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The CVA joins WSAVA as an Affiliate Member

The CVA recently joined WSAVA (World Small Animal Veterinary Association) as an affiliate member. WSAVA offers a number of potential benefits, which can be found on the WSAVA website, including subscription to its bi-monthly e-bulletin and an active Facebook page. The CVA looks forward to a long and fruitful association with WSAVA for the benefit of members of both associations.



CVA Country Councillor Profile – Dr Kabemba Evans Mwape

Q1. Q1. Tell us about you, your family and where you live?

I was born in a village in the northern part of Zambia but have lived in the capital city, Lusaka since I was 4 years. I did my primary, secondary and University education in Lusaka. I now work and still live in Lusaka with my family. I am married with four children, two sons and two daughters.

Q2. What is your favourite food?

My favourite food is nsima (pulp made from our staple food, maize meal) served with village chicken (cooked the local way) and pumpkin leaves (especially with groundnuts).

Q3. Do you have any favourite music?

I love reggae and country music.

Q4. What is your favourite sport?

My favourite sport is athletics. Was an athlete myself during my student days competing at national and international level in middle distance with my favourite race being the 1500m. Was national student's champion in 800m, 1500m and 5000m and also represented my country at the World University Games twice in 800m and 1500m.

Q5. Tell up in a paragraph what your current veterinary position is.

I am a lecturer in the Department of Clinical Studies of the Samora Machel School of Veterinary Medicine of the University of Zambia. I teach both undergraduate and post graduate students. For undergraduate students I teach and conduct practicals in large animal surgery, with preference for equine surgery, to clinical year students and also assist teaching equine medicine and reproduction. Because my research activities and interests are in zoonotic helminths, I teach post graduate students medical helminthology.

I am the tournament veterinarian for the Zambia Polocrosse Association and the veterinarian on call for the Zambia National Equestrian Federation.



Q6. What influenced you to become a veterinarian?

Before coming to the Vet School I had no idea who a veterinarian was. Vet School was actually my second choice. I had wanted to pursue a career in medicine and wanted to specialise in paediatrics. After first year at University I was quoted in the vet school and then realized that actually veterinary medicine was the thing for me and was very happy. And that's how I became a veterinarian.

Q7. What do you enjoy most about being a veterinarian?

What I enjoy most is when I manage a sick animal and it recovers. Since our patients don't talk, coming up with an aetiologic diagnosis is very satisfying. Dealing with a horse with colic is usually a challenge but when I work out the cause and institute the appropriate treatment and the horse recovers, that is a great achievement.

Q8. What are some of the main challenges for you and your national veterinary association?

In Zambia we lack modern diagnostic tools and therefore aetiologic diagnosis is usually a huge challenge. Another challenge is the abuse of drugs especially antibiotics by our farmers which may lead to serious issues with resistance. Strict regulations are only now being put in place and we hope that the rampant abuse of these drugs by farmers without veterinary supervision will be controlled.

Q9. How do you communicate to your organisation about the CVA and its activities?

As CVA Country Councillor I am given an opportunity to give a report at the Annual General Meeting during which I outline the activities of the CVA. By virtual of this position I am also the Editor of the Association's monthly newsletter and I use this to also communicate the CVA activities.

Q10. How do you think the CVA can assist you in your Councillor Role?

The major concerns highlighted by our members is that they do not see direct benefits from our CVA

membership especially with the lack of funding for projects from the Commonwealth Foundation as was the case in the past. Many would love to participate in relevant Continuous Professional Development programmes and if these can be organized under the auspices of the CVA then my role as Councillor will be deemed relevant.



Recipes from the world – from Guernsey

The Bean Jar

The Bean Jar is Guernsey's traditional one pot meal. Made at home, the pot was then taken to the local bakers where it would be slow-cooked overnight in the bottom of the oven. It was collected at dawn and traditionally eaten by fisherman as a hearty breakfast before they headed out to sea. Each family has a different variation but traditionally it was made with pig's trotter.

Ingredients:

- 1 lb haricot beans
- 1 lb butter beans
- 1 lb belly pork
- 1 lb onions
- Stock
- Salt and pepper for seasoning

Method:

- 1) Soak the beans overnight in cold water. Discard the water. Put beans in fresh water and boil for at least 30 minutes.
- 2) Add pork, chopped onions and stock cube and boil for a further 20 minutes.

- 3) Place in a low to medium oven for a minimum of three to four hours or a slow cooker.
- 4) Beans should be soft and the meat should fall off the bone. Enjoy with a thick slice of farmhouse bread and Guernsey butter.





KENYA VETERINARY ASSOCIATION (KVA) AND COMMONEALTH VETERINARY ASSOCIATION (CVA)



ANNOUNCEMENT

THE KENYA VETERINARY ASSOCIATION (KVA) AND THE COMMONEALTH
VETERINARY ASSOCIATION (CVA) JOINTLY HOST THEIR GOLDEN JUBILEE
CELEBRATIONS AND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE FROM 25TH TO 29TH APRIL 2017.

VENUE

SAFARI PARK HOTEL- NAIROBI, KENYA.

THEME

'VETERINARY CONTRIBUTION TO SUSTAINABLE LIVELIHOODS AND GROWTH IN DEVELOPING ECONOMIES'.

IMPORTANT DATES

Tue 25Th April, 2017 - Official Opening and CVA Meeting

Wed 26Th April, 2017 - Scientific Conference

Thu 27Th April, 2017 - Scientific Conference and thereafter the KVA Annual General Meeting, side meetings and excursions

Fri 28Th April, 2017 - Scientific Conference and Closing Ceremony

Sat 29Th April, 2017 - World Veterinary Day Celebrations and Field Day

Categories	Registration Before 31 St Dec, 2016	Normal Registration 1 St Jan- 28 Th Feb, 2017	Registration 1 St Mar- 24 Th Apr, 2017	On site Registration From 25 Th April, 2017					
					KVA Members	15,000 Ksh	17,000 Ksh	20,000 Ksh	22,000 Ksh
					Non-Members	17,000 Ksh	19,000 Ksh	22,000 Ksh	24,000 Ksh
Vet Para-Professionals	14,000 Ksh	16,000 Ksh	18,000 Ksh	20,000 Ksh					
Students	13,500 Ksh	14,000 Ksh	15,000 Ksh	16,000 Ksh					
International Participants	200 USD	220 USD	240 USD	250 USD					
Commonwealth and EAC members	160 USD	180 USD	210 USD	230 USD					

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