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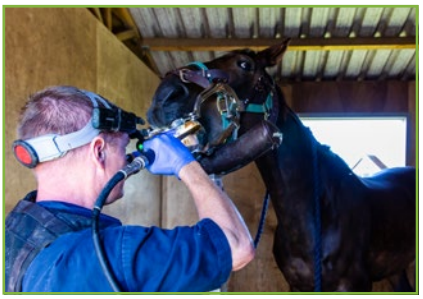
THE IMPORTANCE OF ROUTINE DENTAL CARE

WHY DO HORSES NEED DENTAL WORK?

Our domesticated horses generally need more dental attention than their wild/semi-wild counterparts.

This is because:

- They have different diets (less rough forage)
- They generally live longer
- The headcollar/bridle can press sensitive cheek tissue or the tongue against sharp enamel points.



WHAT'S GOING ON IN YOUR HORSE'S MOUTH

Horses are born with all of the teeth they're ever going to have; their teeth constantly erupt. Therefore, they need regular monitoring/attention to ensure they are not causing a problem as they do so.

-Horses generally have a marginally wider upper jaw compared to their lower jaw. Therefore, they commonly get sharp enamel points on the inside of their lower cheek teeth and the outside of their upper cheek teeth even if they have perfectly normal anatomy. These sharp points can cause ulcers and discomfort to the tongue and cheeks.

-As their teeth erupt, especially in older horses, they can be prone to gaps in their teeth (diastema) which, if left unattended, can cause gum disease.

-Horses are often very good at masking pain (due to being prey animals) so they can often be in dental discomfort without their owner realising.

DON'T WAIT UNTIL THERE'S A PROBLEM

Dental pain and difficulty eating can lead to: Discomfort, weight loss, behavioural and/or performance issues, choke and colic in more severe circumstances.

Regular dental checks are encouraged, whether they are advised to be annually, 6 or 3 monthly, as a key aid in preventative healthcare.

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