



Dr Tom Lonsdale Biography.

Dr Tom Lonsdale graduated from the Royal Veterinary College, University of London in 1972.

In 1980 he moved to Australia and in 1981 opened the first of a small cluster of veterinary clinics in outer western Sydney.

In 1991, Dr Lonsdale blew the whistle on the junk pet food/veterinary/animal welfare alliance via a newsletter article: [*Oral Disease in Cats and Dogs*](#). It also marked the beginning of Tom's thirty-year campaign for improved pet health, accountability of the global veterinary profession and exposure and possible prosecution of the junk pet food industry.

In 1993 the University of Sydney Post Graduate Committee in Veterinary Science commissioned Tom to write the [*definitive article*](#) on preserving the dental and consequent general good health of pets. The published article contains a lawyer's opinion on the potential jeopardy of veterinarians and others arising from their promotion and sale of industrial 'foods' for pets.

From 1991 Australian veterinarians, animal welfare agencies and junk pet food producers can no longer claim 'ignorance' of the junk pet food devastation. And in any case 'ignorance' is no excuse at law.

Despite the evidence, despite the warnings veterinarians, animal welfare agencies and junk pet food producers have doubled down on their previous conduct. And nowadays they seek to denigrate the essential requirements for carnivores to rip, tear and chew on whole carcasses covered with fur, fins and feathers or the second-best, pragmatic option raw meaty bones.

Arising from veterinary negligence leading to a vacuum in leadership and regulatory control and scientific integrity, veterinary 'science' has been debased. Veterinarians provide a protective cordon around the junk pet food industry and a global army of profiteers have prospered with their loud pronouncements and junk raw products.

Dr Lonsdale's books, *Raw Meaty Bones: Promote Health, Work Wonders: Feed Your Dog* *Raw Meaty Bones* and *Multi-Billion Dollar Pet Food Fraud Hiding In Plain Sight*; and his websites www.thepetfoodcon.com and www.rawmeatybones.com provide essential dietary advice for all pet owners and their veterinarians.

Equipped with vital pet health, consumer protection and scientific information readers are empowered to make a difference for their pets, themselves and the wider community.

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Timeline

1967–1972 Royal Veterinary College, University of London Degree: Bachelor of Veterinary Medicine

1972–1973 Voluntary Service Overseas, Kenya

1973–1974 London School of Economics and Political Science, University of London
Courses in Logic, Scientific Method, Economics and Politics.

(Interest in social justice and science and society.)

1974–1980 Travelling in Africa, N America and Europe. Work in various UK mixed and small animal practices. One year as part time zoo veterinarian.

1980 Travelled to Australia

1981 Opened mixed practice in Riverstone, Outer Western Sydney.

1982 Opened small animal practice Quakers Hill, Outer Western Sydney

1983 Opened small animal practice Richmond, Outer Western Sydney

1985 Opened small animal practice South Windsor, Outer Western Sydney

Mid to late eighties became increasingly aware of pandemic of periodontal disease.

1989 Visited British Small Animal Veterinary Association conference where Dr Lysander

Mygiakis, Thessalonica, Greece, introduced to the writings of [James Lovelock FRS](#) (and subsequently the writings of [Professor Lynn Margulis](#)).

1989 Lecture at AVA HQ The 21st Century Environmental Revolution: Preserving a Veterinary Role (Suggested that veterinarians and the Australian Veterinary Association

should become proactive in environmental matters.)

1991 Lecture delivered at Veterinarians and the Environment, AVA Annual Conference,

Sydney

1991 August. [Submitted Oral Disease in Cats and Dogs](#) to Sydney University Post Graduate Committee newsletter Control and Therapy.

1991 November met with Drs Breck Muir and Alan Bennet. Discussed the state of pet health

and the roles of the veterinary profession and pet food industry.

1991 December [Oral Disease in Cats and Dogs published](#) in Post Graduate Committee Control and Therapy

1992 Published article in Control and Therapy entitled: [Raw Meaty Bones Promote Health](#).

(Raw meaty bones became the name of the lobby group and a byword for natural feeding and

raw feeding activism.)

1992 Lecture at AVA HQ, [Pandemic of Periodontal Disease: A Malodorous Condition](#).

1992 Following the poor reception of the Pandemic lecture became almost full-time researcher and writer on diet-induced ill health of pets — the veterinary clinics being run

part-time and staffed by various young associates.

1993 First of [several TV](#) and [radio interviews](#). First time stood for [election to the AVA Board](#).

1993 March. [Feeding vs Nutrition: Have we lost the plot in small animal dietetics?](#) published

in Australian Veterinary Practitioner 23(1)

1993 June. University of Sydney evening lecture (in association with PGF Veterinary Dentistry course) [Bloodletting, Bar Firing and Veterinary Dentistry: A case for extraction.](#)

1993 September. Massey University Veterinary School lecture: [Pet Foods' Insidious Consequences: A modern veterinary SNAFU](#)

1994 [Cybernetic Hypothesis of Periodontal Disease in Mammalian Carnivores](#) published in

Journal of Veterinary Dentistry 11:1

1995 [Periodontal Disease and Leucopenia](#) published in Journal of Small Animal Practice 36,

542-546

1996 Australian Veterinary Students Association Annual Conference lecture: [Periodontal](#)

[Disease: The pet food industry, veterinary profession and you.](#)

1998–2001 Concentrated efforts on researching and writing the book Raw Meaty Bones: Promote Health

1999 Presentation to Australian Society of Periodontology Annual Conference on Periodontal

Disease and Systemic Health entitled: Periodontal Disease and the Penitentiary: Wherein lies

the connection

2001 August. Published [Raw Meaty Bones: Promote Health](#)

2001 August. The Australian and The Sun Herald newspapers wrote articles and had photos

in readiness for publicising the launch of Raw Meaty Bones. Both newspapers failed to publish their articles and failed to give reasons. The Sun Herald published, in the designated

edition of the newspaper, an 'advertorial' for the Mars Corporation.

2001 Raw Meaty Bones gets rave reviews

2002 Raw Meaty Bones lecture tour: University of Western Australia Extension, Germany, UK and USA

2003 American Veterinary Medical and Legal Association publish [review.](#)

Lecture and media tour of New Zealand, including appearance on prestigious NZTV program

[‘Face to Face with Kim Hill’](#). Lectures in UK, Germany and six-week evening course at Emory University Extension, Atlanta, Georgia, USA.

2004 Lecture tour of UK and USA. [Time magazine article](#), [Today Tonight TV segment](#).

[Statement made in NSW State Parliament](#) concerning expulsion of Dr Lonsdale from membership of Australian Veterinary Association ‘This is the action of a kangaroo court. It is

a disgrace.’

2004 [Nominated for College Prize of the Australian College of Veterinary Scientists](#)

2004 [UK Parliament Early Day Motion 335 Processed Pet Foods and Vets](#) ‘applauds and recommends the work of veterinary surgeon Tom Lonsdale’.

2005 Lectures University of Western Australia Extension.

2005 [UK Parliament Early Day Motion 1003 Raw Meaty Bones Group](#): ‘acknowledges the Evidence and analysis in the book Raw Meaty Bones by Tom Lonsdale’.

2005 [Work Wonders: Feed your dog raw meaty bones](#) receives rave reviews. Australian

launch at Woodford Folk Festival, Woodford, Queensland.

2006 Lectures and media appearances in UK, Belgium, Holland, China. Presentation for Members of UK Parliament.

2006 Listed in [Who’s Who in Medicine and Healthcare](#).

2007 [Junk Pet Food And The Damage Done](#)
Nexus Vol 14 No 6 October/November 2007 ([View abridged published version](#))

2008 [Sefi’s Ear Discharge](#)
Control & Therapy Series, Sydney University, Centre for Veterinary Education. Paper accepted and re-accepted several times prior to final rejection, November 2008.

2008 [Blowing the whistle on the pet-food industry/veterinary/fake animal welfare racket](#)

Whistleblowers Australia, 2008 National Conference and AGM
December 6 and 7 at University College, University of Melbourne. (poster)

2011 [Raw Meaty Bones: Essential food for working K9s](#)
K-9 Cop Magazine September/October 2011

2011 [Effects of gum disease in working dogs](#)
K-9 Cop Magazine December 2011

2012 [Effects of gum disease on sense of smell](#)

K-9 Cop Magazine Jan 2012

2012 [Feeding A Raw Diet For The First Time](#)

First published in Raw Instincts Magazine Vol1 Issue1 2012

2014 [Commenced Freedom of Information actions against Australian veterinary schools.](#)

2014 [Most Supportive Vet nominee questionnaire](#) [Check List of 'Maker's instructions'](#)

Master Dog Breeders and Associates 2014 Award

2014 [Proposed lecture at Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons EBVM conference Oct 2014](#)

2018 Raw meaty bones essentials, University of Sydney, Centre for Veterinary Education, [Control & Therapy Series – Number 5682, Issue 291](#) June 2018

2018 [Kevin Conolly MP, statement in NSW State Parliament](#)

2018 [Submission to Australian Senate Inquiry on Safety of Pet Foods](#)

2022 Retired from clinical veterinary practice. Continues writing and lecturing.

2023 Dr Lonsdale's new book, [Multi-Billion-Dollar Pet Food: Hiding in Plain Sight](#), published. [Work Wonders: Feed Your Dog Raw Meaty Bones](#) and [Raw Meaty Bones: Promote Health](#) republished with new covers.
Audiobook versions of all three books released.