The GEORGE Equine Clinic SUMMER 2022

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Our Spring Pub Quiz

We held a successful pub quiz night back in March hosted at the Horse and Groom pub in Charlton. Prizes were won and fun was had by us and participants alike. We try to hold these events annually so keep an eye out on our social media and newsletters for future dates.



Cotswold Way walk

As a practice, we are always looking for ways to give back to the local community and so, over the Jubilee bank holiday weekend, members of our team walked the entire length of the Cotswold Way. They teamed up and as a relay the 102 miles



was covered in a total of 40 hours of walking, involving 43 participants- including 2 babies & a toddler!

This amazing effort raised **over £1000** for Wiltshire Air Ambulance who provide an invaluable service to our local area.



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Vaccinations

Recently there have been some changes to the vaccination schedules recommended by different competition governing bodies; in particular concerning the primary vaccination course. The British Horseracing Authority (BHA) have changed the time periods between vaccinations required for horses starting their primary courses. In an attempt to make sure that all our clients are able to compete under all governing bodies we are now recommending the following vaccination protocol when starting/restarting their primary course:

- 1st vaccination
- 2nd vaccination: 4-6 weeks later
- 3rd vaccination: 150-180 days later
- Booster vaccinations: Every 6-12 months

We would still recommend checking the individual vaccination rules for the governing body you are planning to compete under prior to any competitions.

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An evening for our Donkey Lovers Save the date

We would like to invite you to join us for our Donkey Client Evening on Tuesday 20th September. We will be welcoming a speaker from the Donkey Sanctuary and the whole of our team will so be there to support.

Further information to follow.



Acupuncture is a recognised treatment for alleviating pain and improving musculoskeletal recovery in horses. Acupuncture works to provide pain relief via endogenous opioid response as well as relaxation through the autonomic nervous system.

Our horses are used for a variety of demanding disciplines that can lead to musculoskeletal injuries presenting as myofascial trigger points. The use of acupuncture alone or in combination with other therapies can improve the speed and quality of recovery. Acupuncture must be performed by a qualified Veterinary Surgeon; this is a service we offer at the George Equine Clinic. Want to know more? See our recent Instagram/ Facebook post with Jo talking through the procedure.

Behaviour Modification

Safe vets, happy horses.

Did you know the average equine vet sustains somewhere around 7-8 significant injuries during their careers by the horses that they are treating? The horses' behaviours that lead to injury are normal responses to stressors (such as needles) when avoidance and flight are not possible.

So, what can we do? We can aim to change the horses' perception of veterinary care to less stressful, or even more positive, with some simple techniques.

If you want to learn more, please get in touch. Some excellent resources to get you started are the video series on you tube entitled 'don't break your vet'.

Summer Social Monday 22nd August 7-9pm

We would like to invite all our clients to join us for drinks, nibbles and the chance to catch up and have some fun. Please RSVP to horse@georgevetgroup.co.uk ; we'd love to see you.

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Worm egg counts

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I know we say it every time, but it's time that to recommend getting another sample sent to us for a worm egg count. We recommend performing these every 3 months throughout the summer grazing period as part of a strategic worm control plan. This way we reduce dependence can the on anthelmintics. therefore reducing the development of resistance and making an altogether more cost effective approach.