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Wildlife Disease

Association

# What is at Stake?

Public Health  
(Emerging Diseases  
and Zoonoses)



**Wildlife Diseases**

Wildlife and  
Environmental  
Health (Biodiversity  
and Conservation)

Domestic  
Animals and  
Agricultural  
Health

# Who are the Members?

- Biology and veterinary students
- Wildlife managers
- Zoo veterinarians
- Wildlife researchers
- Public health experts
- Agricultural health experts
- Natural resource agencies
- Zoos



***Our mission is to acquire, disseminate, and apply knowledge of the health and diseases of wild animals in relation to their biology, conservation, and interactions with human and domestic animals***



# Annual Conference

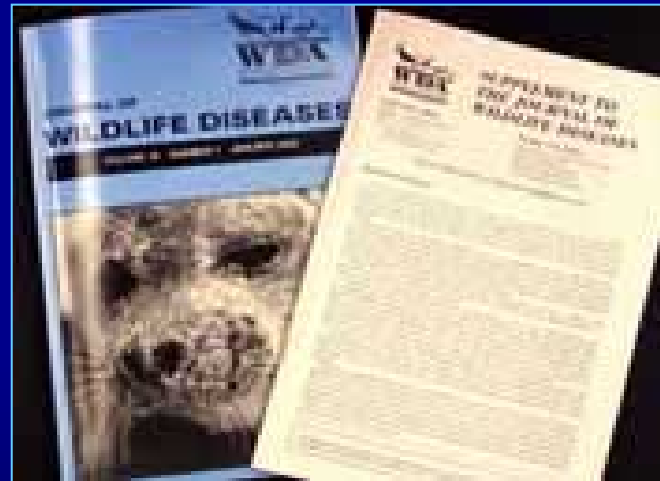
- 2007 - Estes Park, CO, USA
- 2006 - Storrs, CT, USA
- 2005 - Cairns, QLD, Australia
- 2004 - San Diego, CA, USA
- 2003 - Saskatoon, SK, Canada





# JOURNAL OF WILDLIFE DISEASES

<http://www.jwildlifedis.org/>



Supplement to the Journal of Wildlife  
Diseases

# Association Website

- WDA Information
- Student Education
- Wildlife Employment & Training Opportunities

[www.wildlifedisease.org](http://www.wildlifedisease.org)



# Student Involvement

- The WDA has a long history of strongly promoting and supporting students in their educational goals involving wildlife health issues.
  - Reduced membership fees
  - Student mixer at conference
  - Student on council
  - Student awards
  - Student mentoring by fellow members



Terry Amundsen Student  
Presentation Award,  
Saskatoon, CA, 2003

# Student Chapters - Objectives

- Educate students interested in wildlife health and disease about
  - The profession and career opportunities
  - Job qualifications and education
  - Externships, volunteer, and research opportunities

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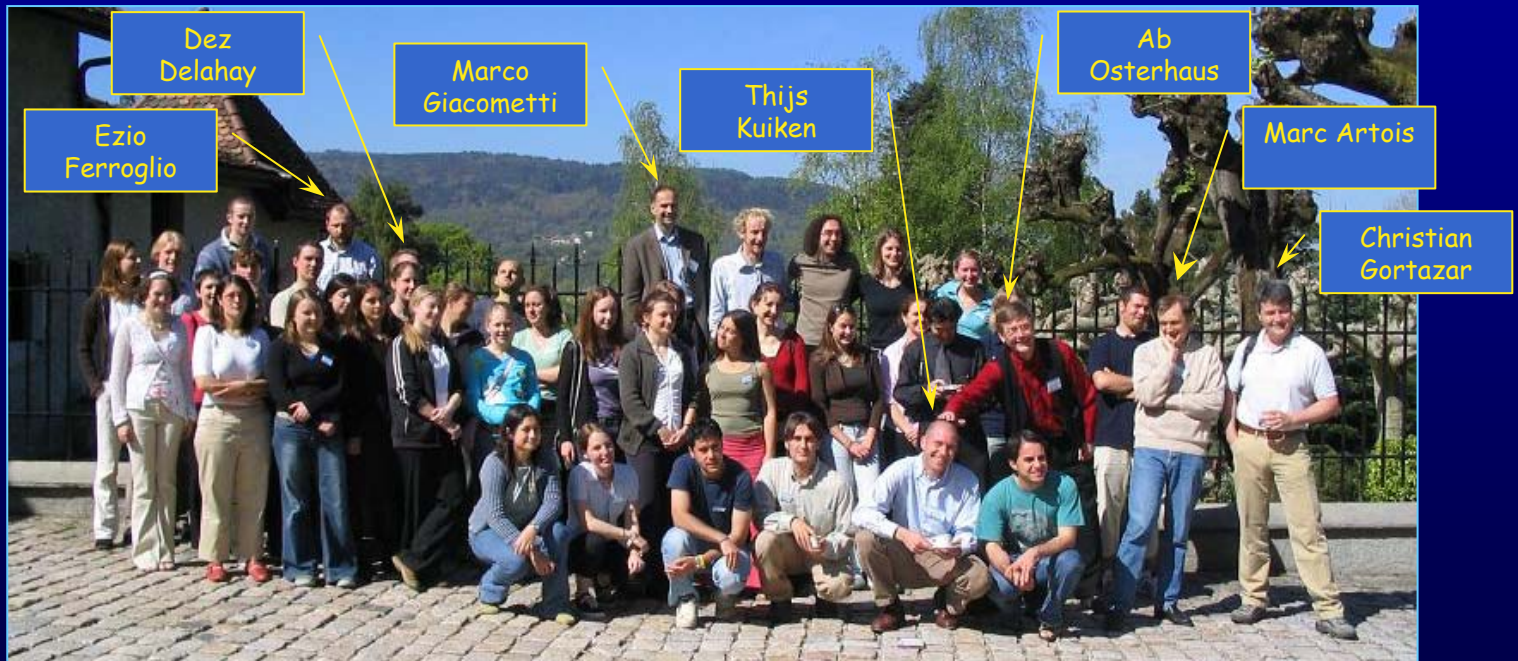
- Enhance the skills of students interested in wildlife health and disease through
  - Lectures
  - Workshops
  - Conferences
  - Field trips
- Connect students interested in wildlife health and disease to mentors in WDA through the faculty advisor and guest lecturers

# What's Involved?

- **FACULTY ADVISOR** - each chapter must have a faculty advisor who is a current member of WDA
- **OFFICERS** - officers are to be selected by members of the chapter
- **MEMBERSHIP** - student chapters are composed of undergraduate, graduate, professional students interested in the field of wildlife diseases.

# What Can You Get Out of It?

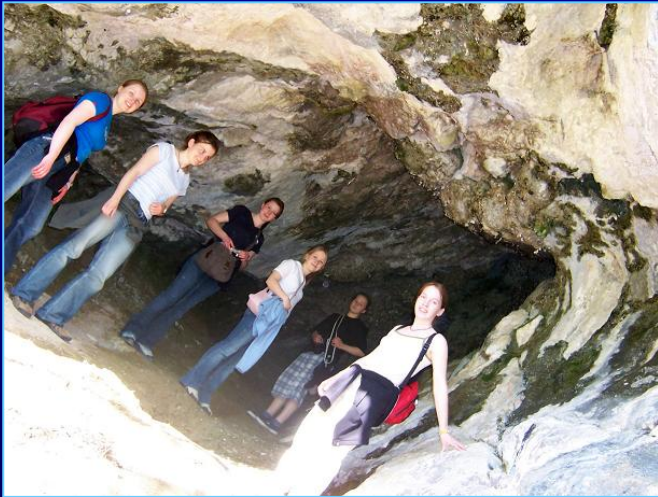
- Invite and meet renowned WDA scientists to lecture chapter members and have fun



First EWDA Student Workshop, Veyrier-du-Lac, France, April 2005

# What Can You Get Out of It?

- Learn from the field



Natural cave, Reserve of the Roc-de-Cher, Echarvines, France



Seal Rehabilitation Center of Pieterburen, Zeehondencrèche, the Netherlands

# How to Get Started

- Find out more on the WDA website  
[www.wildlifedisease.org](http://www.wildlifedisease.org)
  - Student heading
    - student chapters
- Questions?  
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