

Promote your profession...get involved!

Plans are under way for this year's 'National Veterinary Nursing Week'.

Veterinary Nurses across the country are being urged to promote their profession and get involved throughout the week with local and national events. The aim is to *educate the public about the diverse roles veterinary nurses offer their clients and the community.*

If you haven't participated before then why not get caught up in the excitement this year? You can either hold a community event, an open day or even create a waiting room display in your practice to let your clients know just how important you and your role is within the practice.

All you need to do is register online via www.bvna.org.uk or fax back the registration form to receive your VN Week pack.

While planning your event or display, please think about what you can do to support a worthwhile charity. Perhaps it is one close to your heart, or 'The Cinnamon Trust', the BVNA Presidential Charity of the Year (visit www.cinnamon.org.uk for more information).

If you have any queries, the BVNA office team are more than happy to help. They can be contacted by telephone on **01279 408644**. You and your fellow VN week participants can post your plans on the VN Week blog where regular updates on other planned events will also be posted.

<http://vnweek.wordpress.com>

Competition Details

This year's competition comprises of three categories:-

- Best Photo: 'A Veterinary Nurse working above and beyond the call of duty'
- Best Community Event: Raising awareness of the role of the Veterinary Nurse
- Best Careers Event: Promoting A Career In Veterinary Nursing

There will be a winner and runner-up for each of the above categories, and we have some fantastic prizes to award, including an iPad, Sony Reader and digital camera. All winners and runner-ups will be featured in VNJ.

All you have to do to enter is apply online at www.bvna.org.uk or fax back the enclosed registration form. Please ensure you take note of the rules of entry. Once your event has taken place, or you have taken that winning photo, please send in photos along with any other supporting information, for your chance to win one of our fabulous prizes.

Good luck and we hope you join us in promoting such a great profession!

Official Sponsors of National VN Week 2011



General Rules of Entry and Prize Claims:

By following these guidelines you could qualify for some fantastic prizes!

1. The official registration fax-back form overleaf must be completed and returned to the BVNA office by 9am on **Friday 8th July 2011**
2. The BVNA is unable to provide a receipt of registration
3. BVNA Council members, BVNA office staff and their families may participate in the event but are not eligible for any prize
4. Evidence of VN week activities must arrive at the BVNA office no later than the close of business (**4pm**) on **Friday 12th August 2011**. Safe delivery is the responsibility of the sender. Proof of posting does not constitute proof of delivery. **Please send all evidence to the BVNA Office:**
82 Greenway Business Centre, Harlow Business Park, Harlow, Essex CM19 5QE
5. All queries should be directed to the BVNA office team who will be happy to assist you
6. Winners will be notified directly. All other participants can view the winners list, which will be published in a subsequent edition of VNJ. This list will also be available upon request from the BVNA office
7. Unfortunately, evidence submitted to the BVNA cannot be returned. Please send copies of evidence if you do not want to send originals. The evidence will be retained by the BVNA and may be used for publicity purposes and archived

Best Photo Category Rules:

- 1) The subject for the 2011 BVNA National VN Week Best Photo Category is "A Veterinary Nurse working above and beyond the call of duty". The theme is open to individual interpretation, but photos should capture an awe-inspiring moment which makes the rest of us wish we'd experienced that particular situation. Entries must have the diverse role of the veterinary nurse at their heart.
- 2) Each entry must not contain any infringing, threatening, false, misleading, abusive, harassing, libellous, defamatory, vulgar, obscene, scandalous, inflammatory, pornographic, profane or nude content.
- 3) Entrants can submit **up to three photos** as electronic images (jpeg files - where possible please auto correct the size to 10cm wide by 300 dpi before emailing), in colour or black and white. Please ensure your digital camera is set to the highest print quality and the photos have not been compressed. **We regret that prints cannot be accepted.**
- 4) Entrants must not be professional photographers and, for the purposes of this competition, a professional photographer will be considered to be someone who makes more than half their annual income from the sale of their photographs.
- 5) The BVNA's decision as to the eligibility of individual photographs will be final, and no correspondence will be entered into.
- 6) The competition is open to **UK residents only** (including residents of the Channel Islands and Isle of Man). Directors and employees of BVNA, as well as their immediate families, are not eligible to enter.
- 7) All entries must be the original work of the entrant and must not infringe the rights of any other party. The entrants must be the sole owner of copyright in all photographs entered and must have obtained permission of any people featured in the entries.
- 8) Entrants will retain copyright in the photographs that they submit. By entering the competition, all entrants grant to the BVNA the right to publish and exhibit their photographs in print on their respective websites or in any other media. No fees will be payable for any of the above uses. Further while we make every effort to credit photographers, including in printed reproductions of their work, we cannot guarantee that every use of the photographs will include the photographer's name.
- 9) Entries should be emailed to: _____ with the email header stating: **2011 BVNA National VN Week Best Photo Competition**. Each email should state the photographer's name, address, contact email and telephone number (both daytime and evening), the name and post nominals of the VN/VNs in the photo/s, where the photo/s was taken and any other information you feel is relevant.