



## WikiVet Newsletter

Hello and welcome to the thirty-sixth edition of the WikiVet newsletter! We hope everybody starting the new academic year is getting back into the swing of things ok and wish a very warm welcome all of those new students just beginning their studies! This month we have a look at how WikiVet registrations have gone up dramatically and how we have teamed up with IVIS so you can access their conference proceedings, as well as how you can help by participating in the equine obesity survey.

In this edition we'll also be having a look at some great new useful links pages now available in WikiVet.

## WikiVet News

### WikiVet Registrations



As usual at the start of term we have seen a rapid increase in the number of new registrations that WikiVet is receiving. At present we have over 100 new students signing up every day. This is part of a significant growth in registrations around the world as shown on this graph. We are also really pleased to announce that we had over 1 million users visiting the WikiVet site in the last 12 months!

### [International Veterinary Information Service \(IVIS\)](#)



We have teamed up with IVIS to provide links to over 50 sets of international conference proceedings on our [proceedings page](#). The IVIS website also provides **free access** with registration to original, up-to-date publications organised into electronic books each edited by qualified editors, proceedings of veterinary meetings, journals, short courses, an international calendar of veterinary events and much more, with the help of private and corporate sponsors. We think this is the perfect compliment to WikiVet content and well worth students visiting on a regular basis.

## What's New?

### New and Noteworthy - WikiVet Links



We are always trying to add new features to WikiVet to ensure it reflects students needs. This month we have included a comprehensive listing of veterinary educational resources on the web. Whilst we think that WikiVet already has some great content, these links point to a range of other resources that are well worth trying out. All the links have been checked for quality by our students and they also include a brief summary of why they are useful. This is definitely worth a visit so check the [links page](#) out on WikiVet.

## Equine Obesity Survey



### [Equine Obesity Survey](#)

With obesity an ever increasing problem in horses ([NEHS 2014](#)) a study is being conducted to compare owner and veterinarian evaluation of body condition. If you are a veterinarian please take a couple of minutes of your time to complete the [survey](#), your contribution is greatly appreciated and will help to gather invaluable data about equine obesity.

## Get Involved with WikiVet

### [Creating a School Page](#)

There is space for every school registered with WikiVet to create a dedicated page about themselves. This is a great way to publicise your school and the areas of expertise which it has to offer. Have a look at some of the schools which already have pages on the [WikiVet map](#) to get an idea.



### [Creation of New School Pages](#)

Over the last year we have had several new schools which have created school pages, including schools from South America, Africa, India and Europe. This is very exciting as we are pleased to see the WikiVet user base gradually growing. The first step to doing this is ensuring that your school has its own dedicated page. If you need help creating a school page then please get in touch with the team by [emailing us](#).

Recently a member of the [University of Sydney Faculty of Veterinary Science](#) in Australia has been busy working on their page. Have a look and make a start on your own!

## Test Yourself

### [Pop-Quiz: What's your answer?](#)



A 3-year-old female Siberian husky dog is presented for the complaint of 'crusties'. The owner reports the dog has pruritic crusty lesions on the face and ears. On dermatological examination, the lesions around the eyes are symmetrical, and similar lesions are present on the ear margins, chin, ears, footpads, and pressure points. The skin is thickened and hyperkeratotic crusting is present. The dog is healthy otherwise. The dog is fed a complete and balanced diet. Two littermates, owned by other people, have similar lesions. What is the most likely diagnosis and how should this be confirmed?

This case has been provided by [Manson Publishing](#) as part of the [OVAL project](#) and is taken from the small animal dermatology [questions](#).

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