

Forthcoming Events

We are planning to hold a meeting in late winter on "Late Pregnancy and Foaling in the Mare". The meeting will consist of a short talk followed by a question and answer session. We will post invitations to our clients who we know have mares in foal this year. If you are interested in attending and do not want to be missed off the invite list, please call our office or e-mail us at office@equine-vet.co.uk

Our annual Horse Owners' Meeting will be held in spring. Invitations and further details will be included with our Spring Newsletter. We will shortly be deciding the topics to be included so if anyone has any particular requests or suggestions please contact us.

2009 Worming Plan

Our recommended worming programme for 2009 is now available. You can view it on our website or call in to our office to collect a free copy. "Worming buckets" including all the wormers and worm egg count kits your horse will need in 2009 can be made up on request to our office.

Half Price Visit Dates Jan - Mar

JAN	FEB	MAR	Area	Postcode of Stables
13 th	10 th	10 th	Darwen, Tockholes, Hoddlesden	BB3,
5 th & 16 th	2 nd & 20 th	2 nd & 20 th	Accrington, Oswaldtwistle, Church, Huncoat	BB5
21 st	18 th	18 th	Ribble Valley West (Mellor, Clayton le Dale)	BB2
14 th	11 th	11 th	Ribble Valley East (Clitheroe, and Gisburn)	BB7
12 th & 27 th	9 th & 24 th	9 th & 31 st	Burnley, Brierfield, Barrowford, Briercliffe,	BB9, BB10, BB11, BB12
20 th	17 th	17 th	Rawtenstall, Haslingden, Waterfoot, Rossendale	BB4
7 th	4 th	4 th	Great Harwood, Rishton, Clayton-le-Moors, Blackburn	BB6, BB1
23 rd	27 th	27 th	East Preston	PR3
26 th	23 rd	30 th	Ramsbottom, Edenfield, Bury and Rochdale	BL0, BL9 / 8 OL11/13

Please note: The reduced charge applies to visits between 9am and 4pm which have been booked at least 2 days in advance. Visits will be arranged on a first come first served basis and



Winter Newsletter



Merry Christmas

To all our clients

"We wish you and your horse a happy and healthy 2009"

Tel 01254 888600

www.equine-vet.co.uk

Special Offer - £5 Visits in Jan & Feb

We have a superb offer of visits for only £5 during Jan and Feb when we see **three horses or more** on the same yard. Each owner will be charged £5 for their share of the visit so if you own all 3 or more horses the total visit fee will be £5.

The offer applies to weekday visits between 9am and 5pm booked at least two days in advance. We need to see three or more horses on the same premises for any chargeable treatment (such as vaccinations, dental work and health checks)

If you are planning to arrange a visit for your horse, it is well worth asking others on the yard to see if their horse needs any treatment so you can qualify for a £5 visit

Practice News

Adam nominated for Vet of the Year

Our vet Adam Pawson has been nominated for Petplan Veterinary Awards "Vet of The Year" for 2009. Well done Adam!

Diagnostic Imaging Course

All our vets regularly attend courses to keep their knowledge and skills fully up to date. Sarah recently attended a course at Leahurst Equine Hospital on diagnostic imaging, including the latest techniques in radiography and musculo-skeletal ultrasound scanning.

More New Dental Equipment



We have been very busy with dental work recently and in order to make sure that each vet has access to all the equipment they need, we have invested in a third motorised diamond burr. We are able to offer a wider range of dental services than "Equine Dentists" with the peace of mind that all work is carried out by fully trained qualified vets using the latest equipment. Our routine rasping starts at £19.57 inc VAT so our charges are lower than many "Equine Dentists" as well.

VAT Rate Change

We wish to let you know that we have passed on the price reductions on **all** our fees and items subject to VAT thanks to the recent VAT cut to 15%. Our Health Plan monthly charges are not subject to VAT and therefore remain unchanged.

Free Vaccinations and Wormers During National Vaccination Month

During March 2009 we will be offering free vaccinations against tetanus and flu for horses starting or re-starting vaccination courses.

The offer is open to horses over 12 months of age which as unvaccinated or more than 3 months overdue for a booster.



An initial visit for the first vaccination must take place during March and the second visit for the next vaccination must be done before 30th April. The first vaccination is charged at our standard rate (£13 + VAT for tetanus only or £24 + VAT for flu and tetanus) and includes a free health check. The second vaccination will be given free of charge along with a free Vectin wormer. All visits will be charged at our normal rates (from £14.50 + VAT).

We expect our Half Price Visit days to be booked up early for March so make sure you book an appointment soon if you would like to take advantage of this great offer. The dates of Half Price Visits in March are shown overleaf. Please see our website for further details.

Special Offer on Mud Rash Products

It's the time of year again when mud rash is rife. In order to help you prevent your horse from becoming a victim, we have reduced the price of some of our preferred products for mud rash prevention. Everyone purchasing one of the products will receive a free Mud Rash advice sheet giving information about the condition and tips on how to avoid and treat it.

Vetguard antimicrobial shampoo **£5.50**

Protocon disinfectant barrier cream **£5**

Keratex Mud Shield Powder **£6**

Equimins antiseptic udder cream **£4**



All prices include VAT. Offer ends Jan 31st 2009. Items subject to availability.

Little Snodworth Farm & Livery

Near Langho



- Large floodlit outdoor ménage
- New indoor stables with automatic drinkers
- Year round turnout
- Friendly atmosphere
- Farm ride and nearby local bridlepaths
- Free monthly vet visits
- Ample grazing paddocks
- Situated a short drive from Blackburn, Clitheroe and Accrington but in pleasant countryside surroundings
- Full, part and DIY livery from £28 per week
- 24 hour CCTV security

Telephone Christine on 01254 248674 or 07711 391034

Brownhill Farm Stables

Brownhill, Blackburn



- Small friendly yard
- Outdoor school
- All year turn out
- Free monthly vets' visit
- DIY to full livery
- Haylage and straw available
- Caravan with brew making facilities
- 10% off at The Stable tack shop for all liveries

Ring Carol on 07887 976819

Longsight Stables & Tack Shop

A59 Near Langho



- Friendly, family run livery yard
- On-site tack and equestrian clothing shop
- Indoor school
- Two outdoor schools
- Extensive summer turnout paddocks
- DIY, part and full livery available
- Free monthly vets' visit
- 24 hour CCTV monitoring and secure tack room
- 24 hour supervision
- BHS approved yard

Ring Susan Barker on 01254 240443 or see www.lonasightstables.co.uk

Wiswell Hall Farm

Near Whalley



- Small and quiet yard run by experienced and professional staff
- Individual requirements catered for
- DIY and full livery
- Large loose boxes and high quality haylage
- Sand paddock
- Large, well managed pastures
- Quiet country lanes and access to miles of bridleways
- Free monthly vets' visit

Telephone Jane on 01254 823260

Carr Side Equestrian

Near Chipping



- 45 x 24m indoor arena with wax surface, state of the art lighting and viewing gallery
- 20 large Monarch stables with rubber floors and automatic drinkers
- Wash stall & solarium
- Heated tack room & lockers
- Changing rooms, toilets, shower and common room
- Horse walker
- Large pastures and individual paddocks
- Miles of scenic local bridleways
- Free monthly vet visits
- Full and part livery plus holiday and training available
- Facilities available for hire

Telephone Alison on 01995 61590 or 01995 61770

Manor House Farm

Rishton



- Well constructed stables of various sizes with automatic waterers
- Large floodlit ménage (Silica sand and fibre mix surface)
- Off road hacking
- Wagon / trailer parking and large car park
- Winter turnout
- Excellent summer grazing with large, secure, segregated paddocks
- 24 hour supervision
- Free monthly vets' visit

Telephone Alison on 07734 976505 or 01254 884347

Northcote Stud Near Langho



Telephone Richard or Janet on
01254245116 or 07721559380
Or see northcotestud.com

- 60m x 30m indoor arena with "Prowax" surface
- 60m x 45m outdoor arena
- 14' x 14' airy loose boxes with talk grills, auto drinkers, swivel mangers & hay bars
- Small post & rail paddocks for turnout.
- Individual - double tack rooms
- Hot water horse showers & solariums.
- Hydrotherapy horse spa
- Zamar cold therapy & equissage machine, magnetic rug & leg wraps
- Toilets, showers & changing area for clients
- Ample car & horse box parking.
- CCTV, fire alarms, 24hr on-site supervision

Tockholes Stables (Hoofers Equestrian Ltd) Tockholes



Ring Quinn on 07917 757371 or see
www.liverystablesblackburn.com

- 19 Stables of various sizes all with Quattro matting and automatic drinkers. Some with integrated tack rooms
- Heated "Riders room" with fridge, microwave and hot water
- All weather 40m x 20m arena with floodlighting and audio
- Covered Monarch horse walker
- Year round turnout in well fenced paddocks
- CCTV security
- Miles of off road hacking
- Free monthly vets' visit

Crow Wood Equestrian Royle Lane, Burnley



Ring Wayne, Yard Manager on
01282 471906 or see
www.crowwood.com

- 12 x 12 Monarch boxes with automatic water bowls and integrated haylage racks
- Washroom and solarium
- Secure tack rooms, customer rest area with vending machines and toilets. Laundry and rug room.
- Horse walker and secure grazing paddocks
- 24 hour CCTV monitoring
- All-weather gallop, cross country course and trail rides
- Two outdoor arenas (20x40 and 22x62) and indoor arena (22x40)
- On site parking for lorries / trailers
- Full livery by dedicated experienced staff
- BHS approved yard



LIVERY YARDS SUPPLEMENT 2008

In the past ten years the number of livery spaces available in the area has increased tremendously as many new yards have opened and existing yards have expanded. At one time, a decent riding arena was a luxury but almost all yards can now offer one (and sometimes two or three). With a better choice than ever, how do you decide where is best to stable your horse?

As well as considering the size and quality of available stables and the facilities such as availability of riding arenas, turnout sand paddocks and horse walkers, there are other things you should consider. From a veterinary viewpoint, we like to see yards with suitable isolation facilities in case of any infectious disease, a structured worming plan and a yard vaccination policy. You should also consider the safety of turnout paddocks (type of land and fencing), stable ventilation and drainage and the experience / qualifications of yard staff and managers. In the next few years it is likely that livery yards will have to be inspected and licensed by the local authority. Some yards already have approval with the British Horse Society. A list of these can be found at www.bhs.org.uk

Higher Feniscowles Farm Pleasington, Blackburn



Telephone Janet on 01254 201954

- Small yard with personal attention
- Many small individual turnout paddocks
- Morning feed and All Year Turnout included
- Floodlit sand school
- Sodium security lights
- Cross country track and pleasant parkland hacking
- Two large stables (24' x 12') available
- Free monthly vets' visit