



NEWS LETTER AUGUST 2011

In a reflection of the weather the month of August has literally blown past and with it several CVC projects have come and gone. The first and most exciting was the acquisition of the SAVA **CVC Mobile Clinic**. The purchasing and transformation of the vehicle into a mobile clinic was made possible by funds from the National Lotto. The CVC then had it wrapped and branded in colourful eye catching scenes of what the CVC does.



EVENTS

The mobile clinic made its first début at **the World of Dogs and Cats** show held at the Gallagher Estate from the 20th to the 24th of August. It created quite a lot of attention with its bright colours. The CVC staff and volunteers had a stand at WODAC and we used it to hand out brochures to create more awareness of the CVC. We also used the opportunity to get some extra applications for the "my Village" cards.

The SAVA CVC were donated a stand at the **Spring Show** held from the 26th August to the 4th of September. On behalf of the CVC a very big thank you to all the volunteers who spent time on the stand to help answer questions from the general public, we could not have done it without the help.

The start of September celebrated **Bakenkop Veterinary Hospitals 21st Birthday**. The CVC wishes all the staff a very happy Birthday and hope the wonderful relationship with the CVC continues to thrive in the years to come.

FUND RAISING

The **Paw Print Project** has been really well supported this year and once again a very big thank you to the participants. Many practices did really beautiful displays in their practice and this helped with the creating awareness of the CVC to their cliental



DONATIONS

Pfizer came to our aid this month with a wonderful donation of vaccines that have been distributed out to all our CVC's across the country. **Lakato** were also really efficient stars assisting with the delivery of the vaccines to the CVC's.

The **IVSA** have made the storage of vaccine very much easier for the CVC with the donation of R1500.00 for the acquisition of a larger fridge.

Two other shining stars this month were **Dr Jill Drake** and **Dr Jeanine Fourie** who donated significantly to the CVC.

THE FUTURE

The **17th of September 2011 will see the Winterveldt community having their 2nd Dog Show**. Nestle' Purina and Nestle' Alpo have been incredibly generous in their support and donation for this event. Last years event was a success and we hope to have even more of a response this year. The show will be held at the Winterveldt Multipurpose Centre in the Winterveldt from 10am to 4pm. The Department of Agriculture have been very helpful for the project coordinating rabies awareness and vaccination clinics in the outlying areas in the week building up to the Show culminating in a clinic at the show on the day. The involvement of the Veterinary Training Institutions has meant we have extra help on the day with students doing their Community Engagement projects as well as creating opportunity to show case the veterinary field to the community.

Another venture on the **16th of September will be the "Hope Starts in Hatfield"**. The SAVA CVC will have a stand and access to a wide range of people attending the show.

Our Kitty/Puppy Haven CVC had scheduled a "Dog Day" on the 10th September and the CVC central office wish them well for this, unfortunately it will have to be postponed due to the political circumstances.

CVC FOCUS

In an effort for those involved with the CVC to get to know more about the other CVC's in the country we are going to be putting a focus in each issue of the news letter. This month we would like to tell you a little more about one of our Directors and Chairperson.

Dr Dave Kenyon

Dr Dave has been married to Ronel since 1993, they lived in London for 4 years where their daughter Riani was born. Riani is now 14 years old.



In 2000 He joined Hatfield Bird and Animal hospital working with Dr Ockert Botha till 2007 when he took the practice over and Dr Botha took a CEO position with Ultradog.

Veterinary interests include birds(parrots), surgery and the management and control of feral cats. Currently he assists the staff at Sun City with the feral cat population in the area, and also attends the vaccination clinic at the Loate CVC, often helping with cases where sick or injured animals are involved from his practice.

Outside of veterinary science his favourite pass time is SCUBA diving (with aspirations to a career in this line at retirement from the veterinary field!) As a qualified dive master he has led dives on Aliwal Shoal off the KZN South Coast, and intends qualifying as an instructor asap. Other places he has dived include the Red Sea, Zanzibar, Mozambique, Sodwana Bay, and Miracle Waters.



For the past 6 years Dr Dave has participated in swimming the Midmar Mile. Training for this needs motivation and apparently the idea of having a photo taken in a speedo has proved very effective in keeping the motivation to train very much alive! He has also great intentions to participate in the 94.7 cycle challenge (achieved in 2010) and the Cape Argus but work commitments often make this challenging. Yoga and Pilates complete the exercise routines and help keep the stress levels under control!

When not working, diving, or exercising, Dr Dave is with his family living in Pretoria. Aside from Roenel and Riani, there are 3 canine, and one equine family members. Gnocci (dashund cross), Gibsy (a basset) and Jessie (steekhaar brak) are the canine kids, and Dance (American Saddlebred) is Roenels favourite. The Kenyons often attend Saddler horse shows both as participants and spectators. While Roenel has many shows under her belt having started at the tender age of 6, Dr Dave has only been brave enough to enter 2 shows so far.

Having married into a proud Afrikaans family Dr Dave has acquired the skill of braaing meat properly! He also spends time in the winter with his father in law hunting on a farm in the Free state. The Karoo scenery has great appeal, and the meat from the hunt is good quality organic etc. Generally Blesbok and springbok are on the menu but in recent times Wildebees, Ribbok and Kudu have been included.

As a staunch Blue Bulls fan a favourite treat is tickets to any game at Loftus and having a lions supporter and a sharks supporter in his family, as well as friends and contacts in the Veterinary Industry, he gets to have his favourite treat quiet often.

Dr Dave has been involved with the CVC for many years and his dedication to, and participation in, all the CVC projects is invaluable. The world needs more vets like Dr Dave!