

April '11

## Sheep & Cattle Metabolic Seminar

There are very few things that kill an adult ruminant, whether cattle or sheep, as quickly as a metabolic disease. They are far more deadly than infectious disease and completely preventable - want to know more? Ever wondered whether it is really worth spending all this money on mineral and vitamin supplements? You may be surprised by how little most animals need. Come and find out more.....

**Date:** Thursday 19th May'11

**Venue:** Eco Tech Centre, Turbine Way, Swaffham, Norfolk, PE37 7HT

**Time:** 10.30am-3.30pm

**Lunch and Refreshments provided!**

NADIS now have accreditation from Harper Adams to offer farmers the chance to get a higher level (level 4) qualification without having to leave the farm to attend college.

There will be a small cost of approx £100 on enrolment and candidates will be required to attend two dedicated workshops, two 1:1s and gain practical experience on farm. Initially qualifications will be offered in dairy lameness, infectious disease and beef fertility.

Watch this space for further information.

### ONE TO ONE VISITS

Where clients are unable to attend seminar meetings or workshops, visits will be arranged for vets to visit the farm and chat "one to one". Any disease subject can be requested.

Visit fees are charged but teaching time is free.

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 \* Future Events..... \*  
 \* Are you interested in hosting a meeting or a \*  
 \* workshop on your premises? Choose a \*  
 \* topic of your choice and we will come \*  
 \* along and do the training and the best thing \*  
 \* is.... it's all FREE! \*  
 \* We are very fortunate to have this free \*  
 \* training but it won't be around forever so if \*  
 \* you want to brush up on your skills, please \*  
 \* let Rach know in the office on 01485 \*  
 \* 609031 or email: rachnfv@hotmail.co.uk \*  
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**All participants will be entered into a draw for £2000 worth of cattle or sheep handling equipment!**

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# A clear solution for farmers

ENGLAND CATCHMENT SENSITIVE FARMING DELIVERY INITIATIVE

Are you interested in receiving advice relating to NVZ on your farm inputs? We offer a means to help you. We are not regulators.

Please contact Helen Mandley for information.

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## East of England Grazing Forum Grazing Exchange

Are you looking for extra grazing land for your stock?

Are you looking for stock to graze your grassland?

If so, please visit [www.grazingforum.co.uk](http://www.grazingforum.co.uk)  
Or post the attached sign-up form

# DairyCo

## What are the benefits of the DairyCo Mastitis Control Plan?

Farmers work with trained vets and consultants to develop and roll out farm specific plans to reduce mastitis and its associated costs, and to improve Udder health and productivity.

Those farms that implemented over  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the Plan's recommendations achieved a 36% reduction in mastitis incidence in 12 months. Speak to Molly about the benefits of the DairyCo Mastitis Control Plan, or visit the website at [www.mastitiscontrolplan.co.uk](http://www.mastitiscontrolplan.co.uk) to find out more about it.

The Plan takes into account all potential causes, both environmental and bacterial.

Instead of focusing on treating and culling cows that are already infected, the Plan diagnoses each individual herd situation with the aim of preventing new infections.

In the DairyCo trials that took place on 52 dairy herds, average incidence of Mastitis decreased by 22% compare the control farm over 12 months.