



Hauraki Vet Services



November 2011

87 ORCHARD ROAD NGATEA

**Christmas Barbeque 2011
Ngatea Scout Hall
Tuesday 6th December**



Please RSVP by Monday 5th December

Dog Vaccination Runs

In December we will continue our highly popular on-farm dog vaccination programme, which eliminates the need for you to bring your dog to the clinic. If we vaccinated your pets last year we will ring you and organise a time to give your animals their boosters.

- No visit fees or mileage.
- Dogs are vaccinated against parvo, distemper, hepatitis and leptospirosis. Can also do for kennel cough if they are likely to spend time at the kennels
- Cats are vaccinated for cat flu and panleukopenia (cat parvo).
- We can do flea and worm treatments as well.



If you are interested in starting your dogs on this on-farm vaccination programme please phone the clinic and we will put you on the list (we will ring with times).

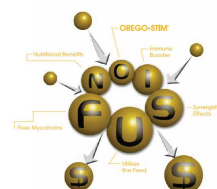
Grumpy cows / Mycotoxins

Are your cows suffering from the following:

- Grumpy cows
- Udder sensitization—kicking cups off more than normal
- Heat stress—when it isn't that hot!!

We have all seen the effects of ryegrass staggers in the summer months but the same set of toxins can cause problems now, the signs are a lot more subtle. Signs like the above—grumpy unsettled cows, heat stress when the day isn't really that hot. These signs are often seen before Christmas rather than in Jan/Feb when we would traditionally see ryegrass staggers.

Mycotoxin binders which you add to the feed to bind up these toxins before they are absorbed are gaining momentum in the industry with more and more people seeing a benefit from their use.



Fusion Dyad is a new generation mycotoxin binder from NutriTech which we now have available. If you are interested please contact us for more information.



**Purchase Eclipse, Genesis or Eprinex Pour ON
Get our CHRISTMAS PARTY PACK GIVEAWAY**

- Christmas Ham
- 15 pack of beer,
- Lollies chips and dip

**HAURAKI VETS
PARTY PACK**

*Perfect excuse
for a little
party!!
We also have
non alcoholic
options*

**Need Pour On for
the Calves ??**

- Plenty of options
- Same great giveaways

Early pregnancy testing. Why Bother?

1. To confirm your calving dates.

Early pregnancy testing aims to confirm AB dates versus early bull dates (that may have been missed). It's purpose is to confirm the first six weeks of calving and highlight cows who have conceived to calve in weeks 7 to 9 (late August/early Sept for most).

When we traditionally pregnancy test in Feb/March we identify the late calving cows—week 9 to 12 onwards but will not be able to tell if an AB mated cow has been picked up by the bull early. When could this be important for you?

- Culling of later calving old / diseased cows if in calf to the bull rather than AB.
- Better management of springer mobs for better spring pasture management.
- Feed budgeting for early spring
- Benchmarking accurate 6 week in calf rates and bull performance indicators to allow you to assess reproductive performance and make changes for next year.

2. To identify Non Cycling (thought pregnant) cows so you can treat them and reduce the number of empty cow.

Pregnancy testing your herd early also identifies non cycling (suspected pregnant) animals. These animals can be treated so that they get a chance to get in calf before the bull comes out. CIDR, Cuemate or Ovsynch treated cows are more at risk. This is particularly important for farms with higher empty rates or with insufficient replacement stock.

Using our Minda mobile is the best way to record the data and this allows us to analyse the data quickly. Early scanning is slower and will take a bit longer to complete. Normal fees though will apply as long as we get to do the herd again in the autumn.