

## Finadyne is back in stock

A new formulation of finadyne is now back for livestock. The price, dosage & withdrawal periods are unchanged; as are the active ingredients so you shouldn't notice any difference.

This adds another great anti-inflammatory and pain relief option into our armoury alongside recocam and kelapofen. Here is a comparison table to help you choose what and how to use:

	Dose for 650kg cow	Price/dose 650kg cow	Administration route	Meat withdrawal	Milk withdrawal
Finadyne	29ml / 24h	£7.54	Into vein	5 days	24 hours
Recocam *3 for2	16ml / 3d	£10.49 *£6.99	Under skin & in vein	15 days	5 days
Kelapofen	20ml / 24h	£10.81	In muscle & in vein	1day in vein 2d in muscle	0 hours

## Enzootic & toxo vaccines reminder—don't run out of time!

Enzootic abortion vaccine is available as 10, 20 or 50 dose packs. We have sourced an alternative brand 'Cevac' to ensure good supply. Remember unvaccinated stock need to be vaccinated 4 weeks before tups go in.

Toxovax needs to be given 3 weeks before tupping. As toxovax is made to order it is currently taking around 10 working days to arrive.

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### Dates for your diary:

**7th October— Mycoplasma bovis & info on new vaccine**  
12-2pm at Green Lane Surgery  
Lunch & refreshment provided  
Please phone to book your place 01995 602468

**14th October — Flock health Club**  
Tupping, pregnancy and health plans  
12-2pm at Green lane Surgery  
Lunch provided

**15th October— BVD Stamp It Out—Cluster meeting 1**  
Our 3rd and final group for this popular government funding scheme.  
Phone the surgery for more information and to book your place.

**31st October— Deadline for 2019 Johnes Management Plan**

**31st October— Medicines course for Red Tractor compliance**  
Suitable for dairy, beef & sheep farmers  
£75 (£50 for additional attendees from same farm)  
12.30-2.30pm at Green Lane West, Garstang  
Please book asap, spaces limited—lunch provided

**16th December— Medicines course for Red Tractor compliance**  
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12.30-2.30pm at Green Lane West, Garstang  
Overflow meeting for those who can't make October 31st

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## CASE REPORT: Lungworm outbreak causing several fatalities

We recently dealt with a severe outbreak of lungworm in adult cattle. A group of cows and calves were moved to new grazing and started to cough and lose weight rapidly. A post mortem revealed lungworm in the bronchi and an extensive pneumonia affecting the lungs. There were five deaths all told, and weight loss among the group. The outbreak was stopped by worming the cattle with a pour on to avoid stressing them more than necessary.



Picture shows the opened up airway from one of the cows that died.

Notice the adult worms and inflammatory fluid in the airway. Higher up in the trachea was a large blood clot, presumably a result of haemorrhage from coughing.

Lungworm outbreaks are most common in autumn and severity depends on how many larvae are picked up and how rapidly. This is dependent on many factors including previous grazing history for the field and weather conditions. NADIS provide a forecast of lungworm risk for the area and we circulate this in the newsletter and by email (contact Helen if you wish to receive parasite alerts and don't already do so).

Control can be via multiple doses of wormer over the summer ( a lot of work ) or a long acting bolus given in spring ( expensive ). The alternative is vaccination – two doses of Huskvac are given with four weeks in between. The animals can be grazed two weeks after the second dose. One course is usually enough for life as further exposure to lungworm boosts the immunity provided initially by the vaccine. Vaccination provides an extremely effective and cost-effective control measure for youngstock which is to be retained for breeding.

For further information please ring the surgery for more information.



## Save time & costs by paying by Direct Debit

We have introduced a Direct Debit scheme for those wishing to simplify the way you pay your account. As you may be aware, paying by Direct Debits has many benefits which include:

- ⇒ Improved financial management
- ⇒ Reduced paperwork
- ⇒ You remain in control
- ⇒ Peace of mind & The Direct Debit Guarantee

Please see enclosed a letter outlining the advantages and practicalities. If you wish to take up the scheme simply fill in the mandate form and return.

Further questions? Please don't hesitate to contact Jo, Mike, Janet or Emmie or email [farmteam@lanesfarmvets.com](mailto:farmteam@lanesfarmvets.com) to discuss.

**EVERYONE WHO RETURNS A SIGNED MANDATE FORMS BEFORE CHRISTMAS WILL RECEIVE A FREE BOX OF 100 NEEDLES (YOUR CHOICE OF SIZE).**

## Pneumonia warning

The recent wet weather has caused high humidity levels in youngstock housing creating a pneumonia risk. Adequate ventilation without causing draughts or chilling of youngstock can be difficult to achieve.

Aim to keep youngstock bedding and housing as dry as possible—simple measures like emptying water buckets outside the building and unblocking drains can help.

Despite building improvements, pneumonia can still strike. An effective vaccination policy can reduce losses and long term lung damage. There are so many vaccines available nowadays it can be overwhelming which to choose.

Questions to ask when deciding on the most effective vaccine:

- 1) What age of animal are usually affected?
- 2) Have you had any testing carried out to determine common causes?
- 3) Are older stock passing virus / bacteria to younger calves?

Please contact us if you wish to discuss vaccination protocols - don't be a slave to sick calves and antibiotics this winter. Now is the time to take control.