



2026 OAVT Conference

Friday, February 27

SESSIONS AT A GLANCE

	Room:	VAUGHN WEST	VAUGHN EAST	AURORA	THORNHILL	KING CITY	BUTTONVILLE	NEWMARKET	MARKHAM A	STOUFFVILLE	BALLANTRAE
	TRACKS:	A & A	ECC	SPECIALITES: CLIN-PATH/ IM/ NUTRITION	SURGERY/ BEHAVIOUR	IM	EXOTICS/ SMALL MAMMALS	SPECIALTIES: OPHTHAMOLOGY /FOOD ANIMALS	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT/ PERSONAL WELL-BEING	DENTISTRY	WORKSHOPS
7:15 a.m. - 8:15 a.m. Breakfast											
8:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m.	Session 1	Managing Medical Mistakes: What Can We Learn from Mistakes I've Made? Part 1 - Talbott	Chaos Coordinator: Triage Tips & Tricks - Barnes	Common Cutaneous Masses - "The Top Ten" - Part 1 - Baker	Guts & Butts: An Overview of Gastrointestinal Surgical Procedures - Capps	Pediatric and Congenital Cardiac Disease for RVTs - Helton	When Good Bunnies Won't Eat - Miller	Keratitis in dogs, cats, and horses, Pt 1 - Kirby	How to Train Superstars - Brandt	Feline Dental Dilemmas - Rollings	RECOVER - Full Day
9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Break											
10:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.	Session 2	Managing Medical Mistakes: What Can We Learn from Mistakes I've Made? Part 2 - Talbott	The ABCs of GDVs - Brushett	Common Cutaneous Masses - "The Top Ten" - Part 2 - Baker	Fundamentals of Soft Tissue Surgery - Capps	Surviving the Septic Patient for RVTs - Helton	Urine Trouble: Reptile Urology for RVTs - Miller	Keratitis in dogs, cats, and horses, Pt 2 - Kirby	Electronic Overload: Managing the Influx of Communication - De Fulio	Busting Dental Myths: Fact vs. Fiction in Animal Oral Health - Rollings	Andrea Steele
11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Exhibitor Lunch	Session 3	FightClub - Critical Care Monitoring - Brandt	The Ins and Outs of Electrolyte Management in Critically-Ill Cats - Brushett	Radioactive Iodine Therapy- The Gold Standard of Hyperthyroid Care - Glover-Netherton	Nursing Responsibilities for Minimally Invasive Surgery - Capps	Don't be a DIC - Dickens	Exotic Pet Nutrition - McConnell	Scrapie: The Silent Scourge of Small Ruminants - Weller	The Ins and Outs of Compassion Fatigue - De Fulio	Unearthing the Mysteries of Oral and Dental Abnormalities - Rollings	& Scarlett Wong
12:30 p.m. - 2 p.m. Lunch											
2:15 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.	Session 4	Hypothermia in the Anesthetized Patient - Brandt	Is It Asthma? Is It Syncope? No, It's Anaphylaxis! - Negretti	Snake Oil or Science? - Verton-Shaw	Behavior is Medicine: Integrating Behavioral Guidance in Wellness Appointments - Kucera	Fluid Therapy 101: Foundations of Fluid Therapy - Dickens	Reptile Husbandry and Handling - McConnell	Small Ruminant Review - Clark	Who Are You at Work? The Roles We Play to Keep It Together - Arora	Beyond the Basics: Understanding Advanced Periodontal Therapies - Rollings	
3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.	Session 5	Go with the Flow: High Flow Oxygen in Critical Care - Dickens	The Trachy Breaky Part: Tracheostomy Tube Care - Negretti	Life-Stage Nutrition: From Gestation to Growth - Verton-Shaw	The Art of Handling: Building Trust, Reducing Stress - Kucera	Feline Heartworm - Glover-Netherton	Everything Comes Down to Poop: Fecal Evaluation in Exotics - Miller	Treatment for Scouring Calves - Clark			



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8:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m.	Session 1	A Breath of Fresh Air: Getting the Most Out of Your Capnography - Talbott	Rats! My Patient Ate Rodenticide – What to do Next - Negretti	Stuck in Survival: Chronic Stress and the Path to Recovery - Arora	Surgical Instrument Care & Sterilization - Capps	The Effective Approach to Client Concerns - De Fulio	When your snake says “ouch,” Part 1: Pain recognition in exotic pets - Miller	Ocular Manifestation of Systemic Disease, Pt 1 - Kirby	More Than Just a TPR! - Dickens	Anticipatory Grief - Preparing Clients for Grief Before It Happens - Moll	Mastering CRIs: From General Practice to Critical Care -
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11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Exhibitor Lunch	Session 3	Advanced Anesthesia Monitoring - Brandt	Thoracic Trauma for Veterinary Technicians - Helton	Therapeutic Renal Diets: The Number One Tool for CKD Management - Glover-Netherton	Muzzles Unleashed: From Stigma to Safety - Kucera	Microscopy - Take Your Skills to the Next Level - Shopsowitz	Veterinary Professionals and Public Health - A One Health Dream Team - McClinchey	Communicating with professional clients - Clark	Tubes 'n Holes: Feeding Tubes - Brushett	Beyond the Scale: how to help clients interpret Quality of Life for their pets - Grieve	Mastering CRIs
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2:15 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.	Session 4	Understanding Dead-space in Anesthesia - Bartel	How high can you get? A case discussion of severe THC toxicity in an Australian - Helton	Hydrolyzed, Novel, Atopic Oh My... A Vet Tech's Guide to Hypoallergenic Diets - Glover-Netherton	Cracking the Cat Code: Recognizing Feline Signals for Better Care - Kucera	Recognizing & Describing Criteria of Malignancy - Baker		Large Animal Euthanasia - Clark	Little Red Blood Cells and IMHA - Brandt	Veterinary Orthotics - Giordmaina	
3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.	Session 5	Minimum Alveolar Concentration: Why Understanding MAC Matters - Bartel	Tubes 'n Holes - Urinary Catheters - Brushett	Tipping the Scale: Body Composition and Caloric Needs - Verton-Shaw	The Power of Food and Non-Food Distractions in Veterinary Care - Kucera	Introduction to Rehabilitation - Kennedy		Trimming the Cow Foot - Clark	No Yellow Cats - Hepatic Lipidosis - Brandt	Veterinary Prosthetics and Wheeled Mobility - Giordmaina	