



December Newsletter

Fluke Warning

Liver fluke disease remains a serious threat, with deaths due to acute disease, and ill thrift and poor production due to chronic disease. Conditions through the summer and autumn have remained very good for fluke and snail development. It is expected that infected pastures will remain a risk until at least the end of December, allowing acute fluke infections to continue into next year.

Housed cattle, which have been in for at least 6 weeks can be treated with the pour-on, "Closamectin" (Fluke and wormer). Outwintered cattle should also be treated, preferably with a product which is affective against immature fluke e.g. "Fasinex 240". Treatment may need to be repeated 4 to 6 weeks later. Sheep should ideally be treated with a product affective against immature fluke as well e.g. "Fasinex", but note to avoid the over use of any one drug can lead to problems with resistance.

Wormers and Fluke Treatments

A variety of wormers and fluke treatments for both sheep and cattle are available from the Practice at very competitive prices. Feel free to phone the Office for advice on worm and fluke control and save money at the same time.

Foal Identification and Identichipping

Please remember that foals need to have a passport and identichip before the 31st December the year they are born or within 6 months of birth, whichever is later.

Christmas Opening Hours

	Lampeter Office Hours	Surgery Times in Lampeter	Tregaron Surgery
Thursday 24 th December	Open 9am – 3pm	9 – 9.30am <i>Open Surgery</i> 1.30 – 2.30pm <i>Appointments</i>	Closed
Friday 25 th December	Closed	Closed	Closed
Saturday 26 th December	Closed	Closed	Closed
Sunday 27 th December	Closed	Closed	Closed
Monday 28 th December	Closed	Closed	Closed
Tuesday 29 th December	Normal 9am – 5pm	9 – 9.30am <i>Open Surgery</i> 1.30 – 2.30 <i>Appointments</i> 6 – 6.30pm <i>Open Surgery</i>	Closed
Wednesday 30 th December	Normal 9am – 4pm	9 – 9.30am <i>Open Surgery</i> 1.30 – 2.30pm <i>Appointments</i>	Closed
Thursday 31 st December	Normal 9am – 5pm	9 – 9.30am <i>Open Surgery</i> 1.30 – 2.30pm <i>Appointments</i>	Closed
Friday 1 st January	Closed	Closed	Closed
Saturday 2 nd January	Normal 9am – 10am	9 – 10am <i>Open Surgery</i>	Closed
Sunday 3 rd January	Closed	Closed	Closed

If you have an Emergency please Telephone the usual number: 01570 422322

All the Staff at Steffan Vets; Richard, James, Anne, Jim, Rhian, Lee, Margaret, Menna, Nic, Alison, Caroline and Becky, would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your custom and wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Nadolig Llawen a Blwyddyn Newydd Dda