

Roseworthy Student Newsletter

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News from the APO

Exams start 19 June—make sure you have looked at your Exam timetable and noted *exactly* where and when each exam is. Remember, exams can be held at Roseworthy or the Wayville Showgrounds so make sure you know where you are going.

See in this newsletter for an article on **CPs** and what that means for you.

Now is also a good time to check your enrolment for Sem 2.

The **Gawler train line** is about to start some major renovations which will affect the shuttle bus timetable. I will keep you updated via email on what is happening.

Please note that you should not be wearing your **overalls and boots** (especially if covered in smelly animal-related material) in areas like the Café. This has serious implications for the Café with regard to OH&S and food safety. If you do

so, you will be asked to leave.

For those of you **leaving us** at the end of this semester, good luck and thanks for being a student at Roseworthy. Remember, once you have a job, let us know where and what you are doing. If you are thinking of going on to more study, please come and see me.

Di Barton, APO

Upcoming Dates:

- 4 June—Vet/Animal Sci Pub Crawl
- 9 June—Wildlife Rescue talk—Richardson Theatre, 7-9pm
- 10 June—3 Minute Thesis heats 12—2pm in Stefanson
- 25 June - Hons & HDR Trivia Event 3-6pm at Tavern
- 6 August—Vet Student vs Staff Netball Match
- 12 August—AVSA Lunch & Learn: Topic - How to specialize
- 15 August—AVSA Wine Tour
- 22 August—CVA sig Rural Practice Day
- 18 September—Vet Student Ball
- 29 October—Vet Student Halfway Dinner and Activities



AVA Report

Raffle Tickets: Please support our raffle. Tickets are \$2 and available from your Vet Year Level reps, front office, vet school office and AVSA office. 10 prizes to be won; first prize is a Wii package, second prize a trip to the Riverland.

*Damien Rixon,
AVSA Publicity Officer*

Lyppard Open Night Report

The Open Night was a great opportunity to meet and greet suppliers that we will be dealing with in the future and to start making some industry connections as well. For those of us with no shame it is also a great opportunity to beg people for jobs, no guarantees on that though! It also proved to be a great time to pick up some bargains as well, and as students, the free food and drinks was definitely a deal closer.

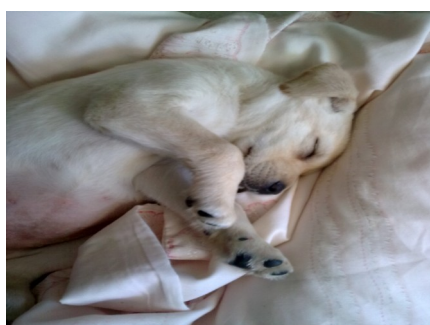
RSPCA Million Paws Walk 2010

The RSPCA's Million Paws walk was supported by many institutions, one of these being the AVA. Veterinary students from Roseworthy were helping the vets out on the day doing basic check-ups. Read the report later in this edition from two vet students to learn a bit more.

Chalette Lourens, AVA



AVSA Stall at Million Paws Walk at Elder Park



Grateful recipient of the Winter Appeal

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RSPCA Million Paws Walk 2010

The RSPCA's Million Paws Walk not only attracted many furry friends and their owners, but also provided an opportunity for The University of Adelaide's Veterinary students to help out with the free vet checks provided by the AVA and it's volunteer vets. This provided us with the perfect hands-on, or should we say, 'paws-on' experience. As any vet would know, listening to university lecturers tell you that the hip bone is connected to the leg bone and so on, may be a necessity but can get somewhat tedious. This is exactly why being offered to volunteer as vet student helpers at the AVAS stall turned out to be such a success.

We were given guidance as to how to perform a clinical examination of a dog including: using a microchip scanner, estimating the Body Condition Score, assessing skin condition and looking for any abnormalities. Having the possibility to apply the knowledge we have gained during our studies so far while also helping out at such a great event, helped to remind us why we chose to follow veterinary science as a career path.

Of course, if it weren't for the AVA putting up with a few extra bodies in their stall on the day, none of this would have been possible. We hope that as our knowledge base increases, we will be able to help out even more next time!

*Xenia Newland and Johanna Mahadevan
(2nd year Pre Vet students)*

AWESig Cupcake Sale

The Animal Welfare and Ethics Special Interest Group of students held a very successful cupcake sale on Thursday 13 May outside the library here on Roseworthy Campus. We sold near 300 cupcakes in an hour and a half!

Thank you to everyone who baked and bought cupcakes. We donated all the money to SA Dog Rescue—A South Australian shelter in great need of support.

The sale was done in order to prepare for the RSPCA Cupcake Day later this year and with such a great response, we can be excited about the prospect of having another sale this year!



Hill's Pet Nutrition News

There were 2 major events that were sponsored by Hill's this month. May 16 saw 34 students helping out at the RSPCA's Million Paws Walk at Elder Park. These students were participating in various things, from helping the vets out at the AVA vet checks, to the Hill's weigh station, to actually participating in the walk as part of the AVSA tea, as well as helping run our own AVSA stall. The AVA was raising money for their PetPep talks that are given in many SA schools to raise awareness about responsible pet ownership. The Hill's weigh station not only weighed dogs, but was flat out taking entries to go into the draw to win a year's supply of dog food.

The AVSA had a team of 14 vet students participating in the actual walk, where Hill's paid for the entry fees and donated shirts for the team to wear. This team raised \$359 for the RSPCA so well done to all team members and thanks to everyone who donated. The AVSA stall was setup to promote the new vet school, as many members of the public are still unaware that students can now study to be a veterinarian here in SA. Thank you to Hill's and the AVA for supporting us on the day, as well as the RSPCA for organising such a great event. Hopefully we can have further students involvement in the years to come.

The second Hill's event was the Hill's Meat and Greet held in the Tavern on 20 May. There were approximately 60 students that attended and asked lots of questions of our 5 recently graduated vets. It was a very successful night, with cheap drinks and the BBQ going down well. Students also got some helpful tips on how to get through uni life and what to do now in preparation for their future careers. Congratulations to Jon Bartsch and Sophie Mills, who came first and second in the competition we held on the night. Thanks to the vets that came all the way out to Roseworthy to speak to us, the Tavern for doing a great job behind the bar, to Hill's for providing the food, to the many helpers that cooked on the night, and to all those that attended.

Emma Johnsson, Hill's Pet Nutrition Student Representative

CPs and Supplementary Exams

At the end of semester you may notice a CP (Conceded Pass) with a note about an Academic Supplementary exam on your results. Any student that receives 45-49% automatically receives an academic supp exam— if that course is a pre-requisite for a higher level course, you MUST have a Pass or greater to be able to continue on, so make sure you sit the exam. Also within your Program Rules you will note that you are not allowed to graduate with more than 7 units of CPs , so if you already have some CPs, you will need to make sure you are still within the allowed limits. Your grade cannot go down if you sit an academic supp and do worse than the original exam. The maximum grade you can get after sitting an academic supp is a 50P.

If other things go wrong and you need a compassionate or medical supp exam, you need to apply for these (with as much paperwork as you can get) through the Faculty Office (see Judy or Di). If you have sat the 1st exam and then sit a compassionate or medical supp, your final result will be whatever you get in the supp—whether it be better or worse than the original.



Roseworthy Agricultural Campus Student Union Council (RACSUC)

If you don't have them in front of you, get a bold texta and your 2010 calendar and write these dates down now!

Tuesday 27 July (Week 1 of Semester 2) - Quiz Night

Saturday 21 August—Roseworthy Pub Crawl

Saturday 23 October—Roseworthy Charity Ball

More event dates will be published as the year progresses, so watch these newsletters and the campus pinboards to stay informed! We'd hate for you to miss out on a Roseworthy function! They're always such a blast when everyone attends.

Cheers, RACSUC

Winter Appeal

The Winter Appeal was recently run for 2 weeks by the Animal Welfare & Ethics SIG and was a great success. Staff and students generously donated warm items for bedding, such as towels and blankets, which ended up filling a number of large boxes and plastic bags (which ended up being exceptionally heavy!). The staff members at the Animal Welfare League Gawler Thrift Shop were very grateful to receive these donations to later deliver to the shelter.

Many thanks go to the Roseworthy staff who assisted us in running this appeal and once again, we thank everyone who kindly helped out with the large task of keeping the shelter residents warm through the increasingly cold days and nights!

Ashleigh Bunton (Animal Welfare and Ethics SIG team)



Maitidli Café News

Opening times during term:

Monday-Friday 8.00 am to 5.00 pm

Come in and enjoy our great lunch time specials available from 11.30 through to 2.00 pm

Pre-order your lunch on 37815 and save time. Dinner is served from 6.00pm to 7.30pm Monday to Friday. If you are working back late, you are quite welcome to dine in or take away. Meal prices from \$11.00. We would like to thank all for your continued support. All the best to you all.

Nikala and Cath



Rosi Tavern News

Opening times from 7 June to 26 July:

Tuesday 7.00 pm to 11.00 pm

Friday 3.00 pm to 6.00 pm

The Vet Science pub crawl will be starting from the Rosi Tav on Friday 4 June. The 1st June should be a great night for all students with their farewell show to hit the Tav from 7.30pm. I can't believe that half the year is upon us already. To all preparing for exams, students and lecturers.. We wish you the best.

Here's cheers.... Cath



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AVSA Staff v Students Netball Match

The AVSA would like to start an annual Staff vs Student Netball match. In 2010 it will be held on the first Friday back in Semester 2, so the 6th August, and your coach will be the Dean of School herself (Gail Anderson) with the captain being Ryan O'Hadley! SO get your gear on, and start preparing yourself and your team for a dismal loss! It would be great to see as many of you out there as possible, hopefully followed by a few social (or boasting?) drinks down the Tav afterwards!

Kirby Drogemuller (AVSA Events coordinator)

Horse Groups

Just a quick note that at the present time there are two groups forming within the University which will hopefully cater to anyone and everyone who is interested in horses. The Roseworthy Equine Students Association is for all students who wish to increase their general knowledge and experience with horses and will also include social events. An initial email was sent around a few months ago by Chris Riley. We now have club rooms and held our first informal meeting in week 7. The EVA SIG is a separate group which is unfortunately for vet students only, as it is shadowed by the AVA and will run in conjunction with EVA national regulations. This group will focus more on professional aspects and promoting the various equine veterinary career options available. If anyone is interested in joining either group, please send your name, year level, course and name of which group to: kirby.drogemuller@student.adelaide.edu.au

Roseworthy Students at National Beef 2010

A small group of students travelled to Bendigo in early May for the National Beef spectacular, to exhibit two steers that had been prepared by the students at Roseworthy for the last four months. With 140 animals entered, the competition was fierce, with some very good animals presented. The Roseworthy steers stood at the top of the group receiving a fourth place in the judging ring, and a third place in the carcass competition.

The group will now turn their attention to the Royal Adelaide and Melbourne show competitions which will be held in September.



2nd Year B.Ag student Brooke Crowell with one of the Roseworthy steers at the Bendigo Show

Roseworthy Choir—We are starting a new choir at Roseworthy. Practices will be every fortnight on Tuesdays from 4-5pm (starting in semester 2) and the music will primarily be modern, but we don't want to dictate what we sing, so if anyone really likes any particular piece or genre, we are more than happy to include it. You do not have to be a great singer so long as you enjoy singing and want to have fun with other students we'd love you to join. If you are interested in joining, please email me: lexie.brown@student.adelaide.edu.au

Lexie

Animal Science Work Experience

Check out <http://www.adelaide.edu.au/vetsci/students/workexperience/index.html> for information about Animal Science Work Experience .