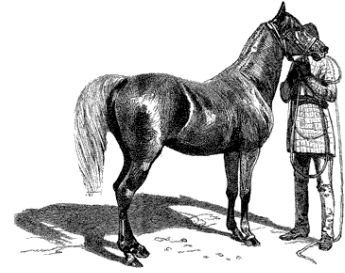


Kirkton Veterinary Clinic



~ **Equine Practice** ~
Spring Updates 2011

What's new with your veterinarians for Spring 2011??

Dr. Katie Crossan is back to work after welcoming a new addition to her family – baby Leonella! Katie is working Wednesday – Friday each week – we are pleased to have her back!

Dr. Bob Young is (still) not retiring! In fact, for those of you planning to make it out to our Equine Extravaganza at the end of the month, you will have the rare honour of hearing Bob give a talk! Something to look forward to (besides the fabulous food of course!)

Dr. Jenn Hodge is off to Singapore for the first two weeks of March to visit another former KVC small animal vet – Kerri Nielsen! Jenn is also gearing up for another show season with her horse Sake.

Dr. Carly Telfer is working hard to prepare herself and her horse Parker for an exciting season of dressage shows! Although Parker is a veteran of the dressage ring, Carly will be making her debut after years as a jumper rider! We wish her all the best!

Things we are looking forward to at the KVC this year...

- * Our annual Equine Extravaganza!!! Scheduled for Wednesday, March 30, 2011 – talks start at 7pm!! See the enclosed flyer for details or call us at 519-229-8911!
- * KVC is on ONLINE! Visit our website at www.kirktonvetclinic.com or search us under Kirkton Veterinary Clinic on Facebook. We are looking for photos of you and your favourite equines to showcase our wonderful clientele!
- * Another busy spring/summer of breeding/foaling and keeping your riding horses in tip-top shape! With this year's show season fast-approaching, let us know what we can do to help you prepare!

Get ready for show season!!

With everyone gearing up to get their horses off the property and out to a spring event, here are a few things to consider...

- * **Vaccines!** Make sure your horse is protected against commonly transferred diseases like EHV/Influenza and Strangles... Both of these diseases were around in our practice area this year and are much easier to prevent than to treat!
- * **Teeth!** We ask our horses to work hard during this time of year – making sure their dental health is good can help them perform to their maximum capacity.
- * **Maintenance!** If your horse struggles with arthritis or musculoskeletal issues, now is the time to have them examined +/- or tuned up! A chiropractic exam, joint injections, or even some hyaluronic acid can go a long way at this time of year!