

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### EDUCATION, QUALIFICATIONS and AWARDS

2015 Ceva Animal Welfare Awards, *Chris Lawrence Vet of the Year 2015*  
2002 Assessor and Verifier Series, National Standards of Training and Development, *D32/D33*  
1978 Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons, *Member [M.R.C.V.S.]*  
1978 Royal Veterinary College, University of London, *B.Vet.Med. [Distinction in Veterinary Medicine]*  
1978 Royal Veterinary College, University of London, *Coleman Prize*  
1978 Royal Veterinary College, University of London, *James McCunn Memorial Prize*  
1977 University of London, *University Laurel.*

### MEMBERSHIP

British Veterinary Association, British Small Animal Veterinary Association, British Veterinary Zoological Society, European Association of Zoo and Wildlife Veterinarians, World Association of Wildlife Veterinarians, World Small Animal Veterinary Association, IUCN SSC Conservation Breeding Specialist Group, Society of Biology, and the Rare Breeds Survival Trust.

### EMPLOYMENT

1988-pres. **Zoo and Wildlife Management Consultant**  
1, Clos de Petit Etat, Sous les Courtils, Castel, Guernsey, GY5 7HT, Great Britain  
*[Working internationally as an independent veterinary consultant, advisor and mentor. Animal rescue; animal care and welfare; leisure concepts and masterplanning; facility design and management]*

1988-pres. **Partner, The Vetcare Centres**  
Rue des Eturs, Castel, Guernsey, GY5 7DT, Channel Islands, Great Britain.  
*[private mixed-animal veterinary practice]*

1987-1988 **Project Director, King Khalid Wildlife Research Centre**  
NCWCD, PO Box 61681, Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.  
*[seconded by Z.S.L. to establish and manage this respected Centre. John left the project due to illness from which he has completely recovered]*

1985-1987 **Manager, Doha Zoological Gardens**  
Doha Municipality, PO Box 820, Doha, State of Qatar.  
*[seconded by Z.S.L. to establish and manage this new national zoo]*

1979-1985 **Veterinary Officer - Regent's Park Zoo**  
The Zoological Society of London (Z.S.L.), London NW1 4RY, United Kingdom.  
*[responsible for the clinical care of the Society's animal collection in its Regent's Park Zoo (London), as well as providing back-up veterinary support for its collection at Whipsnade Park]*

1979-1985 **Veterinary Assistant – Kynock and Logan**  
Forge Court Veterinary Centre, Reading Road, Yateley, GU46 7RX, United Kingdom.  
*[private mixed-animal veterinary practice]*

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### ALLIED RESPONSIBILITIES and CONSULTANCY

- 2019-pres. **Chairman of the Executive Board, The White Lion Foundation**  
PO Box 75633, London, W2 7WF, United Kingdom  
*[A charity registered in both England & South African working globally on wildlife conservation and welfare]*
- 2000-pres. **President and General Committee Member, Guernsey Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (GSPCA)**  
Les Fiers Moutons, St. Andrews, Guernsey, GY6 8UD, Great Britain.  
*[A charity registered in Guernsey and established in 1873, we are affiliated to the R.S.P.C.A.]*  
Guernsey Community Foundation Award, **Charity of the Year 2016**; Ceva Animal Welfare Awards, **Special Recognition Award 2017**
- 1997-2019 **Senior Veterinary Consultant, The Born Free Foundation (BFF)**  
Broadlands Business Campus, Langhurstwood Road, Horsham, West Sussex, RH12 4QP, United Kingdom  
*[veterinary advisor, animal rescue, animal care and management consultant]*
- 1989-2004 **Toovey Lane Consultants Limited, (Director, 1989-1998)**  
Ashcroft, Ashley Green, Chesham, Bucks HP5 3RB, United Kingdom  
*[zoo and aquaria design and management, wildlife management, leisure concepts and planning]*  
British Consultants and Constructors Bureau, **British International Expertise Award 2002 (Highly Commended)**
- 1984-1989 **Consultant, World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF-International)**  
*[giant pandas - including establishing the research centre, and supervising the welfare and research work on captive giant pandas at the Wolong Reserve (Sichuan, China). Also, developing collaborative studies with field workers, Chinese zoos and colleagues internationally]*
- 1982-pres. **Trustee and Executive Board Member, Anglo-Italian Society for the Protection of Animals (AISPA)**  
30-34 New Bridge Street, London, EC4V 6BJ, United Kingdom  
*[A charity registered in England funding domestic and wildlife welfare projects, including kennels and catteries in Italy]*

Research interests have included: reproduction, growth and development; population genetics; epidemiology and control of disease; as well as wildlife conservation and development. Whilst working for ZSL I became an Official Zoo Inspector. I have contributed to more than twenty papers published in peer reviewed journals.

I have a particular interest and expertise in zoo design and management. I have worked on more than fifteen zoo projects internationally, including the masterplanning and design of 'Africa Close-Up' and 'Africa Park' at the Al Ain Wildlife Park (Abu Dhabi); masterplanning the Taronga Western Plains Zoo (Dubbo, Australia) together with its 'African Safari' concept development, and the design of its 'Wild Asian Wetlands' exhibit that includes the greater one-horned rhino exhibition and breeding facility. All the zoo design projects I have worked on have sought to provide an exceptional visitor experience whilst promoting education, conservation, animal welfare and sustainability.

I am regularly consulted by animal welfare organisations internationally: investigating health, management and legislative issues, as well as overseeing wild animal rescue missions. I was the responsible veterinarian in the international team put together by Born Free for the rescue and rehabilitation of two bottlenose dolphins, Tom and Misha in the *Back to the Blue Project* (2010-2012). I have advised several NGOs on British and European animal welfare legislation. With IFAW and the Moscow Zoo I organised and ran the first International Zoo Veterinary Conference (Moscow - Nov 2001).

I frequently work with and feature in the media, promoting animal welfare, zoo and wildlife management, and the work of the veterinary profession.

In addition to the countries mentioned above, I have worked professionally in: Abu Dhabi; Algeria; Canada, Dubai; Egypt; Ethiopia; France; Georgia; Germany; Holland; Indonesia; Jamaica; Kuwait; Lebanon; Liberia, Libya; Malawi; Pakistan; Portugal; Russia; South Africa; Spain; Turkey; USA and Zambia.