



## THE VETERINARY DEER SOCIETY CONFERENCE

April 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> 2009

The Queens's, City Square, Leeds LS1 1PJ tel. 0845 0345 777

### Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April: 10.30 – 11.00 ARRIVAL – COFFEE

**11.00 – 11.50** Relationships between rank related behaviour and antler growth in deer.

*Prof Ludek Bartos, University of Prague, Czech Republic*

**11.50 – 12.30** Contraception in wild boar – lessons for deer managers

*Giovanna Massei, Central Science Laboratory*

**12.30 – 13.10** Bovine tuberculosis in wild English deer – a recent survey

*Andy Paterson, Veterinary Adviser, DEFRA TB programme*

### **13.10 – 14.00 LUNCH**

**14.00 – 14.40** Allosuckling in farmed red deer: Adaptive or non-adaptive behaviour?

*Prof Ludek Bartos, University of Prague, Czech Republic*

**14.40 – 15.20** Japanese approaches to deer management

*Edward Dyson, Japan*

**15.20 – 16.00** How Santa is killing our reindeer & what we can do about it

*Tilly Smith, The Cairngorm Reindeer Company, Aviemore*

**16.00 – 16.40** The success of the muntjac: the part played by the ruminal papillae.

*Norma Chapman, Bury St Edmunds*

**16.40 – 17.20** Research into tick-borne diseases of deer

*Richard Birtles, Liverpool University Veterinary School*

**17.20 – 17.30** Ingestion of foreign bodies by fallow deer – why do they do it?

*Norma Chapman, Bury St Edmunds*

### **17.40 – 18.30 VDS AGM**

### **20.00 CONFERENCE DINNER**

### Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April:

**09.30 – 10.05 Farming deer in a recession – Richard Elmhirst**

**10.30 Depart by car to Round Green Deer Farm processing plant & abattoir, Barnsley  
By courtesy of Richard and Jenny Elmhirst**