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At the recently held 6th pan Commonwealth Veterinary Conference (PCVC6) in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia it was agreed that the CVA needs to better communicate its activities and achievements as we move into the 21st century. The CVA already has a [website](#) and a [Facebook](#) page. In time the Commonwealth Veterinary Journal will be phased out. In its place, amongst other things, will be this e-newsletter. And we encourage your articles, ideas and feedback!

CVA President to be Presented OIE Meritorious Award

Dr Abdul Rahman, President of the Commonwealth Veterinary Association and Chairman of the OIE Animal Welfare Working Group and former Dean of the Bangalore Veterinary College, Bangalore India has been awarded the 2015



World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) Meritorious Award for his contribution to the veterinary profession through his work on animal welfare, zoonosis with special reference to the control of Rabies and for his work on veterinary education.

The meritorious award of the OIE is granted annually by the OIE to personalities who have distinguished themselves as a way to recognise internationally their outstanding technical, scientific and administrative contributions to the field of veterinary science, control of animal disease, animal welfare and/or to veterinary public health.

The award will be presented to Dr. Abdul Rahman on Sunday 24th May 2015 during the Opening Ceremony of

the 83rd Session of the OIE World Assembly of Delegates in Paris, France.

PCVC6 and 27th VAM Congress

The 6th Pan Commonwealth Veterinary Conference of the CVA and the 27th Veterinary Association Malaysia (VAM) congress was successfully completed on March 27th at Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

Five hundred and fifteen (515) registered participants attended the conference. Of these, 125 were international participants from 44 countries.

The conference was inaugurated on Monday 23rd March by the Minister of Agriculture and Agro-based Industry, Government of Malaysia, Dato' Sri Ismail Sabri Yaakob and the conference was closed on Thursday 26th March by Dato' Haji Tajuddin Abdul Rahman Deputy Minister of Agriculture and Agro-based Industry.

The CVA held its Executive Committee meeting on Sunday 22nd and the CVA Council Meeting on Monday 23rd where in the action plan for the next four years was discussed.

The Scientific Conference with the theme "Providing Holistic Solutions to Changing Global Challenges – Threats and Opportunities for Veterinarians", given by



13 plenary speakers and 69 invited speakers for 10 parallel scientific sessions provided a platform and opportunity for all delegates to hear and participate in the discussions in each session. There were also 120 posters presented.

In summary, it was an opportunity for veterinarians to provide holistic solutions to changing global challenges.



Calling all CVA Councilors

We sincerely hope that all of you will work towards the objectives and goals of the CVA and will actively participate in its technical program by proposing projects and plans from your country and region for implementation.

Profile: Paul Chelliah

Dr Chelliah qualified as a veterinarian in 1976 and completed his Masters in Rajasthan, India. He did an MBA in Australia and has run his own private veterinary practice in Seremban, Malaysia since 1985.

Paul is Past President of MSAVA, President Elect of VAM and a Council Member of the Malaysia Veterinary Council. He is also CVA Country Councillor for Malaysia and Regional Representative for the Australasia/Oceania Region.

He also has many outside interests as a Church Elder, School Chairman, Past President Rotary Club Seremban and Member of the Disciplinary



Committee of the Malaysian Bar. Paul is married with 3 children.

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Recipes from the world – from Australia

Minimum effort/maximum effect Roast Leg of Lamb

Ingredients

- 1 leg of lamb
- 1 cup of fruit chutney such as mango or pawpaw chutney
- 1 cup of soy sauce

Method

Mix together the chutney and soy sauce into a paste. Place the leg of lamb into an oven roasting bag or onto a sheet of aluminium cooking foil. You could also put it into a large casserole dish or cooking pot. Thoroughly smear the leg of lamb with the chutney/soy paste and tie off the oven roasting bag or cover the meat with foil to seal it. Roast the lamb until cooked (approximately 75 to 90 minutes depending on the size of the leg of lamb). Serve with roast potatoes, beans, sweet potato or other vegetables and or salad.



Yum!

Veterinary Website web-links

One of the great resources the CVA website contains are the freely available veterinary website web-links covering all aspects of veterinary medicine. These can be found at <http://www.commonwealthvetassoc.org/Web-Links.htm> They are well worth a look!



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