

WELCOME

Dear Delegate,

Welcome to the 18th Veterinary Nurses Council of Australia Conference.

In 2012 we are very excited to be returning to Surfers Paradise Marriott Resort & Spa, Gold Coast Queensland. We were well looked after by the Marriott Team in 2010 so we are keen to return for an even bigger event in 2012. The Marriott has recently undergone a \$20 million renovation so we look forward to enjoying their wonderful facilities again.

This years theme is "Vet Nursing Unleashed" and we are very pleased to unleash and release this 2012 Programme to you. The VNCA are very excited to welcome world class speaker from the USA, Craig Cornell to our Conference in 2012. Craig has presented educational lectures internationally on topics in veterinary anaesthesia, published academic articles and book chapters and he was recently awarded the highly prestigious Jack L Mara Leadership Award at the 2011 North American Veterinary Conference. Along with the excellent local speakers, we know that you will be very excited about what the 2012 Programme has to offer.

On Tuesday evening between 6pm and 7pm join us for "Welcome Drinks" on the tropical pool pagoda at the Marriott. Catch up with friends - or make some new ones! It's also a great opportunity to pre-register and avoid the Wednesday morning rush.

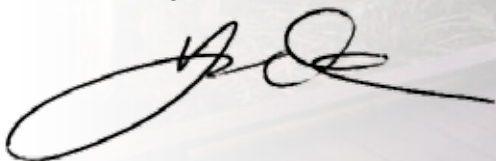
Registration is from 7am on Wednesday 18th April on the first floor. The Opening Ceremony will be conducted in Room One at 8am and we invite delegates to ensure they attend as we witness an inspiring start to Vet Nursing Unleashed 2012.

The hub of the conference is the Commercial Exhibition - all breaks will be held there, as will "Happy Hour" on Wednesday and Thursday evenings. Get chatting and networking with the company representatives and take part in the many raffles and competitions.

The Gala Dinner will be held in the Grand Ballroom at the Surfers Paradise Marriott Resort & Spa, on Friday 20th April. Tickets for the Gala Dinner can be purchased from the registration desk until the end of lunch on Wednesday 18th April. Don't miss this sensational evening with a three-course dinner, drinks and a night of dancing to funky music. Unleash yourself at the end of the Conference and join us on the dance floor! A bargain at \$95 - make sure you get a ticket! It's an event not to be missed

If you are a previous attendee of the VNCA Conference, we look forward to you joining us again or if you are a new attendee, to welcoming you to this showcase veterinary nursing event on the Gold Coast.

Vet Nursing Unleashed VNCA Conference 2012.



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