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# Global Solutions to Tackle Local Issues Creating a Community of Practice



University  
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BARTA Conference 2024  
Glasgow 12th-14th June

Day 1	Session	Theme and structure
AM	Registration	
AM	Welcome and housekeeping	Welcome from BARTA and Glasgow School of Veterinary Medicine
AM	Opening address	Outcomes of last conference - UC Davis 2017 - Managing Risk - Meeting Societal Needs Conference aims and themes - Glasgow 2024
AM	Community Response - Incidents Involving Animals - What Have We Learnt?	<p><b>Presentation: Reflecting on challenges and future needs of responding to animal emergencies within the UK Fire and Rescue Service;</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Localised emergencies through to major incidents - Where are the Gaps?</li> <li>● Supporting Responders - Supporting Communities - What are the Needs?</li> <li>● What can we Understand from the Past 25 Years of Response?</li> <li>● What Should Inform our Community Integrated Risk Management Plan?</li> </ul>
	Break	Coffee / networking
AM	All Species - All Hazards - All Responders (Whose Responsibility is it Anyway?)	<p><b>Panel Discussion: Whose responsibility is it anyway?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Rationale for incident guidance within the Fire and Rescue Service?</li> <li>● Is there a legal mandate in the UK to account for animals during emergencies and disasters?</li> <li>● What is the international experience?</li> <li>● Why is this not regarded as mainstream activity for emergency planning and animal welfare professionals?</li> <li>● What are common barriers to progress? Are these truly a barrier?</li> </ul>
AM	A One Health/One Welfare Initiative? Opportunities - Demonstrated Need - Expertise to Offer?	<p><b>Panel discussion:</b> A wealth of knowledge and experience can support governments in understanding community risk and help build resilience in the one health environment. This session will identify key opportunities to get involved and pathways to progression.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Animal Welfare in disasters and emergencies - What were the findings of the FAWC* report 2012 for the UK and Europe, why was it commissioned and has there been progress? <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/fawc-opinion-on-contingency-planning-for-farm-animal-welfare-in-disasters-and-emergencies">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/fawc-opinion-on-contingency-planning-for-farm-animal-welfare-in-disasters-and-emergencies</a></li> <li>● How have animal welfare concepts evolved since 2012 and what is the current relevance?</li> <li>● Resilience framework document - developing understanding of national resilience - what role should we play in developing national understanding of animal issues? <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-uk-government-resilience-framework">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-uk-government-resilience-framework</a> (Risk, responsibility and accountability, partnership, community, investment and skills)</li> </ul> <p>*FAWC, now Animal Welfare Committee</p>



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PM	Break	Lunch / networking
PM	Breakout session 1	<b>CPD workshops</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• From Chaos to Order: The Art and Science of Triage in Equine Emergency Medicine</li> <li>• Small animal trauma care. Priorities for emergency responders and first opinion veterinary professionals</li> <li>• Flood Response - People and Animals - What do we Know, are we Prepared?</li> </ul>
	Coffee / networking	
PM	Breakout session 2	<b>CPD workshops</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fires and Floods - Emerging Understanding of the Medical Issues in Large Animals</li> <li>• Can gaming play a role in preparing vets and first responders? Disaster field assessment tool in action</li> <li>• To lift, or Not to Lift - That is the Question! When, How and With What? ...and What Next!</li> </ul>
PM	Round up	Round up of the days learning outcomes and look forward to tomorrow

Day 2	Session	Theme and structure
AM	Gearing up for a UK climate emergency?	We recognise the impact of climate change and are seeing a resulting increase in emergencies and disasters around the world. What impact might this have for the UK and what foreseeable risks should we be preparing for?
AM	Catastrophic impact of extreme events on localised communities - An international experience?	Catastrophic impact of extreme events on localised communities, based on the Edgecumbe floods in 2017, Nelson wildfires in 2019, and the recent Cyclone Gabrielle response in 2023 all in New Zealand.
AM	Developing veterinary professionals for disaster response	California statewide veterinary response and training - What led to a mandated and state funded initiative?
AM	Break	Coffee / networking



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AM	Evacuating people and their animals - a planning gap?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understanding the scale</li> <li>• Human behaviour in relation animals</li> <li>• The challenges of evacuation and sheltering for people with their animals</li> <li>• Frameworks and action for planning</li> </ul>
AM	An emerging role for volunteers during a civil emergency?	Developing and credentialing a Community Animal Response Team
AM	Wildlife Response- A Different set of problems!	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Creation of a Wildlife Emergency Support Network</li> <li>• Humane animal dispatch scheme - Hampshire and Isle of Wight Constabulary</li> <li>• How else might wildlife professionals support response?</li> </ul>
PM	Break	Lunch / networking
PM	Incident Reflections	<p><b>Panel led Discussion: Questions for the panel and delegates</b></p> <p>Incidents of note to be discussed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Major road incident involving a pig transporter in Scotland</li> <li>• Mass stranding of marine mammals in Scotland</li> <li>• Wildfire incident management structure (Nelson fire New Zealand)</li> </ul> <p><a href="#">Incident Assessment</a></p>
PM	Break	Coffee / networking
PM	Global solutions to tackle local issues?	<p><b>Presentation: Local issues, mirrored internationally? - How do we fill the gaps?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• International Community of Practice (INCOP)</li> <li>• International Joint Education Coalition (InJEC)</li> </ul>
PM	Round up	Round up of the days learning outcomes and look forward to tomorrow



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Day 3	Session	Theme and structure
AM	International Community of Practice	Open forum for delegates wishing to be part of InCOP.
AM	Main conference close	Round up and reflection
PM	International Joint Education Coalition	Representatives from InJEC members to discuss next steps

BARTA held our 2017 event in partnership with UC Davis School of Veterinary Medicine in California. This was an exciting opportunity for continuing our vision of building relationships and developing best practice. In the short set of films Professor Josh Slater reflects on the highlights, main themes and the take home messages from the conference: [Learning Needs and Evidence Gaps](#)



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## Confirmed Speakers

- Professor Josh Slater, BARTA Board of Directors and Co-Founder, Associate Dean, Undergraduate Programs at the University of Melbourne
- Jim Green, BARTA Director of Operations and Co-Founder
- Steve Foye, BARTA Board Non-Executive Director
- Dr Nicky Housby-Skeggs BVetMed, FHEA, MRCVSs, Veterinary Director at The Horse Trust, BARTA Board Chair
- James Sawyer, Author, Disaster Response SME, BARTA Board Member
- Professor Patrick Pollock BVMS, PhD, CertES(Soft Tissue), DipECVS, FHEA, FRCVS, Director and Equine Surgeon, Professor of Veterinary Surgery and Remote and Rural Medicine (Equine Clinical Sciences, BARTA Scotland Lead
- Steve Buchanan-Lee, National Fire Chiefs Council (UK) Lead Officer Incidents Involving Animals
- Nate Hartinger, Deputy Fire Chief - Operations & Safety, UC Davis Fire Department
- Hayley Squance, Disaster Consultant, New Zealand
- Dr Andrew Brownlow, Senior Lecturer in Veterinary Epidemiology (Ecology & Environmental Change), University of Glasgow, School of Biodiversity, One Health & Veterinary Medicine
- Dr Adam Mugford, BVetMed MVetMed DACVECC FRCVS, RCVS Recognised Specialist in Emergency and Critical Care (ECC), BARTA Small Animal Working Group Lead
- Mick Titcombe, Station Manager, Animal Rescue Lead - Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service, BARTA Trainer
- Eric M Thompson, Senior Director ASAR Training and Response
- David King, Deputy chair (AEIMN) and Deputy Unit Commander, Hawkesbury Unit, NSW State Emergency Service
- Professor Chris Riley, University of Guelph - Department of Clinical Studies, Ontario Veterinary College
- Professor Debbie Archer, BVMS PhD CertES(soft tissue) DipECVS MRCVS FHEA, Professor of Equine Surgery Equine Clinical Science, University of Liverpool, BARTA Large Animal Working Group
- Joris Wijnker, Specialist RDVA Veterinary Public Health, Animal Disaster Education (ADE) Foundation, Netherlands
- Ady Knight, Watch Manager - Hampshire Fire and Rescue Service, BARTA Training Lead
- Milly Bowler, Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service, BARTA Accredited Trainer
- Patrice Palleson-Putt BSc, BVetTech, MEd, Massey University, Senior Tutor - Veterinary Science, Manager of the Massey University Veterinary Emergency Response Team
- Dr Ashley Patterson DVM MPH, Associate Director of Operations for the California Veterinary Emergency Team (CVET), UC Davis, California, USA
- Dr Michael Ziccardi DVM MPVM PhD, Executive Director of the One Health Institute, UC Davis, California, USA
- Dr Claudia Sonder DVM, Large Animal Veterinarian, Napa Valley Equine, President Napa CART, President Cal CARTs
- Stuart Ross, Country Watch Rural and Wildlife Crime Sergeant, Country Watch Rural and Wildlife Crime Coordinator
- Hazel Cross, Country Watch Rural and Wildlife Crime Coordinator, Country Watch Rural and Wildlife Crime Coordinator
- Geoff Edmund, National Wildlife Officer Coordinator (Inspectorate) RSPCA
- Victor MacPherson, University of Guelph, Canadian InJEC Representative



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