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NEWSLETTER



***** SAVE THE DATE *****

Kiwi Seed Co. Marl. Limited **OPEN DAY**

February 2021



- ◇ One day only specials
 - ◇ Spot Prizes
- ◇ Advice available on cropping for farm and garden.
- ◇ Supplier Reps available to answer your questions
- ◇ Sausage Sizzle to Support Blenheim RDA from 10am.
- ◇ Come and see what we are all about— So much more than a seed store!

**Saturday 27th February
8.30am—Noon**



SIZZLING SUMMER SPECIAL
Tux Energy 25kg — \$65.50
Tux Country 25kg — \$62.00
Pro Plan Performance 20kg - \$129.50



Heading to HOY next month???



Stock up on all of your essentials before you go.

We have a great range of horse feeds from NRM, Dunstan, Fibre Fresh, Futures Chaff, McMillans, Coprice, Mitavite, Hekeao, and of course Kiwi Seed horse feeds.

All of your supplements and pest control products are covered—check out our extensive range in store

We wish all competitors the very best of luck!

*Set your fruit trees up for winter (especially citrus); use Kiwi Seeds Citrus Fertiliser for best results.

*Consider planting seedlings of your favorite vegetables to get a head start on early winter crops.

*Deep water your garden once a week during this month to keep your plants vibrant and healthy.

*Applying mulch around the base of your plants can conserve up to 70% moisture in the soil and also suppresses weed growth.

*Sow seeds of winter vegetables like cabbage, cauliflower, broccoli, beetroot, winter lettuce, brussel sprouts, spinach, carrots, leeks, and silverbeet.

*Use a quality Seed Raising Mix for best results when sowing seeds

FROZEN DOG FOOD AVAILABLE

Medalions Assorted Flavours 1kg

Healthy Dog Chunks 5kg

Healthy Dog Chunks 20kg

Frozen Chicken Necks 2kg



Red Mite trouble in the chicken coop

The red chicken or poultry mite (*Dermanyssus gallinae*) is a parasite of birds and rodents. The tiny (1 mm) mites suck the blood of the birds which gives them their red colour; they are pale when they have not had a blood feed. Mites can live up to 2 years and travel 300m during one night. Poultry mites have been known to transmit disease and will cause dermatitis and mange, generally reducing bird health and productivity.

The mites live in cracks and crevices in the poultry house and move onto roosting birds at night to feed. Night time is the best time to check your birds and their house for evidence of the mites. Mites seem to be more active during the warmer months of the year and build up numbers quickly.

Diatomaceous Earth is one option to control this pest as long as you can get it into the crevices, where the mites live during the day. Step 1 clean out the coop, remove sawdust, bedding material and saturate the walls, ceilings, perches and floors with **Smite Concentrate or RTU**, allow to dry. Step 2 is to sprinkle DE on the floor, into nest boxes etc. You can make a slurry and paint the DE onto walls and under perches. Adding DE into the dust bath and straight under the chicken wings as well as around their necks/ backs is considered useful. We have a range of products available in store.



Cleaning your chicken coop regularly at least once every 4 months is an important management technique even if no mites are in sight. DE has proven to be very effective as it dehydrates the mites and they can't become resistant as they have to other chemical solutions.



Summer allergies cause itchiness and hot spots for some dogs. Fight it from the Inside with Provida Canine Skin and Coat. For soothing of the skin try Doctor Pet Natural Skincare Balm..

Both available in store now.



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