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2024 BCVTA Spring Conference and AGM

BC Veterinary Technologists Association

[Register Now](#)

Registration is officially open for our upcoming Spring Conference, and we've got some fantastic features lined up for you. Take advantage of early bird pricing, available until February 29, 2024—leap into savings by securing your spot today!



Here's a glimpse of what awaits you:

- Immerse yourself in over 20 hours of engaging CE lectures, hands-on workshops, and labs.
- Dive into hands-on learning with sessions on RECOVER CPR, Anesthesia, Dentistry, and Ultrasound.
- Choose virtual attendance for a convenient option if travel isn't on your agenda.
- Enrich your learning journey with pre-conference webinars.
- Gain insights from industry experts, including veterinary technician specialists, RVTs, DVMs, a veterinary social worker, and a financial planner.
- Start each morning with a captivating keynote sessions, fostering community and expanding your vital soft skills.
- Enjoy the flexibility to revisit your favorite sessions or catch up on missed ones for up to 90 days after the event.

But wait!! There's more! This exciting conference offers more than just educational opportunities.

- Dive into the RVT Social Extravaganza, featuring a Business Fair, Game Night, and Used Book Fair sponsored by Boehringer-Ingelheim
- Connect with industry partners at the Sponsor Trade Show, complete with games, refreshments, and fun!
- Celebrate yourself and your fellow RVTs at the AVP RVT Appreciation and Awards Dinner

[Register now to ensure you don't miss out on this enriching experience!](#)



Made For Your Wild Outdoor Adventures - New Offer for BCVTA Members!

Stephanie Olsen, RVT, grew up with animals and always knew she would have a career in the Veterinary/Animal Industry. Stephanie graduated from TRU in 2013 and has worked in mixed practices since. Currently serving as the head RVT at a small practice based out of remote North East BC town of Fort Nelson, Stephanie has a passion for the outdoors and her working GSD's, which she actively trains and compete with. She enjoys an adventurous lifestyle, constantly exploring the outdoors and what this beautiful region has to offer.

As an RVT, Stephanie sees so many dogs come through our clinic doors with unsafe, stinky or ill fitted collars and wanted to be able to offer a product that could match an adventurous and outdoor lifestyle and withstand the elements and activities we do on a daily basis, while also meeting the needs of many other pet owners. This led to the creation of Rivers & Sticks Canine Co, a small business where Stephanie creates and hand makes Biothane and Paracord dog gear. She strives to offer quality canine gear that can last without compromising looks.

As a valued member of the veterinary care community, Stephanie is generously extending a discount to all credentialed veterinary technologists, technicians and nurses around the world! use code RVT10 at checkout on the website to take advantage of this offer!

Stephanie
Rivers & Sticks Canine Co.
www.riversandsticks.com

Town Hall Meeting

TUESDAY
FEBRUARY 27

Talk Openly, Share Opinions
& Ask Burning Questions

SATURDAY
MARCH 2



More information:
executivedirector@bcvta.com

Mark your calendars for our upcoming Virtual Member Town Halls on February 27th (5pm-7pm) and Saturday, March 2nd (2pm-4pm). These interactive sessions are designed to keep you informed and engaged on crucial matters within our community.

Agenda Highlights:

- Regulation Update
- Bylaw Changes
- Conferences and CE Opportunities
- 2022-2023 YE Financial Review
- 2024 Wage and Compensation Survey
- Complaints Process
- CE Audits
- Open Discussion


We value your input and encourage questions! Feel free to pre-submit your queries via email to executivedirector@bcvta.com.

Please remember, these discussions will uphold a standard of professionalism and respect. We kindly ask members to be mindful of this when posing questions. As a token of our appreciation for your participation, members can earn 1 CE credit for attending each session.

Events will be held by Zoom as follows:

February 27 Session: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82662134158?pwd=SWIPaHJRTzc3SjVlYkI3K2EzMjVrQT09>
March 2 Session:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87212451756?pwd=OUVJNTNwbjI3a1JLeFRVZjNvaUxldz09>

We look forward to your active participation in shaping the future of BCVTA.



**College of Veterinarians
of British Columbia**

CVBC Introduces New Registrar

In a statement released on January 12, 2024, the College of Veterinarians of British Columbia proudly welcomed Ms. Christine Arnold as the newly appointed Registrar and Chief Executive Officer of the CVBC. Ms. Arnold, a dedicated, proactive, and strategic public member of the Council, is enthusiastic about working with staff and registrants in the weeks ahead.

During the BCVTA Board of Directors Strategic Planning Retreat in November 2023, CVBC President Dr. Jane Pritchard and Acting Co-Registrar Dr. Stacey Thomas assured attendees that the Council would continue its support for the advancement of the RVT profession, including regulatory matters, throughout the transitional period with the new Registrar.

[Click here to read more about Ms. Arnold's appointment as the new registrar.](#)



- February 11-13: Uncharted Practice Manager Summit
- February 14: united Virtual Conference
- February 29 - March 2: OAVT Conference
- May 3-5: Certified Canine Fitness Trainer
- May 18-19: Creating Change: Exotic Veterinary Nurse Training 2024 conference
- May 24-26: BCVTA Spring Conference
- June 27-30: CVMA Convention

[Check out the website for more continuing education opportunities!](#)

[Keep an eye on the BCVTA Job Board for career opportunities!](#)

