



**NARCH AGM and Education Seminar
Sunday October 7th 2018
at Holiday Inn, Guildford, GU2 7XZ**

Programme

NOTE TO ALL DELEGATES UPON ARRIVAL: Please ensure you have registered your car registration number with Holiday Inn, Guildford, for free car parking, otherwise an automatic parking fine will be applied.

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08:45 hrs – Refreshments and NARCH AGM Registration

09:15 hrs – Annual General Meeting – Only open to RCH's holding current (active) and paid up registration.

SEMINAR MORNING PROGRAMME

With special thanks to Cliverton Insurance for the provision of our delegate conference bags.

10.00 hrs - Refreshments and Education Seminar Registration

10.15 hrs - Underwater Treadmill - What could possibly go wrong?

Speaker: Dr Susanna Alwen MA VetMB MRCVS, GP Cert Western Veterinary Acupuncture and Chronic Pain Management, Certified Canine Rehabilitation Therapist, Diploma in Hydrotherapy for Small Animals. Susanna graduated from Cambridge Vet School in 2002 and has worked in many areas of general practice. For the last six years she has worked exclusively in small animal referral practice, focussing on rehabilitation, pain management and hydrotherapy. She is the veterinary surgeon at Greyfriars Veterinary Rehabilitation and Hydrotherapy Referrals where she manages a diverse caseload incorporating physiotherapy, rehabilitation, acupuncture and hydrotherapy. She is also part of the lecture team for Greyfriars Training.

11.15 hrs – Refreshments break (Short)

11.40 hrs –“Professional working dogs - searching for a safer UK.”

Speaker: A representative from the Metropolitan Police Dog Support Unit

12.45 hrs – Buffet lunch and time to network

Take the opportunity to get advice on CPD, qualifications and any queries to do with your NARCH registration. During the lunch break there is an informal workshop to attend at **13.15**

hrs - Lovibond Tintometer Ltd will be holding an informal 30 minute workshop covering all aspects of water testing. Lovibond Tintometer are experts in pool water testing and will talk about the latest systems available, good practice, the do's and don'ts of water testing and why testing is important. Do take the opportunity to come along to update yourself on water testing, the systems available and ask any questions you may have.

AFTERNOON SEMINAR PROGRAMME

14.00 hrs – Stress and Rehabilitation.

Speaker: Veerle Dejonckheere, Veterinary Surgeon. Veerle has an international reputation as an expert in integrated veterinary care, established over 15 years experience combining conventional medicine and complementary approaches in her professional practice. Veerle qualified as a veterinary surgeon from the University of Ghent, Belgium in 2001 and worked for two years in a large animal practice in France before coming to the UK. Over the next 5 years she worked at conventional small animal practices throughout the UK and spent several months as a volunteer with animal charities in Samos and Bhutan. In 2009 she joined the SMART clinic, Cardiff led by Lowri Davis, where Veerle focused on sports medicine and rehabilitation and developed her acupuncturist skills. Since 2011 she has been running a thriving referral service based in the Bath/Bristol area at Chapel Farm Rehab, offering integrated veterinary care which now includes hydrotherapy, acupuncture, chiropractic care, therapeutic exercise, nutrition and herbal medicine. Her aim is to work together with the referring conventional vet to maximise the well being of the animal at all stages of its life, mainly treating dogs but sometimes cats, the occasional rabbit, chicken or iguana.

15.00 hrs – Refreshments break

15.25 hrs - “Let’s talk about the elephant in the room....”

Speaker: Angela Griffiths, CCRP, Dip HSA, RCH, IAVRPT - A talk about welfare issues in canine hydrotherapy, covering what we mean by “causing unnecessary suffering” and discuss drowning, dry drowning and secondary drowning, to give some clarity and guidance around this difficult subject. Angela will also talk about changes that she believes must be made in hydrotherapy practice and use of equipment, to protect dogs and their owners. Angela qualified as a CCRP after completing the Certified Canine Rehabilitation Practitioner course at the University of Tennessee, College of Veterinary Medicine in 2005. Angela was determined to provide first class care for patients when she opened Greyfriars in 2001. In 2006 the inpatient unit was opened to provide 24 hour intensive rehabilitation care, specialising in spinal injury and trauma cases. In 2012 Angela achieved her goal of Greyfriars becoming a registered veterinary practice so that inpatients requiring more intensive veterinary care and pain management could be accommodated. Greyfriars now offers a range of treatments including inpatient and outpatient care, pain management, physiotherapy, hydrotherapy and functional rehabilitation. Greyfriars is an accredited international hydrotherapy training centre and holds AAVSB RACE approval for Certificate and Diploma courses. Angela has always been welcoming to veterinary professionals and hydrotherapists wishing to develop their skills. She believes training should be academically challenging, hands-on and exciting so all students can feel a real sense of achievement on

completion of their studies and leave Greyfriars understanding the need for high ethical standards and professionalism. Angela leads the team of superb care professionals and lecturers working together to develop qualifications and CE courses. She regularly lectures in the UK and overseas and together with Megan Kelly BVSc, CCRP has founded HydroWebinar to bring education to a wider audience that may not have easy access to training or reliable information about hydrotherapy. Angela was one of the founding members of both NARCH and SAARCH (South Africa). Increasingly her energies have been focussed on issues of animal welfare and professionalism in hydrotherapy. Angela has two rescue dogs, Poppy the GSD and Honey the greyhound. As well as spending time at home with her dogs and family, she enjoys swimming with dogs (of course), travel, photography, skiing, dog sledding, good food and wine!

16.30 hrs – Seminar Close

DON'T FORGET TO COLLECT YOUR CPD CERTIFICATE BEFORE LEAVING!

PERSONALISED CERTIFICATES WILL BE HANDED OUT AT THE CLOSE OF THE SEMINAR TO ALL DELEGATES. PLEASE GO TO THE BACK OF THE MAIN MEETING ROOM TO COLLECT YOUR OWN CERTIFICATE FROM A MEMBER OF NARCH ADMINISTRATION