

# December Newsletter 2017

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*We'd like to wish all our clients a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!*

## Christmas Holidays

During the Christmas period we will be closed on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> December for the Christmas holiday and then on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2017 for the New Year break. In cases of emergency please do not hesitate to call our Emergency line on 01873 852391.

## Dates For Your Diary – December

3<sup>rd</sup> – SWHP Christmas Open Day 11am-3pm  
10<sup>th</sup> – Y Fenni & District Christmas Jumper dressage, Usk College  
12<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> – Olympia Horse Show, London

## A sad passing....

We are sure that most of our clients will have heard the very sad news of the passing of Jenny MacGregor. Jenny died peacefully on 6<sup>th</sup> November at home surrounded by her family. Abbey Equine has proudly worked with the SWHP and Jenny for the last 26 years and we will all miss her very much. The charity will now look to the future working alongside Redwings horse charity to keep Jenny's legacy going.

## Calendars On Sale Now

We have been overwhelmed by all the lovely pictures we have received for the calendar competition entitled "Wales Through the Horses Ears". We had over 50 fantastic entries! Sadly we can't pick everyone's but offer a big thank you to everyone who entered. We have now chosen the 13 winners and the calendars are now in stock priced at £8, with a donation made to SWHP, they make excellent stocking fillers! Please call the practice to reserve yours now!

## Wormer of the Month

Now it's time to give thought to treating the threat of encysted red worms. If you have covered for tape worm throughout the year then a single dose of Moxidectin (trade name Equest £14.39) or a 5 day Panacur Equine Guard £25 (weight dependent dose) will rid the horse of these potentially life threatening worms. If you have not treated for Tapeworm you can use Equest Pramox £21 and do both in one go (Moxidectin and Praziquantal). Both Equest and Equest pramox will cover your horse for 13 weeks. Give Karen a call at the surgery for offers on 10 or more wormers!

## Tetanus Vaccination – Buy One Get One FREE

This time of year sees us visiting horses for cuts, wounds, mudfever etc. If your horse has no tetanus cover, no matter how small the wound it is at a risk of contracting tetanus (an extremely painful, and expensive disease to treat and quite often fatal). Why not take advantage of our Tetanus Amnesty offer and protect your horse/pony for just £22.90 (plus call out) and get the second injection FREE of charge!

## Repeat Medication

May we remind clients to order their repeat medication a little earlier than usual please, due to the festive season.

## Equine Horse Health Plans

Stuck for a Christmas gift for your horsey friend or partner? How about purchasing an Abbey Care Equine Health plan which will cover their horse/pony's preventative health care for 12 months. From just £8 per month which includes a vaccination, faecal egg counts and exclusive discounts. For more information please give us a call or email [equine@abbeyvets.co.uk](mailto:equine@abbeyvets.co.uk).

## Bon Voyage Heather!

January sees us saying goodbye to our vet Heather Ferguson as she returns to Bonnie Scotland. It'll be pastures new for Heather as she settles down to a new job just outside of Edinburgh. We would all like to wish Heather the very best for her new job and impending wedding and thank her for all her hard work whilst she's been at Abbey Equine.

## Abbey Equine Results Service

If you and your lovely horse/pony have any show results to report in the next year, we would love to hear about it! Email your results and any pictures to [mandy.bartlett@abbeyvets.co.uk](mailto:mandy.bartlett@abbeyvets.co.uk) FAO Mandy and we will feature you on our Facebook page. We love seeing how everyone gets on and would like to celebrate your success with you!

## Joke Corner – Horses New Years Resolutions:

I will not lean on the farrier with all my weight,  
I will chew the paddock fence evenly,  
I will not rub the top of my tail so it will never look like a dead hedgehog again....