



# Gillivervet Ltd.

## Newsletter



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### Gillivervet News



Many of you may be well aware that one of our long standing members of the veterinary team has now left Gillivervet. Kathleen Innes, who has been here at Gillivervet for just over 9 yrs is now based in Scotland, as her partner has been relocated, and we wish her all the very best for the future.

On a brighter note, some of you will have already met a new member of the team, here at Gillivervet. Kyle Black joined us at the end of May and we wish to welcome him to the practice.



*Kyle Black, BVSc  
MRCVS*

#### *Claim your free Gillivervet Headcollar*

Calling all Gillivervet clients, if you haven't already done so, please get your complimentary, promotional headcollar from the practice when you collect your horse after treatment. With a choice of sizes, they are a stylish addition to your horse's wardrobe.

### Microchipping



**Just to remind everyone that all foals registered after 1<sup>st</sup> July 2009 must be microchipped according to new legislation.**



The microchips are implanted in your horse's neck by means of a simple, painless injection. The microchip carries a unique number which is read by an electric scanner. This number is registered on a national database together with your details as the horse's owner. If your horse is found following theft or loss, you will have an indisputable way of providing that you are the rightful owner. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any queries.

### Vaccinations



This is just a polite reminder that remembering your horse's vaccination dates is the responsibility of the horse owner. Please don't rely on receiving the reminder cards that we send as for one reason and another it may not arrive with you. On the reverse of the newsletter please detach the slip and keep it safe to remind you when your horse's injections are due.

## BREED FEATURE

### SHETLAND PONY



A registered Shetland pony must not exceed 42 inches at 4 yrs or over. They can be any colour other than spotted.

A Shetland pony should have a small and in proportion head with small, erect, wide set ears that point forward. Their feet should be tough, round and well shaped to compliment a straight, free action.



Today the Shetland pony no longer has the hardworking life of its ancestors, as nowadays the main employment is for a child's riding pony or for carriage driving, and it is hugely popular world-wide.

A most salient and essential feature of the Shetland pony is its general air of vitality (presence), stamina and robustness.

# Your Equine First Aid Kit



A well equipped and correctly stocked first aid kit is essential for any horse owner/yard to have in an emergency, whether you are an avid competitor or just own a horse for pleasure/ hacking etc. Below is a list of the basic essentials required in a good first aid kit. Having these items easily accessible, would ensure all minor injuries could be dealt with and more serious injuries could be attended to until the vet arrives. Obviously if you are ever unsure of the significance of an injury, please call us immediately.

#### What a First Aid Kit should contain:

- Sterile dressings of various sizes (e.g Melolin, allevyn)
- Large roll of cotton wool
- Open weave bandage
  - Vet wrap
  - Elastoplast
- Intrasite Gel
- Hibiscrub
  - Salt
- Thermometer
- Animalintex
- Round ended Curved Scissors
- Your details: name, number, vets name, yard name etc.

First Aids kits can be purchased from Gillivervet at a very reasonable price, please contact us for more details.



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## Vaccination Protocol

Apart from your horse's health and well being, this protocol must be followed if you wish to enter competitions.

### Influenza/Tetanus

1<sup>st</sup> vaccination

2<sup>nd</sup> vaccination 21-92 days after 1<sup>st</sup>

3<sup>rd</sup> vaccination 150-215 days after 2<sup>nd</sup> (5-7 months)

Booster annually, within 1 year of previous vaccination (no more than 365 days)

