



Agenda

Saturday 6th June 2026 @ West Midlands Safari Park

- 09.00 - 09.30:** **Registration & Welcome Tea & Coffee**
- 09.30 - 09.40:** **Welcome & House Keeping**
Matt Rendle RVN PgCert AVN
AZEVN Chair and WVI
- 09.40 - 10.00:** **AGM**
- 10.00 - 11.00:** **KEY NOTE:**
The Fruits of Collaboration
Matt Rendle RVN PgCert AVN
AZEVN Chair and WVI
- 11.00 - 11.15:** **Tea & Coffee Break**
- 11.15 - 11.45:** **Perioperative Care of Bush Dogs across Varying Procedure Types**
Lauren Valentine APVN(Wild/Zoo) BSc Hons PgCert AVN RVN
AMRSB
Secret World Wildlife Rescue
- 11.45 - 12.05:** **Twist and Shout: Liver Lobe Torsion in Rabbits**
Craig Brooks RVN DipVN APVN(Small Mammal, Herp, Wildlife)
Vale Vets and Referrals
- 12.05 - 12.35:** **Small Lives, Big Responsibility: Orphan and Neonatal British Wildlife Care**
Josie Nott RVN BSc(Hons) FdSc DipVN APVN(Wildlife, Herp, Small Mammal)
Highcroft Exotics
- 12.35 - 12.55:** **Wildlife Clinical Ethics**
AZEVN Team
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- 12.55 - 14.00:** **Lunch Break**
- 14.00 - 14.30:** **Magic or Misery; An Overview of Tonic Immobility in Exotic Species**
Kelly Deane PgCert Vet Ed FHEA FdSc VNES RVN
College of Animal Welfare

- 14.30 - 15.00: Human Impact in Relation to Injuries of Costa Rican Wildlife- A Case Study
Dale Gillies APVN (Small Mammal, Reptile, Avian)
Dick Vet Rabbit and Exotic Practice
- 15.00 - 15.20: Cold Plasma Therapy on the Horsfield Tortoise - Matcha Dave's Road to Recovery
Aicha Aboudinar RVN
Dick Vet Rabbit and Exotic Practice
- 15.20 - 15.35: **Tea & Coffee Break**
- 15.35 - 16.05: Pinniped Pandemonium; An Overview on Rehabilitative Care of Seals in the UK
Hayley Ayers PgCert AVN BSc(Hons) APVNES
RSPCA East Winch Wildlife Centre
- 16.05 - 16.25: Selecting and Using Nutraceuticals in Zoo and Exotics Species - An Evidence-Based Approach
Emma Purnell RVN Cert.Nut.
Nutravet
- 16.25 - 16.45: Fast Cat, Slow Gut: Gastric Foreign Body Removal in a Cheetah
Ashley Pounder RVN DipVNZS APVN(Zoo)
Chester Zoo
- 16.45 - 17.05: Stop! Ouch my Guts Hurt!
Helen Harris RVN BSc(Hons) DipVNZS CertAPVN(Zoo)
Bristol Zoological Society
- 17.05 - 17.35: Parrot Conservation in Brazil
Reb Davis RVN APVN(Avian)
Avonvale Veterinary Centres
- 7.00pm Onwards: **AZEVN Evening Social**
West Midlands Safari Park Spring Grove House



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Sunday 7th June 2026 @ West Midlands Safari Park

- 08.45 - 09.00: **Welcome Tea & Coffee**
- 09.00 - 10.00: Oxygen: Default Setting or Evidence-based Choice?
Karen Heskin BVSc CertSAO MSc(VAA) MRCVS
Burtons Medical LTD
- 10.00 - 10.30: True Survivors - The Geriatric Chelonia of the UK
Charlotte Busuttil BSc(Hons) RVN DipVNZS APVN(Zoo)
City Vets
- 10.30 - 11.00: Perceptions of Rabbit Behaviour (Interactive Session)
Cassie Morrison RVN
Southfields Veterinary Specialists
- 11.00 - 11.15: **Tea & Coffee break**
- 11.15 - 11.35: From Dystocia to Delivery in Snakes: What you can do in a First Opinion Practice
Jaquie Hazell BSc RVN
Molesey Veterinary Centre
- 11.35 - 11.55: Implementation of Multimodal Rehabilitation Protocol in a Mediterranean Turtle (*Mauremys leprosa*) with Paresis of the Pelvic Limbs
Joana Silva Guerra VN
Zoomarine - Portugal
- 11.55 - 13.15: Analgesia Round Table discussions
- 13.15 - 14.20: **Lunch Break**
- 14.20 - 14.50: The Reality of Cowpox: Managing a Multi-Case Outbreak in a Chimpanzee Group
Ashley Pounder RVN DipVNZS APVN(Zoo)
Chester Zoo
- 14.50 - 15.20: When One Door Closes..... New Opportunities Open
Teresa Horspool RVN LCGI DMZAA C&G Cert Exotics VN ISFFM
CertFN MBVNA
Bristol Zoo Project

- 15.20 - 15.40: Volunteering RVN at Australia Zoo Wildlife Hospital
Lisa McKeown APVN(Zoo) RVN
Aura Veterinary
- 15.40 - 15.55: Tea & Coffee Break
- 15.55 - 16.15: Stretching the Limits: Giraffe Training for Radiographs
Sarah Smith RVN CertVNES CertAPVN(Zoo)
Eickemeyer UK / Zoo Nurse Solutions
- 16.15 - 16.45: AI for Images in Zoo and Conservation Monitoring
Theo McLaurin MRes
- 16.45 - 17.00: A Decade of the AZEVN
Sophie Sparrow RVN BSc(Hons) DipAnPhys
RVN Pet Physio/ Ash Tree Vets
- 17.00 - 17.30: Raffle, Awards and Closing Remarks

***** Have a safe journey home!! *****