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CLINIC NEWS

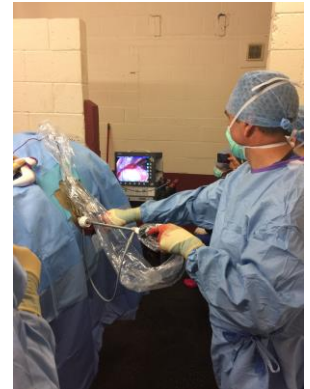
We've had a busy few months here at Spring Paddocks, with a wide mix of routine appointments, emergencies, in-depth lameness examinations and poor performance investigations. Our **gastroscopy** service remains as popular as ever, with large numbers of horses and ponies having their stomachs checked and those with significant gastric ulceration have responded excellently to treatment.

Our visiting **specialist surgeons** have also been assessing and treating cases including dentistry referrals and expert orthopaedic surgery.

The Spring Paddocks Veterinary team remains the same, with John, Gemma, Katrina and Stef providing all your equine veterinary care. Remember that we provide our own **out of hour's** service, so in an emergency you will always see a familiar face.

Our **in house Laboratory** has been put to good use over the last few months with some interesting medicine cases coming into the clinic.

We are one of the few equine practices in Warwickshire that can run blood and joint fluid samples in-house to make sure you get your results on the same day and therefore provide the best care as quickly as possible.



If you're thinking about **breeding** from your mare this year - then now is the time to start looking for and choosing a stallion, enquiring about semen collection protocols and booking in an examination. This can take longer than you think so don't delay in making enquiries with your chosen stud!

NEW OFFER!



Most clients come to us through recommendations from friends.

As a thank you to our clients, we are now offering £10 credit* to your account when you refer a friend as a new client.

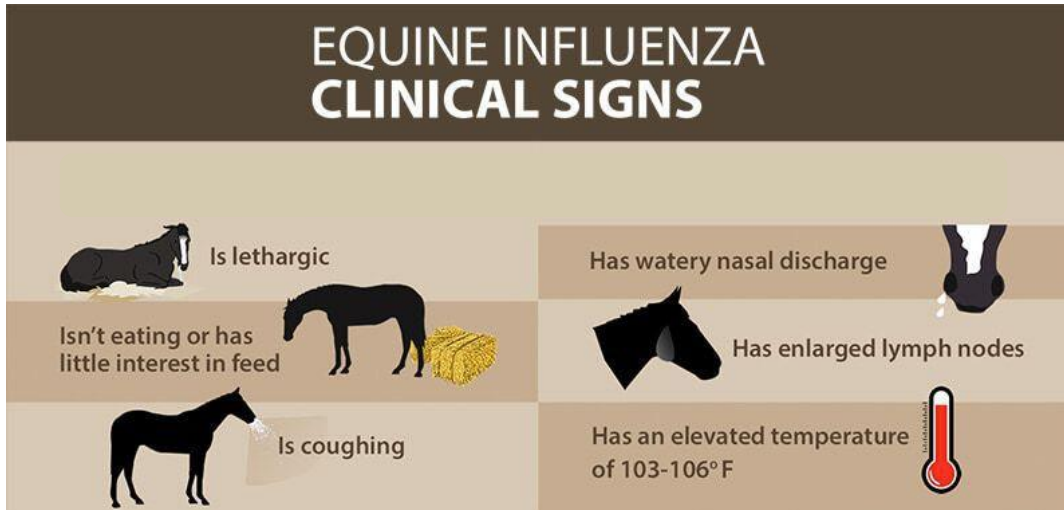
You can download a **Refer A Friend** form from our website, or pick one up next time you visit the Clinic or see one of our Vets.

CURRENT NEWS



We are now in the process of administering this year's batch of **Insol** (sweet itch) vaccine. Having had such a brilliant response to the vaccine last year we have had many repeat customers this year. If you have a horse that suffers with Sweet itch or would like to know more about this service for next year then please contact the clinic.

There has been a lot of media interest around the recent outbreak of **Equine Influenza (flu)**. There have been several cases reported in England, as close as Leicestershire, and therefore we are advising clients to be extra aware of any of the following clinical signs:



Lethargy, nasal discharge, dry coughs, inappetance, high temperature (>38.5°C), conjunctivitis, lower leg filling and enlarged glands are all reasons to call a vet. Early diagnosis, isolation and supportive treatment are vital to prevent spread of this very contagious disease. We recommend checking that all your horses' **vaccinations are up to date** as this hugely reduces the chances of your horse contracting the disease. Current recommendations, in light of the recent outbreak, are that every horse that has not been vaccinated within the last **6 months** should have a booster flu vaccine as soon as possible. Please call the clinic if you are concerned about whether your horse is up to date with their vaccinations.

UPCOMING DATES

- 1st – 31st March** Dental Discount Month (All sedation + routine dental rasp)
£65 inc VAT per horse for 1 horse on a Yard
£60 inc VAT per horse for 2+ horses on a Yard
- Thurs 4th April** Evening Talk: **Laminitis, Cushings & Equine Metabolic Syndrome**
@ Spring Paddocks Equine Clinic 7pm
£5 per person to include light refreshments
Tickets must be booked & paid for in advance
- 1st – 31st May** FREE Charity Weighing (On your zone day) (Charity donations only)
Thursday 2nd May
Wednesday 8th May
Tuesday 14th May
Friday 17th May