



Raise the Perch
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Raise the Perch: Never Stop Learning

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Raise the Perch is an initiative of the Thuringowa Bird Club in the hope that we can share valuable knowledge in the ongoing Health and Wellbeing of your lifetime companions.

I would firstly like to introduce Dr. Ingrid Danylyk-Huisman who is our Avian Veterinarian located here in Townsville. The main areas she will be covering will be Nutrition, Reproduction, Wing Clipping, Microchipping and Enrichment.



Dr. Ingrid Danylyk-Huisman's passion for birds, exotic and wildlife medicine developed while employed as a registered veterinary technician in the avian/exotic service at the University of Guelph in Canada (1990-2005). Working under the tutelage of Veterinary specialists and was responsible for teaching final year veterinary students bird and exotic veterinary skills and managed the Wild Bird Clinic. During this time she had the opportunity to treat numerous bird (parrots, song birds, owls, raptors and eagles) and exotic patients (rabbits, ferrets, guinea pigs, rodents and reptiles) in emergency and general practice, at the same time studying part time at the university to obtain a bachelor of science in Wildlife biology.

With a growing interest in bird medicine, and a desire to obtain a veterinary degree, she was advised by professors that there was no better place in the world than Australia to study birds!

Dr. Ingrid obtained her veterinary degree from Murdoch University in 2009. Since then has practiced small animal and avian /exotic medicine with experienced veterinarians to gain valuable knowledge. In 2014, become eligible to obtain Memberships by examination from the Australian/New Zealand college of Veterinary Scientists in Avian Health. From there on in has provided veterinary medicine and surgery for birds, rabbits, rodents, ferrets and reptiles exclusively.

We are very excited to see that she has accepted a position at JCU-Vet and look forward to seeing her expanding the avian/exotic and wildlife service at the University.

