



### *“Run by Veterinary Nurses for Veterinary Nurses”*

The **AZEVN** was founded in 2015 and is a not-for-profit association that is run by Veterinary Nurses and aims to facilitate excellence through education for Zoo & Exotic Veterinary Nurses across the UK, whilst prioritising animal health and welfare.

Visit our website to find out more about the AZEVN – [www.azevn.org](http://www.azevn.org)

### 2019 AZEVN CONFERENCE

**Confirmed Date:-**  
1<sup>st</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2019

**Venue:-**  
Applewood Hall, Banham Zoo

**Social Venue:-**  
Park Hotel, Diss

**Keynote Speaker:-**  
Dr Jonathan Cracknell  
BVMS Cert VA CertZooMed  
MRCVS



**Talk Title:-**  
“Elephant  
Conservation,  
Captive & Wild”

### Welcome from AZEVN Chairman Matthew Rendle RVN

How time fly's, feels like only a short while ago we were at West Midlands Safari Park for the 2018 Conference, what a conference, amazing venue and great lectures, thank you to everyone who spoke for us, it was great to have such a variety of subjects presented by such a diverse group of nurses.

It's a busy time for veterinary nursing in the UK generally, we are going to hit 17,000 qualified on the register any day now and we have around 3500 NPL's currently open! The joint BVNA and RCVS VN Futures continues to iron out some of the issues that will enhance our profession.

Another thing of note is Adela Taylor has stood down from the AZEVN committee, she will be missed, and I would like to thank her for all of her hard work on behalf of the AZEVN. Please get involved with your AZEVN, either offer to speak, volunteer or maybe stand for the vacant committee position.

Myself and the rest of the AZEVN team are working hard on the plans for our 2019 conference, the agenda is looking great and I hope to see you all there!

Matt Rendle RVN  
AZEVN Chair

### POSTERS WANTED AZEVN CONFERENCE 2019

If you don't fancy presenting a lecture, how about a poster?

Did you know we showcase a range of posters at our AZEVN conference and we are currently accepting entries for this year.

All posters should be A2 and for more information, see our Poster Guidelines on our website:-  
<https://azevn.org/event-speakers>

### Sponsors

We would just like to say a massive thank you to our confirmed sponsors for the 2018 AZEVN Conference. We would not be able to run without the continued support from our sponsors and we are extremely grateful for your on-going support.





## AZEVN GOLDEN TICKETS

Thanks to our generous sponsors, we have been able to offer six AZEVN Golden Tickets for the 2019 AZEVN Conference that will enable 6 lucky members to attend for free!

To find out who the winners were and to see how to apply for future years, please visit our website on the link below:-

<https://azevn.org/our-events/golden-tickets/>

## Eco-Friendly Conference & Gifts

We are always making a conscious effort at the AZEVN to try and minimise our impact on the environment.

The AZEVN have signed the "Learning Without Landfill" pledge to continue to be more eco-friendly in 2019.

This pledge will carry through into our efforts for the 2019 AZEVN Conference where our delegate gifts and information will be as eco-friendly as possible!!



## Careers Corner

You may have already seen the new updates to our website, including Career Hints & Tips, CV Advice and hints/tips for pursuing/developing a career in Exotic, Zoo or Wildlife Nursing.

All of this information is on the AZEVN Website, exclusively for members <https://azevn.org/careers>

## Your Vote Matters!!! AZEVN Charity 2019

At the end of 2018, we asked all of our AZEVN Members to vote for the charity that we would be raising funds for throughout 2019 and we are delighted to announce that the winners are...



## CRAM Foundation for the Rehabilitation and Conservation of Marine Animals

The CRAM Foundation is an organisation dedicated to the protection of the environment and the species that inhabit it. Its main activity is the clinic and rescue of endangered marine species, which will later be reintroduced to the wild. The Foundation also carries out different lines of work in conservation investigation and education

## Work Experience – Every Day is a School Day

Work Experience can provide in-valuable, first-hand, hands-on experience in your chosen field of Veterinary Medicine and can help demonstrate your passion and expertise when applying for a new role.

If you haven't already, why not check out the list of Work Experience Placements on the AZEVN Website from a wide variety of Exotic, Zoo & Wildlife Institutions:- [www.azevn.org/careers/work-experience](http://www.azevn.org/careers/work-experience)

Alternatively, if your institution offers a work-experience placement, then get in touch on [info@azevn.org](mailto:info@azevn.org) to be added to our directory and be advertised via the AZEVN Website to our members.

## Final Words from the AZEVN Volunteers

On behalf of the AZEVN Committee, we would like to thank all of our members for your continued support.

We hope you enjoyed this issue of our Newsletter and if you would like to be editing the newsletter next year and working closely with the AZEVN Team, then keep an eye out for the 2019 AZEVN Volunteer Applications!

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the 2019 AZEVN Conference..!! Au Revoir!!



**Kelly, Jo & Kirsty  
2018-19 AZEVN  
Volunteers**