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The three-day program will be held in the Hunter Valley region, at the [Crowne Plaza Hunter Valley.](http://www.crowneplazahuntervalley.com.au)  The venue is just over two hours north of Sydney and under an hour from Newcastle and accommodation will be available on site.  Stay tuned to our social media pages for updates.  http://aiam.org.au/resources/Pictures/2018/pexels-photo-64057.jpeg Presenters wanted We are currently inviting abstracts for presentation at the upcoming AIAM Workshops.  The event theme is **"Evolutionary Animal Management"**  Session themes will include (but not limited to);   * Research * Planning and initiatives * Legislation updates * Human psychology and behaviour * Companion animal psychology and behaviour * Stakeholder and industry relationships * Major incidents   To find out more about submitting an abstract, [go](http://aiam.org.au/resources/Documents/2018%20AIAM%20Workshops%20Call%20for%20Abstracts.pdf) to [www.aiam.org.au](http://www.aiam.org.au)  http://aiam.org.au/resources/Pictures/sponsors.jpgThe closing date for abstract submissions is 1/7/18. Sponsorship opportunities We couldn't do what we do without the generous support each year of our Workshop sponsors, member support partners and trade exhibitors.  There is high demand for products and services that support AMOs in the field. AMOs show keen interest in new, innovative or helpful Animal Management products and services.  If you are interested in sponsorship opportunities with AIAM, please contact our [President](mailto:president@aiam.org.au) at [president@aiam.org.au](mailto:president@aiam.org.au) for further information. http://aiam.org.au/resources/Pictures/2018/pexels-photo-613508.jpegLegislation updates A number of states have recently updated their animal management legislation.    In Victoria, there were recent changes to the Domestic Animals Act 1994 due to the [Domestic Animal Amendment (Puppy Farm and Pet Shops) Act 2017.](http://agriculture.vic.gov.au/pets/puppy-farm-legislation)  In South Australia, changes to the [*Dog and Cat Management Act 1995*](http://www.dogandcatboard.com.au/new-dog-and-cat-laws) have been and continue to be implemented.  In New South Wales, the [*Companion Animals Regulation 2008*](https://www.olg.nsw.gov.au/content/companion-animals-draft-regulation-2008-review-consultation) is currently under review. New award program announced AIAM is a proud silver rescue supporter of the [Jetpets](https://www.facebook.com/Jetpets/?fref=mentions) [Companion Animal Rescue Awards](https://www.facebook.com/rescueawards/?fref=mentions).  [Pets4life](https://pets4life.com.au) is pleased to introduce the inaugural companion animal rescue awards to recognise and celebrate the most inspiring examples of rehabilitation and re-homing of companion animals Australia wide.  http://aiam.org.au/resources/Pictures/2018/32214939_1026075424184148_4813952186062995456_n.jpg“Every animal deserves a good life, not a life of existence. That’s where rescue groups come in; giving pets a second chance,” said Cathy Beer, pet rescue advocate and founder of Pets4Life, an independent education resource for cat and dog guardians and those thinking of getting a pet.  “Thanks to the great work done by rescue groups and animal shelters, the rate of companion animals being adopted or fostered by Australians has increased over the years,” said Cathy.  “These awards celebrate their hard work and success in giving companion animals a second chance in a loving home! We thank our sponsors for their support!”  For updates on the awards program please visit [www.rescueawards.com.au](http://www.rescueawards.com.au)  (Photo of Cathy Beer with two dogs credited to Jenny Bridge.)  http://aiam.org.au/resources/Pictures/00.jpg Memberships due soon Membership renewals will be sent out soon and are due by **30 June.**  Renewals will be sent out shortly via email.   If you have any membership questions, please email our Membership Coordinator [membership@AIAM.org.au](mailto:membership@AIAM.org.au) Social Media Don’t forget to share the AIAM [Facebook page](https://www.facebook.com/AIAMInc) and [Twitter account](https://twitter.com/AIAM2013) with your colleagues.  It’s a great way to keep up to date with what is happening and share information. We look forward to seeing you joining in the conversation.  https://gallery.mailchimp.com/04c323e32ae654b2a0bf74552/images/bde73e97-7e1b-45e4-a647-6804de865d34.jpg https://gallery.mailchimp.com/04c323e32ae654b2a0bf74552/images/ef375971-7131-4867-9919-8836adf7cc40.jpg | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Australian Institute of Animal Management, PO Box 1015, Northam, Western Australia 6041 [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/AIAMInc) • [Twitter](https://twitter.com/AIAMORG)  [Unsubscribe](http://aiam.org.au/Sys/Unsubscribe?et=fOmR1uWpLjDWcm9HmhaP5HDIHEezxw2KXQ7GKvYHOfD%2fEGSWhCRhmFqKyKmWiri5PBk87lk7x3pP3ITaAavyOA9OqqehjP5XgASfl2XrS5UWEb1YRpzPwv3Ii2XZvxXWN05ptJMRQi7EhDLtGunoRaK6dfQ%3d) | | | | |