

Universities Federation for Animal Welfare



Science in the service of animal welfare

Spring 2023

Welcome

Welcome to UFAW's Spring Newsletter 2023. As you will see, the newsletter has taken on a slightly different format this year as part of our continued commitment to sustainability. Moving to a smaller newsletter decreases the amount of paper used for printing as well as reducing postage costs, ensuring that more of our funding can be used for *Science in the Service of Animal Welfare*.

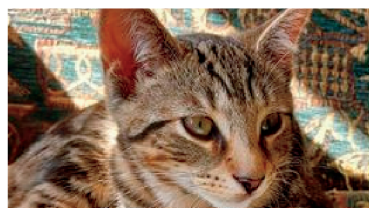
To ensure that you don't miss out on the latest news and updates, we are pleased to announce that we'll soon be starting a more regular email newsletter. Please do make sure we have your correct email by visiting our website at ufaw.org.uk/uptodate or providing your details on the Spring Appeal reply form. You can also keep up to date with our latest news via our website and social media channels.

I hope you find this update interesting and informative. Thank you for your continued support of UFAW.

Dr Huw Gollidge
CEO & Scientific Director



Advancing Animal Welfare Science 2023



As part of our ongoing commitment to improving animal welfare through a scientific understanding of animals' needs and how these can be met, UFAW is organising an online conference on 20-21 June 2023. This will be a fantastic chance to hear about the latest developments in Animal Welfare Science, including two fascinating keynote lectures:

- **Dr Beth Ventura**
(University of Lincoln, UK)
Animal welfare: The elephant in the room is us
- **Professor Lars Chittka**
(Queen Mary, University of London, UK)
Bee sentience and its welfare implications

To find out more or to register, please visit: ufaw.org.uk/ufaw2023

Spring Appeal 2023

We are passionate about supporting the careers of animal welfare scientists globally and sharing the latest animal welfare science knowledge with all those who can make use of it, to drive real-world animal welfare advancements.

Your contribution to our Spring Appeal will enable us to offer more learning opportunities to individuals who may not have access to resources, thereby helping them to enhance their animal welfare knowledge. The funds raised will be used to provide subsidised registration for individuals to attend the UFAW Online Animal Welfare Conference 2023 in June.

If you would like to donate to the 2023 Spring Appeal, kindly visit ufaw.org.uk/springappeal, or complete the enclosed reply form.

Thank you for your support.

Animal Welfare Journal

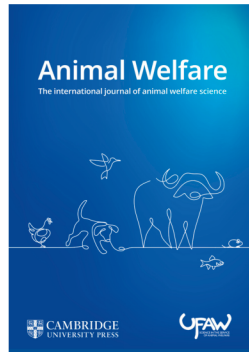
As of January 2023, UFAW's official journal, *Animal Welfare*, transitioned from a subscription-based publishing model to become a Gold Open Access journal published with Cambridge University Press (CUP). This move ensures that all future papers published in the journal are freely available to anyone, helping us to reach a wider audience.

The archive of the journal has now transferred to CUP. Most journals that convert to Gold Open Access will not open up their archive content. However, CUP have made the last two years of the archive Open Access for a limited time, so these issues can be freely accessed by anyone via the new journal website:

cambridge.org/core/journals/animal-welfare/all-issues

To access other papers in the archive, you should first check whether you have access to the archive content via your library if you are affiliated with an institution. As a reader, you can purchase access to a non-open access article or issue via pay-per-view on Cambridge Core, and institutional libraries can purchase the Digital Archive.

The full journal archive will be freely accessible to all individual UFAW members who are up-to-date with their membership fees, and this is the easiest and cheapest way to gain access to the archive. Further details will be available soon. If you are not yet a member of UFAW, please visit ufaw.org.uk/join.



Animal Welfare Student Scholarship meeting 2022

The UFAW Animal Welfare Student Scholarships (AWSS) scheme provides funding for students to pursue animal welfare research projects. Since the scheme began in 1983, there have been over 450 scholars, many of whom have gone on to careers in research or animal welfare.

The annual meeting, held online in December 2022, gave scholars the opportunity to present their research to their peers and answer questions about their work. The meeting included high quality presentations from scholars based in Germany, Uganda, Austria, Canada and the UK.



Helen Zobrist from the University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna, Austria was awarded The Ruth Harrison Student Scholarship for her project on the effects of boredom on farmed pigs. Given in memory of Ruth Harrison, the author of *Animal Machines*, this Scholarship is awarded to a high-quality project addressing the welfare of farmed animals.

Council News

2023 Annual General Meeting (AGM)

This year's AGM will be held on the afternoon of Wednesday 15 November 2023 at the Mothers' Union, Mary Sumner House, 24 Tufton Street, London, SW1P 3RB. Full details of the time and business of the meeting will be sent to members in due course.

Notification for election to Council at the 2023 AGM

In accordance with Article 46 of the Constitution, members' nominations for election to Council at the AGM must reach the UFAW office between 6 September and 4 October 2023. Further information is available from the UFAW Secretary.

Council changes at the 2022 Annual General Meeting

Dr Alick Simmons stood down from his role as a member of the council. Dr Emily Craven MRCVS, Mrs Paula Junqueira, Dr Dorothy McKeegan and Mrs Emma-Louise Singh were elected to council.

How you can help

UFAW is an international independent scientific and educational animal welfare charity and membership organisation. UFAW's vision is a world where the welfare of all animals affected by humans is maximised through a scientific understanding of their needs and how to meet them.

Your support will enable us to fund groundbreaking scientific research, support the careers of animal welfare scientists, and disseminate crucial knowledge about animal welfare science to both experts and the wider public.

Please help us to make even bigger strides in animal welfare science by donating, becoming a member of UFAW, or leaving a legacy.

Thank you.
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