

Pakenham Produce & Saddlery

**FEBRUARY 2020** NEWSLETTER

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8th - 9th - Pakenham Produce & Saddlery Horse Trials @ Pakenham PC

9th - Lang Lang Show n Shine

6-8th CRT conference

14th - Valentine's Day

18th - Korumburra Show

22nd - 23rd- Berwick Show

### **OPENING HOURS** Mon to Thurs 8am - 5.30 pm Friday 8am - 6pm Saturday 8am - 3pm CLOSED Sunday

Whats happening this month... There is always a lot happening locally this time of year, we wish everyone out competing good luck and to stay safe and a special mention to all involved with the Pakenham Produce & Saddlery Horse Trials on this month, such an exciting event in the local club calendar- again "Good luck to all involved" Were off to conference this month in Brisbane working hard to secure the best deals and keep our everyday prices low and remain competitive. Plus look at some new things to offer-and don't forget to check facebook for new and upcoming products-plus our monthly specials and a few more sale items...With the recent rains, make the most of the growth in pasture- not the weeds- with now being a good time to spray blackberries before they seed, making more of a problem! And don't forget to check for pesky mites and lice, and especially ticks which have been prominent in our are of late- as they say "prevention always better than cure" let us know if we can help find a solution to meet your needs, take care Kindest regards Bree Ure



## Hills, Whole Earth Farms, Pro Plan all have loyalty programs!!

For cat owners spend \$250 and receive a \$25 discount voucher

For dog owners spend \$500 and receive a \$50 discount voucher

## **Whole Earth Farms**

Purchase 10 bags and get the 11th free

Purchase 5 bags and get the 6th free Ask in store for more information





Rainwater starts out bacteria and virus free however, after hitting a roof top or other areas for collecting water, bacteria can enter the water. This bacteria coming from animal and

bird droppings, dust, dirt and decaying vegetation can contaminate your tank water. Acquasafe uses patented technology to kill the bacteria and filter out viruses that are harmful to people and animals and protects your tank from recontamination for up to two months.



# Troughs

Without stringent, regular cleaning, it is easy for water troughs to be compromised by bacteria, organic matter, chemicals and minerals, and to build up a layer of slime. Placing the trough in a clear spot, not underneath a tree, which will drop organic matter, and cleaning it regularly will help maintain cleanliness and prevent disease organisms from proliferating. The LG-Rid Trough Block algaecide controls algae and slime in stock troughs with just one block treating 6750 L of water. Each block will treat your trough for about 5-8 weeks.



# \*please use Copper based products with caution

Cupricide is an effective solution for the control of planktonic and filamentous algae. A solution of chelated—copper and water, Cupricide is absorbed into the algae rapidly and, in this form, provides maximum efficiency as an algaecide, with low toxicity to aquatic fauna. For use in aquatic areas, particularly dams





Flea season is upon us, with eggs, larvae and pupae loving the warm weather, the recent hot days are much appreciated by fleas. Under normal weather conditions flea development from egg to adult takes, on average,

two months, however under summer heatwave conditions this development time can be reduced to about three weeks. Contrary to popular belief most flea infestations on your pet are as a result of the fleas hiding inside your home as opposed to catching them from outside.



Best ways to prevent or lessen the chances of catching fleas are to... vacuum frequently, this includes under your furniture and rugs. Keep your pets' fur short as it disallows hiding spots for fleas and helps the identification of itchy areas. A flea prevention treatment that is used frequently is the most effective way to assure your pets are flea free this summer and all year round. Cost effective and broad spectrum, Moxiclear is the perfect flea treatment. Available for dogs and cats in varied sizes treating

not only fleas but, heartworms, sarcoptic mange, ear mites and intestinal worms.



Currently the fires are causing large amounts of air pollution, the smoke from east Victoria and new south wales is drifting over and affecting the air quality. It is so important to look after your horses at this time especially to support a healthy respiratory system. Horses need a healthy respiratory system

in order to perform at their peak, to assist in keeping a good respiratory system try using the Horslyx Respiratory Balancer or the Hi-Form Breathe. Both are designed to promote healthy respiratory function buy assisting in the removal of mucus from the lungs,





relieving congestion caused by air pollution. The menthol, eucalyptus and aniseed in the Horslyx supports your horses airways, licking takes time and patience, which is perfect for horses that are stabled for long periods of time and can help reduce stress and boredom.

## By using Quick Bayt— available in 350gm or 2kg

\*Ideal for use in commercial, industrial and domestic areas to create a fly-free zone. Fast knockdown - kills flies on contact within minutes, including those resistant to other chemicals. Contains a unique attractant, the housefly sex pheromone, to lure and kill.

\*Cost effective. User friendly and convenient ready-to-use. Ideal for use around livestock production areas - fewer flies faster means less feed spoilage and stock irritation.

\*Quickbayt Fly Bait also contains a which lures the flies away from nuisance areas and attracts them to the bait.

\*Quickbayt Fly Bait has flexible application to effectively apply in various target areas; either scatter or paint it onto fly resting surfaces.

\*Fly bait has added Bitrex, an acutely bitter agent to reduce the possibility of accidental ingestion by children,

domestic animals or wildlife- not a scheduled



# FEBRUARYIN the GARD

- Lettuce
  - Spinach
- Silverbeet
- Celery
- Broccoli
- Leeks
- Cauliflower lobs to do
- **Shallots**
- **Brussel Sprouts**
- Parsnip
- Rhubarb
- **Spring Onions**
- Carrot
- Dahlia **Impatiens**
- **Fuchsia**
- Salvia Alyssum
- Morning Glory
  - **Petunias**
  - Verbena Pansy
- Now is a great time to top up mulch- organic types are best which breakdown to help add valuable organic matter to the soil. We stock and recommend pea straw, Lucerne mulch and sugar can mulch. Make sure the mulch
- tise to fertilse, then water in well before applying mulch. Dig in some dolomite into the soil to prepare for planting sweet peas in March. We sell dolomite per kg.

layer is not too thick as to still allow water to penetrate through. Best prac-

- Water smarter at this time of year and always first thing in the morning. A nice, deep drink a couple of times a week is far more beneficial than frequent, short watering. Water storage products may be beneficial after long, dry period to help water penetrate into the soil and water crystals may be helpful if planting or laying turf. Yates Waterwise is now in stock!
- On a cooler day, give the lawn a fertilise as they can suffer badly from fungal diseases at this time of year. Regular fertilising with a Lawn Fertiliser creates stronger, healthier plants reducing the chance of diseases. Use one with a wetting agent to help with water penetrate, and remain in the soil.
- On the cooler days fruit trees can be summer pruned to help keep them to a manageable size. Be cautious of pruning at this time of year as new foliage may tend to get burnt before it gets a chance to harden off. Best to leave until weather cools. For example English box hedges are susceptible to burning and may even require a shade cover on the really hot days to help protect foliage.



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