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World Veterinary Day

On the last Saturday of April each year World Veterinary Day is celebrated, dedicated to the veterinary profession and its contributions to society.

We are extremely proud to be an independent practice and have fantastic team of 10 dedicated equine vets who between them have many years of experience and a wealth of knowledge. We are also very lucky to have an amazing behind the scenes support network of Nurse/ Vet Techs, Admin staff and Receptionists that keep the practice ticking along.



Ben's Marathon Success

Last month Ben completed the London Marathon for Brooke - Action for Working Horses and Donkeys, for the 7th time!

Despite struggling with an injury in the week running up to the big day, he got round all 26.2 miles in a very impressive time and because of your ongoing generosity, managed to smash his fundraising target yet again this year. We want to say thank you all so much once again for your sponsorship, your support really is appreciated and makes all the hard miles worthwhile.

Practice Renovations

We understand it can be an anxious time for you leaving your horses at the vets and we are committed to providing the best possible care, so top-notch inpatient facilities has always been a priority to us. Last month we set about revamping our stables with the removal of the old rubber matting, a deep clean of the yard and the installation of the new floor and wall matting. This upgrade not only enhances the comfort for your horse but helps us to keep up the best possible standard on our yard.

Last year we spoke about the new land purchased at the front of the practice with the plan to create more parking space and paddocks. We are very pleased that the paddocks are now complete and are in use, providing individual turn out areas for those inpatients that require grazing & exercise.

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Once Monthly Gastroscope Clinics

We're thrilled to announce that due to the popularity of our gastroscope clinics, we have made the decision to continue offering these once a month at the practice. These offers days provide a saving of over £100 and are usually held on the last week of every month and dates will be advertised on our Facebook or available via calling the reception. The next date will be **Wednesday 29th May** at the reduced offer price of £185 including sedation - Stabling & any medication if required will be charged separately and its eligible for first time scopes only. Spaces are limited and pre booking is required.

Lily's Laminitis Webinar

We recently teamed up with SEIB Insurance Brokers and Dengie Horse Feeds for a live webinar to discuss the latest in Laminitis.

Our vet Lily Fraser discussed the endocrine driving forces behind laminitis, looked at PPID and EMS in more depth and why some horses are more prone to laminitis than others. Lily also talked through the diagnosis and management of PPID and EMS and what you can do as an owner when managing a horse or pony with laminitis along with treatment options. Dengie Nutritionist, Tracey Hammond shared their feeding advice and SEIB Insurance Brokers discussed the average costs. The webinar is available to watch back at your leisure via <https://youtu.be/bDfSo56kU6U?feature=shared>.

Spring Health Check Continues

We are continuing our discounted Spring 'MOT' for your horse into May. Whether you have a golden oldie, getting competition ready or have any general health concerns you could make a huge saving this month with any of our vets at your yard.

The cost of the Spring Health Check is £120 including VAT (excluding visit fees) and is also available on the half price visit days to help you save even more.

Plus, where 5 or more horses are being examined as part of the offer on the same yard, no visit fee will be charged.



Spring Health Check Offer

The health check includes:

- Examination of your horse's heart and lungs at rest
- Ophthalmoscopic examination of your horse's eyes
- Review of your horse's body condition score with the opportunity to discuss management and feeding
- Opportunity to discuss any health concerns with the vet
- Blood sample taken for haematology, inflammatory profile and to check for liver, kidney and muscle function.
- A faecal worm egg count



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