

Horse behaviour from a veterinary perspective



This talk takes a look at ways to find a compromise between daily equine veterinary work and improving the horse's experience of the interaction. Considerations, including the environment, the situation and the human understanding of horse behaviour, can all contribute significantly to the interaction. Equine vets have a job to do, horses don't understand why we do the things we do to them and equine behaviourists try to improve the bond between owner and horse and the relationship between veterinary staff and their patients. Moving forward as a team is the ideal approach!

Biography

Hannah graduated with a 2.1 Bachelor of Science Honours degree (BSc (Hons)) in Animal Science from the University of Leeds, UK, in 2006. She then went on to study for her veterinary degree, Bachelor of Veterinary Medicine and Surgery (BVM&S) at the University of Edinburgh, UK, and qualified as a vet in 2011. During her time at the University of Edinburgh, Hannah also obtained a Masters of Veterinary Science in Canine Behaviour Research (MVetSci). She then worked as a mixed vet in Lincolnshire and during this time, completed a Master of Science in

Clinical Animal Behaviour (MSc) at the University of Lincoln, UK, she graduated with distinction in 2013.

Since then, Hannah has worked in small animal practices in Hertfordshire and Bedfordshire, she has also travelled and volunteered around the world in clinics and shelters, and spent some time working in a large RSPCA hospital and shelter in Sydney, Australia. Hannah has worked as a veterinary surgeon since 2011 and has been seeing behaviour referrals simultaneously since 2013. Hannah has enjoyed providing continued education for vets and vet staff around the world about animal behaviour and how to improve handling and understanding during veterinary visits, rehabilitation of rescued animals or teaching young animals and preventing behaviour issues. Hannah's aim has always been to improve animals' quality of life and welfare by continually learning herself and teaching veterinary and shelter staff. Hannah is an ASAB (the Association for the Study of Animal Behaviour) accredited Certificated Clinical Animal Behaviourist (CCAB), an ABTC (Animal Behaviour and Training Council) registered Clinical Animal Behaviourist and registered Veterinary Behaviourist, a Full Member of the APBC (Association of Pet Behaviour Counsellors), a Committee Member of the FABC (Fellowship of Animal Behaviour Clinicians) and a Committee Member of the BVBA (British Veterinary Behaviour Association)

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