

## AAEVT Hoof Beats – December 02, 2017

### AAEP Recap:

The AAEVT AAEP Annual Convention in San Antonio was a grand success! Our Speakers were amazing, Members were engaged, and the weather was perfect!

Saturday, Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>, our sessions kicked off with our Key Note Speaker - Dr. Bo Brock, sponsored by MERCK. He wowed the crowd, bringing tears of laughter to everyone...what a treat! We then had our Membership Luncheon and General Membership Meeting, which included:

- Overview of our 2017 projects
- Recognition of our Member of the Year - Lynne Hewlett, from Hagyard Equine Medical Institute
- Recognition of our Regional Contact of the Year - Jamie Newbill-Hicks, representing the AAEVT: US East
- Scholarship Winners were recognized and presented with their awards.
- Installation of the new 2018 Officers and huge thanks to our outgoing executive board members - Meg Schenk and Becky Hinz.



Lecture sessions continued in the afternoon and the day was capped off with our AAEVT Annual Social and Silent Auction & Raffle to support the AAEVT Scholarships. BIVI, the evening's sponsor, honored the 2017 "Champion of the Cause" Winners and gave a thoughtful presentation about the importance of the equine veterinary team. The food was amazing and members from all over the country (and from around the world!) were able to mingle, expand networks, and enjoy the comradery of peers! Our raffle/auction was able to raise over \$1400.00, due to the overwhelming generosity of our AAEVT Members!



Sunday, Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>, Wet Labs were held at Retama Equine Hospital where participants were able to get hands-on experience with upper airway endoscopy, radiographic positioning, and abdominal ultrasound. The afternoon included a thrilling presentation from the Texas A & M Large Animal Rescue Team, after which the attendees were grouped into small teams to learn about sling placement and adjustment, transporting a downed horse using a slide, "packaging" a downed patient with appropriate rope knots, and assembling emergency kits from readily available supplies! What a Day – made possible by the wonderful staff at Retama Equine, the Texas A & M Large Animal Rescue Team; Sponsors: PlasVacc, Patterson, and MinXray; and our AAEVT attendees!



Sunday, Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>, and Monday, Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>, we had additional lecture sessions, interactive round table discussions, and peer-presented case studies.

We were so fortunate to have such a great group of speakers this year! Many thanks to Ali Harman (2017 AAEVT President and Convention Chair) and Nicole LaGrange (2017 AAEVT President-Elect and Wet Lab Chair) - as well as all of the Speakers, the case study Presenters, and our Sponsors for allowing us to host such a great conference! We look forward to seeing many of you in 2018 in San Francisco!

### AAEVT Event Calendar 2018: Update

While we are still fine tuning many of the details, here is a look at what we are working on for 2018 Events:

Month	Event	Location
February 2018	Anesthesia Practicum	Phoenix, AZ
April 2018	Regional Event & Hands-on Lab	Boise, ID
June 2018	Anesthesia Practicum	Lexington, KY
September 2018	Anesthesia Practicum	Dallas, TX
December 2018	Annual Convention	San Francisco, CA

Details to come!

### #1 Utilized Member Benefit in 2017 – AAEVT Online Certification Program

Growing and expanding, our AAEVT Online Certification Program hosted by Animal Care Technologies (ACT), saw a dramatic increase in interest and usage in 2017! We have had over 85 graduates since launching the program in early 2014.

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