Thoracic Imaging Seminar

Practitioners want to be able to be accurately interpret cardiorespiratory signs in dogs and cats with the diagnostic tools that they have in their own practices.

Rapid treatment may be required for animals that have these diseases and there may not be time to organise a referral or a visiting sonographer.

This seminar will review diagnostic imaging using the tools you have in your practice: Radiography and Ultrasound (even if it is very rudimentary). The day will be practical, fun and interactive.

Seminar

8.30 REGISTRATION

9.00 Assessing cardiomegaly on radiographs:
What is the best way to tell if cardiomegaly is present? Dogs tend to be easier to assess, but what about breed variations, puppies and large breed dogs? Assessing cardiomegaly in cats can be very tricky – this session will present reliable tips and tricks to work out whether cardiomegaly is really present

10.00 The clinician’s guide to a basic echo:
It takes years and thousands of cases to become competent in echocardiography and it’s very beneficial to have someone watching over you. This session does not aim to teach you, instead providing sensible and reliable guidelines for basic assessment of cardiomegaly with ultrasound. Part of the focus of this session will be on optimising your machine for this task – even if it is a very basic machine. Practitioners will learn about:

- Measuring left atrial size in cats
- Assessing pericardial effusion
- Evaluating fractional shortening in dogs
- Thoracic ultrasound – looking for pleural effusion and cranial mediastinal disease

Pitfalls and avoidance of measurement errors will be demonstrated. Practitioners will be invited to send a photograph of their cardiac ultrasound probe in advance, so the session can be tailored to individual requirements.

11.00 MORNING TEA

11.30 Heart failure in dogs and cats – how do I tell?
Assessment of the oesophagus and mediastinal disease: the forgotten cousins in the thorax, diseases of these organs are less common. This makes it difficult to know how to approach them clinically. We will focus on the differences between dogs and cats. Case studies mixed with didactic presentations.

2.30 Lung patterns in dogs and cats – the distribution approach:
Pragmatic tips for evaluation of lung disease. This presentation will be predominantly case study focussed.

3.30 AFTERNOON TEA

4.30 Case Studies – cases from the day:
Incorporating advanced techniques that you may have access to.

4.45 Q&A

5.00 END
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