

CASTLE VETERINARY GROUP FARM NEWSLETTER JULY '15

In-House Testing of Dung Samples

How much dung?



We can test for gut worms, coccidiosis or salmonella with 10g of dung. For liver fluke or lungworm we require 50g.

Turnaround times are as follows:

Gut worms & coccidiosis – same day

Liver fluke & lungworm – 24hrs

Salmonella – 48hrs

BVD Ear Notch Testing



We can test for BVD antigen in-house to help identify **persistently infected (P.I.)** calves on your farm. These are animals that silently spread BVD throughout your herd. All that is required is for an ear notch tag to be applied which collects a small tissue sample. This is then tested in our lab by Sami, with results ready the same day. Calves of any age can be tagged and tested.

For more information on BVD please phone the surgery for a factsheet or ask to speak to a vet.

How many lambs can you afford to lose? - Abortion Vaccination for Ewes



Vaccines are available against Toxoplasmosis and Enzootic abortion in ewes. These should be given **at least 4 weeks before the**

rams go in. The two vaccines can be given on the same day. The pack sizes available are 20 doses and 50 doses.

We receive Toxovax deliveries once a week so please give as much notice as possible when ordering. Please be aware that it is a fragile vaccine with a very short shelf life of just 7-10 days. Please bring a cool bag with you to collect your order.

Zolvix & Startect Sheep Wormers

With increasing levels of resistance to sheep wormers it is important to vary the type of drug you use. Currently there is no known resistance to Zolvix (group 4 wormer) or Startect (group 5 wormer) in the UK. These can be particularly useful for weaned lambs or farms with triple resistance (to groups 1-3). These wormers are also perfect for quarantine drenching in conjunction with a preventative scab treatment.

Spotinor

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



Launceston Show 30th July 2015

We will once again be having a stand at the show and would be delighted to see you. We will have refreshments, competitions, and freebies for the kids. So please do come along and say hello.

Grass Meeting with Katherine Daniel

The next grass meeting will be on **Wednesday 29th July 11am-3pm** at Lower Town Farm, Latchley, Gunnislake, Cornwall. PL18 9AX by kind permission of the Nattle 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.