



CATTLE ASSOCIATION OF VETERINARY IRELAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2015

9th – 11th OCTOBER 2015

Mullingar Park Hotel, Mullingar, Co Westmeath



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Workshops qualify for 4 CVE Credits each

Welcome to Cattle Association of Veterinary Ireland Conference 2015

This year the CAVI conference will take place in the Mullingar Park Hotel, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath 9th to 11th October 2015.

The aim of this year's CAVI conference is to provide a superior CPD event for Irish cattle practitioners. We believe that this will be achieved by providing independent scientific content from published speakers combined with practical presentations from practicing clinicians.

Topics this year are refreshing – a scientific look at TB testing, practical parasitology and therapeutics, fertility and opportunities for practice development in this area, the latest research in mycoplasma infections, genomics and its real application to practice, surgical case presentations, a novel session on bovine neonatology, updates on upcoming developments affecting the profession in Ireland and a little bit of psychology for good measure!

Workshops are an integral part of the CAVI experience and following on from the success of last year, this year's workshops are designed to be a genuinely practical learning tool. A novel aspect of this year's conference is that we are running a workshop specifically aimed at new and recent graduates. Researchers are also invited to submit posters to our poster presentation.

The social programme for the CAVI conference is also key to the continued success and enjoyment of the event. The annual dinner is on Saturday October 10th in the Mullingar Park Hotel's Terrace Restaurant.

Colleagues please note that full participation in the CAVI Conference 2015 together with self-study will give the full annual CVE requirement. So if it is your intention to attend one CPD event this year, make the CAVI conference your choice.

We look forward to meeting with you all again in the Mullingar Park Hotel in Westmeath.

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Workshops - 10:00 – 12:00
Friday 9th October 2015

WORKSHOP NO. 1
MASTITIS PROBLEM SOLVING

Speaker: Don Crowley
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WORKSHOP NO. 2
Interpretation of Johnes Test Results

Speaker: Sam Strain
CVE Credits: 4



WORKSHOP NO. 3
Recent Graduate Workshop – Dealing with Difficult Clinical Situations

Speakers: Finbarr Kiernan – John Berkery – Eoin Ryan
CVE Credits: 4

All workshops limited to 25 places

Poster Session – 12:30 – 13:30
Friday 9th October 2015

**Call for Submissions – If interested in submitting a poster
please forward an abstract for consideration to
Irene@eventplus.ie before Friday 11th September 2015**

Poster presenters qualify for 3 CVE Credits

CAVI Conference 2015

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FRIDAY 9TH OCTOBER 2015

13:00 – 14:00

Registration



SESSION 1 Fertility

14:00 – 14:45

Management Factors affecting Fertility in Suckler Cows

Michael Diskin

14:45 – 15:15

Maximising Fertility on the farm – the vet's role *Doreen Corridan*

15:15 – 16:00

Increasing the usage of AI in Suckler Herds – a practical approach

Michael Diskin

16:00 – 16:30

Coffee and Exhibition

SESSION 2 Policy Session

16:30 – 17:15

TB Testing and the Science behind it *Margaret Good*

17:15 – 17:45

Rural Development Programme 2015 – 2020. The role for Vets;

Conor Geraghty

17:45 – 18:30

Genomics – Stars in our eyes!!! *Doreen Corridan*

SATURDAY 10TH OCTOBER 2015



SESSION 3 "Back to Basics" – Mycoplasma

09:00 – 09:30

Mycoplasma – Recent manifestations in Irish Dairy Herds

William Byrne

09:30 – 10:00

Insights into cattle Mycoplasmoses in England and Wales

Roger Ayling

10:00 – 10:30

Mycoplasma – its role in bovine respiratory disease complex

William Byrne

10:30 – 11:00

Antimicrobial sensitivity of *Mycoplasma bovis*

Roger Ayling

11:00 – 11:30

Coffee and Exhibition

SESSION 4 Neonatal Session

11:30 – 12:00

A fresh look at managing the cow at calving *John Mee*

12:00 – 12:30

Leptospirosis – clinical signs and management of outbreak *Eoin Ryan*

12:30 – 13:00

Abortion Investigations – Can practitioners do better? *John Mee*



13:00 – 13:15 Veterinary Ireland Financial Services *Mary Goodman*

13:15 – 14:00 Lunch and Exhibition

14:00 – 14:30 Exhibition Networking



SESSION 5 “Old Problems - New Perspectives”

14:30 – 15:15 “Now in the Winter of our discontent” - How to get the best out of Parasite Control over housing *Andy Forbes*

15:15 – 16:00 Epidemiology of a pneumonia outbreak in an Irish feedlot *Damien Barrett*

16:00 – 16:45 “Elementary my dear Watson” - The 45 minute Parasite Detective!
Andy Forbes

16:45 – 17:15 Coffee and Exhibition

SESSION 6 Business Development Session

17:15 – 18:45 Making Emotional Intelligence Work for you *Michael Cox*

20:00

CAVI Conference Annual Dinner

Terrace Restaurant, Mullingar Park Hotel

SUNDAY

11TH OCTOBER 2015

SESSION 7 Practitioners Forum

09:30 – 10:30

Practitioner Case Reports:

- Surgical Correction of an Omasal Torsion *Donal Murphy*
- Deflation of Abomasum in a Calf *Kevin O’Sullivan*
- A comparison of Techniques in Bovine Vasectomy *Donal Lynch*
- Blood Transfusion Tips *John Berkery*

10:30 – 10:45 ICBF *Jennifer McClure*

10:45 – 11:15 Pictures from the PM Room *Pamela Kelly*

11:15 – 11:45 Coffee and Exhibition



SESSION 8 AHI Session

11:45 – 12:10 Johnhe’s disease – findings from the pilot programme *Sam Strain*

12:10 – 12:35 An introduction to Beef Healthcheck *Rebecca Carroll*

12:35 – 13:00 BVD – an Update *David Graham*

13:00 – 13:25 CellCheck – the story so far *Joe O’Flaherty*

13:25 – 13:45 IBR – towards eradication? *David Graham*

13:45 Conference Closing remarks - Followed by Light Lunch

14.30

Veterinary Ireland, Food Animal Group AGM

Overseas Speaker

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Roger Ayling is currently the head of The Bacteriology Department at APHA and is also the Mycoplasma Team Leader. He has 20 years' experience working as a specialist scientist in the Mycoplasma Team, leading projects on research and diagnosis of veterinary mycoplasmas, including immunology, molecular methods and antimicrobial studies. His work has led to many international collaborations resulting in more than 100 scientific publications and was an author of the book: Mycoplasma Diseases of Ruminants. He did his PhD at King's College London, the title was: Diagnosis and control of Mycoplasma bovis and Mycoplasma mycoides subspecies mycoides small colony in cattle. He has managed and examined several PhD and MSc students. He has worked at Weybridge for more than 40 years, previously he gained skills in determinative bacteriology, and at one time specialised in Campylobacter research. He initially started his career working as a parasitologist.

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Andy Forbes graduated from Edinburgh University, Scotland, with a degree in Veterinary Medicine and Surgery and subsequently spent several years in general veterinary practice in the United Kingdom, southern Africa and New Zealand. He joined the Animal Health industry in the late 1970s, firstly with Elanco/Lilly Research and subsequently with MSD AgVet and then Merial, and worked in the industry until 2013 in a variety of technical positions based in the UK, the USA and most recently France. He now lectures regularly at the School of Veterinary Medicine in Glasgow and is involved in a number of research projects there and at other veterinary schools. He is currently the chairman of the parasite control technical working group (TWG) of Animal Health Ireland.

His scientific interests centre primarily on ruminants with a focus on parasitology and endemic diseases, on which he has published over 50 papers in peer-reviewed journals. He completed a PhD on parasitic gastroenteritis in cattle at Ghent University in Belgium in 2008 and is a Foundation Diplomate of the European Veterinary Parasitology College. He is a past president of the British Cattle Veterinary Association and the British Association of Veterinary Parasitology. He is currently an Honorary Professor at the School of Veterinary Medicine at Glasgow University in Scotland. When not travelling, he spends his time on a small farm in Hertfordshire, where his wife, any of three sons, a flock of sheep and a dog live or on a small property on the shores of Loch Lomond.

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Social Programme

20:00 SATURDAY 10TH OCT 2015

ANNUAL CONFERENCE DINNER

Terrace Restaurant, Mullingar Park Hotel

Join with colleagues and friends for the Annual Conference Dinner. The evening includes a Cocktail Reception, Dinner followed by Music and Entertainment in the Horseshoe Bar.



Mullingar Park Hotel, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath

The CAVI Conference returns once again to the Mullingar Park Hotel. This centrally located venue boasts impressive conference and guest facilities. The 4 Star Mullingar Park Hotel has earned a strong reputation as one of the leading Hotels in the Midlands.



It is ideally situated on the outskirts of Mullingar Town in County Westmeath at Junction 15 on the N4, Dublin to Sligo road, just 1 hour from Dublin with complimentary Wi-Fi and ample free parking on site. This contemporary designed 4 star hotel is elegantly decorated, tastefully furnished and fully equipped to international standards. It boasts 95 superbly appointed Guest Bedrooms, Award Winning Terrace Restaurant, Horseshoe Bar & Courtyard Lounge overlooking private landscaped gardens. The Azure Leisure Club boasts a 20m Indoor Pool, separate Childrens Pool, Sauna, Steam Room and fully equipped gymnasium with The Azure Beauty Rooms offering a wide range of treatments for both men and women.

Location

From Dublin

Continue onto **M4** (signs for **Sligeach/Sligo/M4**) - Partial toll road.
Continue onto **N4** - At junction **15**, take the **N52** exit to **Mullingar/Tullamore**.
Turn **left** at **N52** - Mullingar Park Hotel will be on the right.

From Galway

Head **east** on **Dublin Rd/R338** toward **Belmont** - Continue to follow R338 - Go through 1 roundabout.
At **Martin Roundabout**, take the **1st** exit onto **Bóthar na dTreabh/N18** heading to **Gaillimh/Galway/N6/N17/N59/N84** - At the roundabout, take the **2nd** exit onto **N6** Partial toll road - Continue onto **M6** - At junction **4**, take the **N52** exit to **Mullingar/Tyrrellspass**.



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