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Don't forget that we have an extensive supplement range – more information on each can be found on our website –

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HESTEFLEX

A supplement to aid joint care.

PROFIX & BIND

A supplement to aid the digestive system and support normal stool consistency.

DURATONE

A B vitamin Tonic that supports both horses in intensive work & can also give a 'pick me up' for those post virus.

BIOTEX – 80

A supplement that supports hoof strength and growth.

EXAGUS

An advanced formula to assist the maintenance of gut function and health.

MYOCEL-BCS

A muscle supplement that aids increased muscle mass, supports increased strength and helps improve appearance and wellbeing.

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Javier has a particular interest in lameness of horses and has written a few pointers to look out for that are common signs of discomfort. Should your horse be showing any or a combination of them, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Lameness is very common in sports/ leisure horses and may result in decreased athletic function, poor quality of life and may increase the risk of contralateral limb laminitis (secondary lameness due to overloading a second limb).

Chronic (long term lameness) and mild lameness can be difficult to identify.

Below is a list of 10 common signs when the horse is being ridden that may indicate pain during exercise:

1. Repeated changes of head position (up/down), tossed or twisted from side to side not in rhythm with the trot.
2. Tongue exposed, protruding or hanging out, and/or moving in and out repeatedly.
3. Tail clamped tightly to middle or held to one side. Tail swishing large movements: repeatedly up and down/side to side/ circular; repeatedly during transitions
4. Canter repeated leg changes in front and/or behind; repeated strike off on wrong leg; disunited.
5. Spontaneous changes of gait (e.g. breaks from canter to trot, or trot to canter).
6. Stumbles or trips more than once; repeated hindlimb toe drag.
7. Sudden change of direction, against rider's cues; spooking.
8. Reluctance to move forwards (has to be kicked, verbal encouragement), stops spontaneously.
9. Rearing (both forelimbs off the ground).
10. Bucking or kicking backwards (one or both hindlimbs).



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FUNDRAISING

Last month our team alongside the team at North Park took part in 'Active October' raising money for **Vetlife**. This involved everyone clocking up the miles that we did throughout the month be it on horsesback, walking, cycling and kayaking to name a few, and getting sponsorship whilst doing this. By the end of October, 2589 miles had been achieved and a total of £1541 was donated to **Vetlife**.



Sadly, levels of depression and suicide are higher within the veterinary world than within the general population. **Vetlife** is a Charity that offers a 24 hour helpline and their mission is 'To provide support to members of the UK veterinary community and their families who have emotional, health or financial concerns...' As a practice we felt it was a good Charity to support.

DISPENSES

If you are wanting a repeat prescription or a dispense of any kind, please call (01837214004) or email (info@equusvets.co.uk) our reception team to arrange for you.

If you ask a vet at a visit, the message does not always filter through which can lead to disappointment or annoyance when the dispense is not ready for collection when you are expecting it to be.

 CORNWALL AREA DAYS FOR DECEMBER 2023

w/c 11th December

w/c 25th December

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