

HEVC Summer Newsletter 2008

Summer has arrived & with it comes many associated veterinary conditions. Problems such as allergic dermatitis (Queensland itch) associated with the prevalence of biting insects. It is advisable to rug & hood sensitive horses & an injection of cortisone can often assist breaking the itching cycle.

Because of the breaking of the drought with recent regular rain in the Hawkesbury area & high humidity, we are seeing a prevalence of parasite infestation in both horses and alpacas. Ensure your worming program is up to date. If you have any concerns please contact the clinic.

Also this abundance of lush green grass has meant an increase in occurrence of laminitis. If you have a laminitic prone horse, keep an eye on their access to lush grass.

We would like to introduce & welcome our newest member to the team, Dr Kate Keanen, who comes to us from Ireland. She has a great interest in the equine industry and we are sure she will bring an international diversity of ideas to the clinic.

The clinic will operate as normal over the Christmas period and emergency treatment will be available on public holidays.

It has been a difficult year for all with recovery from the equine flu crisis being followed by the world economic crisis. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all our clients for your continued support and wish you a safe and Happy Christmas & a better year ahead in 2009.

John & Tony