



SPRING PADDOCKS EQUINE  
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## NEWSLETTER • AUTUMN 2019

### CLINIC NEWS

With the varied weather we've been experiencing this summer, we have been seeing a different cohort of cases for this time of year. Despite a rush of laminitis cases early in the season, there have not been too many more over the last few months, thankfully. This is because of owner diligence and awareness of the effect of lush grass growth with the wet, warm weather.

The Clinic facilities at Spring Paddocks continue to be invaluable; treating and monitoring intensive medical cases, hospitalising horses with difficult wounds which need daily Veterinary intervention and complicated lameness investigations which require follow up treatment.



### WORMING ADVICE

The importance of "**Responsible Worming**" is discussed widely in the equine world because of the huge impact of wormer resistance on the health of the nation's horses. Thankfully, testing for a wide range of worms has become easier over the past few years.



Most people are aware of the importance of carrying out regular **Faecal Worm Egg Counts** throughout the grazing season, however it is only recently that testing for other types of worms has become more accessible.

A high **tapeworm** burden carries a significantly increased risk of colic, but tapeworm saliva test kits are cost-effective and easy-to-use. We can supply these and the lab results are then automatically sent to us to report to you, the owner. This enables you to get a personalised Veterinary plan depending on your horse's individual worming needs.



In addition, **encysted equine redworms** are very dangerous to health (causing fatal diarrhoea in severe cases). Normally a moxidectin-based product such as 'Equest' is advised during the Winter months to treat these worms. We are excited to now be able to offer a **brand new blood test** for these encysted redworms. The aim of this blood test is to identify high and low risk horses, and worm accordingly- therefore reducing the over-use of these vital wormers.

Don't forget to LIKE us on Facebook and FOLLOW us on Instagram for all



the latest news, offers and interesting cases!



# DENTAL CARE

## **NOVEMBER IS DENTAL DISCOUNT MONTH!**

We advise sedation in the majority of horses when routine dental work is undertaken.

Light sedation allows our Vets to fully assess and treat any issues such as sharp hooks on the teeth which can be very painful. Although some horses will tolerate this without any sedatives, most horses are more accepting when sedated. Should more extensive dentistry be required this can be identified and a treatment plan discussed at this examination.

This very popular package includes **ANY REQUIRED SEDATION + ROUTINE RASP**

**£60 per horse** (when Dental Discount Month offer carried out on 2 or more horses)

**£65 per horse** (when Dental Discount Month offer carried out on 1 horse)

*Prices include VAT. Payment must be made at the time of visit, or full fees will apply.*

Our **Equine Veterinary Acupuncture** service is proving incredibly popular, and we've been delighted with the results so far. This complimentary therapy is useful in a wide range of conditions such as **muscular stiffness, referral pain** from lameness and even **headshaking**.

It has also been valuable during the busy season for a number of **competition horses** to keep them comfortable and performing well. Please keep an eye on our Facebook page for some acupuncture case studies.



### **Are you a YARD MANAGER / OWNER?**

- Do you want to ensure your biosecurity policy is up-to-date?
- Need to know the current advice on vaccinations?
- Want to pick up some useful information to pass on to your liveries?

If so, we would like to invite you to our next evening talk;

#### **"Effective Yard Management"**

Tues 21<sup>st</sup> Jan @ 7pm

Spring Paddocks Equine Clinic

Tickets are FREE but must be booked in advance (please phone 01926 612937)

# CHRISTMAS QUIZ & SUPPER

## **Have you organised your Yard Christmas "do" yet?**

Our ever-popular **CHRISTMAS QUIZ AND SUPPER EVENING** will be held at 7pm on Tues 10<sup>th</sup> December at Stoneleigh Village Hall (CV8 3DG). We will also be incorporating some CHRISTMAS BINGO to keep you all on your toes!



There will be a range of questions suitable for everyone, so gather a group of friends from your yard or riding club and book your tickets! There is a fantastic prize on offer for the winners, as well as for the "Best Dressed" team!



Max 8 people per team. Cost £8 per person (including supper). **Tickets must be booked and paid for in advance.** If you'd like to attend as an individual / pair / small group, please let us know and we will add you to a team.