

NEWSLETTER

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LAMENESS SENSORS

We appreciate what our clients think about our services and we would like to share a few client testimonials with you relating to the use of The Equinosis Lameness Locator Sensors. These sensors allows us to pinpoint lameness in a quick, accurate and reliable way.

T.WILSON

I have had experience of the benefits of this lameness sensor equipment. We first asked Ricky to do the lameness workup with his machine last Spring. My daughter's horse had been turned away for the winter, and brought back in March 2017. As soon as he came into the yard, I was not happy about his gait, and mentioned this to my daughter. She insisted that he just needed his feet trimming, shoes put on and that once he had started work and was stronger, all would be well. Six weeks after his return to work I still was not happy even though the horse was not obviously lame.

We called Ricky to come and assess the horse. On inspection he agreed with me that there was something underlying, but it was not obvious on first inspection. Ricky suggested the lameness locator and we agreed. Rather than having to go through lengthy and costly scans, x-rays, Veterinary College visits etc Ricky was able to place the sensors on the horse when ridden and when not ridden and within 20 minutes had pinpointed the area causing the problem. The horse in fact had OCD in both stifles.

One other occasion was recently when one of my livery's horses was uneven. Ricky suspected Wobblers Syndrome, but also suspected there was another lameness issue. Again the Lameness Locator was used; within 10 minutes the area had flagged up. Ricky then scanned the joint and confirmed there was a problem with that too. Unfortunately, that horse was sent to the RVC and in the first instance Neurological examinations were carried out which confirmed Wobblers Syndrome and the horse was euthanised. However, if the Wobblers Syndrome had not been confirmed, the Veterinary Surgeon was on hand to investigate the joint that had shown potential problems by the Lameness Locator. I would always recommend this 'piece of kit' because in my experience it has been so precise, and cuts down on valuable time and, in turn, cost.

K.REID

This was the first time my horse had been lame and I was your typical worried horse owner. Ricky used the lameness sensors to carry out a lameness exam. The sensors were small, quick and easy to fit with no stress to my horse. The results were available within seconds and Ricky talked me through what they showed.

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The sensor data really helped to pinpoint where we then needed to nerve block; we were able to find the problem area on the second nerve block during the same visit, which was in his hock area. Without the sensors an issue this high up would have required more nerve blocks and at least a second visit. The level of detail produced was incredible, and really pinpointed the issues.

I was so pleased that in one visit we had pinpointed the issue and could start to move forward with a treatment plan.

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