Focused on Farming





Sally Cornforth

On Saturday the 16th April we will be opening our doors for the first time in 10 years to give our customers a chance to look round the mill and to give us a chance to say thank you for your continued loyalty.

As well as tours around the mill there will be a Hog Roast, Black Sheep Bar and entertainment for the children. We have chicks hatching in store, plus unbeatable deals on Grass seed, Bateman, Fencing, JFC, Animal Health plus plenty more. As well as this we will have some fantastic prizes to be won including a Moocall Sensor & Bateman Lamb Weigh details of

which you will find in store. There will be trade stands and representatives from many of our suppliers and new products launched.

We hope you'll agree there is something for everyone, it will be running from 1pm until 6pm on Saturday the 16th April and we would love to see you there.





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Monthly offers

Hardware

4' Interlocking metal hurdles £14.50 + VAT

6' Interlocking metal hurdles £14.75 + VAT

10' Hayrack on wheels £220+ VAT

8' Hayrack on wheels £195 + VAT

8' lamb creep feeder £245 + VAT

Animal health

Claw Mole Traps buy 4 get a 5th free



Pro Mark marker spray buy 5 get a 6th FREE (1 per customer)

Endospec 2.5% Drench

• 10L £50 + VAT

• 5L £34 + VAT

• 2.5L £21 + VAT

Country store

Wagg Worker Beef 17kg Only £8.99

Wagg Complete Original 2.5kg Only £1.99

Whiskas Cat Food Pouches (12) Only £3.99

FREE Westlands Rose Rescue with every purchase of Westlands Rose Food

FREE Watering Can with every purchase of Liquid Shots

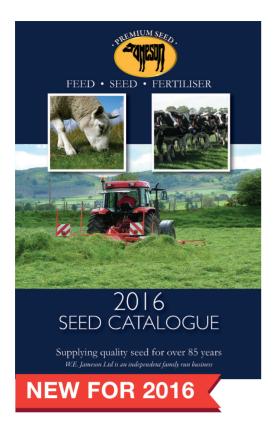
All Ex Masham While stocks last!

Please mention the newsletter when ordering.









Our 2016 Seed Catalogue is now available!

Class act

Stuart Holmes

Topping the Kirkby Stephen Classic store cattle show and sale at £2,000 was the overall champion, a 7 month old Limousin steer from the Marstons, Easegill Head.

The judge also awarded the overall reserve championship to a 10 month old Limousin cross heifer also from the Marstons, which went on to later sell for £1,350. They also took the red ribbon in the Un-haltered British Blue Heifer class, which sold for £1,520. The Marstons feed our Premium beef nuts and rolled barley.





Doing all you can Peter Harland

Mould in feed and bedding can give rise to the bacterium listeria monocytogenes. This can result in both silage eye and listeria infection in cattle & sheep.

To avoid listeria, it is sensible to look at the silage making process. When looking at the silage analysis it is helpful to look at ash levels. If ash level is over 10%, then it is likely that there is soil contamination in the forage. This can have come about from picking up mole hills or from setting the mower too low. Also, low DM forages provide perfect conditions for mould so trying to make drier silage will help if the weather allows! Application of some silage additives will also reduce the risk from listeria.

Additive containing the bug Enterococcus Faecium will result in listeria monocytogenes not being present in the silage. Our silage additive - Pentoguard - contains this bug and so can help in the battle against listeria.

Please give us a call on 01765 689666 to discuss the benefits of using our silage additive.



Blackleg

Kathryn Henry

Spring turnout is a time to be aware of Clostridial disease in young cattle. These diseases include Blackleg, Tetanus, Black Disease etc.

Clostridial spores can enter the body of an animal through skin wounds, and contaminated needles/injection equipment. Muscle trauma from bulling in heifers and injuries at feed barriers can also trigger clostridial spore activation. Outbreaks of Blackleg, for example, have been reported after earthworks such as field drainage work and new road construction, and exposure of earth floors during mucking out buildings, causing exposure of the highly resistant clostridial spores in the soil.

With Blackleg, affected cattle are often found dead. More typically, they are very dull and depressed, do not feed and have a very high rectal temperature (>41.0°). As the disease rapidly progresses, swellings of the legs, shoulders, back etc occur. The affected muscles become black and spongy and lose function.

Most clostridial diseases are entirely preventable by vaccination. The best protection is a two-dose course followed by annual revaccination.

For more advice on vaccinating cattle against clostridial disease, please call into the trade desk or ring 01765 689666.



Top tip

To avoid Red Gut in spare lambs wean abruptly. Use a lamb milk replacer with pre-8 pro-biotics such as Vitalamb. Don't water the milk down, just cut them off. Also, wean when they get to 10kg in weight.

New TB rules Dr Ruth Lawson

From 6 April 2016, farmers in the Low Risk Area of England will need to arrange post-movement tests for cattle bought from herds in annual (or more frequent) surveillance testing areas of England and Wales. Post-movement testing will not be required for cattle slaughtered within 120 days of arriving. Farmers will be need to organise and pay for the post-movement testing of cattle brought in. Tests must be completed between 60 and 120 days after an animal has ioined the herd.

For more information please visit the government website: www.gov.uk/government/publications/bovine-tbinformation-note-0116-post-movement-testing

Central Yorkshire Grassland Society

David Lewis

The next meeting of our Grassland Society is open to all and will be on Wednesday 13 April. It will be an on-farm meeting starting at 11 am where the speaker will be George Fisher. The topic will be based around grass production covering soil compaction, the status of the grazing platform for this spring and grass for silage production. The venue will be Grange Farm

Nun Monkton York YO26 8EJ by kind permission of the Throup family. Lunch will be provided courtesy of AHDB. Please ring 01765 689666 and speak to me to let us know if you can attend by Friday 8 April.



AROUND THE MARKETS



At Gisburn auction, David Ellis, Hampswaite took top spot at £1570 with a limi bull, using Cattle Pro 60.

At Skipton auction, Richard Umpleby achieved £190 for Suffolk x ewes with texel lambs at foot and £225 for Charolais ewes with texel lambs, using Ewedale Gold rolls. At the Craven Champions sale, Mark & Fiona Ewbank, Middlesmoor took the red ribbon in the any other breed class at £1120, they use Stock blend.

At Otley auction, top price hoggs at £108.50 were presented by Wighill Lane Farm Partnership, Healaugh, feeding hogg blend.

At Northallerton auction, The Bowes were successful with a steer at 223ppk. Top ewes with lambs at foot came from D&R Reed at £142, home mixing using our raw materials.

Top black & white bull calf at Leyburn came from J Pearson at £230. The top angus bull was presented by S. Moor at £335 using Jameson IMMU-Surge calf milk replacer.



Contractors / Services

Grass Cutting with front and rear mower conditioners, man with 165hp tractor for hire, or man only. Tel. Robert Craggs 07805 642359 or 01609 777974.

Grassland subsoiling, aerating, ploughing, reseeding & overseeding. Harrogate / Ripon area. Steven Brown 07920 884575.

Self-propelled forage harvesting. Round and quadrant baling and wrapping. Tractor and man hire 07759 342125.

Primrose Tyre Services, Bedale. Tel. 01677 450487 or 07977 732096.

Agricultural Electrician, J R Graham. Fault finding and repairs, breakdowns, new installations, lighting, security, 3-phase. Tel John on 07595 620935 or 01423 340319.

Fencing Contractors, A and S Corner, Easingwold. Call Andrew for a competitive quote: 01347 823645.

Cattle freeze-branding, North Yorkshire. Tel Steve Johnson 07940 064991 or 01347 810980.

Fencing Contractors David Robinson. Leyburn 07762 317201.

Agri Pest management. Agricultural pest control – rats, mice, moles, rabbits & insects. Tel. Nick 07716 467460 or 01765 640 867.

Slitting and over-seeding in one pass. Sward lifting, slurry tanking, ploughing, man & tractor and concrete grooving. Fodder beet cleaner-loader with picking off table for hire. Tel. Mike 01765 689 039.

Rhodes Feed Services for on-farm rolling, grinding, mill & mix services. All areas covered. 01759 318230 or 07811 432127.

All types of fencing work. 3 tonne Digger hire. Ditching, lane repairs etc. Simon Poulter 07751 553504.

5t digger for hire, with or without operator. Andrew Donaldson 07753 637638.

Fencing, Forestry and Groundworks Contractor. WM Rural Contractors, Yorkshire. Contact Will McDermott 07791335602 for a competitive quote.

Welding tuition available in MMA mig & tig processes on pipe and plate. Call 01609 761697 email: fortressfabrications@outlook.com

For Sale & Wanted

New Holland 8050 combine. 12ft cut, cab and trailer. Good sound machine. Bedale area. 01677 450280 or 07971 961403.

Two wooden sliding doors. 3170mm (10'6") wide x 3150mm (10'5") high. Very solid construction. With 3 runners per door. Speak to Chris Jameson on 07921 407418.

Metal galvanised gate and posts. Designed for timber or steel cladding. Very heavy duty construction. Never used. 4100mm (13'6") wide. Two gates, 1150mm wide and 2950mm wide. Two Posts 2950mm high and 3250mm high, 150mm x150mm galvanised box section. Hinges. Speak to Chris Jameson on 07921 407418.

Spare / pet / cade lambs wanted. Harrogate, Ripon, Otley areas. Text 07876 834023.

DAF cattle / horse lorry. 7.5t aluminium container. £4500. Durham area. Call Jim on 07968 214036.

Angus bulls for hire. Peter Turnbull 01347 868236 or 07836 370253.

Traditional small bales of meadow seed hay; wheat & barley straw. Small and large orders. Edge of Ripon 01765 602818.

Point of lay chickens for sale, Warrens, Blue Bells, Light Sussex, Black Rock, Copper Black, Marrans, Silver Sussex, White Star, Amber Link, RIR X LS, Cheshire Blue. Bedale 07746940791.

