



CENTRAL CANADA  
VETERINARY ASSOCIATION

# Summer 2018 Newsletter

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## A Message from your CCVA Council



As I sit and write this message on Canada Day long weekend, I think of how much has changed in the past 6 years since I moved to Eastern Ontario. With 2018's crop of new graduates entering clinical practice for the first time, it makes me look back at how new and exciting everything was back when I first entered. With that in mind, I am pleased to inform everyone that this year's CCVA council is working hard to bring new and exciting CE for both Large and Small Animal practitioners. On August 23<sup>rd</sup>, we are proud to present Dr. Janet Beeler-Marfisi who will be doing a lecture on Equine Hematology and Clinical Chemistry at the Kemptville Campus.

The 2018 Fall Conference is coming together very nicely and we are very pleased to announce that our speakers on Thursday October 25<sup>th</sup> will include Dr. Gordie Jones for our Bovine Vets and Dr. Maureen Anderson who will be presenting on Companion Animal topics. The following day we are very delighted to present Dr. Marie Holowaychuk who will be discussing topics on wellness for the veterinary team. She will discuss topics such as mental health and self care for the veterinary professional, setting boundaries and maintaining work-life balance, and coping compassionately with mistakes. This session is suitable for large and small animal veterinarians, technicians and practice managers.

It is on a sad note that we mention the stepping down of Michele Dufresne who has served on the CCVA council for many years as Secretary. Thank you for all your time and hard work Michele and we wish you all the best!

In other business, we would like to send a heart-felt congratulations to Dr. James Byrne who has taken a transfer to his hometown of Peterborough where he will continue his work as a Veterinary Inspector with CFIA. Congrats James!

And finally, I would like to send a huge thank-you to those veterinarians in all their respective fields, who were either working, on-call, or both over the long weekends!

Best Regards,  
Dr. Russ Campbell,  
CCVA councillor

## Social Report



This year's annual CCVA golf tournament will be held on Friday September 7th. Please join us at Greyhawk Golf Club for an awesome day of golf, food, drink, prizes, and fun. No level of golf skill is needed - just the desire to have fun !

## **Large Animal CE**



On August 23, 2018 from 7-9 PM, there will be an equine clinical pathology seminar presented by Dr. Janet Beeler-Marfisi. Topics include anemia, assessing inflammation: WBC fibrinogen and serum amyloid, Bronchoalveolar lavage versus tracheal wash technique, PID vs Equine metabolic syndrome—a brief update on testing and interpretation, and a mini wet-lab on blood smear preparation.

Janet Beeler-Marfisi, a Diplomat of the American College of Veterinary Pathologists in Clinical Pathology, joined the Ontario Veterinary College's Pathobiology department in early 2017, where she teaches, performs research and diagnostic services, and writes textbook chapters on equine and small animal clinical pathology. Her current research is focused on finding better ways of diagnosing lung disease in horses using cell markers and flow cytometry.

This CE event is suitable for veterinarians, technicians and externship students, all are welcome. The location is Conference Room #1 in the WB George Building on the Kemptville Campus, Kemptville, Ontario.

The CCVA board is hard at work organizing additional upcoming CE events and would appreciate any topic or speaker suggestions that you have. Feel free to pass on your ideas to any councillor.

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