

# NEWSLETTER

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## EQUINE GASTRIC ULCER SYNDROME (EGUS)

Gastric ulcers can have a detrimental impact on a horse's performance and temperament. If suspected, the only way to diagnose the condition is to perform a gastroscopy. This is a quick and simple procedure (approx 30mins) and can be carried out on the yard with no mains power required.



### WHAT ARE WE LOOKING FOR

EGUS is the term used to describe the occurrence of gastric ulcers in horses (erosion of the stomach lining due to prolonged exposure to stomach acid). There are two forms of gastric ulcers: squamous ulcers & glandular ulcers (these relate to the two regions of the horse's stomach). Depending on the type of ulcers found the treating vet will dispense the appropriate medication and also discuss ways to reduce the risk factors that make gastric ulcers more likely to appear.



### FOLLOW UP

If a horse is found to be suffering from EGUS repeat gastroscopies are recommended to be carried out around 4 weeks following treatment. These are key to seeing the progress and also allow the vets to make alterations to the treatment plan if required.

## CHANGE IN PRACTICE HOURS

We would like to remind our clients of the recent change to the practice's normal working hours. As of the 19th July the normal working hours will be 8.30am-5.30pm, Monday to Friday, with any visit occurring outside these hours incurring the out-of-hours surcharge fee (previously 8.30am -6.30pm). We are extremely grateful to all our clients who have helped us to build F&P Equine into the practice it is today and we hope that you will continue to support the team going forwards so that we can continue to offer the best service possible to you and your horses.

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