome	Complimentary**	\$110
Happy Hour	Complimentary**	\$80
Recent Graduate Dinner	\$120	\$120
ASAV Awards Dinner	\$160	\$250
Farewell Drinks	Complimentary**	\$55

\*Saving based on special interest group and AVA membership pricing.

\*\*Select registration types do not include complimentary tickets, please see the registration inclusions for more information.

*All prices are GST inclusive*

## Full Registration Includes:

- Attendance at scientific sessions (Tuesday – Thursday)
- Admittance to industry exhibition (Tuesday – Thursday)
- Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea (Tuesday – Thursday)
- Exhibition Welcome Night (Monday)
- Happy Hour in Expo (Tuesday)
- Farewell drinks (Thursday)
- Conference bag (including conference materials)
- Electronic copy of proceedings

\* Does not include social events not listed above or workshops.

## Day Registration Includes:

- Attendance at scientific sessions (on nominated day/s only)
- Admittance to industry exhibition (on nominated day/s only)
- Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea (on nominated day/s only)
- Admittance to select social events (on nominated day/s only)
- Conference bag (including conference materials)
- Electronic copy of proceedings

\* Does not include the Exhibition Welcome Night or the Awards Dinners, or other workshops.

## Exhibition Only Registration Includes:

Admittance to the industry exhibition is on the nominated day/s only during the following hours.

Tuesday 10 August 2021 | 10:30am – 5:30pm

Wednesday 11 August 2021 | 10:15am – 5:30pm

Thursday 12 August 2021 | 10:15am – 2:00pm

\* Exhibition only registration does not include access to scientific sessions, social events or workshops.

## Accompanying Guest Registration Includes:

Accompanying guests must be accompanied by registered delegate.

- Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea (Tuesday – Thursday)
- Exhibition Welcome Night (Monday)
- Happy Hour in Expo (Tuesday)
- Farewell drinks (Thursday)
- Accompanying guest's name badge

\* Does not include scientific sessions, social events not listed above or workshops.



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# General information

## Cancellation

Cancellations must be received in writing to the Conference Secretariat by Monday 12 July 2021.

Cancellations received prior to Monday 12 July 2021 will receive a full refund minus \$150 administration fee.

Cancellations received from Tuesday 13 July 2021 will not be refunded. Substitute delegates will be accepted.

Please visit the 'Terms and Conditions' page of the conference website to find out more.

## Carer's Pass

We are delighted to announce we will once again provide a complimentary Carer's Pass for delegates attending all AVA conferences and events. This will give the Carer access to the conference, exhibition and sessions and allows parents/delegates nursing children to be provided with assistance. The pass does not include catering for carers. To request a pass please contact the Conference Secretariat; Stephanie McGuinness. There is no need to register online. Your Carer's Pass can be collected at the registration desk upon arrival.

## COVID-19 Event Safety

The safety and wellbeing of our conference guests is paramount. Please see the AVA's event safety statement on the AVA website here: <https://www.ava.com.au/education-events/covid/>. Further information can be found at [www.ava.com.au/asav-conference](http://www.ava.com.au/asav-conference).

## Handbook Mobile App

Download this year's app on any smartphone or tablet. Visit the 'Information' page of the conference website to find out more.

## Privacy Policy

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The AVA takes photos of this event, by attending you give permission to use images taken at the conference, as well as any written comments on our evaluation forms in advertising and promoting the AVA.

## Program

All speakers and sessions were confirmed and correct at the time of publishing. The organisers reserve the right to amend the program details as required. For program updates visit the 'Program' page of the conference website. The views and advice offered by speakers are their own views and may not represent those of the Australian Veterinary Association.

## Not an ASAV member?

### Join now and save over \$300 on your conference registration!

To become a member of the Small Animal group, you must be a member of the AVA. If you become a group member and register online prior to 14 June, you can attend the Small Animal Conference 2021 at the group member early bird rate with membership extended until 30 June 2022.

Contact [members@ava.com.au](mailto:members@ava.com.au) or call 1300 137 to join now.