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| |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | ADUK's Knowledge Sharing Programme returns for 2024 Over the last 2 years, ADUK's Knowledge Sharing Programme has proved to be a fantastic opportunity for our members and candidates to showcase their knowledge and experience.   This year, we are delighted to announce the attendance of various external organisations who have kindly agreed to host talks alongside our members. Sessions are held remotely via Teams and are open to all staff and volunteers from ADUK member and candidate organisations.  **How to Register**  Please click on the button below to visit the booking form page.  You can book on to multiple sessions with one form.   All staff and volunteers are welcome to join any session listed.   If you need to cancel your place, or would like to host a talk or recommend a topic, please contact Ash Robertson, ADUK Learning & Education Coordinator, at [ash.robertson@assistancedogs.org.uk](mailto:ash.robertson@assistancedogs.org.uk).   All suggestions and queries are most welcome.  **New sessions, from both external organisations and members will be added over the coming weeks, so be sure to check the** [website](https://assistancedogs.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=74afba9a8b55123f537b20e45&id=ecaa0669cf&e=866dd52b9a) **for updates. You must be signed into the ADUK website to view this page.** | | |      |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [**Click here to register on a session**](https://assistancedogs.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=74afba9a8b55123f537b20e45&id=9c14b627e3&e=866dd52b9a) | |      |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | Canine Nutrition **Wednesday 27th March. 11:00 – 12:00**   Royal Canin Scientific Communications Manager, Caroline Burke BSc NCert(SAN) RVN, joins us to discuss canine nutrition and the importance of meeting the unique dietary needs of assistance dogs. | | |      |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |      |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | Creating Accessible Word Documents **Wednesday 3rd April. 11:00 – 13:30**   Richard llett, Assistive Technology Trainer at Guide Dogs, will kindly host a session to explain ways to utilise Microsoft Word features, to ensure documents are accessible and can be read electronically by anyone. | | |      |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |      |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | Assistance Dogs and The Law **Thursday 11th April. 13:30-14:30**   ADUK Executive Director Vicky Worthington, and ADUK Trustee & Director of Hearing Loss Services at Hearing Dogs, Angie Southcott, present on assistance dog law and legislation. | | |      |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |      |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | We Bring Out the Best In Each Other: Perceptions and Priorities of Assistance Dog Owners. **Tuesday 16th April. 13:30-14:30**   Ella McNulty (MSc Animal Behaviour) from Dogs for Good, hosts ‘We Bring Out the Best In Each Other’, a talk discussing the perceptions and priorities of Assistance Dog Owners. | | |      |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |      |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | Supporting Families with Dementia: An Insight for Canine Professionals **Thursday 25th April. 13:30-15:30**   Community Dog Practitioners, Carla Haizelden and Natashya Sheppard, from Dogs for Good, join us to present research on ways in which dementia can affect families and how as an industry we can support them. | | |      |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |      |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | Creating Accessible Excel Documents **Thursday 2nd May. 11:00 – 12:30**   Richard Ilett, Assistive Technology Trainer at Guide Dogs, joins us for another fantastic session. This time, to highlight methods to ensure excel spreadsheets can be accessed and read electronically by anyone. | | |      |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |      |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | **Born To Guide** **Thursday 9th May. 13:30 - 14:30**    Tom Lewis, Head of Breeding Programme at Guide Dogs, presents genetics at Guide Dogs and the pioneering work undertaken to help us better understand our dogs’ genes, to the benefit of dog breeding programmes, and overall welfare | | |      |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |      |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | Identifying Harness Related Pain in Dogs & Exploring McTimoney Veterinary Chiropractic Treatment **Tuesday 14th May 11:00 -12:00**   Jay Hrycak MSc, PgCert, BSc (hons) MMAA, KCAI, RAMP, KCAIAD, Hearing Dog for Deaf People’s North Bucks Training Area Manager & McTimoney Animal Practitioner, kindly hosts an informative session to showcase a two-part research project. Firstly, quantifying the suspected presence of pain in the back muscles of dogs that don't 'like' wearing their harness. Secondly, how McTimoney Veterinary Chiropractic treatment has influence on the pain thresholds of those dogs showing sensitivity. | | |      |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |      |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | Moving Out of The Shadow – Bereavement, Guilt, and the Impact of Previous Guide Dogs On Their Successors **Wednesday 22nd May 13:00-14:30**   Tim Stafford, ADUK Trustee and Head of Canine Welfare at Guide Dogs, will reflect on his own 39 years of professional experience and present some of the themes from his master’s research, which focused on the lived experience of people with a vision impairment and professional guide dog mobility instructors, to provide a greater understanding of this unique dog-human relationship. As unsuccessful partnerships often affect the wellbeing of both the people and the dogs, this will be a discussion that will consider the experiences of both humans and canines at the end of a guide dog partnership. | | |      |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |      |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | Canine Health and Behaviour: Spaying & Castration **Tuesday 4th June 12:00-13:00**   Rachel Moxon, Senior Canine Science Associate at Guide Dogs, kindly hosts a talk to discuss the effects of spaying and castration on canine health and behaviour, with a focus on how timing can effect neutering. | | |      |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |      |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | Practical Feeding and Dietary Advice **Wednesday 5th June 14:00- 15:00**   Ness Bird and Ian Clapham kindly join us to discuss the practical ways we can best meet the dietary needs of our assistance dogs, with special consideration to trainability, weight management and breed specific care. | | |      |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |      |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | ADUK Updates **Tuesday 11th June. 11:30-12:30**   Join Vicky Worthington & Ash Robertson to catch up on the latest updates at ADUK and the key areas of work we are focusing on in 2024 | | |      |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |      |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | Pet Bereavement Training **Wednesday 19th June. 13:00 – 14:00**   Diane James, Head of People Services at Blue Cross, kindly hosts a session designed for anyone wishing to gain more knowledge and experience in supporting bereaved pet owners. It is particularly helpful for veterinary staff and all those working with owners whose pets are facing rehoming, euthanasia or passed away. | | |      |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |      |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | ADUK Candidate Showcase (1/2) **Tuesday 25th June 12:30-13:30**   In the first of two talks, a selection of our candidates highlight the work of their charities. | | |      |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |      |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | ADUK Candidate Showcase (2/2) **Tuesday 9th July 11:00 – 12:00**   The second talk in our candidate showcase, our remaining candidates highlight the work of their charities. | | |      |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |      |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | Training Practices: Moving to Different Volunteer Homes **Wednesday 10th July 13:00 – 14:30**    Jessica Sweeney MA MSc, Operations Research Analyst at Hearing Dogs for Deaf People, presents research identifying factors that are predictive of hearing dog qualification success, with a focus on home moves. | | |      |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |      |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | The Association of Dogs and Cats Homes (ADCH) **Tuesday 23rd July 13:00 – 14:00**   ADCH is the leading representative charity for dog and cat rescue and rehoming organisations, operating across England, Republic of Ireland, Northern Ireland, Scotland, Wales, Isle of Man, Jersey and Guernsey. Rebecca Cooper, Executive Director at ADCH, together with members of the team, join us to showcase the invaluable work of ADCH and best practice in animal welfare, including their affiliate membership for which some members may be eligible. | | |      |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [**Click here to register on a session**](https://assistancedogs.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=74afba9a8b55123f537b20e45&id=fa8d191a5e&e=866dd52b9a) | |      |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | |      |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | |      |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [**Click here to subscribe to ADUK's ebulletin**](https://assistancedogs.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=74afba9a8b55123f537b20e45&id=690e73206b&e=866dd52b9a) | |      |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | |