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Autumn Newsletter

If you would prefer to receive future newsletters by e-mail, please let us know on our updated website www.equine-vet.co.uk. You can now order our fact sheets on-line as well.



Passports for Foals

All foals born before 1st July this year must have a passport by the end of the year in accordance with the new passport legislation. Foals born after 1st July need one by the time they are 6 months old.

To get a passport, you should obtain a registration form from the society with which you wish to register the foal then contact us to arrange for the identification chart to be completed.

New Measuring Pad

Our new measuring pad at the Martholme surgery has now been inspected and approved by the Joint Measurement Board. The JMB commented that the pad was one of the best in the region because it is fully enclosed and free from distractions so horses can relax fully prior to being measured.

Horses Visiting our Surgery

If you wish to save the cost of a visit, we are happy to accept horses at our premises by appointment for vaccinations and dental work. There is plenty of parking and turning for trailers and horseboxes



New Stallion at Holden Fold Stud for 2006



"Santana"

5 year old black Oldenburg by "Sandro Hit"
Visit www.holdenfolddressage.com for detail

A Visit Shared is a Visit Halved

We know from the popularity of our half price visit days that everyone is keen to save money on visits. By sharing a visit with other clients on your yard, the cost is split so if you are arranging a visit it is well worth speaking to other people on your yard first to see if anyone else needs the vet.

As an added incentive, we will waive your share of the visit fee if you introduce a new client to the practice and they share the visit. So if there is anyone on your yard without a vet, speak to them before arranging a visit and save yourself some money.

Caring for your Mare during Pregnancy



We recommend the following measures to help give your mare a trouble free pregnancy:

1. Herpes virus vaccination at 5, 7 and 9 months of pregnancy to guard against the most common cause of abortion.
2. An ultrasound scan at around 100 days gestation to check that the foal is developing normally and is still alive.
3. Supplementation with a specially formulated vitamin and mineral supplement such as Top Spec No.3 in late pregnancy unless the diet already contains all the required minerals.
4. A Pre-foaling check over and tetanus booster 4-6 weeks before her due date to ensure the foal has adequate tetanus antibody transfer from the colostrum.

Please call in for our new fact sheet if you require any further information

Aldington Equine Dental Service

We offer a comprehensive dental service to horses throughout Lancashire. Our service includes all routine treatments that Equine Dental Technicians (EDT's) can offer plus additional services which they cannot provide; with the reassurance of sedation or analgesia should your horse require it.

With routine rasping from £17.63, our prices are comparable to qualified EDT's and for the next three months we will give a 20% discount on all dental work, if more that five horses are treated on the same yard at the same time (When pre-booked in advance).

As there are no EDT's based in Lancashire we can see no benefits of calling in a "dentist" rather than calling us.

New Practice Equipment



In the past month, we have added to our extensive equipment by purchasing a new Laser unit and an automatic X-ray processor.

The Laser will be used to promote rapid wound healing and help to reduce unsightly swellings such as capped hocks and splints.

The automatic processor will enable us to develop X-rays in a matter of seconds and it will help to speed up lameness investigations at our surgery



Half Price Visits Dates Oct - Dec

Oct Dates	Nov Dates	Dec Dates	Area	Postcode of Stables
3 rd	31 st Oct	5 th	Darwen, Tockholes, Hoddlesden	BB3
5 th 21 st	2 nd 18 th	7 th 16 th	Accrington, Oswaldtwistle, Church, Huncoat	BB5
26 th	14 th	19 th	Ribble Valley West (Mellor, Clayton-le-Dale)	BB2
26 th	25 th	30 th	Ribble Valley East (Clitheroe and Gisburn areas)	BB7
12 th 24 th	9 th 28 th	14 th 28 th	Burnley, Brierfield, Barrowford, Briercliffe, Cliviger, Nelson	BB9, BB10, BB11, BB12
10 th	7 th	12 th	Rawtenstall, Haslingden, Waterfoot, Rossendale, Bacup	BB4
7 th 19 th	4 th 16 th	2 nd 21 st	Great Harwood, Rishton, Clayton-le-Moors, Blackburn	BB6, BB1
14 th	11 th	9 th	East Preston	PR3

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 some dates may be booked up well in advance.