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Changes to Surgery Times

Due to the success of our morning and afternoon appointment systems we have introduced appointments for Saturday mornings and Tuesday and Friday evening surgeries. This should minimise long waiting times for evening surgeries and on Saturday mornings.

Appointments in Lampeter will be available as detailed below. You are welcome to book appointments in advance but we will also have appointments available the same day. Emergencies will always be seen as quickly as possible.

	Morning Appointments	Afternoon Appointments	Evening Appointments
Monday	9 to 11.30	1.30 to 3.30	
Tuesday	9 to 11.30	1.30 to 3.30	5 to 6
Wednesday	9 to 11.30	1.30 to 3.30	
Thursday	9 to 11.30	1.30 to 3.30	
Friday	9 to 11.30	1.30 to 3.30	5 to 6
Saturday	9 to 10		
Sunday			

The Office is open from 8.30am Monday to Friday and appointments can be made by telephone 01570 422322.

If you have any questions or comments about the service which we provide please don't hesitate to let us know, we are more than happy to discuss our service with you.

Enzovax & Toxovax

Remember that vaccinations against Enzootic Abortion should be given to ewe lambs and ewes at least 4 weeks before going to the ram and Toxoplasmosis at least 3 weeks before tupping. Both vaccines can be given at the same time. Please ring the Office to order your vaccines.

Buy in rams or ewes?

We recommend Quarantine drenching all incoming sheep in line with SCOPS advice. We advise that all incoming sheep should be treated with a drench of Zolvix, an injection with ivermectin (Cydectin or Dectomax is best), and treat with a drench for liver fluke. This is to reduce the chances of incoming sheep bringing sheep scab and resistant fluke and resistant worms onto your holding.

Please contact us for more information or to discuss your flock health.

Ram Vasectomies (Teasers)

Vasectomising a ram, removes his fertility but maintains libido. A Teaser is useful for getting all your ewes cycling prior to putting in the fertile rams. Using a Teaser will reduce the duration of lambing and lambing will start much quicker. Some farmers may prefer lambing to take place in a more concentrated and shorter time.

If you would like to arrange for a Vasectomy please contact the Office. The Vasectomy should be performed 4 weeks before the Teaser is required and the Teaser should be with the ewes 2 weeks before the fertile rams.

Staff Updates

We would like to welcome back Rhian, returning after maternity leave, and Margaret, following recent successful surgery.

We would also like to welcome Helen, having worked with us temporarily for the last 3 months she is now permanently joining the team.

Jim has now become a Director, joining Richard and James managing the Practice. We would like to congratulate Jim and wish him luck in his new position.

Lampeter Show 14th August 2015

We will be having a stand at the show again this year. Please drop in to view our displays and have a chat over a cuppa.