

FARM

News



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RED TRACTOR/FARM QUALITY ASSURANCE

Both of these schemes require health plans and antibiotic reviews to be completed by your vet. These reviews are an excellent opportunity to discuss how disease problems could be prevented on your farm and help reduce your antibiotic usage (and vet bills!) in the future.

Unfortunately these plans do take time for us to complete and we do now charge a fee. Please provide us with at least 2 weeks' notice of your inspection so that we can organise a suitable time for you.



COMPETITIVE PRICES FOR ROTAVEC

CORONA VACCINE

It is very important to vaccinate your cows before calving, to help prevent calf scour. The Rotavec Corona vaccine given to cows 3 weeks to 3 months before calving is a great help in trying to prevent Rotavirus, Coronavirus and E. Coli scours, with an adequate intake of the mother's colostrum.



Product Updates

There are a number of production issues with various intramammary tubes and antibiotic injections at the moment.

If you ring to order any of the affected products, we may substitute with the closest match or a similar product. If you have any questions about the product you have been given, or want to discuss which products to use, feel free to speak with any of the farm vets. Whichever product you receive we would ask that you **pay close attention to the withdrawal periods**, as some of the products are different. We hope the affected products will be back in stock soon and we will keep you updated when they return.

We have a new vet that joined our team at the end of January. His name is Maciek – Maciek is originally from Poland. We hope you all get to meet him soon in practice or out in farm 😊

We now have 5 Full time farm vets – Brian Keown, Sean O'Neill, Stephen Wilson, Nigel Edwards, Maciek Mateusz Ligus

We have Ina Doherty back 2 days a week and Kerrie Ann Ryan our small animal vet is doing 2 days a week

NEW BRANCH PRACTICE OPENING SOON JUST OFF TAMNAMORE ROUNDABOUT

Unit 5 Hamilton Park, Tamnamore Rd, Dungannon BT71 6HW

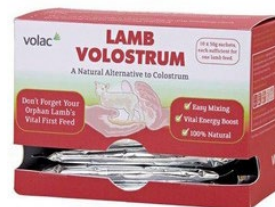
We will keep you all updated with the opening day.

Preparation for a successful lambing

– Cleanliness and colostrum is key!

Before the lambing starts you need to make sure the sheds are cleaned right back to the concrete and fresh bedding put down. Individual pens need to be cleaned out and disinfected between each ewe to prevent disease from spreading.

Colostrum checks – a lamb is born with no immunity of its own so you need to make sure the mother has colostrum and that the lamb gets it within 6 hours of life. If the mother doesn't have any you can use the powder colostrum available. A lamb needs a good 50ml of colostrum per kilo bodyweight.



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