

HSBC BANK CLOSURE 26th February 2016

If you want to start paying by BACS our details are as follows:

Sort Code **40-46-34**
Account **Belle Vue Vets Limited**
Account Number **11031430**

Please use your Last Name and Business Address as a reference so that we can credit your payment to the correct account (i.e. Bloggs-West Farm).

Payments should reach us **before** the end of each month to benefit from the Farm Discount Scheme.

NB we are now a limited company, please make cheques out to: Belle Vue Vets Limited.

Thank you.

ASK ABOUT OUR FARM DISCOUNT SCHEME

ARE YOU READY FOR LAMBING - WE ARE

Lambing time is now here so we've got the large animal area stocked up ready for lambing season.

The benefits of bringing lambings to the practice are:

- ◆ Fully equipped, purpose-built large animal area
- ◆ Hygienic operating conditions for lambings and surgery
- ◆ Hydraulic lifting table
- ◆ Cost benefit due to no visit fee
- ◆ Quicker response time
- ◆ Well lit for surgical procedures like prolapses and C-sections.



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BELLE VUE VETS LIMITED FEBRUARY 2016



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CATTLE A.I. TRAINING COURSE

We run artificial insemination training courses at the practice.



The course covers all aspects of cattle reproduction, including anatomy, oestrus detection, semen handling and the insemination technique. Part-funding may be available. **Anyone interested in attending should contact the practice on 016973 42174.**

CALF PNEUMONIA

With the very mild back end weather continuing so late, there is a risk of conditions in calf sheds becoming ideal for the spread of pneumonia! Attention to environment is vital, with ventilation, drainage and regular bedding key.

The spread and impact of pneumonia can be reduced with appropriate use of vaccines

Rispoval 4 covers 4 different viruses and is suitable for calves 3 months or above (can be used from 3 weeks with a 3rd injection).



For younger calves, Rispoval RS & PI3 Intranasal can be used from one week

**SINGLE DOSE VIALS OF INTRANASAL VACCINE ARE NOW AVAILABLE
THE PACK CONTAINS 5 DOSES (5 X 1 dose)**

Ask a vet if you would like more information about pneumonia vaccination as a new bacterial vaccine is now available.

DRUG UPDATES

DON'T FORGET TO ORDER YOUR HUSKVAC

MAMYZIN

Has returned! This is the recommended treatment of choice for relapsing *Strep. Uberis* infections.



HALOCUR

Now available in 980ml size which works out cheaper than 2 x 490ml sizes.



MILKING LINERS - Do they Last 6 Months?

ANSWER - IT DEPENDS!

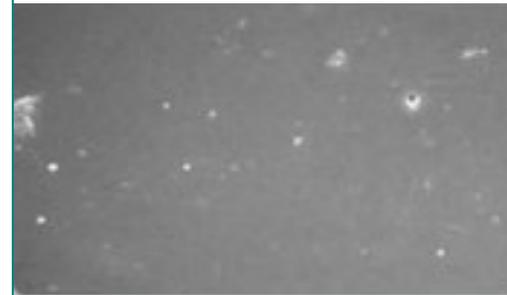
Liners are the only part of the milking machine in direct contact with the cow - if something is wrong with them, it will affect your cows.

Rubber liners last **2500** milkings up to a **maximum** of 6 months (silicon liners last much longer but cost more)

- After 2500 milkings, the rubber cracks and collapses
- After 6 months, they are damaged by dairy chemicals
- Damaged liners harbour bacteria and **spread mastitis**
- Collapsed, inflexible liners **increase milking time**

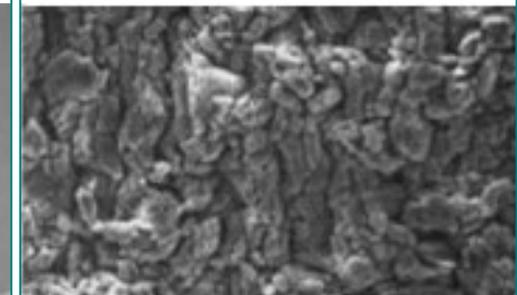
Picture 1

**New Liner Surface
Magnified 200 Times**



Picture 2

**Liner Surface After
3000 Milkings
Magnified 200 Times**



SO - you need to work out how often liners need changed on your farm to avoid these problems:

$$\text{Liner life (days)} = \frac{2500 \times \text{No. of milking units}}{\text{No. of cows} \times \text{milkings per day}}$$

**E.G. With 12 Milking Units, 150 Cows and 2 Milkings per day
Your liners would last 100 days not six months.**