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## NEWSLETTER

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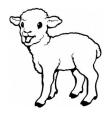
July is the start of calving and lambing season throughout New Zealand. If you are looking to hand rear a calf, lamb or goat kid, we are a one stop shop for all of your supplies.



- Milk Replacers
- Meals
- Bottles and Feeders
- Electrolytes and supplements
- Hygiene
- Lamb covers (Calf covers to order)
- Bedding ...

Talk to our staff about your requirements for rearing a healthy pet.





During the wetter months it is helpful to know that horse worms are much more active as the larvae and eggs need moisture to survive.

It is important to be diligent with your worming program to reduce the risk of damage from intestinal worms.

See us for a range of options for your drenching program.





Some of you may notice that your horse's manure goes quite dry over the winter months. This is quite likely due to them not drinking enough water. You will know

yourself that you're not as likely to drink as much water over the cooler months. To help trigger the drinking reflex in horses it is a good idea to make sure they are getting salt (non-iodised) added to their feed every day along with their vitamin and mineral supplements.





## **Summit Magnesium Salt Blocks**

Blocks are made with extra Magnesium and are used pre calving/lambing to prevent milk fever and grass staggers.

Plenty of grains help see hens through the bleak days of winter.
Supplement regular feed with Kiwi Seed Chooken Treat or Chook Brew
Available in 1kg, 10kg or 20kg



## Out in the garden

Wood ashes – now is the time to collect wood ashes from the fireplace.

Wood ash is an excellent source of lime, potassium and trace elements that plants need to thrive. Wood ashes raise the pH in soil so scatter lightly around the garden unless you have a pH level of 7 or higher. Keep some ash to make tea for tomato's later in the year. 2.5 gm wood ash per litre water needed, soak 4 days in homemade teabag and water around your tomato plants

a cupful once per week, as soon as the plants begin to flower.

Ashes can be added to the compost heap in small amounts but stay away from using it on acid loving plants like raspberries, strawberries and blueberries as well as rhododendrons, azaleas, parsley and potatoes. Later will get the scab disease if the pH is too high.



Winter is the time for pruning existing roses and planting new varieties. Protect your roses after pruning by spraying with a copper spray and Yates Conqueror Oil.

Plant garlic, along with asparagus crowns. For best results plant in well-draining soil rich in organic matter (compost).

To protect your plants from cold weather, now is a great time to add a layer of Daltons Mulch & Grow - about 5cm thick around your plants. Daltons Mulch and Grow will protect from the cold, conserve moisture and also discourage weed growth.

Transplanting *strawberries* during the cool part of the year (now) minimises stress and increases the probability of success. Strawberries prefer a sunny spot with well drained nutrient rich soil— amend your soil with compost, a sprinkle of wood ashes and some sheep pellets prior to transplanting. Use straw around them to protect the fruit from soil diseases, moisture stress and weeds during the year.

Top up available nutrients when the first flowers appear with blood and bone meal, worm or seaweed tea, alternatively use the Kiwi Seed strawberry and tomato fertiliser blend prior planting and at flowering stage. Seasonal fruiting berries — fertilise again in autumn after last harvest.

## **Daltons Landscape Pellets.**

A convenient, pelletised form of boosted compost containing 7 sources of natural nutrients enhanced with conventional fertlisers.

- \* Increases organic matter in the soil profile
- \* Pelletised easy to spread formulation
- \* Improves soil cation exchange capacity
- \* Improves soil water and nutrient retention
- \* Improves soil microbial activity
- \* Suitable for all soil types
- \* Contains Zeolite which acts as a mineral sponge absorbing and releasing nutrients within the soil profile

Available in store in 20kg Bags

Keep your Wild bird feeders full with Kiwi Seed Wild bird mix. Available in 2kg, 5kg, 10kg and 25kg

We would like to do our bit for the environment by sending out our accounts and newsletters via email.