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This is a new website established and maintained by American veterinary radiologist Allison Zwingenberger who is currently at University of California, Davis. It takes the form of a weblog (Blog) and contains a mixture of case studies, theory and discussion of literature relating to veterinary diagnostic imaging.

Message from the President

This year is an exciting year for those of us who have an interest in Veterinary Diagnostic Imaging.

In June, Professor Don Thrall will lead a one day meeting in Sydney entitled '*Imaging in Small Animal Oncology*'. Local speakers will supplement the program which will include imaging aspects of oncology. We have been working with Dr Thrall to organize an exciting meeting for AAVDI members. The program and registration form have been included with this newsletter. You can also check out the program at www.aavdi.org

In August the **WSAVA** annual meeting will be held in Sydney. The Diagnostic Imaging day is on Thursday 23rd of August. This meeting will be at Sydney Convention and Exhibition Centre, Darling Harbour, a particularly beautiful part of Sydney amply supplied with accommodation, eateries and bars. Go to www.wsava2007.com and check the full program.

On Sunday 19th of August, immediately preceding WSAVA, Dr Gail Smith will be in Sydney to provide a one day **PennHIP workshop**. These events are rare in the Southern Hemisphere, only one other having been held in Australia. If you want to know about PennHIP, or become a registered PennHIP user, this one day meeting is a must, and not to be missed. This meeting is in the planning stages, and we will post more detailed information on the AAVDI website when it comes to hand. To learn more about PennHIP go to the links page on the AAVDI website and find the PennHIP link.

Every year there is at least one interesting imaging meeting overseas. Last year it was the **IVRA meeting in Vancouver**. All AAVDI members are concurrently members of IVRA, and are entitled to reduced

registration fees at IVRA meetings. IVRA meetings are triennial, so look out for the next one in **Brazil in 2009**. AAVDI is represented by Nola Lester on the IVRA Board of Directors, so we will always be informed of upcoming IVRA events. To look up the IVRA the best current link is through the ACVR site using www.acvr.org/ivra/meetings/ivra_meetings

Later this year the European imagers meet in Greece. Their **EAVDI** meetings are annual affairs, and are equally as rewarding as the IVRA meetings. This year the venue is in Greece, [Thessaloniki]; what a fantastic destination. Check it out at www.symvoli.com.gr/EAVDI2007

You can see that there's a fantastic array of interesting imaging meetings both at home and abroad every year. Each of the groups organizing these meetings is run by a small and dedicated few, and we should be grateful to them for the effort they make on our behalf. The annual AAVDI AGM will soon be upon us. AAVDI is an organization that punches well above its weight, but like all small organizations is desperate for people prepared to take a leadership role to ensure sensible forward planning and continuation of our successful strategy of mixing regional meetings with larger meetings that enjoy leadership from imported world authorities. You can help AAVDI by considering becoming a committee member. The duties aren't onerous, but committee members need to be turned over to ensure that the committed regulars don't become burned out. Check out the committee at www.aavdi.org and see if there's a position for which you are prepared to nominate, or perhaps you know someone else that may wish to give something back to AAVDI.

See you in Sydney!

Graeme Allan