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The Liphook Equine Hospital

Newsletter Spring 2011



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After the white Christmas we all look forward to Spring which, hopefully, will be just around the corner. This Newsletter is sent to wish you and your horse the very best of good fortune in 2011 and to bring you up to date with recent happenings in our practice.

New Buildings

Recent visitors to the hospital cannot fail to have been aware of the extensive new building works under way. Although there was an inevitable delay during the recent snow, the contractors remain confident that they will have completed all the new buildings and extensive renovations and be off site by the end of the Summer. Whilst retaining a healthy scepticism for builders' deadlines, we look forward to greatly enhanced buildings that are already taking shape in front of us. The specific aim of our £2 million rebuild programme is to improve the facilities available to

our horses and to you, our clients, as well as improving the working conditions for all eighty five members of our Practice team. If nothing else, we hope more space will mean less, if any, waiting times for X-rays.

We apologise again for any disruption caused to your visits to the hospital during the building works and ask you to "bear with us". Inevitably access from the lorry park to the hospital is affected and, should you be visiting, do please look out for signs indicating which way to go. These sometimes change on a day to day basis to allow the builders

room to dig a new ditch or use a crane.

Thank you also to the very many clients who made such positive comments following the articles in the local and national equestrian press.



The Contractor attempts to persuade the Partners that this skeleton really will, one day, be the new building in the artists impression.

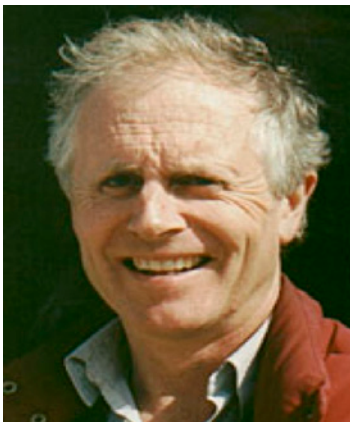
Future Development

As well as the new buildings, we are also developing a new breeding and AI facility at the hospital which we expect to be up and running fully by 2012 but which will grow in operation during the current year. This is an exciting and growing part of veterinary medicine and, for an up date, do come along to our next Clients' Evening.



Staff News

Last Autumn **Giles Summerhays** retired from the Partnership but we are delighted that he has remained with us as a part-time consultant and will still be a member of the team two days a week. Giles joined the Practice in 1982, became a Partner in 1985 and since then has been in the engine room of the development of the Practice from what was a three vet Practice into our current twenty five vet hospital which we are proud to be the largest, busiest and, we hope, best in the South of England. Rather than putting on his slippers and puffing away at his pipe, Giles has embarked on a degree in 3D design during his new found spare time.



We are delighted to welcome **Pete Gallon** as a Partner and he is already well known to many of you. His particular interests are in first opinion ambulatory practice, especially dentistry and eyes. He is our official JMB measurer, as well as managing the Isle of Wight branch



Clients' Evening

We are pleased to announce that we have arranged a clients' meeting for the evening of **Tuesday 1 March**, which will be held at the Bohunt School in Liphook. We are delighted that our guest speaker will be **Miss Jenny Hall MRCVS**, formerly vet to Team GB and now the **Veterinary Director for the 2012 Olympic Games**. She will bring us up to date on the preparations for this massive undertaking, which will have its trial Event later this year. With quite a few constraints and political fingers in various pies, we feel certain that she will give a fascinating appraisal of the challenges ahead.

In addition to her talk, members of the Practice will also give short presentations emphasising our interest and expertise in sports horses. These talks will be **"Tendon injuries" – Eamon Smyth; "Embryo transfers in the Sports Horse" – Huw Griffiths, and "Laboratory analysis in the Performance Horse" – Sarah Boland.**

Entrance is free, but there will be a retiring collection in aid of World Horse Welfare and Help for Heroes. Entrance is by ticket only and to apply for a ticket please visit Reception or send an SAE stating how many tickets you would like.

Important

Please report any accidents involving horses; we have been asked to tell you that the BHS need to collect statistics on any and all incidents involving horses that are injured so, if you have such knowledge, please visit their website at www.horseaccidents.org.uk where you can report any incident involving cars, lorries, dogs or even helicopters in the strictest confidence or just look to see what has happened in your area.

Our Practice Ethos

We are proud to offer our clients a fully comprehensive service, ranging from routine vaccinations to advanced laser surgery, by members of the same team working together for your horses' benefit. Over the years the Practice has improved and developed and we now have the expertise and reputation for looking after all types of horse from Shetlands to Shires, but our principal speciality is the competition and sports horse. To this end we now have available far more powerful mobile digital x-ray machines and ultrasound scanners so that much of the diagnostic work can now be done on your own premises. Do not be confused however by claims of some other practices, many diagnostic procedures do still require the use of the advanced diagnostic facilities our hospital has to offer, assisted and supported by our highly trained nursing staff

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RECEPTION

The Reception office is open from 0800 until 1730
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More staff news

Whilst we are always pleased to receive so many applications whenever a job vacancy arises we were surprised last autumn to find ourselves being adopted by Pablo, a black cat. After being returned to his owners on a number of occasions (one of the obvious benefits of microchips!) each time he made the rather long cross country excursion to rejoin us and now, after an offer from his previous owners for us to formally adopt him he is now on our payroll as mouse catcher and chair warmer. When awake, he's taken to the hospital and building site like a duck to water but do please watch out when driving on our premises – it seems nobody taught him the Green Cross code and he believes it is lucky to walk in front of cars and lorries!

