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Mulching Mowers

Peter Crewe, Managing Director of Euromec, a supplier of Horticultural Powered Products explains the benefits.



Keeping grass areas trim and ordered produces grass cuttings. For years most of us have collected grass cuttings and disposed of them in green bins or compost heaps.

A typical half acre lawn produces more than 4 tons of grass clippings in a single season. A traditional mower will either collect these clippings, or discharge them as it mows.

The recent introduction of mulching mowers is changing that. So what is a mulching mower and what are its benefits?

Mechanically a mulching mower is similar to any equivalent cut and collect mower, except for its deck design and cutting blades. The deck has no discharge ports and the cutting blades are aerodynamic, producing a powerful downdraught as they cut.

Mowing with a mulch mower is different, its multi-cutting deck retains clippings within the deck where they are cut and

recut into small particles. These are blown down into the turf where they decompose. The result is a lawn that looks great and no clippings to collect.

Disposing of clippings in this eco-friendly way, returns valuable nutrients to the soil reducing the need for chemical fertilisers. Our half acre lawn for example, will benefit from the 100 pounds of nitrogen and other valuable trace elements contained in its 4 tons of clippings.

Mulch mowing is quicker too! Mowing time is significantly reduced compared with cut and collect systems as you don't stop to dispose of grass clippings.

Euromec are main dealers for Stiga, leaders in the mulching mower market. The Stiga Park range is a best-seller. An out-front mower, the Park has its' cutting deck at the front, four-wheel drive and articulated steering. A comfortable driving position and simple and clear controls make it easy and safe to use. With a range of engines and cutting decks up to 125cm wide getting the right

model for your lawn is simple.

Being a mulching mower the Park has no collection system and its deck is sealed. The machines' cutting height is adjustable, so you can get the finish you want. Performance of the Park is its trump card. It covers large areas quickly and efficiently, and leaves the grass looking neat and trim. No grass clippings to dispose of means when you finish cutting the job is done.

In summary mulching mowers give us significant benefits; no clippings, faster and more efficient mowing and free fertiliser. Their cost is similar to the equivalent cut and collect mower and they cost no more to run. Our customers with Stiga mulching mowers are delighted with their performance and confirm these benefits. It seems the future is mulching.



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 50 words plus one image
 (H45mm x W120mm,
 H90mm x W60mm)

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 H130mm x W90mm

Half Page £100 (£83.33 + VAT)
 H130mm x W185mm,
 H273mm x W90mm

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 Bleed H297mm x W210mm
 plus 3mm bleed to each edge

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 Bleed H297mm x W210mm plus
 3mm bleed to each edge

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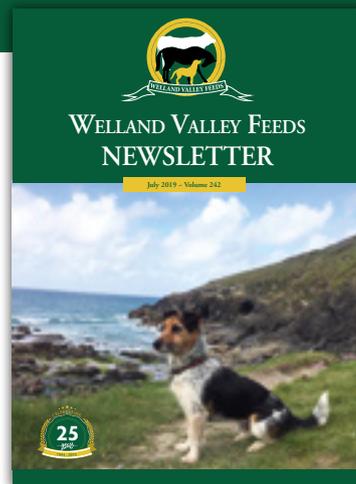
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Mij from Market Harborough on holiday in Cornwall



**Welland Valley Feeds
 Weekend Sales Assistant Required**

SATURDAY 8 A.M. TO 5 P.M

And SUNDAY 10 A.M. TO 4 P.M

Our pet, equestrian and agricultural retail store in Market Harborough is looking to recruit weekend sales assistants – can offer work either alternate weekends or every weekend. There would be the possibility for extra work to cover holidays in the week, if required.

- Customer Service Experience – would require someone who has at least one year's face to face customer service skills. Telephone customer service skills are also a requirement of the job.
- Selling Products and taking customer orders
- Listening to customer requirements and advising or investigate matters to assist
- Interested in Country life and Animals
- Physically Fit – lifting sacks of feed and loading customer vehicles
- Obtaining customer information and accurately entering this on the system
- Handling transactions involving account customers, cash handling and card payments
- Other duties will include stock replenishment, stock rotation and maintaining a clean and tidy store
- Making sure the customer's experience is a positive one

Our business has grown over the last 25 years with thanks to a good team.

Applications, with a covering hand-written letter and support information to support suitability of application to: Human Resources, Welland Valley Feeds, Rockingham Road, Market Harborough, Leicestershire. LE16 7QE

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Staff Feature

Hi! My name is EmJ (shortened from my first name and surname) and I came to Welland Valley Feeds about 8 years ago on work experience. I thought the shop was lovely and it really appealed as, at that time, I was a member of the Norton and Gaulby Young Farmers. Following my work experience I was offered weekend work and progressed to full time employment after a year.

Working in the warehouse and the shop - I now consider myself to be an all-rounder, including going out in all weathers (for example to circulate the Newsletter to the local coffee shops)! I hold an E-SQP AMTRA qualification which means I am qualified to prescribe and / or supply certain veterinary medicines for Equine and Companion animals under the Veterinary Medicines Regulations - I feel this further enhances what I can offer to the customers.

Social Media is a great way to get in touch with people and I set up Instagram and continue to develop that and work on the pre-existing Facebook account. Trying to keep things fresh, interesting and stimulating for our customers is my aim. Although I enjoy developing the social media side of things, I find that the personal interaction with customers in the shop is rewarding and love it when someone makes the effort to give feedback about any advice I have given to them.

Outside of work, I have a love of horses (owning my own horse called Macaroni since he was 4 years old - now 18). I am quite sporty and do paddle boarding and surfing. My favourite animal is a sloth - I don't know why, or where my love for them came from and I know that's not much use to the customers at WVF but it shows my range of interests go beyond farming and equestrian!



June's competition winner is Catherine Cook from Market Harborough. Congratulations!

New
in stock



SWEET WILLIAM
Home of The Mischievous Mutts



T-Towel £11.94

Beagle, Black Labrador, Border Terrier, Cocker Spaniel, Dachshund, French Bulldog, Pug, Grey/White Schnauzer

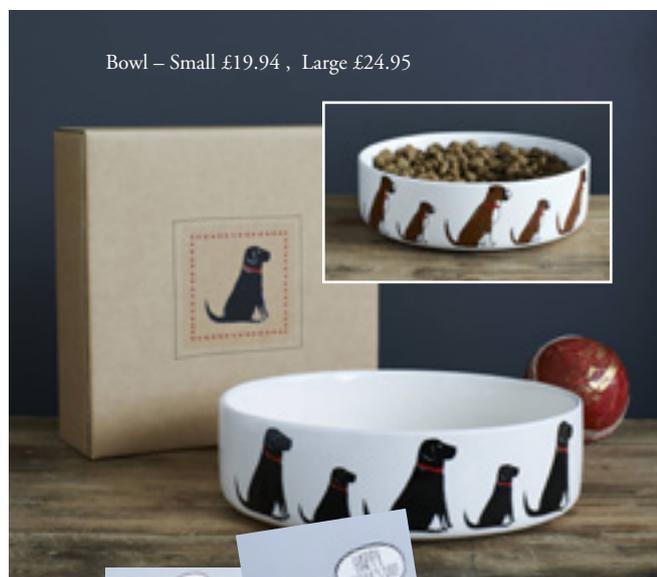
Mugs £15.95



Soap £7.45



Bowl - Small £19.94, Large £24.95



Cards £2.75

Notebook £12.44 *Labrador, Dachshund, Dog Walkers*





Visit us for your Pony Camp Supplies, and for professional hat and body protector fitting.

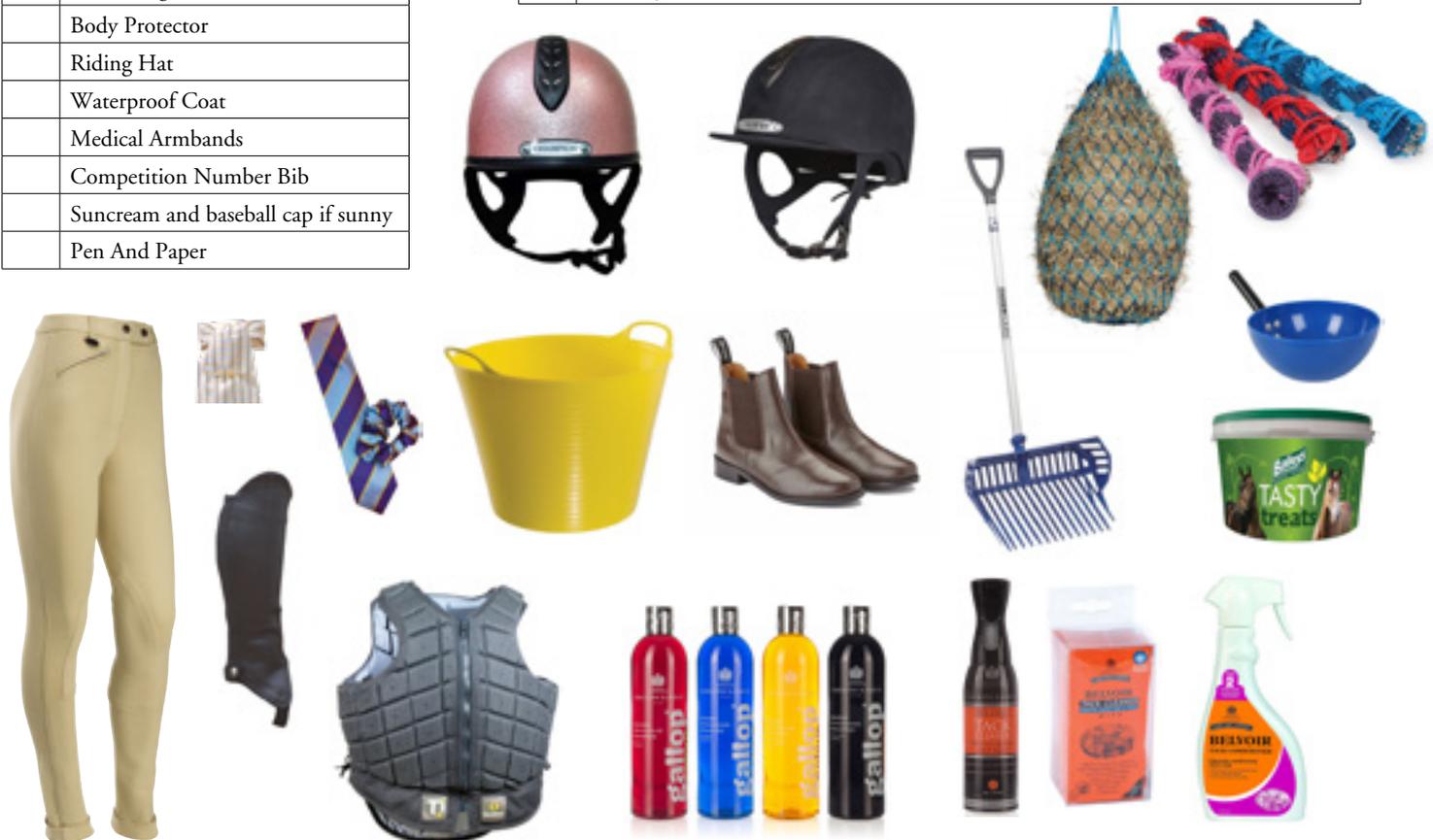


RIDER CAMP CHECKLIST

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	Pony Club Sweatshirt
	Long Sleeved White Shirts
	Pony Club Tie/Stock and Badge
	Beige/Cream Jodphurs
	Riding Boots
	Tweed/ Dark Jacket for Tests
	Whip, Gloves & Hair Nets
	Casual Clothes
	Wellingtons
	Swimming Kit
	Body Protector
	Riding Hat
	Waterproof Coat
	Medical Armbands
	Competition Number Bib
	Suncream and baseball cap if sunny
	Pen And Paper

FOR YOUR PONY/HORSE

	Set of Clean Tack- Saddle, Bridle, Girth, Numnahs, Boots (if required)
	Head Collar and Lead Rope
	Tack Cleaning Kit
	Fly Repellent
	Water and Feed Bucket
	Haynets
	Grooming Kit (including Plaiting Bands)
	Horse Passport (up to date Vaccinations)
	Mucking Out Equipment
	Feed
	Bedding



Eventing Accessories



Weatherbeeta Prime GP Saddle Pad White Pony and Full



Bridle number kit



Medical Armband



NAF Muck off Stain Remover 500ml



Equidisc Bridle number

NAF Brighter than White 600g



Dressage Learner Board



Wire stud brush and pick



Wahl Diamond white shampoo 500ml

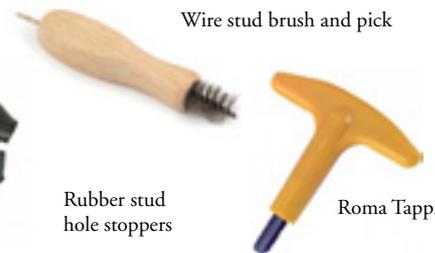


Showsheen 950ml and 3.81 ltr

CDM Stainmaster 600ml



Rubber stud hole stoppers



Roma Tappit



Studs for all purposes



Spanner tap

Grabbit Mat Moving Tool

Grabbit Mat Moving Tool £34.94

Easy one hand operation, impact resistant, heavy duty construction, automatically adjusts and locks onto mats, 500lb pulling capacity. If you have matting to move from stables, trailers, horse boxes paddocks the grabbit is the gadget!



Rockies Bug:go 5kg

Bug:go is a Rockie for horses and ponies that drastically reduces fly and midge bites, deters worm infection and boosts the immune system. In particular it helps prevent sweet itch – an allergic reaction to insect bites that will affect most horses and ponies to some degree.

This 5kg salt lick contains 10 per cent pure garlic. Garlic has long been known for its natural fly repellent properties and it also aids healthy digestion, so it benefits both the inside and outside of the animal!



Lincoln Sun Block £9.95

Effective UV Sunscreen. Filters, protects and soothes
Contains Aloe Vera

A protective, soothing sun block cream developed to safeguard delicate, exposed areas of skin which are at a high risk of sunburn. This innovative formulation provides maximum protection using naturally occurring Zinc Oxide, a proven UV filter, plus 2 additional UV filters to reflect and absorb UVA and UVB rays. Water resistant properties enhance protection, ensuring each application is long lasting and resilient. Use as a preventative to protect delicate skin against damage from the sun or to soothe sunburnt areas. Added Aloe Vera gently calms and aids recovery whilst the inclusion on Lanolin conditions and moisturises. Easy to apply, the cream's pink colouring acts as a marker for reapplication. Suitable for the protection of muzzles, scars and areas of photosensitive skin.



H2go bags 80ltr £13.49

A way of transporting up to 80 litres of water in a wheel barrow where there is no hosepipe available.

The H2go bag is a problem solver for the equestrian, allotment, garden and building markets



BY APPOINTMENT TO HER MAJESTY
QUEEN ELIZABETH II
HORSE AND DOG FOOD MANUFACTURERS
FOODS & HORSES LIMITED, WINDYBOTTLE

DODSON & HORRELL

ANIMAL HEALTH, NUTRITION AND WELL-BEING

BALANCED NUTRITION WHATEVER YOUR NEED



A mixture of chamomile, lemon balm and vervain to support an even temperament

Pasture Herbs - Garlic, basil and oregano to encourage appetite

Nettle to support healthy blood supply and Seaweed which contains minerals essential for healthy hoof growth



Natural plant based antioxidants supporting antioxidant capacity and recovery

Turmeric for additional support of the musculoskeletal system, with cracked black pepper to aid absorption

A simple and easy way to ensure your horse receives a completely balanced diet, whilst remaining low in calories, sugar and starch.



£5 OFF any D&H chaff
when you buy a bag
of D&H Balancer
(including Ultimate Balancer)



This offer can only be redeemed at Welland Valley Feeds. One Bag per customer, subject to availability. Offer valid until 31.07.19

New from Lily's Kitchen

Classic Multi pack 6 x 400g (dog) £13.95



Woofbrushes Multipacks of 7)
Small £6, Medium £6.50, large £7

RSPCA

Dogs die in hot cars

Share this today and save a dog's life

Never leave your dog alone in a car

If it's 22°C outside, inside a car it can get to 47°C within 60 minutes

In hot stuffy vehicles dogs cannot cool themselves down, even with the windows open

Heatstroke can be fatal to dogs

HELP

If you see a dog in a car on a warm day, call 999
www.rspca.org.uk

New Products from Dexas



Multipacks for Cats 8 x 85g Trays
£6.70

Wahl Multicut Pet Clipper

£32.99

This mains operated dog clipper is specifically designed for clipping dog hair at home and will maintain wiry, smooth and short coats. The light weight, ergonomic design allows for easy and comfortable handling. Featuring an adjustable taper lever for variable cutting lengths ranging from 0.8mm - 2.5mm.



Popware Snack-duo inc Travel Cup 360ml
Blue, green, pink or purple £17.99 each



Popware Travel Cup with Bottle Holder
Blue or Green £6.49 each



Popware Collapsible Kennel Bowl
Blue
Large £12.99
Small £10.99



Popware Pooch Pouch (Treat Holder)
Blue or Green
£6.99



Dogs on Holiday!



Hurtta Cooling Vest Sizes XXS to XXL

Ancol Cooling Vests XS to XXL



Henry Wag micro fibre mat
Med, Large & XL



AFP Chill Out Ice Bone
Small, Large



Ancol Cooling Mats
Medium, Large



Happy Pet Floater Ball
Jumbo & Large



Chuckit Sport
Launcher
Medium



AFP Chill Out
Garden Fountain



Kong Air
Squeaker Pack 3



Chuckit Ultra Ball
Med & Small



ANC tie out stake
Tie out cable



Ancol Travel and Exercise Harness sizes Small to XL Red and Black



ANC Shock
absorber



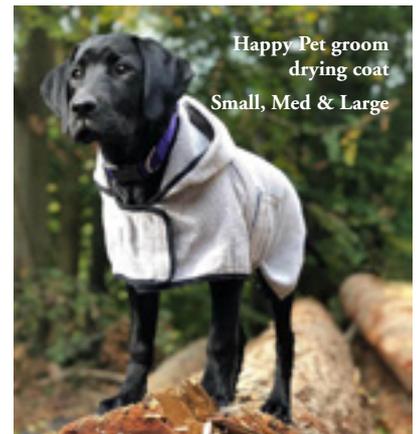
Animal Instincts Travel Bottle



Ancol Non Spill Bowl



Happy Pet groom
drying coat
Small, Med & Large



ER poop
dispenser
Lavender



Happy Pet Pet Gear Window Vent Guard



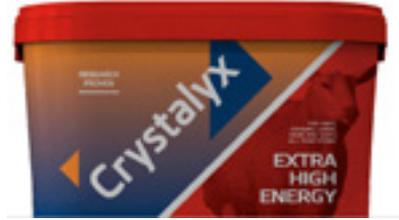
My Pet universal seat belt restraint



Silage Tape Patches
 £9.08 + VAT
 Width 11cm / 4.33 inches
 Height 10cm / 3.94 inches
 Depth 11cm / 4.33 inches
 Weight 387 grams



Crystalyx Extra High Energy
 For growing lambs and goats



Crystalyx Extra High Energy is a feed tub that can be used all year round to provide supplementation for ewes, rams and lambs. High in protein, energy and with a full complement of minerals, trace elements and vitamins, Extra High Energy and forage can be all you need to operate a highly effective and profitable sheep rearing system.

SUPAllyx Magnesium

A high magnesium mineral, vitamin and trace element bucket for grazing cows and ewes at risk from grass staggers

Key features and benefits

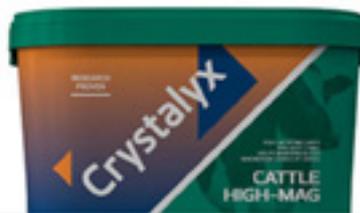
Contains a high level of palatable magnesium for use where there is a risk of grass staggers

Fortified with minerals, vitamins and trace elements to support animal health and complement forages

Suitable for dairy cows, beef cows and ewes at risk from grass staggers



Crystalyx Cattle Booster is a feed tub ideally suited for use in dairy and beef farming systems, in both cases Cattle Booster has been shown (through University research trials) to increase forage intake and digestibility. Trials have concluded that Cattle Booster stimulates growth rates and improves overall health, fertility and milk quality in livestock.



Crystalyx Cattle High-Mag is a high magnesium lick that is designed to help maintain normal blood magnesium levels in beef and dairy livestock during periods of risk. The quality of the magnesium and the method in which Cattle High-Mag is produced means that it is highly palatable and digestible.



Crystalyx Standard is the ideal tub to be fed to a mixed grazing system. Standard provides livestock with high levels of energy and an excellent source of protein, along with valuable source of vitamins, minerals and trace elements. Standard can be used as a supplementary source of magnesium for beef cows and ewes in early lactation.

Rutland Horse & Pony Starter Kit
 £208.32 + VAT = £249.98

Fence 100 metres of straight two line
 12mm Electro tape
 Provides one gate

Easily extended up to a maximum of 200 metres of single line tape with additional poly posts

- 1 x ESB15 Energiser
- 1 x Energiser mounting stand
- 2 x 'D' cell 1.5v battery
- 1 x 200mm 12mm Electro-tape
- 12 x 84cm (33") Poly Posts
- 1 x Warning sign
- 1 x Gate handle insulator
- 5 x Wood Screw Insulator
- 1 x 8 Light Voltage Tester



Rutland
 Electric Fencing



Rutland Fencing Economy
 Polypost Green 84cm
 Each 1.60 + VAT = £1.92
 10+ 1.45 + VAT = £1.74
 50+ 1.25 + VAT = £1.50
 100 1.04 + VAT = £1.25

Agricultural Insect Repellents

Crystalyx Garlyx Tub for Cattle & Sheep

22.5kg £27.70

Crystalyx Garlyx provides a simple option for supporting natural insect repellents. The supplement feed, which is freely offered to animals in the form of a lick, contains garlic. After intake, the animals emit the sulphur-containing smell of garlic which acts as a repellent to insects such as mosquitoes and gadflies and reduces restlessness and irritation in grazing stock. Midges and other airborne insects can spread the Schmallenberg virus and also transmit pathogens for mastitis and other viruses such as bluetongue illness. The consequences may include serious economic losses.

Caution: As garlic can taint milk and body fat reserves, so this product is not recommended for lactating cows or finishing cattle within one month of sale.



Battles Dairy Fly Spray

A ready-to-use fly spray containing natural pyrethrins for a fast knock down of all flies and insects. Treats cow sheds, milking parlours, pig and poultry housing, manure heaps and slurry pits.



FlyPor for cattle 1 ltr, 3 ltr

Flypor cattle pour on for the control of flies and lice on cattle. Flypor is particularly effective against biting flies and horn flies. Also sucking and biting lice and for the treatment of sarcoptic and chorioptic mange in cattle.

Fly Off

Available in 2.5ltr and 5ltr

Fly Off Contains:
12.5mg/ml
cypermethrin Cis 80:
Trans 20

INDICATIONS

Fly Off is licensed in sheep for;

- the treatment and control of head-flies,
- the treatment of ticks and biting lice,
- for the prevention and treatment of blowfly strike.

BENEFITS

- Short 8 day meat withdrawal
- easy to draw lambs throughout the season
- Blue dye allows animals treated to be identified.
- The colour is temporary and will fade from the fleece within 48 hours of application.
- Cost effective blowfly treatment and prevention.

Parasites Targeted:

- Blowfly - (*Lucila sericata* - prevention (adult) and treatment (larvae))
- Biting Lice - (The most common biting louse affecting UK sheep is *Bovicola ovis*)
- Ticks - (The most common species of tick affecting sheep is *Ixodes ricinus*)
- Head Flies - (*Hydrotea irritans*)



Spot on for Sheep and Cattle 250ml, 500ml, 1 ltr

For the treatment and prevention of infestations by lice and flies on cattle; ticks, lice, keds and established blowfly strike on sheep and lice and ticks on lambs.

Ovidrench

S & C 2.5% w/v Oral Suspension 10L

A broad spectrum multi-purpose anthelmintic for the control of mature and developing, immature forms of gastrointestinal roundworms, lungworms, tapeworms and adult liver fluke in cattle and sheep. The product is also ovicidal against fluke and roundworm eggs.



In Cattle

It is active against the following species:

Roundworms: *Teladorsagia*, *Haemonchus*, *Trichostrongylus*, *Nematodirus*, *Oesophagostomum*, *Bunostomum*, *Cooperia* and *Strongyloides* spp. It is usually effective against inhibited larvae of *Cooperia* and *Teladorsagia*.

Lungworms: *Dictyocaulus viviparus*.

Tapeworms: *Moniezia* spp.

Adult liver fluke: *Fasciola hepatica*.

The product is ovicidal and will kill fluke and roundworm eggs, thus reducing pasture contamination.

In Sheep

It is active against benzimidazole-susceptible strains of the following species:

Roundworms: *Teladorsagia*, *Haemonchus*, *Trichostrongylus*, *Nematodirus* (including *N. battus*), *Chabertia* and *Oesophagostomum*. It is usually effective against inhibited larvae of *Teladorsagia*.

Lungworms: *Dictyocaulus filaria*.

Tapeworms: *Moniezia* spp.

Adult liver fluke: *Fasciola hepatica*.

The product is ovicidal and will kill fluke and roundworm eggs, thus reducing pasture contamination.

Summer Control of Docks, Nettles and Thistles in Grassland

Recent weather has been welcome in many ways, but may have also been a hindrance to weed control in grassland. Docks, Nettles and Thistles will be approaching or already at the growth stage of flowering or seed set. Regardless of any potential chemical weed control plans, if they are at this latter stage they should ideally be topped to stop seeding.

Just a 10% infestation of Docks or Thistles can cause a 10% loss in yield, reduced quality in silage and hay and in the case of thistles, they can spread Orf, so there is real value in controlling the major grassland weeds.

The decision to spot treat (using a knapsack sprayer or a lance on a quad bike mounted sprayer) or to treat overall using a boom sprayer (tractor or quad bike mounted) can be made based on the weed population present. For weed infestations up to 5%, a spot treatment is most appropriate. Over 5%, it is normally economically viable to make an overall treatment. The best herbicides to choose are those which are translocated and which kill down to the roots. Grazon®Pro, for Spot Treatment, or Thistlex®, Doxstar®Pro and Pas®·Tor® from Corteva Agriscience, for overall treatment, would be the main products used to control these weeds.

As with the more usual spring and autumn applications of these products, the weeds need to be actively growing, they should be at the appropriate growth stage for spraying which is normally achieved 2-3 weeks after topping and the grass crop must also be growing actively and be free of stress e.g. lack of moisture / too much moisture or other issues.

Docks

Docks, a perennial plant, are prolific seed producers. A broadleaved dock can produce 60,000 seeds, whilst a curled dock can produce 40,000 seeds. These seeds can potentially remain viable in the soil for 80 years.

Best control of docks will be achieved in good growing conditions when they are actively growing and nutrients are being transported to new foliage and roots. If seed stalks are seen on the plant if the dock has diseased leaves or is under pest attack, it is better to top and allow re-growth of the docks before applying chemical.

At the time of spraying, docks should ideally be the size of an 8" (20cm) dinner plate. This means that there is enough leaf surface area to take up sufficient chemical which can then move throughout the plant and, importantly, into the large taproot to kill it.

Doxstar Pro should be applied at a rate of 2L/ha in 300 to 400 litres of water, unless low drift nozzles are used, when water rates can be reduced to 200L/ha.

Common Nettle

Common Nettle, also a perennial, are generally found in clumps, favouring areas of high soil fertility and they propagate mainly from extensive creeping root stolons. New plants develop from root sections, so chopping them up does no more than multiply the problem. They will grow up to a height of 1 metre, eventually forming dense beds, which spread out across the field. Germination occurs if the soil is disturbed or the sward open. This can be the result of over-grazing in early spring and open swards caused by poaching.

Common nettle is best controlled when young and actively growing at 15-25cm high. Non-chemical control can include cutting clumps

prior to flowering up-to three times per year over successive years.

Infestations tend to be in clumps, so if caught in time, spot treatment with a herbicide usually suffices, but treatment needs to take place when there is active weed growth and before a canopy begins to form as this can reduce the amount of chemical that can land on the leaves of the plant and then be translocated into the extensive root system. Established common nettle will normally require regular treatment.

Choose a translocated herbicide that kills down to the roots such as Grazon Pro for spot treatment or Pas·Tor for overall treatment.

The rate of use is 60ml Grazon Pro per 10L water.

Pas·Tor is supplied in an Agronomy Pack and should be applied at a rate of 2L/ha (1L/ha Pas + 1L/ha

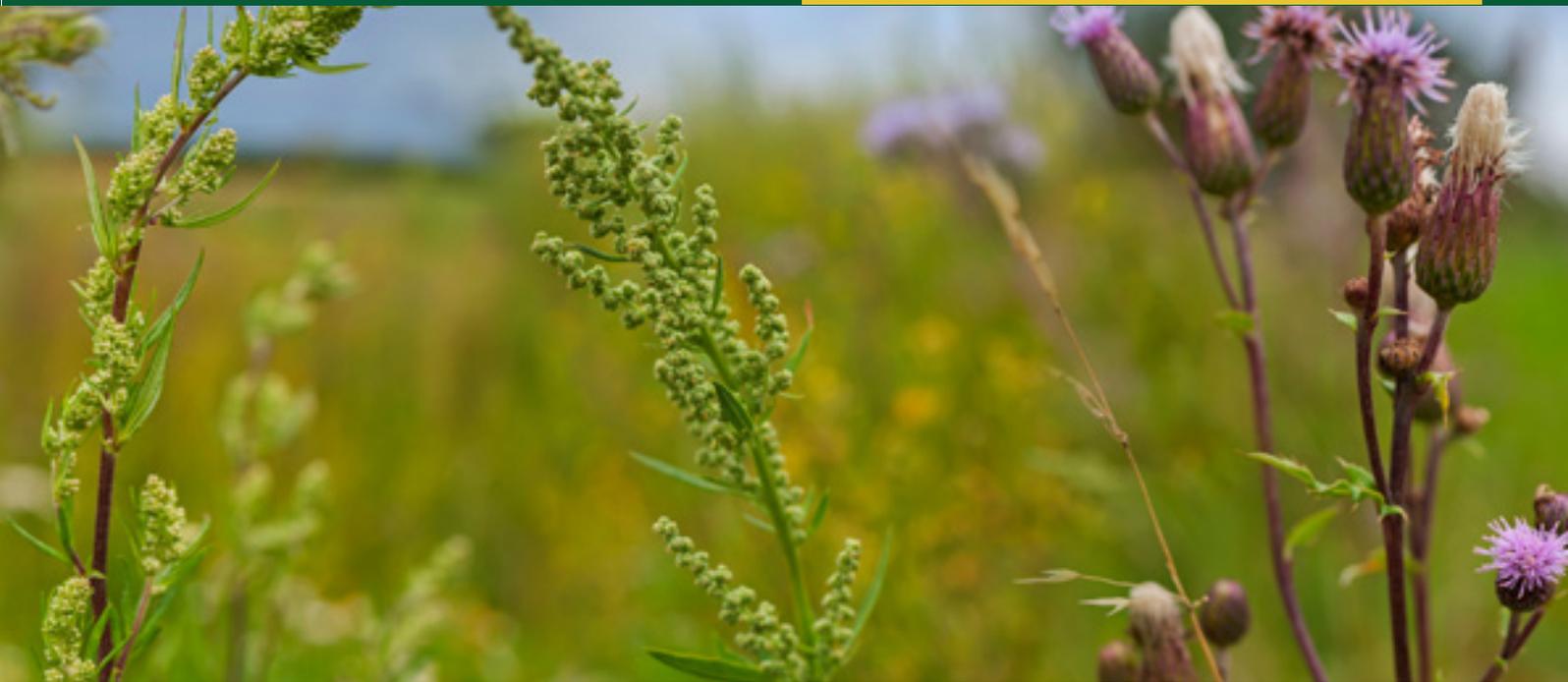
Tor) in 300 to 400 litres of water, unless low drift nozzles are used, when water rates can be reduced to 200L/ha.

If treating Thistles and some nettles are present, Thistlex has a useful effect on common nettle as well as giving excellent control of the thistles.

Thistles (Creeping and Spear)

Creeping Thistle, another perennial plant, grows mainly from an underground stem, or rhizome, and this can make total control difficult with one spray. In the first year of growth, creeping thistle roots can cover 5 sqm and in the second year up to 80 sqm. A creeping thistle can produce up to 40,000 seeds with these potentially remaining viable for 10-21 years. Significant yield losses are caused by creeping thistle and they also cause significant loss of grazing land by preventing animals grazing around them. This can equate to 0.5m² per thistle! Frequent topping is unlikely to reduce the population of creeping thistle and can even stimulate the growth of significantly more plants from the extensive root network. This can be advantageous though, as there will be a significantly increased area of leaf to treat with a translocated herbicide, which will result in more chemical being taken down to the roots.

Spear thistle is a biennial plant which only spreads by seed. Each plant lives for 2 years producing a flat rosette of leaves in year one and then the familiar 'tree-like' structure in year two. Once controlled in the re-seed, it is rarely a problem in



grazed fields except after poaching or other sward damage. Topping is not effective to control the growth in year one of their lifecycle (as the thistles are likely to be growing under the mower cutting level), but can be carried out on the second-year growth before seed is set.

Best control of both creeping and spear thistle will be achieved when they are actively growing and before flowering. Thistlex gives excellent control of both and is best sprayed at 1L/ha in 200L/ha water. Sometimes thistle growth can be very uneven and it might be better to top the weeds and give them 2 – 3 weeks to regrow prior to treatment. If thistles are already flowering, this is also the best option. Because of the nature of thistle growth, a second treatment later in the season may be required to control any late shooting plants.

Docks, Nettles and Thistles combined in a single field

Where there is a combination of weeds such as docks, nettles and thistles the Pas·Tor Agronomy Pack offers an option for overall treatment. It gives excellent control of a wide range of weeds in silage, hay and grazing fields.

The importance of using the correct water volumes in overall treatments

Water volumes are critical to achieving good coverage of the weeds and, therefore, good levels of long-term control. Consequently, water volumes should not be cut below the minimum volumes stated on the product label.

Spot treatment of lower weed populations

If spot spraying, be careful to give the leaves a good coverage, but do not spray them to the point of run-off. This is when the small spray droplets touch one another and form larger droplets which then run off the leaf onto the floor.

Grazon Pro offers a very cost-effective way of controlling weeds when applying through

a knapsack. It has an extremely wide weed spectrum and will tackle most tough weeds such as Docks, Nettles and Thistles, but also weeds such as bramble, broom, gorse and other significant invasive weeds. The rate of use is 60ml Grazon Pro per 10L water.

Grazing and Cutting Intervals

When a Corteva Agriscience product has been used for control of weeds in grassland, it is important to keep stock out of the treated field for just 7-days or if the grass is going to be cut, an interval of 28 days is required. This will ensure that sufficient chemical has moved down to the roots for long-term control.

Planning weed control for re-seeding

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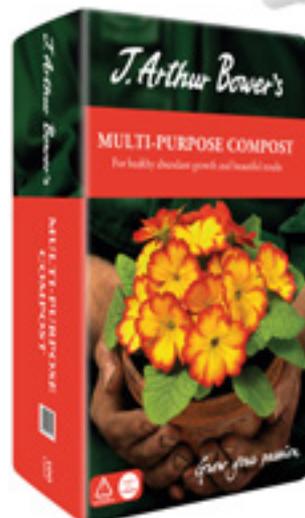
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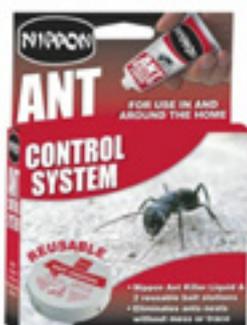
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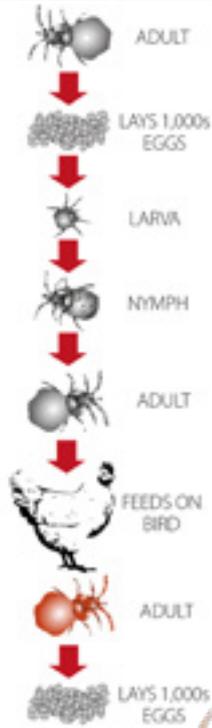


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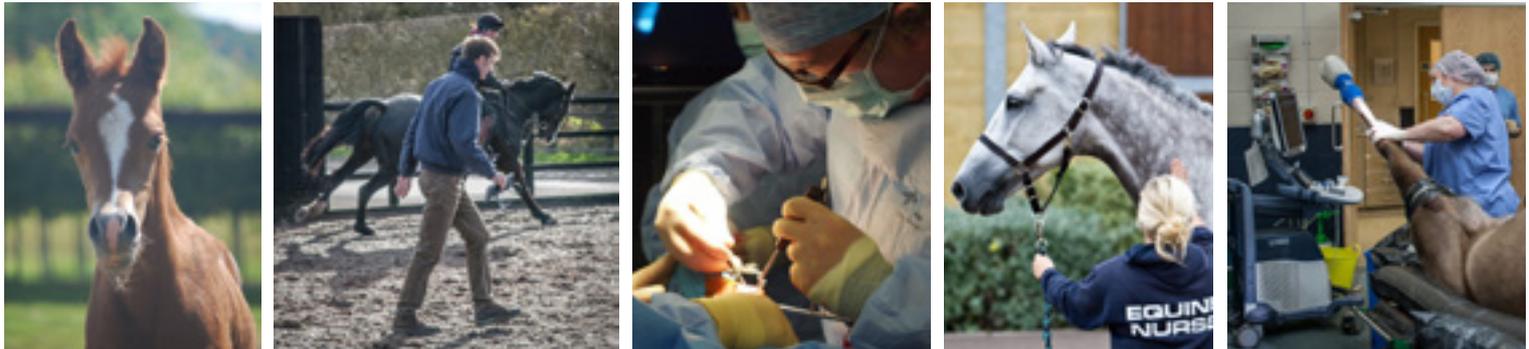
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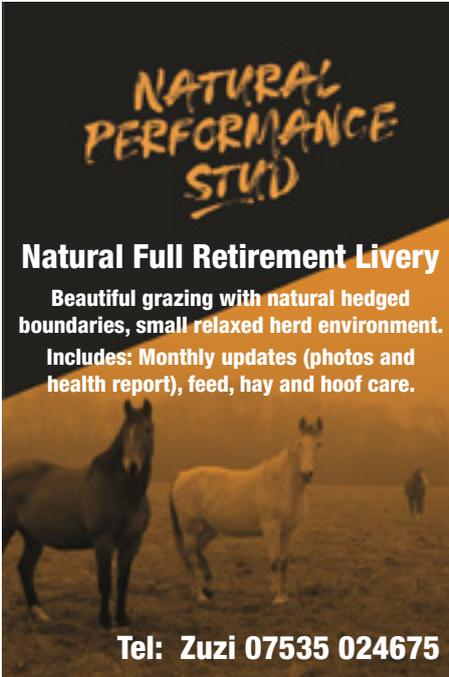
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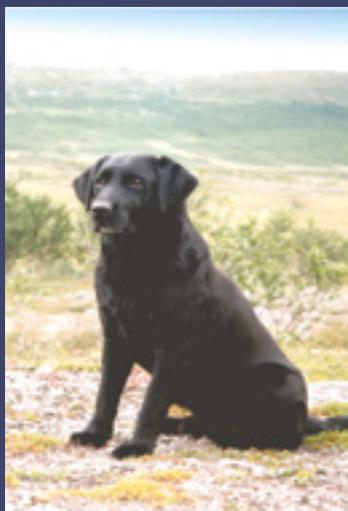
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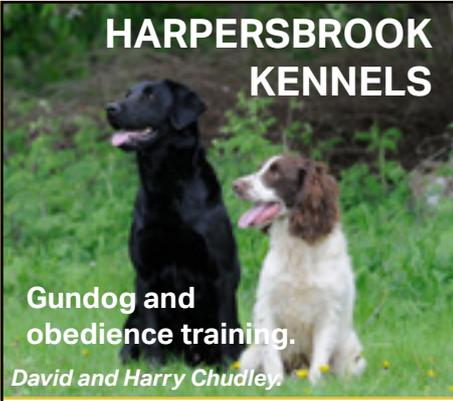


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These payments will be paid in July to those farmers and landowners still owed and the Rural Payments Agency will write to everyone concerned in the next week to provide an update. The Rural Payments Agency are determined to keep a regular cycle of monthly payments and restore confidence in these valuable schemes.

Looking after the environment is important and something which needs to progress, but farmers and landowners need to feel that taking their land out of production to nurture the environment is worthwhile both to them and the wider cause.

The Environment Land Management scheme is due to replace the Countryside Stewardship and Environmental Stewardship schemes once Britain leaves the EU and The Environmental Land Management scheme will be subject to rigorous testing, research and analysis before being launched and is due to be in operation by 2024.

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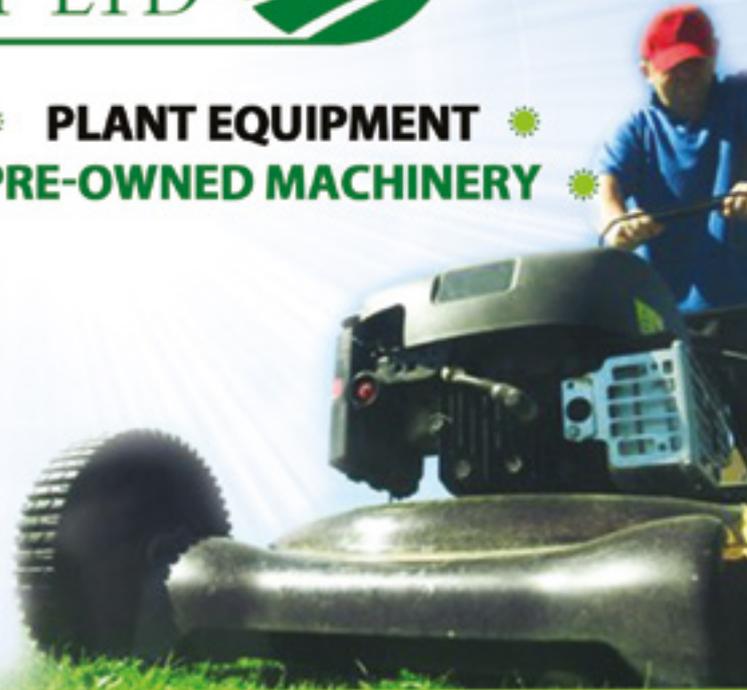
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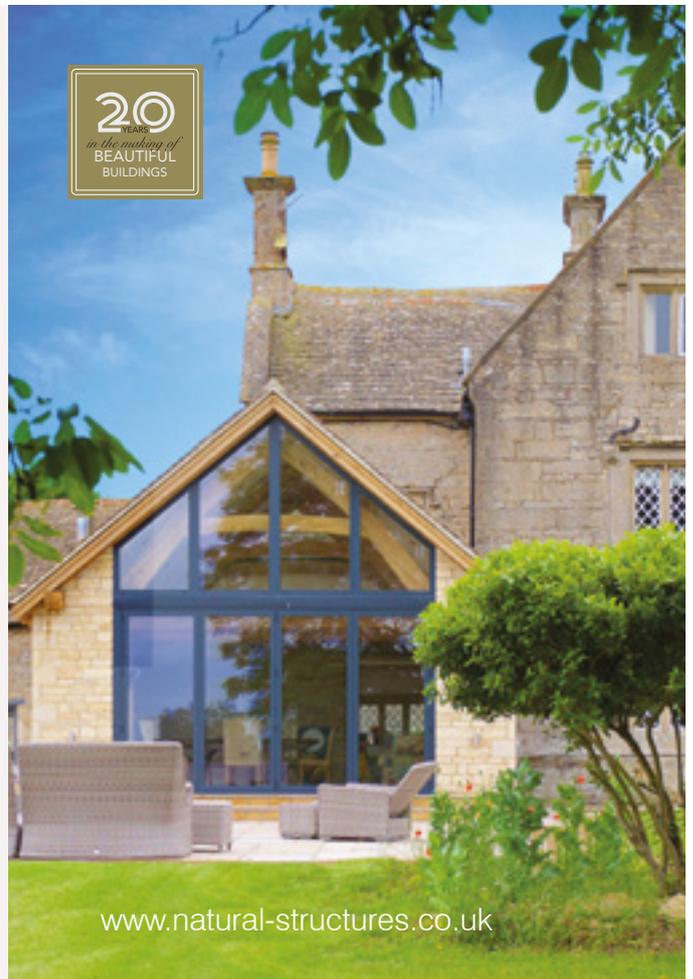
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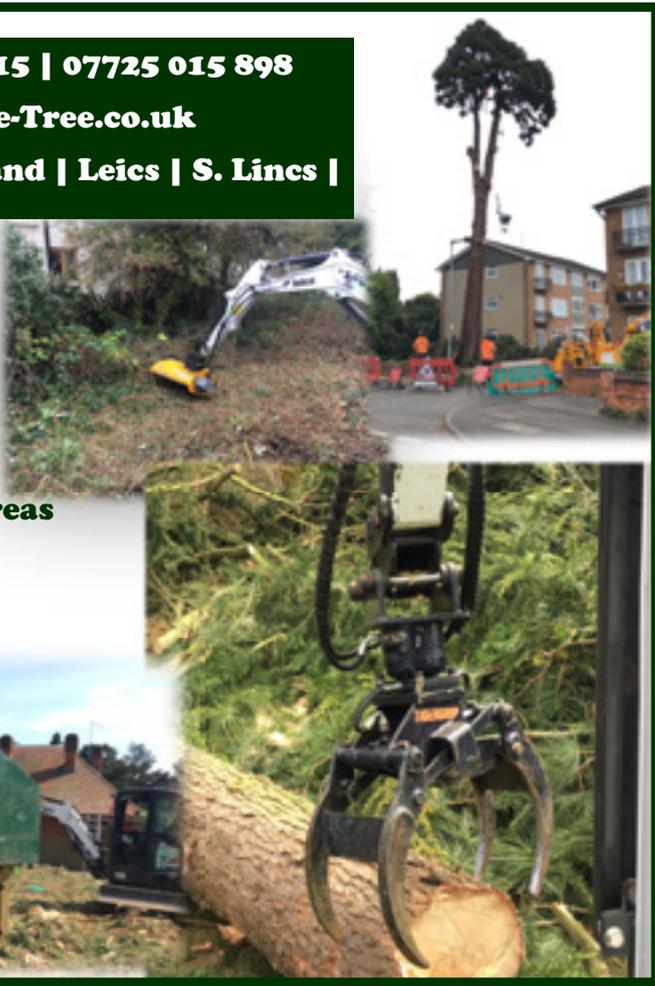


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28/07/19 Sunday	South Kilworth Riding Club Show at Stanford Hall, Lutterworth, LE17 6DH. Friendly show with classes for everyone including show jumping, in-hand and ridden showing, fun classes, working hunter and gymkhana games. Entries on the day. For schedule and details please visit www.skrc.co.uk or find us on Facebook. Contact: Richard Harrison Tel: 07927 911906
29/07/19 Monday	Northampton Branch of the Pony Club Evening Dressage at Delapre Park, Northampton starting at approx 5.30pm
31/07/19 Wednesday	Market Harborough Gardening Club Social Evening with Show Preparation. The Conservative Club, Fairfield Road, Market Harborough 7.30pm

AUGUST 2019

04/08/19 Sunday	Leicestershire & Rutland Bridleways Association - The Borders Ride A new 13 mile (+ shorter option) ride in the Welford area in Leics and Northants on bridleways, country roads and private tracks. All ride participants must be LRBA members. First ride £10 membership + £10 ride fee. Under 18s £10 membership only. For entry forms SAE to Kim Hall, Grange Farm, Knaptoft, Lutterworth LE17 6NP. Tel: 0116 2479214 chair@bridlewayslrba.org.uk
11/08/19 Sunday	Carvells Home Farm - 13th Annual Charity Horse & Pony Show Carvells Lane, Naseby, Northants NN6 6DH Facebook page: @carvellshorsheshow for further details and our show schedule. Contact Bridget 07729 471022 or Tracy 07812 207089
18/08/19 Sunday	Leicestershire and Rutland Bridleways Association. Somerby Harvest Time Ride, 10 or 14 miles in the quiet mixed farming countryside in East Leics. superb scenery/villages. Contact Vicky Allen tel 01509 215619 e-mail networks@bridlewayslrba.org.uk More details on www.bridlewayslrba.org.uk
31/08/19 Saturday	Leicestershire and Rutland Bridleways Association. Helpston Heath Ride. A new Ride N. of Peterborough, 9 miles mainly Bridleways and quiet country roads. No gates. Lovely variety of wildlife to observe. Contact Ellie Stafford, tel 07946412663 e-mail helpston@bridlewayslrba.org.uk More details on www.bridlewayslrba.org.uk
31/08/19 Saturday	Market Harborough Gardening Club 49th Annual Open Show, Jubilee Hall, Bowden Lane.

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1. Keep dogs under close control but remember – if a farm animal chases you, it's much safer to let your dog off the lead.
2. Stay informed on where and when you can walk in your area. Some areas of land are restricted if work is being carried out and during wildlife breeding seasons.
3. Leave gates as you find them and if you're in a group, make sure the last person knows how to leave the gate.
4. You should always stick to paths if possible but this is especially important in a field where crops are growing.
5. Use gates and stiles where possible, to avoid damaging fences and hedges.
6. Leave animals alone, especially if with their young. If an animal appears to be in distress, contact the farmer.
7. Litter isn't just dangerous to wildlife, dumping rubbish is a criminal offense.
8. By law, dogs must be on short leads in most areas of open country between March 1st and July 31st (to help protect nesting birds), and at all times near farm animals.
9. Farmers are entitled to destroy a dog that injures or worries their animals – unless you completely trust your dog, keep it on a lead around livestock.
10. Clean up dog mess – it can cause infections such as neosporosis. Make sure your dog is wormed regularly and take faeces back to the nearest bin – dog poo bags are a blemish on the countryside.



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