

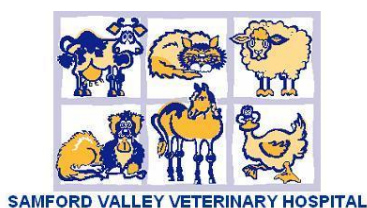
**Australasian Endurance Conference and Forum**  
**FEI Event Veterinarians, Officials and Competitors**  
**8th, 9th 10th June 2011**  
**Bardon Conference Venue, 390 Simpsons Road**  
**Bardon, Queensland, Australia**

The Australasian Endurance Forum, at Bardon in June, will be the first of its kind to be held outside of Europe. The primary role of the forum is to promote the highest levels of education for FEI veterinarians, officials and competitors in the sport of endurance.

We are fortunate to have some of the most experienced Australian and international veterinarians, officials and trainers speaking at this competition. These include Jaume Ponti Dachs who trained the winners of the Malaysian World Championship 2008 and the World Equestrian Games Endurance event in Kentucky 2011. Also speaking is Dr. Jim Bryant from the Emirates Stables who will be conducting a lameness forum and Dr Martha Misheff from the Dubai Equestrian Hospital who will be discussing orthopaedic injuries and exercise related diseases in competition horses. From Australia Prof. Anne Barnes from Murdoch University will share her experience and expertise in the assessment of the fitness of horses to compete under heat stress. Dr Warwick Vale will cover medication Control and the use of anti-inflammatory treatments prior to competition.

International officials speaking at the forum include MR Ian Williams, The Director of Non Olympic Disciplines for the FEI ; Mrs Ruth Carlson the Chair of the FEI Endurance Committee and Dr Jean-Louis Leclerc, French veterinarian and one of the most successful Chef D'Equipe's in international competition.

The forum will cover such areas as the nutrition and training of endurance horses; the role of the team veterinarian; medication control; metabolic and orthopaedic diseases; role of officials; lameness in competition horses and new therapies for their treatment; the future of international competition in Australasia. A very special discussion on the risk of injury to riders from associated horse activities will involve Dr Cliff Pollard, the Head of Trauma Services, RBH and Mrs Meg Wade, one of Australia's most experienced riders .



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## Goal of the Conference:

The primary role of the conference is to achieve the aspirations of the FEI Code of Conduct as written below:

### *Code of Conduct FEI*

***The FEI urges all involved with the sport to attain the highest levels of education in their areas of expertise.***

The secondary goals are:

- ❖ Discuss the implementation of the new rules and the implications of the new star rating for treatment veterinarians;
- ❖ Improve the understanding of the roles of officials in particular: Ground Jury, Technical Delegate, Foreign Veterinary Delegate and members of the Veterinary Commission;
- ❖ Discuss the changes to the Veterinary Regulations with regard to medication control;
- ❖ Discuss the examination of horses during competition especially metabolics and lameness;
- ❖ Discuss the issues relating to the treatment of horses at endurance rides;
- ❖ Forum on the future of international competition: Australia, South Africa, New Zealand, Malaysia, Indonesia, Korea, Japan & Thailand;
- ❖ Discuss improved nutrition and training methods for endurance horses;
- ❖ Discuss issues related to rider safety.

**Date:** 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> of June 2011

**Venue:** Centr@l Bardon Conference Venue, 390 Simpsons Road, Bardon, Queensland, Australia.

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## Speakers:

**Mr Ian Williams:** *Director of Non Olympic Disciplines FEI, 4\* FEI Official Judge and Technical Delegate, Former Chef d'Equipe for Great Britain.*

**Mrs Ruth Carlson:** *Chair, FEI Endurance Committee, 4\* FEI Official Judge. FEI Steward.*

**Dr Jean-Louis Leclerc:** *4\* FEI Endurance Veterinarian, Chef d'Equipe of the very successful French National Endurance Team, member of the FEI Endurance Committee.*

**Dr Brian Sheahan, BVSc MACVSc:** *Principal, Samford Valley Veterinary Hospital, Queensland, 4\* FEI Endurance Veterinarian, member of the FEI Endurance Committee.*

**Dr Peter Huntington, BVSc:** *Nutritionist and veterinarian with Kentucky Equine Research.*

**Mr Jaume Puntí Dachs:** *Head trainer for H.H. Sheikh Mohammad Bin Rashid Al Maktoum as well as the winning trainer of the 160km 4\* 2008 World Endurance Championships, Malaysia, and 160km 4\* World Equestrian Games, Kentucky 2011.*

**Dr Jim Bryant, DVM:** *4\* FEI Endurance Veterinarian, 4\* FEI Judge, Team Veterinarian Emirates Endurance Stables.*

**Dr Martha Misheff, DVM:** *Dubai Equine Hospital, 4\* FEI Endurance Veterinarian.*

**Prof. Bashir Ahmad Fateh:** *Dean of the School of Veterinary Medicine, Malaysia, 4\* FEI Endurance Veterinarian.*

**Assoc. Prof. Anne Barnes** *BVSc BSc(Hons) PhD MACVSc, Murdoch University, 4\* FEI Endurance Veterinarian with special interest in the pathophysiology of heat stress*

**Dr Warwick Vale, BVSc MACVSc:** *Equine Practitioner, Equestrian Australia National Medication Control Officer, FEI Veterinarian.*

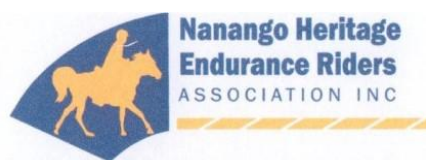
**Dr Steve Zedler:** *BS VMD DAIS Senior Lecturer in Equine Surgery & Diagnostics University of Queensland.*

**Dr Paula Williams BVSc BSc (Hons) MRCVS:** *Senior Equine Clinician, Samford Valley Veterinary Hospital.*

**Dr Cliff Pollard, MBBS FRACS:** *Head of Trauma Services, Royal Brisbane Hospital.*

**Meg Wade:** *Australia's most successful international competitor; trainer and breeder, Castlebar Endurance Arabians.*

**Chris Gates:** *Chairperson, National Endurance Sports Committee; trainer and breeder, Castlebar Endurance Arabians.*





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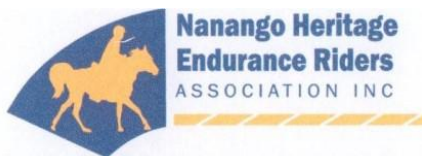
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**~ Programme ~**

**Day 1 - Wednesday, 8th June 2011**

0800 - 0845	<b>Registration.</b>	
0845 - 0900	Welcome.	Mrs Ruth Carlson, CAN, Chair, FEI Endurance Committee
0900 - 0945	Advances in the Nutrition of the Endurance Horse.	Dr Peter Huntington, AUS
0945 - 1030	Training the endurance horse for success - Part 1.	Mr Jaume Punti Dachs , UAE
1030 - 1115	<b>Morning Tea.</b>	
1115 - 1200	Training the endurance horse for success - Part 2.	Mr Jaume Punti Dachs , UAE
1200 - 1245	Monitoring the horse during training and the role of the Team Veterinarian.	Dr J Bryant, UAE
1245 - 1400	<b>Lunch.</b>	
1400 - 1445	The use of Anti-inflammatory therapy in performance horses before competition.	Dr Warwick Vale, AUS
1445 - 1530	Medication control at FEI events.	Dr Warwick Vale, AUS
1530 - 1600	<b>Afternoon Tea.</b>	
1600 - 1645	New Therapies in the treatment of tendon & ligament injuries.	Dr Steve Zedler, AUS
1645-17330	<b>PVC , FVD &amp; Treatment vets- Who is the boss?</b> <b>Welcome BBQ.</b>	Dr Brian Sheahan AUS



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**Day 2 - Thursday, 9th June 2011**

0830 - 0915	Technical Delegate - an underrated position.	Mr Ian Williams, UK
0915 - 1000	Ground Jury - The Power & the Glory.	Mrs Ruth Carlson, CAN
1000 - 1030	<b>Morning Tea.</b>	
1030 - 1115	Role of Chef d'Equipe - preparing the successful team.	Dr Jean-Louis Leclerc, FRA
1115 - 1200	Does Endurance have a future in the tropics?	Prof. Bashir Ahmad Fateh, MAS
1145 - 1230	Speed, Heat & Metabolics.	Dr Anne Barnes, AUS
1230 - 1345	<b>Lunch.</b>	
1345 - 1430	Minimum hospital facilities for an Endurance Competition.	Dr Martha Misheff, UAE
1430 - 1515	Treatment of complicated medical conditions of Endurance Horses.	Dr Martha Misheff, UAE
1515 - 1545	<b>Afternoon Tea.</b>	
1545 - 1630	Orthopaedic injuries in Endurance horses.	Dr Martha Misheff, UAE
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	<b>Dinner.</b>	



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**Day 3 – Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> June 2011**

0830 - 0915	Lameness assessment at competitions.	Dr Jim Bryant, UAE
0915 - 1000	Lameness Panel.	Dr Jim Bryant, UAE
1000 - 1045	The equine heart - What does it tell us about the athlete?	Dr Paula Williams, AUS
1045 - 1115	<b>Morning Tea.</b>	
1115 - 1200	Horse, Riders & Accidents.	Dr Cliff Pollard, AUS
1200 - 1245	A personal journey to recovery.	Meg Wade, AUS
1245 - 1330	<b>Lunch.</b>	
1330-1430	<b>Forum.</b> The Future of International Competitions in Africa, Asia and Australasia.	Mr Chris Gates, AUS
1430-1500	Conclusions.	Mr Ian Williams & Dr Brian Sheahan



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