



Curriculum Vitae (June 2023)

Personal details

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Date and place of birth: 23rd July 1968, Tasmania, Australia

Employment:

2009-current: self-employed as a veterinary behaviourist.

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Main duties include consultancy to provide behavioural advice for clients regarding domestic pets. Problems typically include barking, anxiety problems, aggression, etc. Health issues are also addressed and medication prescribed when appropriate. As business owner, I am also responsible for reception duties, finance accountability, record maintenance and advertising/promotional work. This is usually in the form of public speaking and informational handouts for animal associations. I also run puppy classes weekly at the Channel Highway Animal Hospital. I am actively involved in the Behaviour Interest Group of the Australian Veterinary Association (AVBIG), being President from 2014 to 2016. I have also mentored students for their Membership examination to the Australian and New Zealand College of Veterinary Scientists and been an examiner from 2022 to 2023.

In 2023 I was qualified, by examination, to be a Certified Animal Assistance Intervention Specialist.

2003-2009: Tasmanian Animal Hospitals, 29-31 Clarence St, Bellerive TAS, 7018. Casually employed after the birth of our twins. Duties were clinical veterinary work, including consulting, diagnostics and surgery. Nurse training was also provided. During this time I completed a 10 month course on Behavioural Medicine through the University of Sydney Centre of Veterinary Education and my Membership preparation and examinations to be admitted to the Australian and New Zealand College of Veterinary Scientists as a Member in the field of Veterinary Behaviour.

2001-2002: Montrose Veterinary Clinic, 488 Main Rd, Montrose, TAS, 7010. Casually employed after the birth of twins. Duties involved surgery, consulting and diagnostics.

1997-2001 Tasmanian Animal Hospitals, 29-31 Clarence St, Bellerive TAS, 7018. Full-time position. Main duties were surgery, consultancy and diagnostic work. During this time I also actively served on the Australian Veterinary Association Tasmanian Division Committee. I also managed clinics when the directors were on holiday and was the chairperson for a development strategy group when the new hospital was being built.

1996-1997: Pratt, Nunn and partners, 252 London Rd, Portsmouth, Hants PO11 9DP U.K. Full-time position as a locum. Main duties were surgery, consulting and diagnostics in multiple hospitals.

1992-1996: Tasmanian Animal Hospitals, 29-31 Clarence St, Bellerive, TAS, 7018. Full-time position, mainly in the branch practice at Sorell. Mixed small and large animal work, including surgery, diagnostics and consulting. Managed the clinic in the director's absence.

Tertiary Education:

2018 University of Tasmania, Australia: Bachelor of Musical Arts (BMA)

2008 Australian and New Zealand College of Veterinary Science: membership in Veterinary Behaviour (MANZCVS)

1988-1992 University of Queensland, Australia: Bachelor of Veterinary Science (BVSc)

Additional courses attended:

- Annual attendance to the AVA National Conference
- CVE (Centre for Veterinary Education, University of Sydney, Australia) Course on Animal
 Welfare, conducted by Dr Pauleen Bennett, completed in 2011
- Australian And New Zealand College of Veterinary Scientists Science week 2009, 2013, 2021, 2022, 2023
- University of Tasmania **Animal Law** Conference 2013
- Regular attendance to Tasmania Division AVA conferences, Australian Veterinary Behaviour Interest Group seminars, animal training camps and workshops
- Training in media relations and leadership via the AVA as part of my role as AVBIG president
- Certified Animal-Assisted Intervention Specialist (C-AAIS) by the Association of Animal-Assisted Intervention Professionals (AAAIP), 2023, by examination.

Professional associations:

Australian Veterinary Association (AVA) 1992-current. Committee member 1999-2000

Australian Veterinary Behaviour Interest Group (AVBIG) 2007- current (President 2014-2016)

Centre for Veterinary Education 1992-1994, 1999-current

Chartered Member of the Australian Veterinary Association 2008-current

International Society of Anthrozoology (ISAZ) 2008-current

Australian Animal Studies Group (AASG) 2012-current

Australian Pet Dog Trainers Association (APDTA) 2012-current

Delta Professional Dog Trainers Association (DPDTA) 2010-2015 (then converted to PPGA)

Delta Society: Delta Therapy Dog volunteer 2010-2014

On Special Council for the Pet Professional Guild Australia

Animal Therapies Limited: member 2022

International Association of Animal Behaviour Consultants: Supporter 2022

Association of Animal-Assisted Intervention Proffesionals (AAAIP): 2023

Presentations given:

- AVA Tasmania Division Conference:
 - 2009: aggression in dogs
 - 2010: feline behaviour problems
 - 2012: senior pets and the influence of pain
 - 2013: coping behaviour of animals
 - 2015: feline behaviour, behaviour modification and anxieties, fears and phobias
- AVBIG Polite Pets Month 2014: Anxieties, fears and phobias
- ASAVA/AVBIG 2015 Webinar on Behaviour Modification
- Stress Free Pets 2018 Webinar: trauma- free hospital visitshttps://stress-free-pets.com/about/#team
- ANZCVS 2021 webinar- puppy classes
- Also to numerous other organisations such as veterinary clinics, the Dog's Home of Tasmania, the Royal Guide Dogs Tasmania, obedience clubs, dog walking associations and public forums, local Councils and the University of the 3rd Age.

Printed publications:

- Co-authored for the AVA (http://www.ava.com.au):
 - Debunking dominance in dogs
 - Reward-based training: a guide for dog trainers
 - Dangerous Dogs- a sensible solution
 - Use of drugs for anxiety in dogs for Vic Div of AVA newsletter
 - Polite Pets Month: (AVBIG initiative):
 - Questionnaire Why won't my cat use the litter tray? Designed for cat-owning clients to complete prior to the veterinary consult.
 - o Diagnosis for litter tray problems in cats
 - Treatment for litter tray problems in cats
 - o Creating an enriching environment for your pet
 - Preventing dog bites
- AVA Letter to the Editor Mental Health= Whole Health: https://www.katrinaward.com.au/in-the-press

- Kingborough Council Dog Owner's Handbook: https://www.kingborough.tas.gov.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/07/Dog-Handbook-v10-FINAL.pdf
- TassieCat (Tas Govt, DPIPWE): numerous brochures: https://www.tassiecat.com/
- Kingborough Council: At Home with Cats: https://www.kingborough.tas.gov.au/services/animal-management/cats/home-with-cats/
- Tasmanian Cat Management Working Group: https://dpipwe.tas.gov.au/invasive-species/cat-management-in-tasmania
- Many contributions to Newspapers: https://www.katrinaward.com.au/in-the-press
- Companion Animal Network https://australiacan.org.au/resident-school-dogs/

Developed skills and abilities:

- committee work
- submissions to and conference with local government regarding dog control laws and breed specific legislation.
- public speaking
- media articles to the local newspapers; the Mercury, the Sunday Tasmanian
- radio interviews
- contributions to newsletters for animal rescue organisations
- writing handouts for personal website and managing the website
- mentoring students for examination by the Australian and New Zealand College of Veterinary Scientists
- expert witness for animal behaviour-related legal cases
- Examiner for the Australian and New Zealand College of Veterinary Scientists, Membership level 2022, 2023

Interests:

- Singing in the University of Tasmania's Southern Gospel Choir
- Language: Spanish (Obtaining a Certificate III in Spanish from the Institute of TAFE Tasmania in 2005). This follows from being an exchange student with American Field Service (AFS) to Chile for 11 months in 1987. I have returned to South America twice since this exchange and am an AFS support person.
- My family (married with 2 children aged 22 years, a 9 year old Labrador Retriever cross and a 12 year old cat)

Referees:

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