



APIAM VET STUDENT NEWS

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FROM YOUR EDITOR...

Mid year already! Exams fast approaching or already underway. Many of you are out and about on placement gaining valuable "hands-on" experience in "real life practices".

In the last edition our vets offered their 10 top tips for transitioning into your first job. In this edition, they give advice on how to get the most out of your practice placements in clinics.

Key dates for the New Horizons Scholarship for JCU, Townsville are noted and we congratulate our successful applicant from the University of Adelaide.

Finally, I've included some great photos of vet students on placement in action in our clinics.

Good luck to all doing mid-year exams. Remember if you need help finding clinical placements, you are welcome to contact me. Leisa (editor)

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NEW HORIZONS CLINICAL PLACEMENT SCHOLARSHIP

Apiam is offering financial assistance to a veterinary student for final year clinical placements undertaken in 2020

- Scholarship valued at up to \$1500.
- To assist with travel and accommodation expenses associated with undertaking clinical placement in an Apiam clinic.
- Introduces students and practices to each other ahead of applying for new graduate veterinarian vacancies.

KEY DATES FOR JAMES COOK UNI:

APPLICATIONS OPEN:	NOW!
APPLICATIONS CLOSE:	1 JULY 2019
INTERVIEWS:	MID-END JULY
WINNER ANNOUNCED:	5 AUGUST 2019

HOW TO APPLY:

- Written application maximum 1200 words
- Demonstrate your interest, passion for and experience with production animals in rural Australia. What do you hope to achieve in this field?
- You may include extracts from your CV and a reference if relevant
- Submit as a word document to: Dr Leisa Denaro BVSc leisa.denaro@apiam.com.au



TOP TIPS FOR MAKING THE MOST OF CLINICAL PLACEMENTS

Here's what our vets and student supervisors have to say...

- "At our clinic, all of our new grad positions have been filled by students on placement. You are there in our environment and we are looking to choose the best student that will fit well in our team" Use your placement as an opportunity to check out the clinic team and be interviewed.
- "Engage with us. I want to see a student who is eager to learn, asks questions relevant to the cases we are seeing and is willing to study for the answers if they can't answer my questions. We expect you will be nervous, but think of meeting us as being like calling in your next consult....it is a new person to engage with and understand."
- "Be punctual and plan ahead. Arrange your activities for the next day so the vet knows that you are accompanying them on farm visits. Read up on any topics before hand so you are prepared for the cases."
- "Use your initiative and be helpful. Students often think they are slowing the vet down...so ask how you can help speed things up perhaps by pitching in with the prep and clean up process. If these parts of the job are quicker, there is more time for teaching the interesting bits!"
- "This is the time and place to learn and gain experience - so dig in to every opportunity...even if it's after hours and a rotten calf!"

We are happy to answer any questions or enquiries you have regarding placements. Simply email vetstudents@apiam.com.au



**Congratulations to
New Horizons
Scholarship winner
from Adelaide Uni,
Jasmine Rokov.**

IMPORTANT DATES & EVENTS

3 August 2019

UQ Rural Practitioners Day, Gatton Campus
Dr Justin Schooth from Gympie Vet Services will be there instructing and giving valuable advice

13-15 August 2019

University of Adelaide Vet and Ag Industry Week, Roseworthy
Apiam vets will be there for workshop, the trade fair and the industry Q&A panels

28 September 2019

CSU Halfway Festival
We will be at the rugby match to present the trophy and will attend the dinner.

6 December 2019

Murdoch DVM Conference
Apiam is a sponsor and will be at the trade display

Have an event you would like listed here?

Email details to vetstudents@apiam.com.au



Josie Townsend from Uni of Melbourne providing great post-op care to a patient at Passionate Vet Care in Bendigo



Ellie making progress with an eye ablation on placement with Dr Lucy Collins at Terang



University of Melbourne vet students Ellie and Patrick upon successful completion of LDA surgery while on placement with Dr Lucy Collins from Warrnambool and Terang Vet Clinics



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