

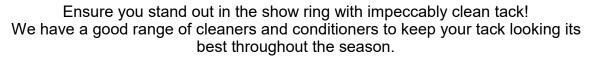
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NEWSLETTER

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ITS TIME TO CLEAN YOUR TACK





HOTTER DAYS AND MORE WORK MEANS...



Good Quality Electrolytes are required.—An increase in the work of a horse will create a requirement for an increase in electrolyte supplementation. Horses do not store sodium, potassium or chloride from one day to the next. Therefore electrolytes need to be adjusted according to the work level of the horse and the environmental conditions. Working in hot conditions will create a higher rate of sweat and therefore a need for greater replacement. When not in work the horse needs less, if over supplemented, it will increase water intake and urine loss.

CHAFF—NOT JUST FOR HORSES

Chaff is a great option for sheep, cows, alpaca, pigs, goats, deer, rabbits and guinea pigs.

Great for bulking up concentrated feeds and adding fibre to the diet. Young, growing animals would benefit from the extra protein in Lucerne Chaff. Older livestock would do well on Meadow Chaff.

Rabbits and Guinea Pigs would

love the Timothy Chaff.



Signs You Need to Apply Lime

Have you tried just about every fertilizer, weed killer, or soil conditioner you can find and you're still not sure what's wrong with your lawn? It's possible your soil's pH is off and needs a lime application to fix the problem. Here is how to tell if your yard needs lime:

You have sandy or clay soil. Both of these are naturally acidic.

Weeds or moss have grown in your yard.

The fertilizer you're using doesn't appear to be working. Most fertilizers don't work when the soil's pH becomes too acidic.

Your area experiences a lot of rainfall, especially acid rain.

The grass is yellowing.

You've recently experienced a drought and your lawn is having trouble recovering.

A soil test reveals the pH of your lawn is lower than 6.2.



Clean water for stock is especially important over the summer months.

Keep troughs clean and hygienic with Credence Tablets. Effective against 45 pathogenic organisms including protozoa, viruses and toxic blue-green algae.



Out in the garden





November is the time to:

Feed Citrus trees with Kiwi Seed Citrus Fertiliser and other fruit trees with Kiwi Seed Garden Fertiliser.

Remember to feed your Tomatoes and Strawberry plants regularly with Kiwi Seed Strawberry & Tomato Fertiliser.

Check out our Mr Fothergills Seed stand and our range of Kiwi Seed garden seeds and grow your seedlings or sow directly into your garden bed.

Plant another crop of seed potatoes so you can harvest ready for winter stews. We still have a small range of Main crop seed potatoes in store.

Place a layer of Daltons Mulch and Grow around the base of your fruit trees to help conserve moisture.

Feed roses with Kiwi Seed Rose fertiliser. A layer of Daltons Mulch and Grow around the base will help retain soil moisture over summer.

For a lush green lawn apply Lawn Fertiliser when rain is due or water it in with a sprinkler.

Remember to keep the moisture up in your soil by deep watering your garden once a week over the warmer months.

THE RED MITE ISSUE

The warmer temperatures will cause a population explosion of red mites.

Protect your chickens by thoroughly cleaning out their coop preferably with a waterblaster, getting into all the cracks and crevices.

Once dry, spray whole coop with Neem Oil or Smite Liquid, ensuring to spray in every crack.

Replace nesting material and bedding. Dust with Smite or DeBug powder.

Make a dust bath for your chickens mixing Smite or DeBug powder into the dustbath material so that they will cover themselves. This will help keep the mites at bay.





Grab your Whangaparoa Crown Pumpkin seed in store this month.

Now is the time for planting these delicious pumpkins so they will be ready for winter roasts and soups.