

CASTLE VETERINARY GROUP FARM NEWSLETTER JUNE '15

New ONE-DOSE BVD Vaccine

Bovela is a brand new BVD vaccine which requires only a single dose startup followed by an annual booster. **We will be holding an on-farm meeting with more information at the beginning of July (details to follow).**



Vaccine is however already available for next day delivery so please speak to Jo or Sami on 01566 772371 if you need to vaccinate before July.

We can offer the following prices for payment on collection:

25 doses - £100.94 Ex Vat

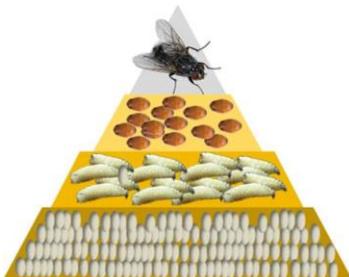
5 doses - £20.18 Ex Vat

TB Testing Letters

When your herd TB test is due APHA are automatically sending out letters asking you to contact xL Farmcare to book your test in. Please disregard this and continue to contact us in the normal way. It is advisable to contact us as soon as you receive your letter as we quickly get booked up.

Why you should be treating for flies NOW

The adult flies you see make up just 15% of the total population on farm. Don't delay your treatment until there are large numbers of flies as by this point there will be many eggs and larvae. We have already had farmers reporting cases of fly strike.



Treat now before the population explodes and think about re-treating every 4 weeks.



Spotinor treats the following:

Cattle 10ml dose – treats flies and lice. Meat withdrawal 17 days. Milk 0 hours.

Sheep 5ml dose, Lambs under 10kg or 1 month of age 2.5ml dose – treats blowfly strike, lice, ticks and keds. Meat withdrawal 35 days.

Spotinor can be ordered in on request at the following Cash Sale prices:

250ml = £30.63 Ex Vat

500ml = £ 52.30 Ex Vat

1 litre = £93.96 Ex Vat

2.5 litres = £208.29 Ex Vat

Nematodirus Alert!



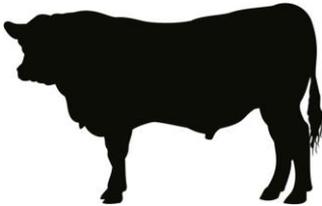
The red zones show areas currently at risk of Nematodirus:



This gut worm causes profuse scour and sudden death in grazing lambs. Protect from Nematodirus by not grazing fields used by lambs last spring. Where this is not possible the treatment of choice remains white Group 1 wormers. Bring a dung sample into Sami 10 days after treatment so she can check for Teladorsagia (another gut worm) which may be resistant to the white wormer.

Half the herd

Fertility testing bulls is now recognised as a sensible precaution before turning the bull in with the cows. We recommend checking bulls 2 months before their intended use. This gives you time to source and test a replacement and still not upset your future calving pattern.



For those of you fresh to the procedure this is what we require

- A bull (or bulls)
- A crush capable of restraining the bull and to allow safe access under the belly of the bull for collection of a sample
- A table or flat surface that can be positioned close to the crush, out of the wind so a microscope can be set up for examination of the sample.
- Electricity for the microscope.

We charge £89.98 Ex Vat for the first bull tested and £67.49 Ex Vat for each extra bull test on the same visit. If you have a lot of bulls to test we can discuss a half day or day rate.

The following products can be ORDERED IN on request:

Dairy, Beef & Sheep Farmers

Zanil (contains Oxyclosanide) – Oral Drench will treat adult liver fluke

Withdrawal:

Cattle Meat and offal: 28 days.

Milk: 72 hours

Sheep Meat and offal: 28 days

SPECIAL CASH PRICE
5 litres = £76.50 Ex Vat



Dairy Farmers

Eprizero pour on (contains Eprinomectin) will treat worms and lungworm

ZERO MILK WITHDRAWAL

May increase milk yield by up to 2 litres per cow, per day

SPECIAL CASH PRICES:

250ml = £21.42 Ex Vat

1 litre = £81.60 Ex Vat

2.5 litres = £178.50 Ex Vat

5 litres = £316.20 Ex Vat



Endospec 10% oral drench (contains Albendazole) will treat gutworm, lungworm, tapeworm and ADULT liver fluke with the added bonus of Cobalt and Selenium

Cattle fluke & worm dose: 1ml/10kg

SHORT WITHDRAWALS

Cattle - Milk 60hrs Meat 14 days

SPECIAL CASH PRICES:

2.5 litres = £47.57 Ex Vat

5 litres = £80.93 Ex Vat

10 litres = £111.46 Ex Vat



Grass Meeting with Katherine Daniel

The next grass meeting will be on

Wednesday 24th June 11am-3pm at

New Standon Farm, Bridestowe, Okehampton, Devon EX20 4ET by kind permission of the Taylor family.

Grass meetings are a Dairy Co. funded initiative and lunch will be provided.

New faces are always welcome.

If you would like more information or would like to attend please contact the surgery on 01566 772371.

