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IRONBRIDGE 1	IRONBRIDGE 2	IRONBRIDGE 3	PATTINGHAM	EXHIBITION HALL
REFERRAL NURSING	EMERGENCY & CRITICAL CARE	PROGRESSION Making veterinary nursing a sustainable & progressive career	COMMUNICATION Agree to disagree Sponsored by VN Futures	THE HUB
09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00	
An introduction to interventional radiography - from balloons and beads to stents and SUBs Jen O'Keeffe	Medical emergencies in dogs and cats Laura George SQP/RAMA ACCREDITED	The travelling VN: taking your talents worldwide Caroline Allenden Provided by Mission Rabies Tracy Mayne Memorial Lecture	That's the way we have always done it - Approaching change in a positive way - Part One Alison Mann	
10:00 EXHIBITION OPENS				
10:30-11:30	10:30-11:30	10:30-11:30	10:30-11:30	10:30-11:30
Cancer prevention and screening Vicki Adams Sponsored by Animal Cancer Trust	Status epilepticus part one: Why it happens and what to do about it Emily Meats Sponsored by Linnaeus SQP/RAMA ACCREDITED	Supporting neurodivergent colleagues and clients in veterinary practice Carl May & Kirstie Pickles Sponsored by Vetlife	That's the way we have always done it - Approaching change in a positive way - Part Two Alison Mann	Nutritional conversations - building your confidence and knowledge Laura Hughes Sponsored by Purina
12:00-13:00	12:00-13:00	12:00-13:00	12:00-13:00	12:00-12:30
The past, present and future of surgical oncology Sarah Holliday	Status epilepticus part two: It's stopped seizing, now what? Emily Meats Sponsored by Linnaeus SQP/RAMA ACCREDITED	Celebrating the journey: The influence of growth mindset on personal and professional identity Samantha Lympny-Tier	ONE HEALTH Non-accidental injury, domestic abuse, the link and the RVN Emily Mills The Links Group	A qualification in veterinary leadership and management - Is it for me? Sponsored by VMG
13:00-14:00 LUNCH				12:45-13:30
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14:00-15:00	14:00-15:00	14:00-15:00	14:00-15:00	14:00-15:00
The pressure is on: Nursing management of patients with raised intracranial pressure Kelly Robinson	The polytrauma patient part one: Assessment and interventions Louise Welsh	WOUND CARE Early intervention wound care to prevent wound infections Amanda Curtis Sponsored by Essity	Management of toxin ingestion in humans and animals - Community of practice between human & veterinary ECC nurses Hannah Sharp & Karin Gerber BACCN	Greening Your Practice - Turning Ambition into Action Anthony Gough Investors in the Environment
15:30-16:30	15:30-16:30	15:30-16:30	15:30-16:30	15:15-16:15
Addison's disease - the great imitator unraveled Sophie McMurrough Sponsored by Linnaeus SQP/RAMA ACCREDITED	The polytrauma patient part two: Nursing care Louise Welsh	Preventing post operative wound complications Amanda Curtis Sponsored by Essity	Critical care outreach: Critical care without walls Karin Gerber British Association of Critical Care Nurses	BVA Great Workplace Scheme Liz Mullineaux
16:30 Happy Hour in Exhibition				
17:30 EXHIBITION CLOSES				
19:00 MUSICAL BINGO at Holiday Inn Hotel Ticket only				

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COALPORT 1	COALPORT 2	BECKBURY 1 & 2	BECKBURY 3	BECKBURY 4
EQUINE	PRACTICAL WORKSHOPS	BURTONS CLINICAL TEACHING	BURTONS DEMONSTRATION ZONE	BURTONS DEMONSTRATION ZONE
09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00	
Nutritional considerations for the equine patient Anna Saul	Nurse: diverse role, weird pets, unusual claims—why a nurse is so important Pauline Wellbelove & Carl Johnson Sponsored by Petplan	Mammals, birds and reptiles - what's the difference Matthew Rendle	Getting to grips with your multiparameter monitor FULL	
10:00 EXHIBITION OPENS				
10:30-11:30	10:30-12:30	10:30-11:30	10:30-11:30	
Schedule 3 - progression and maximising utilisation of eRVNs Marie Rippingale & Cassie Woods	Wound management - lavage, debridement and dressings Sam Bell Sponsored by Essity FULL	An introduction to capnography Keith Simpson	Understanding the different patient warmers - a hands-on run through	
12:00-13:00		12:00-13:00	12:00-13:00	12:00-13:00
Equine weight clinics Anna Saul		Introduction to low flow anaesthesia Ana Costa	Blood pressure: How to get trustworthy, repeatable results easily with the right equipment FULL	Stop getting lost! Top tips on driving scopes and picking instruments successfully - A practical with training simulator
13:00-14:00 LUNCH				
14:00-15:00	14:00-15:30	14:00-15:00	14:00-15:00	14:00-14:30
Surgical nursing for the equine patient Rosina Lillywhite	Neurodiversity - encouraging curiosity, supporting people Lacey Pitcher	Pain assessment and treatment in dogs and cats Niamh Clancy	ECG 101- Top tips for getting the best trace - How the right equipment can help FULL	Are you using the right circuit? A practical run through of the options FULL
15:30-16:30		15:30-16:30	16:00-16:20	15:15-15:45
Recognising pain behaviours & behavioural needs of the donkey - care & management Fiona Cooke		What can we get from the multi-parameter monitor Niamh Clancy	Low Flow: Now you know the theory, this is equipment you should be considering FULL	Ventilation: Getting your mechanical ventilator set up correctly - A practical with training simulator
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PRIMARY CARE & FIRST OPINION NURSING	EXOTICS, ZOO & WILDLIFE	PROGRESSION Leadership	NUTRITION Sponsored by Hill's Pet Nutrition	THE HUB
08:45-09:45	08:45-09:45	08:45-09:45	08:45-09:45	
Mobility and exercise ideas for RVN OA clinics Nichi Cockburn Sponsored by VOA	Behavioural considerations for the exotic patient Kelly Deane	Career development - non-clinical roles Lyndsay Hughes, Betsy Malamah-Thomas, Samantha Lympany-Tier	Nutritional support for chronic kidney disease Fi Marjoram	
09:45 EXHIBITION OPENS				
10:15-11:15	10:15-11:15	10:15-11:15	10:15-11:15	10:15-11:15
Barking up the right waves: Advancing essential ultrasound skills for veterinary nurses Jack Pye	Exotic animal blood sampling Tawny Kershaw	Leading a positive workplace culture Jo Oakden <i>Jean Turner Memorial Lecture</i>	In Conversation The RVN role in supporting dogs & cats with osteoarthritis Hannah Capon & Fi Marjoram	Writing for the VNJ Nikki Ruedisueli
11:45-12:45	11:45-12:45	11:45-12:45	11:45-12:45	12:00-13:00
Nursing the diabetic patient in the clinic and at home Hannah Durling SQP/RAMA ACCREDITED	Essential equipment for wildlife in a small animal practice Emma Onyejekwe SQP/RAMA ACCREDITED	Unlocking team potential - harnessing the power of coaching conversations for progression Alison Mann & Betsy Malamah-Thomas	Gut feeling - motions & emotions: supporting mental & GI health through caring for both Linda Ryan	VN Vision: The future of team-based veterinary healthcare Jill Macdonald VN Futures
12:45-13:45 LUNCH				
13:45-14:45	13:45-14:45	13:45-14:45	13:45-14:45	13:15-14:00
ADVANCED NURSING FOR THE GENERAL PRACTITIONER		IN CONVERSATION	QI & AUDIT	An insight into the world of StreetVetting Kirsty Cavill StreetVet
Transfusion medicine: Safe prep & administration of plasma products & PRBCs in dogs Alice Jones	Surgical considerations for the exotic patient Kelly Deane	Visions of future VN regulation Discussion Panel	Sustainability and QI Corinne Ackroyd, Emily McGill and Pam Mosedale	14:15-15:00 Emotional wellbeing for noise sensitive dogs Gill Edwards Pet Remedy
15:15-16:15	15:15-16:15	15:15-16:15	15:15-16:15	15:15-15:45
GP nursing management of patients with spinal disease Elle Payne SQP/RAMA ACCREDITED	Keynote Speaker Progression of the veterinary nursing profession. Where are we now and where are we going? Marie Rippingale	Contextualised care Hilary Orpet & Andrea Jeffery Discussion Panel	Developing a learning culture through QI Pam Mosedale	My nursing journey through the acronyms in primary care Jessica Harding Sponsored by Linnaeus
				16:00-16:45 Owning a pet shouldn't cost the Earth Peter Culpin Pets Naturally
17:00 EXHIBITION CLOSES				
19:00 Blue Light Party & Awards, Ironbridge Suite Ticket Only				

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VETERINARY CARE ASSISTANTS <i>Sponsored by Abbeydale Vetlink</i> 08:45-09:45	PRACTICAL WORKSHOPS	BURTONS CLINICAL TEACHING 08:45-09:45	BURTONS DEMONSTRATION ZONE 08:45-09:45	BURTONS DEMONSTRATION ZONE
The role of the VCA within the veterinary team Kirsty Gwynne	09:30-11:00	Anaesthetising the respiratory distressed/diseased patient Ana Costa	ECG 101- Top tips for getting the best trace - How the right equipment can help FULL	
EXHIBITION OPENS 10:15-11:15	BVNA Members Advisory Service Drop in Session	10:30-11:30	09:45 EXHIBITION OPENS	
Why is knowledge of A & P important when monitoring the patient Samantha Morgan	11:30-13:00	A ventilation how-to guide - manual and mechanical Keith Simpson	Getting to grips with your multi-parameter monitor FULL	
11:45-12:45	11:30-13:00	11:45-12:45	11:45-12:45	11:45-12:45
First aid for the VCA Samantha Morgan	Massage and passive range of motion skills Nichi Cockburn <i>Sponsored by VOA</i>	Practical ventilation with case studies Niamh Clancy	Blood pressure: How to get trustworthy, repeatable results easily with the right equipment FULL	Rigid and flexible endoscopy, cleaning & disinfection
12:45-13:45 LUNCH				
13:45-14:45	13:45-15:15	13:45-14:45	13:45-14:45	13:45-14:45
Principles of medical care of the patient Emma Collins	CPR Samantha Thompson FULL	What the capnograph tells us and what it doesn't Keith Simpson	Understanding the different patient warmers - A hands on run through	Are you using the right circuit? A practical run through of the options FULL
15:15-16:15	15:30-17:00	15:15-16:15	16:00-16:20	15:15-15:45
Assisting with GA monitoring and recovery Kirsty Gwynne	Research Bites	CPR in practice Ana Costa	Low Flow: Now you know the theory, this is equipment you should be considering FULL	Ventilation: Getting your mechanical ventilator set up correctly - A practical with training simulator
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ANAESTHESIA & ANALGESIA Sponsored by Burtons 09:00-10:00	BEHAVIOUR Sponsored by ABTC 09:00-10:00	STUDENT 09:00-10:00
Proactive pain management Ana Costa SQP/RAMA ACCREDITED	So you wanna be a behaviour nurse?! Nikki McLeod	Lab skills for SVNs - microscopy Matthew Garland
10:00 EXHIBITION OPENS		
10:30-11:30	10:30-11:30	10:30-11:30
Logical problem solving for the anaesthetised patient Ann Stanford	Working with behaviour in the rescue setting Fiona Cooke	Supporting yourself in an ECC environment Samantha Thompson
12:00-13:00	12:00-13:00	12:00-13:00
Oxygen - how much do we need? Karen Heskin	Preventative cat behaviour advice for owners - setting them up for success Alex Taylor	Structuring nurse clinics for the SVN Hannah Durling SQP/RAMA ACCREDITED
13:00-14:00 LUNCH		
14:00-15:00	14:00-15:00	14:00-15:00
ADVANCED A & A Sponsored by Burtons Anaesthesia and analgesia considerations for cancer patients Ana Costa SQP/RAMA ACCREDITED	Puppy greetings - the new puppy play Gwen Bailey & Louise Taylor	FELINE NURSING Sponsored by iCatCare Feline friendly consults Laura Watson
14:30 EXHIBITION CLOSES		
15:15-16:15	15:15-16:15	15:15-16:15
GA SOS: Anaesthesia for common emergency cases Tawny Kershaw	Exploring animal emotional welfare in veterinary practice Samantha Lympny-Tier	Nursing management of the senior cat Alex Taylor SQP/RAMA ACCREDITED
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PATTINGHAM	BECKBURY 1 & 2	BECKBURY 3 & 4	THE HUB
PROGRESSION Finance & Business	VN EDUCATORS	PRACTICAL WORKSHOPS	THE HUB
09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00	09:15-10:45	
Why utilising your nursing team means a healthier business Betsy Malamah-Thomas	Encouraging leadership within the student body Evie Yon	Negative pressure wound therapy Infiniti Medical	
10:00 EXHIBITION OPENS			
10:30-11:30	10:30-11:30		10:30-11:30
Growing a nursing service Claire Roberts	Communication to SVNs around grades and how to support them Rhiannon Stundon		VN Vision: The future of team-based veterinary healthcare Jill Macdonald VN Futures
12:00-13:00	12:00-13:00	11:30-13:00	11:45-12:15
BVNA AGM	Creating engaging and relevant anatomy sessions Evie Yon	Q & A: Haematology and biochemistry Matthew Garland	Career progression through the Linnaeus post registration programme Emily Saunders Sponsored by Linnaeus
13:00-14:00 LUNCH			
14:00-15:00	14:00-15:00	13:30-15:00	13:30-14:15
STUDENT	Embedded curriculum - uncommon nonsense Nicky Smith & Stacey Bullock Sponsored by Lantra	BVNA Council Induction	RUMA
Nursing neurology patients Elle Payne			
14:30 EXHIBITION CLOSES			
15:15-16:15	15:15-16:15		
The RVNs role in theatre practice Emma Foreman	VN Educators open forum		
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Two Days (any days of choice)	£295	£450
Whole Congress (three days)	£395	£590
Student Day Rate	£95	N/A
Exhibition Only (per day)	£35	£105

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