

AVA Newsletter

October 2016



Merial Rebate Program Reminder:

- If you will be spending \$2,000 or more on Merial products (Zactran, Eprinex, Cystorelin, J-Vac or Ivomec) from Aug 1st through Nov 30, 2016 please contact your Cattl-tek driver - Charles Baker [\(716\) 560-2875](tel:7165602875) or Dennis Jones (DJ) [\(585\) 356-3418](tel:5853563418) regarding rebate information, or feel free to call the clinic for rebate information.

VFD Tidbits:

- Regulations begin Jan 1 2017
- A veterinarian must visit a client at least once per year to maintain a veterinary-client-patient relationship (VCPR)
- Records of the written VFD must be kept for 2 years by the veterinarian, the mill, and the client
- For groups of animals with similar age, weight range, etc managed at multiple premises – only one VFD is necessary as long as the veterinarian has a VCPR with the animals (they are housed where we can visit all of them at least annually, not out of state). The feed must be supplied by a single mill
- If there are refusals at one site with a VFD, they can be distributed to another group as long as the group is similar in age and weight range. If the group to which the refusals will be distributed is different in age, weight, etc, a separate VFD is necessary

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Fall Vaccine Handling Tips

Avoid exposing all vaccines to sunlight. This includes windowsills, edges of feedbunks and especially the dash of pickup trucks.

Keep vaccines clean. Use new sterile syringes and needles to mix MLV vaccines. Or, a new sterile double-ended blood needle works well as a way to transfer diluent to the vacuum bottle.

Mix just prior to use. Is vaccinating heifers or cows is going to take several hours? Buy ten or twenty dose bottles and mix vaccine as it is needed.

Going to vaccinate both before and after lunch? Wait until the animals are caught up and ready to vaccinate. Then, mix the vaccine as you use it. Break for lunch when you run out of mixed vaccine. Mix up more when you come back from lunch. Even an hour or two delay between mixing and injecting is robbing you of potential profit-making immunity.

Always remember the epinephrine. Allergic reactions to vaccines, while not common, do happen. Epinephrine is smart cheap insurance.

For Sale:

- Hay for sale. Large square bales and silage bales. Jason Kehl at 585-297-9155
- Heifer Boarding. Call Walt McCormick at 314-8580
- Holstein heifers, hay, haylage, IH 2444 tractor, JD 45 combine, 1948 Chevy Stake truck. Christopher Farms 585-478-5265
- 2014 EBY Wrangler Stock Trailer 24' x 8' x 7'. Call Don Hackett 585-457-9797
- John Deere 336 Baler, twine with 30 kicker \$5800. Also for sale – New Holland 816 Chopper wagon. Like New \$8000 Robert Koithan 716-731-5657
- Clean small square bales. Oat straw. \$4/bale. Call Paul at 716-572-6217
- Standing corn 250 acres. Call Seewaldt Farms at 585-535-7239
- Hesston 845 Round Baler with net wrap. \$5500. Call Rudd Weatherwax at 409-0361

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