Dear Colleagues,

I have a sense of relief now that the matter between the Competition Commission (CC) and the South African Veterinary Council (SAVC) has finally been put to rest. This follows the tabling of a consent agreement before the Competition Tribunal (CT) on the 20th August 2014. The consent agreement had seen the CC imposing a fine of R1 which was later turned down by the CT. With the fine, the CC was imploring the SAVC to never contravene the provisions of the Competitions Act, No 89 of 1998 as such a repeat contravention would then invite the hefty 10% of annual turnover fine, a situation that we at SAVC cannot afford. No fine was imposed in the end. As previously indicated, this ruling means that from now henceforth, all rules that are considered anti-competitive will be reviewed and amended accordingly in consultation with the Commission.

From left: Dr Boitshoko Ntshabele, Dr Jana Pretorius, Minister Senzeni Zokwana, Mrs Lynette Havinga

Please note that maintenance fees were payable by 30 June 2014
I invite all of you to participate and forward your views as and when requested. It is expected that we conclude this exercise on the 30th March 2015. Please read about this matter on our website and please peruse all documents.

Consequent to the investigation and finding by the CC, the SAVC had to, as of October 2013, discontinued issuing a Guideline of Tariffs. This issue reared its head again when a story of overcharging by veterinarians was aired by Carte Blanche in August 2014. It suffices to say that this story was presented in a biased manner and reflected badly on the services we offer to mankind. I received a lot of your feedback for which I am grateful. This feedback led to the lodging of a complaint against Carte Blanche with the Broadcasting Complaints Commission of South Africa (BCCSA). The date for hearing this matter is Thursday, 13 November 2014 and we will report on the outcome in the next Newsletter. It was my view that we would have come second to Carte Blanche if this issue was not addressed. I request that we should focus on a message of the services of the veterinary professions to animals and humans, thematically using the World Rabies Day, 28th September 2014 and World Food Day, 16th October 2014 and to let the public be the judge of our value, based on good information we provide. To this extent, I am grateful to a joint SAVC, SAVA, DAF and Faculty of Veterinary Science, UP partnership, we will see messages being rolled out on SABC channels in the month of October. We are grateful that DAF was gracious enough to put funds aside for this endeavour. One hopes that this partnership can be strengthened beyond these activities to bring forth a public relations programme that is sustainable and that the profession can from then on, ‘speak with one voice’ on matters of interest.

We had a good reception and meeting with Minister Senzeni Zokwana on the 25th August 2014. Minister Zokwana made very encouraging remarks about the importance of our professions and the contributions we could make to Agriculture in South Africa. Minister Zokwana seemed acutely aware of the issues at hand! My sense is that we need to continue and engage with Minister Zokwana periodically to ensure that we remain focused on the road ahead and provide the necessary support to enable him to resolve a number of issues affecting veterinary services in general as well as intervene on Council’s behalf with the Minister of Health as regards the controls of registrations of medicines and the Minister of Environment on the requirement for permits to treat Threatened or Protected Species (TOPS) issue. Minister Zokwana was requested to officially open the SAVC’s new home at 26 Victoria Link, Route 21 Corporate Park, Irene to which SAVC administration has relocated and to give an address to Council. The opening took place on Tuesday, 21 October 2014.

We’re unfortunately in the last few months lost a couple of our colleagues. Our deepest condolences go to friends, colleagues and families. It is my hope that we will all pay attention to each other in time of need and as necessary be able to offer counsel and even point to areas where expert assistance can be sourced. I pray that their souls rest in peace! The SAVC is working with other partners to find ways to put preventative measures in place timely.

I wish to conclude with a quote that I consider of relevance to us at this point in time: “As you travel along the roads in life, there is a certain kind of peace that comes with knowing you’re on the right path. And when you are faced with adversity, it challenges you but makes you stronger. The road is not always an easy route. Nevertheless, you must not allow your fears to keep you from reaching the destination.” — Amaka Nkosazana,

Boitshepo Ntshabile

Mrs Lynette Havinga (Registrar) and Mrs Dinamarie Stoltz (Legal Director, SAVC) at the Competition Commission Tribunal

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The SAVC finalised the design of the logo so that it coincided with the opening of the building. The SAVC is proudly boasting the new signboards and logo on the outside wall and facade of the building. The design was developed to reflect the following (of which some are obvious but listed for completion sake):

SAVC: The name abbreviated to be recognised from a distance and spelt out for clarity;

Blue triangle: To represent the three responsibilities namely the professions, public and animals;

Medical snake emblem: To represent professional and patient centered organisations; veterinary medicine is internationally and nationally represented by the serpent-entwined rod wielded by the Greek god Asclepius, a deity associated with healing and medicine.

The SAVC requested the Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Minister Senzeni Zokwana officially opened the new building of the SAVC.

The SAVC resolved at its strategic planning session in 2012 to acquire new premises to accommodate its administration and on 21 October 2014 achieved the realisation of that objective. The new building is situated at 26 Victoria Link, Route 21 Corporate Park, Irene. The Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Minister Senzeni Zokwana officially opened the new building of the SAVC.

The Minister addressed the SAVC and stated again that the veterinary profession is regarded as important for developments in the country. The Minister highlighted the profession’s role in Food Safety and Security and the upliftment of emerging farmers who should be developed to become commercial farmers. This aligns with the government’s goals to create jobs and the veterinary profession is well placed to provide Primary Animal Health Care. Click on this link for Minister Zokwana’s Opening of the Building speech.

The new logo

SUMMARY OF NEWSLETTER 78

THE PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

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THREATENED AND PROTECTED SPECIES (TOPS PERMITS)

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WILDLIFE RANCHING SOUTH AFRICA (WRSA) VS SAVC AND OTHERS

WRSA filed its replying affidavit, albeit belatedly and subsequently applied for a date for the hearing. Indications are that the matter will be enrolled during March or April 2015.

If you are prescribing, dispensing, treating, etc. Then you have to register your facility and have a practice registration number.
UPDATE ON MATTERS AFFECTING THE VETERINARY PROFESSION

THREATENED AND PROTECTED SPECIES [TOPS PERMITS]

The SAVC objected in 2012 to the requirement of Threatened and Protected Species [TOPS] permits for veterinarians rendering veterinary services to TOPS.

The SAVC exhausted all avenues to address its concerns and did not manage to convince the Departmental Officials to understand the dilemmas for the veterinary profession when they treat or move animals for treatment and/or have to collect specimens. The SAVC requested the Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Minister Senzeni Zokwana to engage Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, and/or have to collect specimens.

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The SAVC remains of the opinion that the Minister of Environmental Affairs, Minister Edna Molewa has acted beyond her powers in the introduction of the requirement for permits for veterinarians and the SAVC will continue to oppose the requirement that veterinarians have to obtain permits to treat Threatened and Protected Species under any circumstances or conditions.

WRSA

Wildlife Ranching South Africa (WRSA) served a notice of motion to bring an application against the Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fishery, the South African Veterinary Council and the Medicines Control Council, to review Rule 10 regarding highly scheduled medicines.

WRSA had been placed on terms to file its replying affidavit by no later than Wednesday, 28 May 2014, failing which the State Attorney was instructed to enrol the matter in accordance with High Court Rule 6(5)(f).

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COMPULSORY COMMUNITY SERVICES (CCS)

CCS regulations have not been finalised yet. The Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries is still liaising with the State Law Advisors regarding the CCS regulations.

DAFF was requested to consider implementing the Amendment Act, with the exception of clauses 3 and 5, which relate to CCS, as these regulations are not ready for publication yet. Feedback is awaited.

FURTHER UPDATE ON COMPETITION COMMISSION ISSUES

The settlement agreement between the SAVC and the Competition Commission (CC) regarding the complaint about the Guideline of Tariffs and its rules on advertising and touting being anti-competitive, was completed and made an Order of the Competition Tribunal on 10 September 2014.

The SAVC is attending to the terms of the settlement agreement and should have completed these by March 2015.

In terms of the consent order the SAVC has to make significant amendments to the rules relating to the practice of the veterinary profession in respect of touting and advertising, as these are deemed to constitute price fixing.

No fine was issued against the SAVC as a result of the Council’s exceptional level of co-operation and the immediate implementation of remedial steps, commencing on 13 December 2013, nine months prior to the granting of the Consent Order.

Links to documents:
SAVC Consent Agreement Addendum 9 September 2014-Signed
SAVC Consent Agreement signed 07 August 2014 (2)

INCREASE IN FINES IN RESPECT OF UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

The Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries has, after consideration and approval of the recommendation by the Council, approved an increase in the maximum amount of the fine in terms of section 33(1)(a) to be imposed by the Council in terms section 33 the Act from R25 000 to R500 000.

Council approved the increase of the fine to R 500 000 at its Council meeting held on 5 June 2012. The current maximum amount of the fine is R25 000. The increase is necessitated in view of the growing concern amongst members of the veterinary profession that the current maximum fine does not deter unscrupulous veterinarians from issuing medicines to lay persons where there is no client-patient-relationship or veterinarians who engage in unprofessional, improper or disgraceful conduct contrary to the provisions of the Act and the regulations, rules and code of conduct promulgated under the Act. The increase in the fine will be effective from the date of publication in the Government Gazette and will be applicable to contraventions committed after the date of publication.

WORKSHOPS: BOTSWANA INDUCTION WORKSHOP 9 SEPTEMBER 2014

The SAVC received an invitation from the Veterinary Council of Botswana to attend a workshop to learn from each other and to share joint experiences.

The SAVC’s and Namibian Registrars gave a presentation on their backgounds (legislation, composition, structure), achievement, challenges and plans whereby Botswana Veterinary Council hoped to gain insight into their serious challenges amongst others with registration of para-veterinarians, standardisation of their degrees, and examinations.

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HWSETA - 17 SEPTEMBER 2014

Little has been done for the veterinary services as far as skills development is concerned. Therefore, there was a need to foster a stakeholder partnership between the HWSETA and South African Veterinary Council (SAVC) to strengthen skills development in the animal health sector.

This initiative culminated to the Stakeholder Partnership Workshop which was held on the 17th of September 2014. The workshop provided a platform for the identification of a working group. The working group will develop and implement a concrete plan of action to fund skills development for the animal health sector.

WORKSHOP ON MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR VETERINARY FACILITIES - 10 OCTOBER 2014

The workshop was well attended by amongst others representatives from the veterinary profession, both private and state, the various interest groups from the South African Veterinary Association and the Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, as well as academia. The following matters were discussed as part of the review process of applicable legislation and rules that Council embarked upon:

1. Basic principles for the different kinds of facilities based on legislation and professional codes;
2. Current rules on minimum standards for veterinary facilities;
3. Proposals on changes to the minimum standards;
4. Standards of veterinary services rendered;
5. Possible business structures that may be introduced subsequent to the completion of the current review of the rules; and
6. Veterinary retail outlets and the supervision thereof (the current Rule 41).

The outcomes of the workshop on veterinary para-professions held on 19 August 2014 and the workshop on highly scheduled medicines held on 30 September 2014 were discussed as well. These documents are linked hereto for your information.

WORKSHOP ON ILLEGAL USAGE OF HIGHLY SCHEDULED MEDICINES - 30 SEPTEMBER 2014

This workshop dealt with the definition and explanation of veterinary anaesthesia, medicines commonly used in wildlife immobilisation, rules determining veterinary functions and legal procedures in place to deal with illegal users of highly scheduled wildlife anaesthetic/immobilisation medicines.

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The workshop on Minimum Standards held in the new boardroom at the SAVC’s offices in Route21 Corporate Park on 10 October 2014. Fifty eight members of the professions attended this workshop.

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IT Transformation

We reported in previous Newsletters 74 to 77 that the SAVC will embark on an IT transformation process.

Council wishes to pursue the IT transformation process as IT transformation is crucial to the Council, the Administration and the image of the profession.

It was therefore decided in February 2014 to proceed with the process as soon as the relocation to the new premises, 26 Victoria Link, Route21 Corporate Park, Nellmapius Drive, Irene Ext 72, is accomplished.

Please contact Mrs Ronel Mayhew at systems@savc.org.za for input.

... in the December 2014 Newsletter

Workshop: Highly Scheduled Medicines

Prof Vinny Naidoo on Veterinary dispensing
“Can certain medication only be dispensed by a person with a licence?”

With SAPS, National Public Prosecutor, MCC, NSPCA, NHR, etc.

Link to outcome

Workshop: Minimum Standards for Facilities

Mrs Dinamarie Stoltz, SAVC Director Legal Affairs

For representatives of the members of the veterinary profession representing groups, e.g. wildlife group, ruminant group, equine group, behaviour group.

Link to outcome

FULLY INTEGRATED E-COMMERCE SYSTEM FOR VETS

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CPD for Para-veterinary Professionals

Council resolved to implement CPD for Para-veterinary professionals as from 1 April 2015. Para-veterinary professionals are requested to keep record and proof of CPD activities for at least two CPD cycles.

Please watch this space for an update on matters to be published in the November Newsletter.

Acceptance of Veterinary Qualifications for Registration Purposes

The SAVC wishes to confirm that the BVSc degree [UP] is currently accepted by both the Australasian Veterinary Boards Council (AVBC) and the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons (RCVS) for registration purposes without the holder of the BVSc degree [UP] having to pass a registration examination.

The RCVS has indicated that the RCVS is interested, as in the case of the AVBC, who already has an agreement with the SAVC, to enter into an agreement with the SAVC regarding the accreditation of veterinary qualifications offered in the UK and South Africa. The SAVC and RCVS are currently looking into the terms of the agreement.

Veterinary qualifications are no longer automatically accepted for registration purposes as acceptance of qualifications is based on the regular assessment of the qualifications and validation of the standard of the tuition and training offered by veterinary faculties or schools.

The terms “reciprocity” and “automatic acceptance” are no longer part of any considerations in the agreements entered into when qualifications are assessed.

New Appointment

Ms Lorraine Mhlongo

We welcome Ms Lorraine Mhlongo, the newly appointed legal secretary responsible for the secretarial and administrative support in the Investigation section. Lorraine can be contacted at: legalsecretary@savc.org.za.

IMPORTANT CPD REMINDER

1. In order to lawfully render veterinary services, you must be registered with Council, and you must be CPD compliant.

2. If you are removed from the register, please try and keep up to date with developments in your profession (CPD), as that status will impact on your re-registration:

   a. If you want to re-register within 3 years of being removed from the register, and you are CPD compliant at the time of coming back onto the register, there are no additional CPD requirements.
   
   b. If you want to re-register after being removed from the register for a period of 3 - 6 years, you must submit proof that you kept abreast with your profession (CPD), and may be required to sit and pass a Council exam.
   
   c. If you want to re-register after being removed from the register for 6 years or longer, you must submit proof that you kept abreast of your profession (CPD) and you must pass the Council’s oral/practical examination.

VETERINARY SHOP OWNERS

Please note that a “Vetshop” (registered with SAVA), or a Veterinary retail outlet must be registered with Council.

See Regulations 1 and 2 of the Regulations relating to the Registration of Veterinary Facilities, read with rule 4.1 published on 8 June 2012 in Government Gazette numbers 35415 and 36779 respectively. For ease of reference please visit the webpage latest legislation or click on the link: http://www.savc.org.za/pdf_docs/Application%20Form%20Registration%20Vetshops.pdf

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The following subjects will be monitored in 2015 as part of the Council’s monitoring programme. Please submit nominations for monitors, together with CVs and motivations, to Leonie Westcott at education@savc.org.za by no later than 12 December 2014.

**FACULTY OF VETERINARY SCIENCE, UNIVERSITY OF PRETORIA**

**BVSc**

**SUBJECTS**

1. Small animal medicine and surgery
2. Porcine health and production
3. Equine medicine and surgery
4. Poultry health and production
5. Veterinary reproduction
6. Diagnostic imaging
7. Clinical pathology
8. Anaesthesiology
9. Diagnostic pathology
10. Professional life
11. Applied Bovine Health and Production
12. Applied Small Stock Health and Production
13. Applied Porcine Health and Production
15. Applied Equine Clinical Studies
16. Applied Veterinary Public Health

**DVN**

**SUBJECTS**

1. Parasitology
2. Theatre Practice

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**FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, NORTH WEST UNIVERSITY**

**SUBJECTS**

1. Introduction to Agricultural economics (Diploma)
2. Animal Genetics and Breeding (Diploma)
3. Non Ruminant Production (Diploma)
4. Fundamental Concepts of Agricultural extension (Diploma)
5. Animal Nutrition (Diploma)
6. Introduction to Chemistry I (Diploma)

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**FACULTY OF VETERINARY SCIENCE, TSHWANE UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY**

**SUBJECT**

1. Veterinary Microbiology

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**CONTINUED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

Northern Natal Branch
of the SAVA Congress 2014

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09:15 Equine Field anaesthesia - Karin Kruger
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14:15 Small Feedlot/Intensive Farming - Do’s & Don’ts - Rick Maphum
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**DATES OF EXAMINATIONS**

The first component of the examination, the Computer Based Examination (CBE), took place on Monday 1 and Tuesday 2 September 2014.

The Oral/Practical Examination took place on Monday 8 September 2014 (veterinarians) and on Wednesday 10 September 2014 (para-veterinarians).

**CANDIDATES**

Seventeen (17) candidates enrolled to sit the examination in 2014 as follows:

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**EXAMINATION OFFICER**

Dr D Holm was appointed as Examination Officer.

**COMPUTER BASED EXAMINATION**

The CBE template approved by Council in October 2012 was used with minor changes to the mark allocation per section.

**VETERINARIANS**

The Computer Based Examination for veterinarians consisted of two papers as follows:

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<td>Section C: General Pathology</td>
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<td>Section D: Regulatory (State-) Veterinary Medicine</td>
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**ANIMAL HEALTH TECHNICIANS**

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ORAL/PRACTICAL EXAMINATION

VETERINARIANS

Moderator: Prof K Pettey
Examiners
Panel 1 (Companion animals): Dr M Peck and Dr M Meyer
Panel 2 (Pathology and VPH): Dr H Nel and Dr J Williams
Panel 3 (Production animals): Dr E du Preez and Dr P Engelbrecht
Panel 4 (Equines): Dr G Hudson and Dr T Boshoff

VETERINARY NURSES

Moderator: Sr E Botha
Examiners
Panel 1 (Theatre practice): Sr R Fourie
Panel 2 (Anaesthesia): Sr M Schutte
Panel 3 (Surgical nursing): Dr J Venter
Panel 4 (Medical nursing): Dr E Scheepers
Panel 5 (Radiography): Sr M McLean
Panel 6 (Reproductive nursing): Dr K May
Panel 7 (General nursing): Sr R Ludike

ANIMAL HEALTH TECHNICIANS

Moderator: Mr J Oosthuizen
Examiners
Panel 1: Mr P Lourens
Panel 2: Dr C Cele

Mr J Oosthuizen in discussion with Mr P Lourens at the practical panel

RESULTS

The moderators’ meeting was held on Friday 3 October 2014 and the final results approved by Council on 21 October 2014.

Registration of facilities

Please be reminded that you may only render veterinary services (e.g. chemically immobilise animals, give veterinary advice and/or make a diagnosis, or dispense medicine) if you operate from a facility registered with Council.

Please contact Ms C Block at facilities@savc.org.za to register a facility or to confirm that your facility is registered.

In this regard please take note of Rule 4.5

“The place at or from which a person practises a veterinary profession shall comply with the applicable minimum standards for a consulting room, or an animal hospital, as the case may be, which are specified in these Rules, and be registered with Council.”

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Dr Lize Posthumus
Dr Angus Llewellyn Pringle
Dr Leon Johann Venter
Sr Wilna Wilkinson
Prof Peter Gilbert Howell

MEETING DATES 2015

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WHERE TO ATTEND PRESENTATIONS

Branch Meetings and Mini Congresses 2014
(All registered members of the Veterinary professions are invited)

- Please register
- Contact SAVA (marketing@sava.co.za), SAVETCON (petrie@savetcon.co.za) and Vetlink (info@vetlink.co.za) for details of registration.

KZN/Midlands
22-23 November 2014, Mont Aux Sources

It is with regret that I am approaching the end of the countrywide presentations which I was privileged to present to the veterinary profession during 2014. The presentations covered the amendments to the rules relating to the veterinary profession required by both Council’s review process of legislation and those necessitated by the Competition Act 1998, specifically regarding the rules in respect of touting and advertising. I was privileged to meet members of the profession, as well as to gain valuable knowledge and input from the profession. This stood me in good stead when dealing with the enquiries I have received since commencing employment at the SAVC in September 2013. So, thank you to all the wonderful people I met and learnt from!

Dinamarie Stoltz

Control of scheduled medicines
Presented by Prof V Naidoo, SAVC
For members of the veterinary profession, held at SAVA 2014 branch meetings

Review of the Rules for the Veterinary and Para-Veterinary professions
Presented by Ms D Stoltz, SAVC
For members of the veterinary profession, held at SAVA branch meetings
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■ protect the health and well-being of animals and animal populations;
■ protect and represent the interests of the veterinary and para-veterinary professions;
■ regulate the professional conduct of the veterinary and para-veterinary professions; and
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