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ANIMAL WELFARE NEWS

THE 3RD SUCCESSFUL WORKSHOP DELIVERED IN KERALA

JMICAWE's Prof Natalie Waran, Heather Bacon and Hayley Walters, returned from India in February after having delivered a week long companion animal welfare workshop for Kerala Veterinary and Animal Science University Faculty members.

This is the last of the three workshops provided by The University of Edinburgh with the support of the British Council's Knowledge Economy Partnership Scheme. 15 members of the Kerala clinical teaching team from two campuses attended the workshop, during which they learned about how to utilize a problem based learning approach to deliver teaching in the area of companion animal welfare, welfare assessment, shelter medicine and clinical skills development. The Edinburgh team took a variety of animal alternatives with them, including manikins designed for enabling students to practice their suturing, catheter placement and blood-taking skills as well as on-line teaching resources for teaching physiological, pharmacological and anatomical course content without the need for live animals.

The team was delighted to be accompanied by Ruth DeVere, Head of Education for the World Society for the Protection of Animals (WSPA) who was keen to learn more about the work of the Jeanne Marchig International Centre for Animal Welfare Education in India, as well as to explore ways to collaborate in future. The KVASU Vice Chancellor, Dr Ashok and senior colleagues at the University will be hosting the final symposium later this spring to show-case the way in which the programme has helped with capacity building and up-skilling their staff in innovative and student-centred approaches to teaching, as well as embedding animal welfare and ethics into their curriculum.



THE FUTURE OF ANIMAL WELFARE - CONFERENCE held on 14TH FEBRUARY.

The students from our Masters in Applied Animal Behaviour and Animal Welfare programme (MSc AABAW) held a fantastic conference, at the Roslin Institute Building on Thursday 14th February.

They successfully organised 7 guest speakers, both on-campus and online, with each one giving students an interesting presentation of what they felt the future of animal welfare included.

Programme Director, Dr Susan Jarvis said that she was "very impressed by the team work and organisational skills of the students, and was delighted that they had such a great turnout from staff and students from SRuC and the University of Edinburgh."



ANIMAL WELFARE SEMINAR SERIES

We have been delighted to welcome a number of international animal welfare speakers this year, including Dr James Yeates and Dr Sean Wensley, who both gave informative and thought provoking presentations to staff, students and colleagues.

We are very much looking forward to our final talk on Tuesday 5 March, presented by Hayley Walters and Heather Bacon – on 'Animal welfare in developing countries – too tough to tackle?'

The full programme and links to the recordings of many of the presentations are available on our website:

web: www.ed.ac.uk/vet/jmicawe

R(D)SVS VETERINARY WELFARE NURSE, ASSISTS WITH DOGS TRUST PROJECT IN BOSNIA

Hayley Walters joined the Dogs Trust team in a project for up-skilling Bosnia veterinary surgeons in the clinical skills for helping with important dog population control work.

Hayley was responsible for providing veterinary support as well as giving best practice intubation, anaesthesia, and animal welfare tutorials, and showing them how to use animal alternatives for training. She will be returning for the second phase during March 2013.



THE DICK VET CLINICAL SKILLS UNIT RECEIVES ANIMAL MODELS FOR INNOVATIVE TEACHING

The R(D)SVS Clinical Skills Teaching Unit has recently benefited from a number of innovative new resources, kindly purchased with funding provided through the Jeanne Marchig International Centre for Animal Welfare Education (JMICAWE).

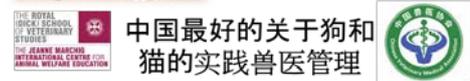
These include a new equine colic simulator, canine neutering manikins and a bovine rectal palpation simulator. These new additions are in addition to the existing manikins, which all allow students to improve clinical skills such as canine intravenous access, endotracheal intubation and auscultation in a safe, animal welfare-friendly environment.



JMICAWE SIGN AGREEMENT WITH THE C.V.M.A IN CHINA

The JMICAWE team are delighted to announce that the University has signed a Memorandum of Understanding, with the Chinese Veterinary Medical Association (CVMA). This means that both parties will be working together to actively develop animal welfare as part of the new Veterinary Curriculum, as well as education resources for the Chinese Veterinary Profession, including CPD for qualified veterinarians and animal welfare workshops for undergraduates.

We have also have developed a DVD on 'Best practice in clinical veterinary management of the dog and cat', which has been translated into mandarin and included material relevant for Chinese Veterinarians.



Best practice veterinary management of the
Dog and Cat in China



VETED CONFERENCE TO BE HELD IN NANJING

Following the success of previous workshops held in China. We are pleased to have been invited by Nanjing University to host a Veterinary Education and Training in Animal Welfare Conference in April 2013.



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