



Two in a row!

Congratulations to Mr Gawthorp from Bradford for winning the highest prize native bull or heifer at Otley auction. The calf was an angus bull and made £310, sold to Mr Foster. The photo shows Mr Gawthorp on the left extracting the cash from Jake's mitts. Mr Foster was so keen to get his purchase home we didn't get chance to take a photo. Mr Gawthorp also won our last calf show with a continental heifer, can he make it three in a row and win again next month? These calves are fed on our IMMU-Surge calf milk replacer and our calf weaner pellets.

Contractors / Services

Agricultural Electrician, J R Graham. Fault finding and repairs, breakdowns, new installations, lighting, security, 3-phase. Tel John on **07595 620935** or **01423 323436**.

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

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

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. Tel. Mike **01765 689 039**.

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

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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.

Wanted farm plastic - delivered or collected, ring for a quote on Selby **01757 288112** or **07761 248174** or email **martinbirdsall20@gmail.com**.

For Sale and Wanted

Keenan K160 Year 2008 New Model Diet Feeder with Knives. Good working order. £10,000 + VAT. Tel: **07971 776671**

Good quality small bale hay. Ideal for sheep / horses. Bedale area **07711 824325**.

Two pedigree Aberdeen Angus Bulls, 18 months old. BVD, IBR, Lepto and Johnes free. TB4. **01765 658646**.

15 individual Calf Hutches including a race plus 2 Multi Hutches. Rushyford Area Tel **07834525319**.

Pedigree Beef Shorthorn bull. (from Upsall herd) approx. 4 years old, very quiet, very easy calving, cubicle trained, BVD vaccinated. **(01423) 755122** or **07717660656**.

Part time job available - on a mixed farm near Masham. Call Alex on **07773 071594**.

Barney's farmhouse foods. Homemade jams, chutneys, marmalades, sauces & cakes for sale. Tel. **01423 780207** or email **anneoxenfarm@yahoo.co.uk**

Charolais bulls. Well bred & ready for work. Tel. Jenny Clayton **0113 2672921** or **07961 918027**.

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

Pedigree limousin bulls. Well bred & grown. Ready for work. Good types & quiet. 16 months. Members of Cattle Health Scheme. Tel. Kirby Moorside **01751 431702**.

40 KVA Ford diesel generator. £1650. I & WA Todd **01751 460203** or **077650 35582**.

3 pedigree Aberdeen Angus bulls. 14 -18 months. Quiet, good conformation. IBR, BVD, Lept. & Johnes free. TB4. Ripon **01765 658646**.

Small bales of haylage. Good quality. Bedale **07715 002908**.

If for Williams TA510 Cattle Trailer for sale. Excellent condition, almost new. Double axle 6ft x 12ft, 7ft headroom, so suitable for sheep deck. Tel: **01765 620085** or **jennytonygarman@gmail.com**

Berrichon rams, ewes & lambs for sale. Easy lambing, fast finishing & hardy. Northallerton **01609 881234**.

Second hand 12 tonne Collinson Bulk Bin, centre discharge ring **01423 711264**.

Fullwood 10x10 Herringbone Milking Parlour to sell. Darley. Tel: **01423 780207**.

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

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A moment on the lips, a lifetime on the hips

Stuart Holmes

The aim of feeding the spring calving suckler is to supply everything the growing foetus needs without the cow getting too fat. Over winter, cows fed ad libitum silage are likely to get too fat. Using a mix of straw and silage keeps the cow full all day, but restricts her energy intake.

In the pre-calving period, vitamin and mineral supplementation is essential, in particular magnesium, selenium, iodine and vitamin E. Our dry cow minerals are formulated to reduce the risk of both milk fever and grass staggers in spring. Also, iodine, zinc, selenium and vitamin E are included for calf vigour and colostrum quality.

If body condition has not been well managed by 150 days before calving, it must be adjusted quickly to avoid changes in condition in the last 50 days of pregnancy. In the last 50 days before calving don't try to change body condition or it will affect the calf.

Even for dry sucklers a small amount of protein (12% DM) needs to be fed. This can be achieved using feeds such as rapeseed meal, protein molasses, wheat or barley distillers.

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Monthly offers

Dalesman Cattle & sheep buckets **buy 10 and get 2 free.**

Dickies overalls stud front **£14.50 + VAT**, Zip front **£15.50 + VAT**.

Nettex Cobalt, Selenium and Vitamin B12 drench, introductory offer of **£20** for one litre and **£45** for 2.5L.

Buy a Nettex ram harness and get a crayon **free**.

Buy 4 Nettex ram crayons and get a 5th **free**.

Buy a Ritchey ram harness and get a crayon **free**.

Buy 4 Ritchey ram crayons get a 5th **free**.

20% off Agrimark raddles.

Buy 1 Slaymor rat poison and get a 2nd **half price**.

Country store

Gelert tinned cat food 12 tins for the price of 10, **now only £5.50**.

Dengie HiFi original was **£12.49**, **now £8.49**.

Children's Dublin long riding boots were **£25.99**, **now £19**.

Adult's Dublin yardmaster mucker boots were **£37.99**, **now £24**.

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A moveable feast

David Lewis

The key issues we've seen with first cut silages this year are that some are low in energy, wet, with low sugar and low protein. So what does this mean for dairy rations this winter?

Silages that are low in sugar can also be unpalatable and affect dry matter intake. Cows love fodder beet and it can improve intake and often milk protein too. Of course moderation is important as too much sugar can result in an upset rumen which also has a detrimental effect on milk fat. Ask Nick Bowkett for a price for fodder beet.

Low energy silages are a particular problem this year. Barley and wheat are sensibly priced and can help bridge the energy gap. But great care is needed not to over-do starch, particularly with wet silages with a high acid load. Rolled maize gives a form of starch which is kinder on the rumen, with

some starch bypassing the rumen altogether. Both barley and wheat can be treated to also provide slower release energy with some bypass starch (ask us about Pro-wheat & barley).

Brewers' grains can be a useful addition where forages are short of protein. They can also improve palatability of the diet. However, care must be taken as grains can be oily so the overall oil level of the diet needs to be checked. Also, at 20-25% DM, coupled with wet silage, a wet stodgy diet can ensue. Ask Nick Bowkett for a price.

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Don't get caught out

Kathryn Lawson

From **1st January 2015** all sheep (not previously tagged) must be tagged with an EID tag, this can be a single EID slaughter tag; for sheep intended for slaughter within 12 months of age OR an EID tag with a visual match up; for sheep intended for breeding or will reach 12 months of age before slaughter. If you're unsure what you should be doing, call in for a chat.

Keeping the sniffles away

Dr Ruth Lawson

One of the huge influences on pneumonia in calves is the presence of ammonia. Exposure to even low levels of ammonia weakens the cilia lining the trachea, making it easier for bugs to enter the respiratory tract. Basically, the cleaner and drier the calf's bed, the less ammonia – bugs like moisture. If you kneel on the bedding and your knees get wet, ammonia will be being produced. Frequent mucking out and plenty of bedding reduces ammonia production, as does clean calves. When you kneel down (at calf nose level) there should be no smell, if there's a smell, there's ammonia. Extra bedding or cleaning out is needed in areas where calves congregate such as feed troughs or automatic feeders.

Ventilation is important too, often straw bales are stacked in calf housing, but these can cut off air flow. After an hour in calf housing with 100% fresh air moving through it, 90% of the bugs inside will be killed. This falls to about 40% of bugs killed when fresh airflow is halved. Also, lowering stocking densities will also reduce the spread of infection by decreasing the level of stress on the calf.

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Worm it out

Kathryn Lawson

Parasitic Gastroenteritis (PGE) is likely to become a problem on contaminated grazing in many areas as the larval challenge increases because farmers are holding off sending lambs to market at present due to low prices and plentiful grazing conditions.

Although worming of all breeding females pre-tupping is rarely necessary, treatment should be targeted at leaner ewes, gimmers, or those sheep with dags. In fact, dosing all ewes pre-tupping may select for anthelmintic resistant strains. Also, rams are often neglected at this time and a faecal worm egg count will decide whether a pre-tupping anthelmintic treatment is necessary. More investigation is needed if a high percentage of sheep are in poor condition.

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