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We will provide industry-leading, reliable, knowledgeable service, in a friendly, courteous and timely manner, to benefit our clients and the communities we serve.

Linwood Clinic Hours: Mon-Fri 7am – 5pm Sat 7am – 12pm **Hwy 89 Clinic: Mon-Sat 7am-1 pm**

NOTE: BOTH CLINICS ARE CLOSED SUNDAY

Orders for Delivery: ***Please call BEFORE 9:30 am*** for same day local delivery Monday to Friday

24 Hour Emergency Vet Service 1-800-663-2941

OCTOBER 2015 NEWSLETTER

Clinic News

4.5 L sharps containers for used needles, with prepaid disposal included in cost, now in stock. 23L containers are also available. Add to your order, and return to the clinic when sharps hit the fill line, for safe disposal.

Product Detailers: Please let us know when ordering, if you need one for intramammary products. Purchasing products in bulk helps reduce cost to you but it occasionally results in shortage of product detailers.

Boehringer Ingelheim Milk Culture Testing Program: If you purchased Boehringer products Cefal-Lak®, Cefa-Dri® or Dry-Clox® between May 1 and July 31, and have milk culture stickers- don't throw them out! Each sticker is good for a \$12 discount on a milk culture at the clinic, if submitted before November 30th, 2015.

Vetiquinol Club is a loyalty program for producers. Email info@vequinolclub.ca or call Vetiquinol Customer Service at 1-800-363-1700 ext 214 for info or to register. Information and registration forms can be picked up at the clinics. Vetiquinol will accept purchase reports from the clinic from April 1, 2015 forward and they can be sent by the clinic, on your behalf if you provide us with your registration information.

Zoetis Producer Loyalty Program: for those already registered, to acquire points for **2014** purchases the invoices/sales report must be **submitted by November 30/15**.

For those who have not registered yet but intend to do so Zoetis will accept invoices back to January 2015. Please let the office know if you need a purchase report send on your behalf, to Zoetis. See Zoetis website for fall bonus points and more information.

www.plp-cattle.ca or call 1-877-788-2119

Beef Meeting: In early November, Jones Feed Mills, in conjunction with Elanco Canada and Linwood Veterinary Services, will be hosting a second beef producer meeting featuring live demonstrations on handling, processing, and implanting. There will also be a presentation on receiving cattle rations. The September meeting, near Harriston, was a great success. This meeting is anticipated to take place just north of Waterloo. For details, and to book a spot, call Jones at 1-800-265-8735. Lunch will be provided.

Do You Need Hip Lifters

Why cows go down?

- Calving induced nerve damage
- Milk fever, low cal/phos
- Toxemia from infection
- Fractures or dislocations, which must be ruled out prior to lifting

Why lift?

- Limit pressure induced muscle injury
- The cow needs your help

Protocol

- Identify primary underlying problem
- Make the environment cow friendly, clean and dry with water and feed access
- Tie the hind legs just above the fetlocks with a 16" strap
- Attempt lifting 2-3 X daily and hope for 15-20 minutes standing time
- Roll cow from side to side 3 X daily
- If outcome not favorable, humanely euthanize

If you have any questions or concerns regarding a Downer Cow, please do not hesitate to call your veterinarian. Hip lifters are available for purchase from the clinic.

Fall Beef Cattle

As the corn silage finishes up, and the time on pasture grows short for your cow calf herd, it's a good time to discuss deworming and vaccination options for your herd with your veterinarian.

Things to consider as the cows and calves come off grass:

1. Deworming
2. Vaccination
 - a. Cows
 - b. Calves
3. Pregnancy Checking
4. Processing

Deworming: Topical dewormers such as Ivomec or Alverin are an important tool. Deworm your beef cattle this fall and rid them of profit sucking parasites. It makes good economic sense to keep your worm burden low over the winter. This results in better feed conversions and money saved.

Vaccination: Call the clinic today to discuss a vaccination protocol that is right for your operation. Don't leave your cattle unprotected against costly respiratory disease.

Pregnancy Checking: Feeding open cows through the winter can greatly impact your feed bill. Get one of our Veterinarians out this fall to find the open cattle.

Processing: Do your calves still need to be dehorned? Castrated? Vaccinated? Implanted? We can help you with your processing needs. Contact Linwood Veterinary services if you need help with your processing