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SPEAKERS

John Chitty

John qualified at the Royal Veterinary College, London 1990 and he obtained the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons' Certificate in Zoological Medicine in 2000. John runs an exotics-only first opinion and referral clinic in the south of England. His publications include co-editor of BSAVA *Manual of Psittacine Birds* 2nd Edition and BSAVA *Manual of Raptors Pigeons and Passerine Birds*. He is the co-editor of the Journal of the Association of Exotic Mammal Veterinarians. He is the UK representative to the Board of Directors of the Association of Avian Veterinarians (AAV) and Secretary to the European Board of the AAV. John has been a Member of Board of Directors of AAV 2009-12. He is Veterinary Consultant to five zoological collections and the Great Bustard reintroduction project.

Kevin Eatwell

Kevin has a wide base of experience and has been active within the field for over 15 years. He has worked for first opinion and referral exotic veterinary practices, zoological collections, wildlife hospitals and for commercial clinical pathology laboratories. He is one of the few veterinarians to have achieved diplomate & RCVS specialist status, whilst in private practice. Kevin is also a diplomate and specialist of the newly formed European College of Zoological Medicine in herpetological medicine.

Marie Kubiak

Marie graduated from Bristol University following placements within zoos, exotic animal practice and an elective placement at Great Western Exotic Vets. She spent two years as a first opinion exotics vet in Kent, before returning to GWEV as a resident of the European College of Zoological Medicine. Following completion of her supervised residency period she has moved to Manor Vets in Birmingham to provide a first opinion and referral exotic animal service. She has completed the RCVS certificate in Advanced Veterinary Practice with distinction in both the Avian and Reptile examinations and a credit in small pet mammals. She is now studying for the European Diploma in Avian Medicine and Surgery. Marie has also received intensive training in poultry health with the Institute of Animal Health and regularly writes on poultry health for *Smallholder* magazine. She contributes to veterinary journals on exotic animal topics and is involved in various research projects investigating aspects health of in avian and reptile groups. Marie has particular interest in reptile medicine and surgery and has kept a variety of reptiles from tiny dwarf geckos to various large boa and monitor species but has down-sized following her move to Birmingham and currently has only a colony of sheltopusiks.

Bruce Maclean

Bruce graduated from the Royal Dick (Edinburgh) Vet School in 1992. Following graduation, he spent time in the Avian and Exotic department at Utrecht University further studying the veterinary care of birds and exotic animals. On return to the UK, he spent 6 months in mixed practice and a short period in small animal/exotics practice, before setting up his own dedicated birds/exotics practice 16 years ago. Bruce works full-time and exclusively with birds and exotic animals, both first opinion and referral. He has contributed chapters to BSAVA manuals and several articles in UK and US based veterinary publications. Bruce has been keeping reptiles and amphibians for 30 + years, and amphibian medicine is a particular clinical interest.

Elisabetta Mancinelli

Elisabetta graduated from the University of Naples, Italy in 2002. Her interest in exotics became clear shortly after her graduation. After working in a few private practices in Italy, she spent time abroad in France. She then participated to an externship program at the Angell Animal Memorial Hospital in Boston, USA. In 2007 she moved to UK where she initially worked in private practice and wildlife charities before starting the ECZM residency in small mammal medicine and surgery in June 2009. From September 2010, she has held the RCVS Certificate in Zoological Medicine.

Michael Stanford

Stan qualified from Liverpool University in 1987 and after working in an avian and small animal referral practice in North Yorkshire, he moved to Cheshire to open his own clinic specialising in birds. The practice now has an 80% case load of exotic pet, zoo and wildlife patients. The practice provides veterinary services to the RSPCA Wildlife Hospital Stapeley Grange and laboratory interpretation for Pinmoore Laboratories (PALS) which is based within the practice. In 2006 he was awarded the Diploma of FRCVS by thesis for his work on calcium metabolism in Grey parrots and was granted RCVS Specialist status in Zoo and Wildlife Medicine the following year. He is author of various book chapters associated with exotic animal medicine, including several BSAVA manuals, and has published widely and lectured extensively both at home and abroad. He currently works part time in his practice enjoying a varied workload including exotic pets, zoo and wildlife cases and is employed as a Claims Consultant for the Veterinary Defence Society.