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It's black & white

Jake Lakin

Frankland Farms at Rathmell, Settle rear black & white bulls to be sold to Buitelaars. Bulls finished up to 12 months are sold as rosé veal and those going between 12 and 14 months are rosé beef. If any bulls go over 14 months they are sold fat through Gisburn auction. Currently, weights of between 440 and 470kg are achieved, at a killing out percent of 53 and O2 or O3 grade. Cattle go on to a finishing diet of Jameson premium beef nuts and rolled barley with ad lib straw at 3-4 months of age.

Finishing black & white bulls can provide farmers with a quick turnaround; however cattle need to be pushed all the way through the system.

Please ring me on **07740409826** or Dr Ruth Lawson on **01765 689666** to discuss feeding bulls for rose veal.

Monthly offers

Animal health

Lamb foot rot shears **£8 + VAT** were **£9.99 + VAT**

Plain foot rot shears **£19 + VAT** were **£24.25 + VAT**

Serrated foot rot shears **£19 + VAT** were **£24.25 + VAT**

Battles foot rot aerosol **£4.50 + VAT** was **£5.83 + VAT**

Cobalt, Selenium & B12 drench one litre **£22** was **£25** zero VAT; 2.5 litres **£50** was **£55** zero VAT

Sheep conditioning drench one litre **£16.50** was **£17.99** zero VAT; 2.5 litre + one litre free of charge **£45** was **£50** zero VAT.

Garlic buckets – buy **10** and get another **2 free**.



Country store

Fold Hill dog biscuits **save £1** a bag now only **£7.49**



Dreamies chicken cat treats **now 80p** saving **20%**
Pedigree chewy cubes dog treats now **80p** saving **20%**

Ex Masham While stocks last!

Please mention the newsletter when ordering



Grass check *part 2*

Peter Harland

If your grass fields are not performing as you well as you would like then soil compaction should be considered as a possible cause. Soil compaction is a well-covered topic now, however it is still often overlooked by many of us, and can still be responsible for a lot of reduced performance seen in grass leys. 80% of compaction occurs the first time you drive a tractor across the field, so trying to stick to the same wheel marks can be of benefit.

As mentioned in previous newsletters, the best and cheapest way to assess compaction is to dig a 12 inch square hole by a foot deep, when the soil is moist but not wet. Try to remove this in one piece and lay it next to your hole. Or cut 3 sides of the hole with the spade and lever the clod out, keeping one side of your pit untouched by the spade. You can then examine the "natural" face of the pit, for tight patches, indicating a compact layer. Ideally the top 2 inches of the clod, should have a nice crumbly structure, the next 2 inches

should be half crumbly, and below this the remaining soil should have around 10% crumb texture. In an ideal world grass roots should be down to 30cm depth.

Once you have established if compaction is an issue, and how deep the problem is, then you can think about how to combat it. Pasture spiking or subsoiling, are not cheap operations in diesel, time and wear. You need to be sure that they are right for the job.

Furthermore, once the compaction is alleviated will the grass that is there "pay you back". If the grass has been down for more than 7 years a total reseed is definitely an option. The cost of a ploughed reseed is around £150/acre. Ploughing will also rectify compaction, as well as aerate the soil. With a Jameson ley you can be sure of introducing some of the best seed available on the market today. Our varieties are listed on the NIAB recommended list, and are proven to perform, giving you more yield and more feed quality in every acre.

For advice on grassland management give me a ring on 07803 116410

Pento-Guard for wholecrop silage David Lewis

With the drop in cereal price there has been renewed interest in wholecrop silage for feeding to dairy cattle. Wholecrop silage is a good complement to leafy grass silage enabling the cow to extract the maximum nutrients from the combined diet. Young grass silage alone tends to be digested too quickly, going straight through the cow. The extra fibre from wholecrop provides roughage for the rumen bugs and the higher starch level provides more energy in to the diet. Wholecrop silage, at an average of 45% dry matter is also less acidic than wetter grass silage and can reduce the acid loading. In dry cow rations the lower potassium level found in wholecrop reduces the incidence of milk fever.

The problem with this high dry matter, high fibre silage is that it is prone to warming up in the clamp. The straw fraction of the silage is hollow and this gives a big surface area for the bugs to work on, especially when the air temperature is high.

Using Pento-guard silage additive, wholecrop temperature can be controlled.

Our Pento-guard has four components:

1. Xylanase enzyme which digests the xylose fibres to produce pentose sugars yet maintaining the structural levels in the silage.
2. Enterococcus faecium to prevent the development of pathogens.
3. Lactobacillus Buchneri feeds on the pentose sugars to produce both acetic and lactic acids. This balance of acids is better suited to the cow than lactic alone and the acetic component also inhibits the formation of yeasts and moulds.
4. Lactobacillus lactis produces a unique product called nisin which inhibits clostridia in addition to further action on yeasts and moulds.

In the 3 years we have been involved with Pento-guard we have been very pleased with the resultant silages which have all been very stable and cold.

For more information give me a ring 07710600848 or visit our website www.wejameson.co.uk/soils-crops/silage-additive/

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Saving you cash

Graham Jameson

Stubble turnips can produce an excellent, cost effective feed for finishing lambs which is available in just 12 weeks. As a guide, a good summer sown crop should yield about 40t fresh per hectare and feed 50 lambs for 60-70 days. Stubble turnips can be sown from late July to the end of August following cereals if desired. Unlike cattle, sheep do not need a roughage when feeding brassicas, however they will need a run-back area. Feed costs for grazing lambs on stubble turnips compare favourably with grass finishing systems but will be considerably cheaper than concentrate finishing.

Target live weight gain of 0.7 – 0.8 kg can be achieved with heifers outwintered on a stubble turnip based diet and good quality haylage. However, mineral buckets need to be offered. Also, utilization can be fairly low at 35-45%, although the roots can be later grazed with sheep.



For more information visit our website
<http://www.wejameson.co.uk/soils-crops/fodder-crops/>

Around the markets

At Otley, Sally & Andrew Hargrave topped the lamb market at 261p/kg using hogg blend and at the Friday market, Umplebys from Killinghall gained top price with texel hogs & single lambs at £170 and ewes with twins at £218, feeding Ewedale gold pencils. Ivanhoe Livestock, Bedale achieved top price with NSL at 256p/kg and £100/head, they feed maize 'o' mix and intensive lamb creep pellets.

At Northallerton, top price spring lambs came from HL Kitching at £120 or 287p/kg, Howard uses our Intensive

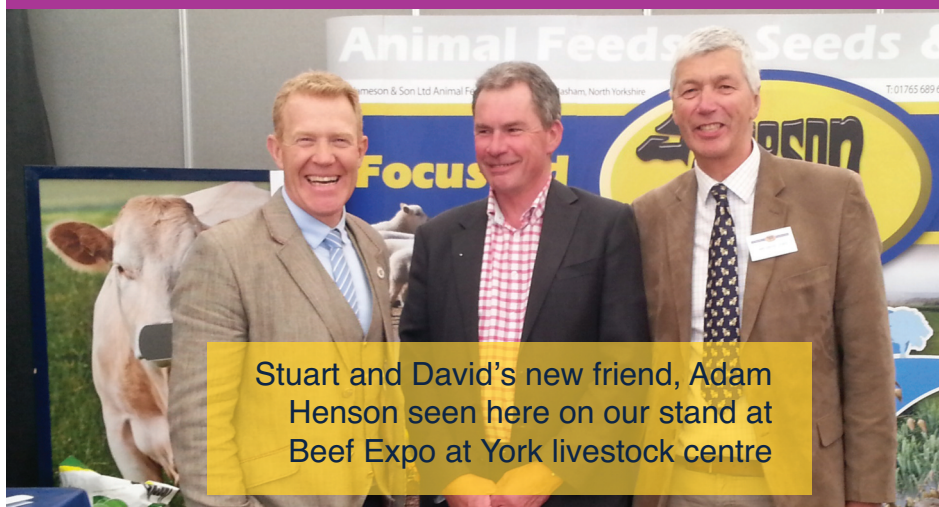
lamb creep pellets and hogg blend. Top price hogs came from KR & J Flintoff at £85.50 for 32-39kg hogs using primestock pencils. Hugill Partners achieved top price at 212p/kg or £1349 with their steers getting off to a good start on our youngstock blend and IMMU-Surge calf milk powder. And finally, again the Bowes had the top price heifer at £1330, using cattle pro gold.



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Stuart and David's new friend, Adam Henson seen here on our stand at Beef Expo at York livestock centre



**15%
OFF ALL
Jack Murphy
clothing**



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A bit creepy

Stuart Holmes

Creep feeding lambs can be beneficial and economical provided the increased gain exceeds the costs of feed, labour and feeding equipment. The feed conversion efficiency will vary from 4:1 before weaning deteriorating to 12:1 as the lambs get older. The additional live weight gain from creep feeding can vary from 20-100g per day. Daily live weight gain should be enhanced by 50-70g to deliver an additional 4-5 kg of live weight over a 9-12 week creep feeding period.

Higher growth rates are found in lambs creep fed when stocking rates are tight and sward heights below 4cm.

To discuss
creep feeding please
ring me on **078945
95194** or speak to Dr
Ruth Lawson on
01765 689666.

Cattle from the Pattison family at Northfield Farm, Northallerton finished on our Cattle Pro 60 and rolled barley. Calves are reared on calf weaner pellets and then go onto calf rearing pencils and barley. Their cattle have topped Northallerton market for 2 weeks running.



Contractors / Service

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

Pedigree Aberdeen Angus bulls 12-14 months. Easy calving. Good conformation & quiet. BVD, IBR, leptos. & Johnes free. Ripon **01765 658646**.

Charolais bulls. Well bred & ready for work. 18 - 22 months. Tel. Jenny Clayton **0113 2672921** or **07952 228632**.

Hay in large square bales. Scarborough area **0797 1776671**.

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

100 KVA diesel generator low hours. £2750 + VAT. I & WA Todd **01751 460203** or **077650 35582**.

For Sale Mini Heston hay bales, excellent quality, Markington **07866813701 / 01765 677233**.

New Holland 8050 combine. 3943 hours. 12ft cut. Tidy condition. Genuine owner driven machine. Bedale area **01677 450280** or **07971 961403**.

Hay for sale. Good quality. Small bales and also large oblong. Reasonably priced. **01423 864253**.

Quadrant bales of wheat, barley & oat straw, 8' x 4' x 2'. Sedgfield area **07715 494378**.

Wanted: Set of chain harrows and also small slurry tanker. Tel. **01748 886412**.

Wanted: Circular Saw Header for McConnell hedge trimmer. Tel: **07989 726154**.

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