



Extra curricular activities;

Ben

Currently in the middle of the polo season, Ben is juggling work and polo. The Young horses are going well and allowed him to reach the final of his last tournament.

Sadly, however they lost in the final, despite having a two goal lead with 2 minutes to go!!



Linda

Can't quite match the sporting prowess of the rest of the team! She has been part of the Beaufort Pony Club volunteers managing the eventing teams and developing their training. Linda also spends a lot of time acting as "groom" for her two daughters at various events!



Laura

With baby number two, Laura is taking everything in her stride to the point baby Merlin is even attending the directors' meetings! Laura is also putting her maternity leave to good use bringing on her two young horses. In addition she's been providing event vet cover at competitions along with the rest of the team. She is now back at work with the horse's autumn season planned too!



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New Kit

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Over the last few months, we have updated our diagnostic kit. This is part of our constant re-investment to ensure we have the very best and most up to date pieces of equipment to help look after your horses.



X-ray

With the purchase of the Sprint System, we are now fully wireless; with a large plate and powerful generator we can gain the very best x-rays of the most tricky bits of your horse's anatomy straight on to our laptop. Not only is the system taking high quality images but we can take the images at twice the speed. Angela Jones currently holds the practice record for a vetting set of x-rays!

Ultrasound

Due to the sad exit of our old ultrasound machine, owing to much use, the clinic has dug deep to purchase our new machine. Our new ultrasound machine provides superb quality images. Whether it's Linda using the colour flow doplar to assess tendon healing or Em using the new rectal probe for repro work.



Angela recently attended an advanced course to ensure we all keep up to date with imaging even more detailed areas of our horses. The more we know about a problem, the more we can help.

Oroscope

As we are seeing more and more dental cases and undertaking much more advanced dentistry work to keep your equine athletes at the top of their game, we have purchased an excellent oroscope. This enables us to capture the best quality still and video images of the very depths of the equine mouth.





New Supplements in stock

Joint supplement - we are excited to announce that we are now stocking the Equine Elite joint supplement. It has one of the highest concentrations of active ingredients available (glucosamine and chondroitin). It is our belief that if you feel your horse needs a joint supplement, then use ours where each batch is tested to ensure it contains the correct levels of quality active ingredients to help keep your horse's joints healthy for longer.



Hoof supplement - Not all hoof supplements are the same. We advise a minimum level of specific ingredients for effective treatment of poor hoof growth. We are very confident that our supplement delivers what is needed, such that we offer a money back guarantee - please ask for details.

Summer issues

Laminitis - watch out for the grass flushes that come through with the summer weather. If your horse or pony is prone to laminitis then keep them on a reduced area and/or use a grazing muzzle. A sudden or even gradual increase in sugars from the grass can lead to a bout of laminitis. Monitor your horse's



weight weekly and, if possible, feel for digital pulses. Any suggestion of being foot sore should be seen to straight away so that the problem doesn't worsen. It may be something less sinister like a stone bruise or an abscess, but it's worth checking out just in case it isn't!



Keeping the flies at bay - Remember to watch out for those nasty midges. Sweet itch cases are far better prevented than treated.

If your horse is prone to sweet itch then keeping them stabled during high midge times is beneficial, i.e. dawn and dusk.



A good fly sheet with a head, neck and belly cover is recommended and there are various lotions and potions to help. If you need any further assistance on individual cases then please don't hesitate to contact us.



TAL Scheme - the success of the "Talk about Laminitis" campaign in terms of raising awareness and preventing laminitis by encouraging diagnosis and then treatment of Cushing's Syndrome means it's back until end of October 2017. This year we can also offer free lab test fees to monitor horses on treatment to check it is fully effective - please contact us for your free voucher code



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Em - Has been training all hours of the day for this year's Shrewsbury half Ironman. Em not only completed this very hilly course but finished 5th overall and 1st in her age group. We are all hugely proud of our Iron women and thanks to Caroline Hogg one of our long standing clients who has acted as personal trainer.



Angela - Carrying on with the sporting theme we are very proud of Angela for smashing her sprint triathlon in the beautiful Blenheim palace. Angela was keen to warn anyone wishing to undertake this that although the setting was beautiful the idea that it is an easy sprint is far from the truth. In July she also took part in "Sail 4 Cancer", when she joined a crew of 8 other sailors to sail 140 miles in a race against a group of cyclists, leaving London Bridge and finishing in Brighton...check out who won on our Facebook page!



Ali - Being one of the few selected Badminton horse trials vets Ali was very happy to have a fairly uneventful cross country day and was very pleased for Andrew Nicholson; what a result! She is now looking forward to spending a busy week at Horse of the Year Show where she is an attending vet in October.

