



Australian Cattle Veterinarians

a special interest group of the Australian Veterinary Association Ltd
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Rules and guidelines for ACVlist

Background

The ACVlist is an initiative of the Australian Cattle Veterinarians (ACV), a special interest group of the Australian Veterinary Association, where members can partake in a private email discussion list.

In this private forum, ACV members can seek and express current veterinary opinions about issues that concern cattle veterinarians in Australia without embarrassment, intimidation, harassment or abuse.

These rules and guidelines are to protect this valuable ACV member benefit and the interests of all members that partake in these discussions, whilst allowing members to draw on opinion from their peers in dealings with clients, industry, government, paraprofessionals and non member colleagues.

The ACV considers the ACVlist to be a significant member benefit, but acknowledges appropriate demonstration of this benefit to non member colleagues may be useful in recruiting new members.

ACV acknowledges and thanks its sister SIG, Australian Sheep Veterinarians, on whose list rules these were based.

Rules

1. Only current members of the Australian Cattle Veterinarians (ACV) can participate.
2. No content can be reproduced outside the ACVlist without the authors' permission.
3. The purposes of this list are
 1. ACV members to discuss clinical **cattle** cases
 2. ACV Executive and Staff to communicate with ACV members.
4. Use of the ACVList for other purposes including to promote other organisations events, functions, position vacant etc **is strictly forbidden**
5. Posts must be accompanied by authors name.
6. Embarrassment, intimidation, harassment or abuse on the ACVlist will not be tolerated.
7. Subscriptions to the ACVlist must be to the same email address as on the AVA member database
8. Subscriptions and changes to subscription details for ACVList must be sent to the email address acv@ava.com.au only.

The following footer accompanies every email. "Postings to this list should be treated as confidential emails to list members, who have been approved by the ACV. Do not forward or reproduce content you receive from this list without the authors' permission"

Guidelines

1. ACVlist emails should not be directly forwarded on to any other parties including clients and non ACV members.
2. Advice from the ACVlist should be considered as such, and ultimately individual veterinarians are responsible for delivering their own opinion to clients, industry, government, paraprofessionals and non member colleagues.
3. In the interest of collegiality and recruitment a member may list a posting on behalf of a non member provided:
 - a. It is stated it is on behalf of a non member
 - b. It is stated whether the non member will gain by receiving this advice (especially financially)
 - c. Respondents to that specific post acknowledge in their reply they are prepared for this to go outside the list to the non member
 - d. The member who made the post reports back to the list whether that person intends to join the ACV
 - e. No more postings are made on behalf of that person if they decide not to join the ACV.