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# BCVA Congress 2015

## Congress Programme

15<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> October 2015

The Southport Theatre & Convention Centre, The Promenade,  
Southport, PR9 0DZ



### Key to colour-coding





■ Opening sessions ■ Research presentations ■ Workshop ■ Business ■ Question Time ■ Students ■ BCVA/SVS

# Thursday 15th October

## Morning sessions

Time	HOLSTEIN ROOM	JERSEY ROOM
11:00	<b>Opening Address - Gareth Hateley</b>	The survival of first lactation heifers within UK Dairy Herds - <i>Ginny Sherwin</i>
11:15	<b>Cow Signals: Back to basics and ahead with technology</b> <i>Joep Driessen, Cow Signals</i>	The association of birth weight of dairy calves with morbidity and mortality during the pre-weaning phase - <i>Ian Glover</i>
11:30		Factors affecting colostrum quality - <i>Ashley James Phipps</i>
11:45		Surgical management of left displaced abomasum in dairy cattle: A critically appraised topic (CAT) - <i>Gwen Rees</i>
12:00	<b>What the future could look like for dairy farming technology</b> <i>Lior Yaron, DeLaval</i>	Lateral approach to subtotal bulla osteotomy and horizontal ear canal ablation to ameliorate head tilt due to chronic otitis media attributed to <i>Mycoplasma bovis</i> infection in a 5 month old Guernsey Heifer - <i>Mike Kerby</i>
12:15		A case report of <i>Mycoplasma wenyonii</i> associated immune-mediated haemolytic anaemia in a Dairy Cow - <i>Nicola Gladden</i>
12:30		Using motivational interviewing in veterinarian-farmer communication: towards improved uptake of veterinary advice - <i>Kristen Reyher</i>
12:45		Retrospective clinical audit in three farm animal veterinary practices in the UK - <i>Katie Waine</i>
13:00	<b>LUNCH</b>	






## Afternoon sessions

Time	HOLSTEIN ROOM	SUFFOLK ROOM	JERSEY ROOM	HEREFORD ROOM	LIMOUSIN ROOM
13:50			Research Bursaries - Paul Williams, MSD Animal Health 		
14:00	<b>Crossbred dairy cows – are they part of the solution? An Australian perspective</b> Michael Pyman	<b>Worming sheep - the changing landscape and tools we have available</b> Neil Sargison	The use of next generation sequencing of the 16s rRNA gene in dairy cattle mastitis diagnostics - Georgios Oikonomou	<b>Investigation of stillbirths</b> John Mee	<b>Everything you need to know about mastitis in 90 minutes</b> Peter Edmondson (Student friendly)
14:15			The cost-effectiveness of specific mastitis control interventions in UK dairy herds - Peter Down		
14:30			Ischaemic teat necrosis – an increasing problem in dairy herds - Roger Blowey		
14:45			Assessing the prevalence of ESBL <i>Escherichia coli</i> and antimicrobial resistance of <i>E. coli</i> isolates in cattle faeces on farms in North Somerset, England - Andrea Turner		
15:00	<b>Progesterone concentrations and pregnancy in cattle</b> Pat Lonergan 	<b>Worming regimes for beef herds</b> Mike Taylor	An evaluation of early lactation foot-trimming in dairy heifers in a randomised controlled trial - Oli Maxwell		
15:15			The prediction of dry period intra-mammary infection status from historical cow records - Andrew Henderson		
15:30	REFRESHMENTS				
16:00	<b>Bovine respiratory disease complex in dairy calves: infectious agents, diagnosis and practical management</b> Sébastien Buczinski 	<b>Sheep veterinary practice - the opportunities</b> Fiona Lovatt	Impact of routine hormone treatments for the reproductive management of dairy herds on reproductive efficiency and methane emissions - Simon Archer	<b>Bovine reproductive ultrasound sharing experience</b> Peter May	<b>So you think you know about BVD diagnostics: the role of laboratory tests in BVD eradication programmes</b> George Caldwell and Helen Carthy 
16:15			Breeding soundness evaluations of dairy herd bulls before and after the natural mating period in southern Australia - Andrew Hancock		
16:30	<b>Evidence based veterinary medicine in action in farm animal practice</b> Kristen Reyher and Marnie Brennan	<b>Exotic disease incursions from a UK perspective</b> Paul Roger	The effect of treatment on anoestrus dairy cows using either a CIDR-Synch based fixed-time AI synchrony programme or AI on observed oestrus after a modified programme, where the final GnRH injection was omitted - Kelly Plozza		
16:45			The impact of subclinical ketosis on activity at oestrus in dairy cattle - Andrew Rutherford		
17:00	<b>Vetting with uncertainty and battling bias - a skeptic's playground</b> Stuart Russell	<b>Investigation into the cause of subfertility and management of venereal campylobacteriosis in a beef suckler herd</b> Isabelle Truysers	Anthelmintic resistant <i>Ostertagia ostertagi</i> , <i>Trichostrongylus axei</i> and <i>Cooperia</i> spp. on 20 commercial dairy farms in Victoria, Australia - Stephanie Bullen		
17:15			Genotypic variation of <i>Coxiella burnetii</i> in South West dairy farms - Thomas Chisnall		
17:30			Foot trimming claw length: updating recommendations to 85mm - Reuben Newsome		
17:45	FINISH				





Cow Signals - On-farm Workshop - Joep Driessen

# Friday 16th October

## Morning sessions




Time	HOLSTEIN ROOM	SUFFOLK ROOM	JERSEY ROOM	HEREFORD ROOM	LIMOUSIN ROOM
08:30	AGM				
09:00	CSI mastitis - fingerprinting the culprits Ruth Zadoks	CODD in sheep - what do we now know? Jennifer Duncan	AHDB Dairy research presentations: Dairy cow health 1. Characterisation of <i>Strep. uberis</i> mastitis 2. Review of mastitis control interventions 3. Aetiology of lameness 4. Cow comfort and welfare 5. Lying behaviours 	Implementing a successful cattle infectious disease programme for your practice - Peter Orpin, Dick Sibley and Charlie Wright 	LDAs in cattle - what method should we use? Wendela Wapenaar and Judith Roberts (Student friendly)
09:30		Use of hormones to maximise fertility in sheep Monika Ptasińska			
10:00	Mastitis vaccination: the future Ynte Schukken 	Coccidiosis in sheep and beef Louise Silk			
10:30	REFRESHMENTS				
11:00	HOLSTEIN ROOM  Question Time		AHDB Dairy research presentations: Nutrition and management 1. Dietary protein for dairy cows 2. Mineral supplementation for dairy cows 3. Calf feeding management 	In practice assessment of bull and ram semen Colin Penny and Stuart Revell	BRD and bacterial pneumonia Sébastien Buczinski and Laura Valls 
11:30	Chair - Andrew Taylor  Minette Batters, <i>Deputy President NFU</i> Robert Huey, <i>CVO NI</i> Stuart Reid, <i>Principal RVC</i> Donal Murphy, <i>Head of Technical and Regulatory Affairs, NOAH</i>				
12:00					
12:30					
13:00	LUNCH				

## Afternoon sessions




Time	HOLSTEIN ROOM	SUFFOLK ROOM	JERSEY ROOM	HEREFORD ROOM	LIMOUSIN ROOM
14:00	<b>Measuring and monitoring heat detection in dairy herds</b> <i>John Remnant</i>	<b>Reducing TB risks - should I bother?</b> <i>James Russell</i>	<b>Is there a future for cattle veterinary practice?</b> <i>Declan O'Rourke</i>	<b>Monitoring treatment outcomes – using software to support prudent antimicrobial use</b> <i>Andrew Bradley and James Breen</i>	<b>Field post mortems for cattle practitioners</b> <i>Colin Mason and Helen Carty</i>
14:30	<b>Fixed-time artificial insemination for suckler beef herds</b> <i>Federico Randi</i>	<b>A practising vet's view of bovine TB control in Wales - is there a new role for the private veterinarian?</b> <i>Paul Rodgers</i>			
14:45			<b>Communications with colleagues and clients</b> <i>Tug Wilson</i>		
15:00	<b>The usefulness of trans-scrotal ultrasonography at Bull Breeding Soundness Examination (BBSE): the relationship between testicular parenchymal pixel intensity (PI) and semen quality</b> <i>Martin Tomlinson</i>	<b>A review of the 2013 and 2014 culls in Gloucestershire and Somerset</b> <i>Roger Blowey</i>			
15:30	<b>A practical approach to balancing mineral requirements for the dairy herd</b> <i>Julia Moorhouse</i>	<b>Wales – 95.6% bovine TB free</b> <i>Eamon Watson</i>	<b>Key factors which make or break farm practices</b> <i>Andy Moore and Steve Headon</i>		
16:00	REFRESHMENTS				
16:30	<b><i>Mycoplasma</i> mastitis in the UK - a literature review</b> <i>Ruth Zadoks</i>	<b>Worming dairy cows: myth or reality</b> <i>Andy Forbes</i>	<b>Business models for taking farm vet practices into the future</b> <i>Peter Gripper</i>	<b>Selective dry cow therapy in practice - Judith Roberts, John Tulloch and Tim Hampton</b>  	<b>Survival skills for farm animal vets</b> <i>Tug Wilson</i>
17:00	<b><i>Mycoplasma</i> and bovine respiratory disease</b> <i>Tim Potter</i>	<b>Ectoparasites in cattle</b> <i>Aiden Foster</i>	<b>A training programme to attract, upskill and retain veterinarians in livestock practice</b> <i>Michael Pyman</i>		
17:30	 <b><i>Mycoplasma</i> diagnostics and what we still don't know about the disease</b> <i>Roger Ayling</i>	<b>Measuring anthelmintic efficacy in cattle: what do faecal egg count reduction tests actually tell us?</b> <i>Ian Nanjiani</i>			
18:00	FINISH				

# Saturday 17th October

## Morning sessions

Time			HEREFORD ROOM		LIMOUSIN ROOM
08:00			<b>INVITED SEMINAR</b> Evidence based veterinary medicine vs wishful thinking Christian belief? How do the two come together? <i>Michael Clarkson</i>		What are your critically important antibiotics? Developing a cattle formulary based on a prudent use of antibiotics - Rob Smith
	HOLSTEIN ROOM	SUFFOLK ROOM	JERSEY ROOM	HEREFORD ROOM	
09:00	<b>Medicine use overview</b> <i>David Barrett</i>	How to help your farmers: be fully informed of the key fertility, production and health issues of your clients' dairy herds <i>James Hanks</i>	<b>Introduction</b> <i>Neil Blake</i>	<b>Mycoplasma, the UK disease</b> - open discussion with Q&A session - <i>Ruth Zadoks, Tim Potter and Roger Ayling</i>	
09:15			<b>Survival skills for farm animal vets</b> <i>Tug Wilson</i>		
09:30	<b>Using medicines audits to influence responsible use in farm animal practice</b> <i>David Tisdall</i>	<b>What can we learn from 20 years of practice based benchmarking</b> <i>Peter Orpin</i> 			
10:00	<b>Selective dry cow therapy</b> <i>Peter Edmondson</i> 	<b>AHPA surveillance - an update for farm practitioners</b> <i>Richard Irvine</i>			
10:30	REFRESHMENTS				
11:00	<b>The control of bovine respiratory disease - are we making progress?</b> <i>Colin Penny</i>	<b>Reduction in daily milk yield associated with sub-clinical Bovine Herpes Virus 1 infection - the importance of proactive herd health and production management</b> <i>Jonathan Statham</i>	<b>Mooniversity challenge</b> 	Understanding and keeping your clients: using Interherd+ to benchmark herd performance, analyse problems and develop appropriate control strategies from fertility to somatic cell counts, mastitis to John's disease - James Hanks	John's Disease - helping your clients with the National John's Management Plan <i>Action John's Vets</i>
11:30	<b>Respiratory disease in adult cattle, an increasing problem?</b> <i>Colin Mason</i>	<b>Biosecurity and vaccination: what do your clients see as challenges and opportunities?</b> <i>Marnie Brennan and Wendela Wapenaar</i>			
12:00	<b>Adult BRD: development of a method to stress test farm systems</b> <i>Jamie Robertson</i>	<b>Understanding the impact of bedding on milk quality and udder health</b> <i>Andrew Bradley</i>			
12:30					
13:00	LUNCH				

## Afternoon sessions

Time	HOLSTEIN ROOM	STUDENT WORKSHOPS		
		ON-FARM	HEREFORD ROOM	TBC
13:30	Experimental Acute Bovine Viral Diarrhoea (BVD) infection in naïve calves <i>John Fishwick</i>	<b>Mastitis</b> <i>Peter Edmondson</i>	<b>Down Cows</b> <i>Michael Pymon</i>	<b>Sick Cows</b> <i>Mike Kerby</i>
14:00	ABC-Action for BVD control - an example of how collaborative practice working can achieve results in farm improvements <i>James Russell</i>			
14:30	<b>CLOSING SESSION</b> 'Evolving diagnostic protocols for BVD eradication schemes - <i>George Caldow</i> BVD and bulls - <i>Owen Tunney</i> 			
16:00	Close of Congress - President			
16:10	FINISH			

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