

WELCOME BACK LINDA!



We're delighted to welcome Linda back to Aireworth Vets following the arrival of her beautiful baby girl.. She's back and ready to go – dental rasp at the ready!

Castrate Clinic

25th—26th March

- ◆ Suitable for colts age 10 months - 4 years old
- ◆ Tetanus vaccination cover required at castrate
- ◆ Under standing sedation

Includes:

- ◆ sedation and local anaesthetic
- ◆ Castration
- ◆ 1x antibiotic and pain relief injection
- ◆ 4 x Equipalazone (Bute) sachets



Did you know

We're proud to now have two dedicated equine sites allowing us to offer an enhanced range of facilities and services.

Higham is fully equipped with two large stables and stocks, providing an ideal setting for lameness work-ups, dental procedures, reproductive work and official measuring's.

Ashlar Barn, Higham, Lancashire BB12 9ER



Our **Keighley** site features eight stables with inpatient overnight care facilities for sick horses requiring close monitoring.

Aireworth Road, Keighley, West Yorkshire, BD21 4DJ

These expanded facilities allow us to deliver high-quality, comprehensive care across both regions.

Gastroscope clinics:

Every 3rd Thursday of each month alternating between our Keighley and Higham practice

These clinics provide cost effective ways to provide access to this important diagnostic service

Gastroscopy is an effective way to diagnose stomach ulcers in horses.

Symptoms of gastric ulcers may include:

- Sensitivity when girthing
- Weight loss/ Poor condition
- Resentment of rugs or ridden work

If you're concerned your horse may be showing any of these symptoms, please contact the practice to find out more or to book a place. 01535 602988



Laser Sarcoid Clinic: 9th, 10th, 11th March

Laser removal is suitable for small to medium sarcoids with clear margins, and each horse will receive a tailored treatment plan specific to their needs

Our experienced vets will carefully assess your horse's sarcoid(s) and advise on the most appropriate treatment options.

If you feel your horse may benefit from this treatment, please speak to one of our Equine Team to discuss suitability and book an appointment.

Planning for the Breeding Season

As mares begin to come into season over the coming months, now is the perfect time to start planning for spring breeding. Early preparation helps ensure the best possible timing and success.

Choosing a Stallion

Artificial insemination (AI) gives you access to a wide range of stallions in the UK and abroad, expanding your options and bloodlines.

Our Services

- Natural covering
- Fresh AI
- Chilled AI
- Frozen AI

By scanning your mare's ovaries, we can accurately time covering or insemination to maximise success.

Get in Touch

Breeding packages are available for all methods. Please contact the office or speak to one of our vets to discuss the best plan for your mare.



IN FOCUS: Sweet Itch

Sweet itch is an allergic reaction to the saliva from midge bites, causing intense itching, most commonly along the mane and tail. Severity can vary, but persistent scratching may lead to hair loss, skin thickening, broken or bleeding areas, and secondary infections. Midges thrive in warm, humid conditions, making this a seasonal problem from late February through to October.

Prevention and management

Well-fitting fly rugs, permethrin-based repellents, stabling at dawn and dusk, and avoiding grazing near standing water or woodland can all help.

Omega-3, zinc and biotin may support and strengthen the skin barrier.

Vets are able to prescribe preventative treatment before itching occurs. Please ring the practice for more information.

Treatment

If your horse is already affected, treatment aims to break the itch-scratch cycle. Regular bathing with soothing shampoos, barrier creams, and veterinary-prescribed medications such as antihistamines or steroids can help calm irritated skin and keep horses comfortable throughout the season.

Please ring the practice if you would like any advice on managing or treating sweet itch and our team will be happy to guide you with tailored recommendations for your horse.

