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Curriculum Vitae

1967–1972 Royal Veterinary College, University of London
Degree: Bachelor of Veterinary Medicine

1972–1973 Voluntary Service Overseas, Kenya

1973–1974 London School of Economics and Political Science, University of London
Courses in Logic, Scientific Method, Economics and Politics.
(Interest in social justice and science and society.)

1974–1980 Travelling in Africa, N America and Europe. Work in various UK mixed and small animal practices. One year as part time zoo veterinarian.

1980 Travelled to Australia

1981 Opened mixed practice in Riverstone, Outer Western Sydney.

1982 Opened small animal practice Quakers Hill, Outer Western Sydney

1983 Opened small animal practice Richmond, Outer Western Sydney

1985 Opened small animal practice South Windsor, Outer Western Sydney

Mid to late eighties became increasingly aware of pandemic of periodontal disease.

1989 Visited British Small Animal Veterinary Association conference where Dr Lysander Mygiakis, Thessalonica, Greece, introduced me to the writings of James Lovelock FRS (and subsequently the writings of Professor Lynn Margulis).

1989 Lecture at AVA HQ *The 21st Century Environmental Revolution: Preserving a Veterinary Role* (Suggested that veterinarians and the Australian Veterinary Association should become proactive in environmental matters.)

1991 Lecture delivered at Veterinarians and the Environment, AVA Annual Conference, Sydney

1991 August. Submitted Oral Disease in Cats and Dogs to *Control and Therapy*.

1991 November met with Drs Breck Muir and Alan Bennet. Discussed the state of pet health and the roles of the veterinary profession and pet food industry.

1991 December Oral Disease in Cats and Dogs published in Post Graduate Foundation *Control and Therapy*

1992 Published article in *Control and Therapy* entitled: *Raw Meaty Bones Promote Health*.

(Raw meaty bones became the name of the lobby group and a byword for natural feeding and raw feeding activism.)

1992 Lecture at AVA HQ, *Pandemic of Periodontal Disease: a Malodorous Condition*.

1992 Following the poor reception of the *Pandemic* lecture became almost full-time researcher and writer on diet-induced ill health of pets — the veterinary clinics being run part-time and staffed by various young associates.

1993 First of several TV and radio interviews. First time Dr Breck Muir and I stood for election to the AVA Board.

1993 March. Feeding vs Nutrition: Have we lost the plot in small animal dietetics? published in *Australian Veterinary Practitioner* 23(1)

1993 June. University of Sydney evening lecture (in association with PGF Veterinary Dentistry course) *Bloodletting, Bar Firing and Veterinary Dentistry: A case for extraction*.

1993 September. Massey University Veterinary School lecture: *Pet Foods' Insidious Consequences: A modern veterinary SNAFU*

1994 Cybernetic Hypothesis of Periodontal Disease in Mammalian Carnivores published in *Journal of Veterinary Dentistry* 11:1

1995 Periodontal Disease and Leucopenia published in *Journal of Small Animal Practice* 36, 542-546

1996 Australian Veterinary Students Association Annual Conference lecture: *Periodontal Disease: The pet food industry, veterinary profession and you.*

1998–2001 Concentrated efforts on researching and writing the book *Raw Meaty Bones: Promote Health*

1999 Presentation to Australian Society of Periodontology Annual Conference on Periodontal Disease and Systemic Health entitled: *Periodontal Disease and the Penitentiary: Wherein lies the connection*

2001 August. Published *Raw Meaty Bones: Promote Health*

2001 August. *The Australian* and *The Sun Herald* newspapers wrote articles and had photos in readiness for publicising the launch of *Raw Meaty Bones*. Both newspapers failed to publish their articles and failed to give reasons. *The Sun Herald* published, in the designated edition of the newspaper, an ‘advertorial’ for the Mars Corporation.

2001 *Raw Meaty Bones* gets rave reviews

2002 Raw Meaty Bones lecture tour: University of Western Australia Extension, Germany, UK and USA

2003 American Veterinary Medical and Legal Association publish review. Lecture and media tour of New Zealand, including appearance on prestigious NZTV program ‘Face to Face with Kim Hill’. Lectures in UK, Germany and six week evening course at Emory University Extension, Atlanta, Georgia, USA.

Tom Lonsdale lives in South Windsor, NSW. He has three sons, no wives and one donkey. He is a member of the Australian Veterinary Association, British Veterinary Association, British Small Animal Veterinary Association, Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons and Whistleblowers Australia.