AAVAC is pleased to announce the Call for Papers for our conference which will be held in Auckland, New Zealand, from Tuesday 28 November to Thursday 30 November 2017. This will be followed by the NZ Veterinary Association’s Wildlife Society Annual Conference from Friday 1 December to Sunday 3 December 2017.

Auckland, New Zealand’s largest city in the north of New Zealand’s North Island, is based around two large harbours and has a population of 1.415 million (2016). In the centre, the iconic Sky Tower has views of Viaduct Harbour, which contains super-yachts and is lined with bars and cafes. Auckland Domain, the city’s oldest park, is based around an extinct volcano and home to the formal Wintergardens. Near Downtown, Mission Bay Beach has a seaside promenade. Auckland is a city unlike any other. With incredible natural wonders on its doorstep, wherever you you will find something special. The city centre’s world-class shopping, restaurants, bars and galleries are encircled by wine regions, stunning beaches, pristine rainforest and the magnificent Hauraki Gulf. The average November temperatures for Auckland are 13-19°C (55-61°F).

Only a short three-hour flight from Australia’s eastern coast, New Zealand is one of the safest travel destinations in the world, with Auckland rated the third most liveable city in the world on the global Mercer Quality of Life Survey. European, Polynesian, Asian and strong Maori heritages give the Auckland its distinctive culture. Kiwis are friendly, free-spirited and welcoming. With a high respect for human rights and equality, our travel experiences can be enjoyed by visitors of all ages and cultures.

The conference will be held at Rydges Auckland, 59 Federal Street, Cnr Kingston Street, Auckland CBD 1010. New Zealand’s premiere Auckland accommodation is a vibrant mix of London sophistication, Sydney cool and New York style. The trademark warm Kiwi hospitality is an added bonus at Rydges Auckland Hotel.
Invited Speaker

Professor Terry Campbell MS, DVM, PhD
Associate Professor of Zoological Medicine
Colorado State University College of Veterinary Medicine

Professor Campbell was a veterinarian at Sea World of Florida from 1988 to 1996, where he worked with their avian-exotic department and with killer whales. He has over 30 years of experience in exotic animal medicine. Professor Campbell’s responsibilities include spending the majority of his time dealing with clinical cases, and the remainder doing didactic teaching, research and publication. His research interests focus on exotic animal cytology, haematology, and plasma biochemistry. He is the author of Exotic Animal Hematology and Cytology, 4th edition (2015), the definitive haematologic and cytologic reference for all veterinarians and researchers working with avian and exotic animals. Professor Campbell is also the co-author of Clinical Cases in Avian and Exotic Animal Hematology and Cytology (2010), a hands-on guide that takes the reader through nearly 100 clinical cases.

Submissions of proposals on all aspects of Avian Medicine and Surgery are welcome. These include results of original research, case reports, clinical studies, review articles, papers on avian behaviour and avian welfare, reports on epidemiology, medical aspects of free-ranging avian species and avian conservation.

Please submit a brief summary/abstract of your proposed presentation for consideration to Garry Cross (gmjcross@outlook.com) by May 1, 2017. AAVAC publishes a full Proceedings of our conferences, and we do NOT accept abstracts for the Proceedings, but require a brief summary/abstract for consideration.

The Proceedings are fully peer-reviewed.

Important Dates

May 1, 2017 Deadline for receipt of summary/abstract
June 1, 2017 Selection of papers and design of program by AAVAC Board/Conference Committee
June 5, 2017 Authors notified; manuscript requirements sent to author(s) of accepted manuscripts.
September 1, 2017 Deadline for receipt of final manuscripts