

NEWSLETTER

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PASTURE MANGEMENT

Pasture Mangement plays a key role in maintaining control of equine parasite diseases and, in turn, helping to reduce wormer resistance. There are concerns about the spread of parasitic worm resistance to the anthelmintic drugs available to treat intestinal parasitism in horses; poo picking has never been more important!



WAYS TO IMPROVE PASTURE MANGEMENT

- Regularly remove horse droppings from your pasture (at least twice a week).
- Graze the pasture with cattle or sheep to 'clean up' deposited eggs and larvae and help weed control.
- Rotate/rest the paddocks to prevent overgrazing.
- Avoid overstocking
- Combine harrowing with resting.
- Horses within the same herd should be tested and treated at the same time, if treatment is required.
- New horses should be isolated, tested & treated (if required) before being introduced to the herd.

WORMING PROGRAMME

Use the right wormer at the right time of year following the appropriate testing to prevent treating your horse unnecessarily or with an inappropriate wormer. We now offer a worming programme within the practice for £65 which includes the following over a one year period: 3 FEC (faecal worm egg count) during the grazing season (Mar-Oct), 1 free retest of a FEC if resistance is suspected, 1 tapeworm saliva test, 1 small redworm blood test, advice on treatment, and email reminders when tests are due. Contact the practice for more information or to sign your horse up.

MICROCHIPPING

Is your horse microchipped? Under new laws introduced in 2018, from October 2020, all horses must be microchipped regardless of their age. Microchipping is a widely recognised method for identification of animals and, in horses, links the horse to its passport and other important information via the Central Equine Database. Contact the practice for further information or to book an appointment for your horse.

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The site for all your horse's needs



VISIT OUR SHOP



We have had a great response to our upcoming client event on Wednesday 11th March on Ulcer Awareness. Unfortunately all available spaces have been filled. For those attending we look forward to seeing you all at 7pm at Musette Cafe, Church Farm, HP23 5RS.

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