

## DECEMBER EQUINE NEWSLETTER

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# HAPPY CHRISTMAS TO YOU ALL FROM THE KFE TEAM!

## **RON'S FAREWELL**

It has come time for me to hang up my stethoscope after 37 years.

I moved to Cornwall when I qualified and worked a year in Newquay before moving to Bodmin to increase the number of vets to six ably supported by three lay staff who acted as nurses and office staff.

Things have changed greatly since then, I started as a mixed vet treating all species and over the last ten years, was treating large animals and horses as the need to specialise increased. The practice grew over the years and then the merger with Churchend and Pelyn followed by Dave Ellis' practice allowed us to split into large and small animal.

I leave with mixed feelings as I know the time is right, but I shall miss all the clients and animals that I have



worked with for so long.

However, I know that I am leaving the practice in good hands and that there is a strong team of enthusiastic young vets to take on my work and give you all a great service and drive on with new ideas.

I would like to thank you all as it has been a pleasure and honour to be your vet and treat your animals and I would like to thank all the staff old and new for all their support over the years.

Finally, I would thank Tracey and my family for being there and putting up with me and the job.



Christmas is around the corner but our chosen Charity are still crying out for help to look after their ponies.

With the cold weather, extra feed and hay is needed to help maintain their health and condition.

If you would like to make a donation please pop into the practice or should you wish to actually buy some food to help the charity please call W Richards & Sons on 01208 873288 or visit their facebook page to place an order. Every little really does help at this time of year.



# The Kernow Farm and Equine worm care package costs just

### £55 a year!

Let us take the worry out of worming, worms are kept under control helping to keep your horses healthy and active.

#### What's Included....

- Three faecal worm counts—to find out if your horse has worms or not.
- Worming and Pasture Management Advice— a vet will discuss the results of the worm counts and make recommendations for treatment based on your horses results
- One FREE Equest Pramox Wormer—to be given during the winter months.
- Discounted Wormers—if your worm count is positive you will get access to discounted worming products.
- Free worm egg count reduction tests

## FIREWORK SAFETY

### ITS THAT TIME OF YEAR WHEN LOTS OF PEOPLE ARE CELBRATING WITH FIREWORKS BOTH WITH ORGANISED AND PERSONAL DISPLAYS

### HOW TO KEEP YOUR HORSE AS CALM AS POSSIBLE:

- KEEP CALM—HORSES SENSE ANXIETY AND STRESS KEEP YOUR MOOD LOW
- KNOW TIMES AND DATES OF FIRE WORK
  DISPLAYS AND SPEAK TO NEIGHBOURS ASK
  THEM TO INFORM YOU IF THEY ARE PLANNING
  ON THEIR OWN DISPLAY. KNOWLEDGE IS KEYL
- KEEP YOUR HORSES IN THEIR NORMAT ROUTINE TO AVOID FURTHER STRESS
- FIRE SAFETY—ALTHOUGH ITS RARE TO HAVE ROGUE FIREWORKS DON'T BE CAUGHT OUT HAVE A FIRE EXTINGUISHER TO HAND
- USE DISTRACTIONS—GIVE PLENTY OF FORAGE, MAY SOME EXTRA TASTY TREATS LIKE A HANGING SWEED.
- CHECK YOUR HORSE REGULARLY
- RADIO—HANDY TO HAVE PLAYING IN THE BACKGROUND AS A DISTRACTION
- IF YOU FEEL YOUR HORSE WILL BE UNDULY
  STRESSED SPEAK TO YOUR VET ABOUT SOME
  POSSIBLE SEDATION

### INSURANCE CLAIMS

IF YOU WISH TO MAKE A CLAIM ON YOUR INSURANCE THERE WILL NOW BE A ONE OFF CHARGE (PER CLAIM) TO COVER ADMINISTRATION COSTS OF £15. THIS WILL INCLUDE VET TIME FILLING OUT PAPER WORK, IN-VOICES BEING SENT IN A TIMELY MANNER AND ANY QUERIES/CHASING UP TO THE INSURANCE COMPANIES DEALT WITH TO SAVE YOU THE STRESS.

### FIVE FOR FREE! AN EXCITING OFFER FOR KERNOW FARM AND EQUINE CLIENTS

If we examine, vaccinate or perform a dental examination and teeth rasp on **FIVE OR MORE** horses in your yard, **NO visit charge will be applied.** 



Please do not hesitate to call us on 01208 76403. Office hours 8.30am-5-30pm Mon-Fri and 8.30am-12pm Saturday and we have vets available 24 hours a day.





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