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The next sale of mohair will be 9th April, 2021 in Narrandera.	MOHAIR AUSTRALIA MEMBERSHIP FEES						
	Please note that membership fees were due by 31st						
The closing date for the next AMMO sale which is to be held around September will be mid May	January, 2021. Ordinary membership is now \$50.						
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If you have mohair to send from the Hunter Region to AMMO please contact Bill or Sandie Smith on	you must be a financial member of Mohair Australia.						
4938 7536 or email to inwood-@bigpond.net.au.	This includes Regions, where you need to be an "Ordinary" member as a minimum.						
Hunter Region Meetings							
It has been decided that we will hold quarterly meetings in our region. Date for the next meeting will be Thursday 15th April at 11am, and will be held at	To hold office at State Division level or National Board you must be a full member, ie. Breeder, commercial etc. More details from						
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Presidents Report	The FAMACHA course has been run by the
Welcome to the March addition of the Hunter Mohair News. 2021 is already in it's third month and time seems to be going by	Local Lands Services, Hunter during the last couple of years.
so fast, Autumn is just around the corner. I am hoping that those with goats have been keeping a close look at their flock for the prevalent Barber's Pole worm which likes to	As the season changes the breeding program begins again and we put into place the program which leads to the arrival of the kids in Spring and so on we go.
play havoc with all the wet weather and humidity we have had recently.	Enjoy each day as you travel along the road.
I have been putting into practice the FAMACHA Anaemia guide on a regular basis to keep on top of the worm problem and drenching when appropriate.	Jenny Readford President

RATS & MICE

The weather has brought rats and mice into our homes and sheds. In many cases there is no option but to lay baits. These baits are toxic to any animals that eat them, and dogs find them appetizing. Baits must be placed somewhere where there is no chance of dogs gaining access, high in rafters/roofs etc. and ensure that the bait cannot be knocked down by rats onto the floor where dogs can eat it. Store baits in cupboards away from children and dogs. A dog jumped onto a work bench and then up to the shelves in order to help himself to 3 unopened pack of Bromakill and a pack of Ratsac! So make sure the baits are stored in a totally safe place. Animals can also be affected by baits if they eat a rat that has taken a bait and died.



So remember ...

1. Keep baits well stores in locked cupboards and only lay them where there is no chance whatsoever of a dog accessing them, or where the bait could be knocked to the floor.

2. If a dog has just eaten a rat bait (or there is a chance he may have) contact your vet for instructions on making him/her vomit.

3. If there is a chance your dog has eaten a bait in the last few days talk to your vet about what tests can be done to determine if he has, and to see what medication may be needed.

Browser's Bulletin in the

Hunter



January 2021

Browser's Bulletin 52:

Sudden Death in the Goats

All too often the poor snake gets the blame for sudden death in livestock. Now snakebite is a possible cause of death, especially in kids that are more inquisitive, but it is rare, just as rare as the lightning strike which is also blamed for sudden death too often. The lightning strike cases usually are found under a tree where the animals have gone for shelter during a storm. Many goat producers have shelters set up for their animals to get away from the extreme weather conditions and are not as commonly found congregating under trees in storms like these poor cattle were.



Causes of sudden death in goats can be divided up into non-infectious and infectious causes

Non-infectious causes of sudden death

- Trauma (kids are known to jump around and injure or get caught in nets or fences leading to strangulation)
- Abdominal catastrophe (mesenteric bloat, rumen bloat, abomasal bloat, acidosis)
- Hypothermia/hypoglycaemia (weather conditions and lack of milk)
- Disbudding meningoencephalitis
- Anaphylactic reaction from repeated injections
- Plant poisoning
- Chemical poisoning (copper toxicity, arsenic, lead)
- Predators
- White muscle disease (Selenium deficiency) or selenium toxicity
- Metabolic conditions in adult goats (hypomagnesaemia, hypocalcaemia, transit tetany)
- Lightning
- Snake
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Infectious causes of sudden death

- Enterotoxaemia (Clostridial perfringens type D) or Pulpy Kidney
- Coccidiosis
- Listeriosis
- Septicaemia: Salmonellosis, strep, etc.
- Barber's pole (Haemonchosis)
- Gangrenous mastitis (sub-acute mastitis)
- Acute fascioliasis (liver fluke) must be in a liver fluke area
- Anthrax (events usually occur within the
- Anthrax belt) https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/biosecurity/animal/humans/anthrax
- Other Clostridial diseases (Black leg, Malignant oedema, Black disease, Botulism)

The main reason for doing the Browser's Bulletin on sudden death this month is to remind everyone about the importance of Enterotoxaemia (Pulpy Kidney) in goats and if you haven't vaccinated last year's drop of kids with a clostridial vaccination then it is time to do so!

Clostridial perfringens type D is present in the intestine of normal sheep and goats. When there is a rapid change in their diet (movement onto lush pasture, overfeeding of grains and change in supplementary feed) then the Clostridial perfringens type D will proliferate and produce a toxin that is absorbed through the intestine into the bloodstream causing massive organ damage and death.

Enterotoxaemia in sheep and cattle usually present as sudden death, where in goats they can be affected in a variety of ways:

Peracute form: Sudden death

Acute form: The goats will have a green-yellow watery diarrhoea for 1-2 days that may also present with mucus, blood and shreds of intestinal lining. These goats become recumbent, severe abdominal pain, paddling on the ground, head thrown back and death.

Chronic form: Adult goats showing periodic bouts of severe diarrhoea, milk reduction and wasting. These cases will respond to Clostridial vaccination.

Goats are highly susceptible to the Clostridial perfringens type D bacteria and the immunity produced from a multivalent clostridial vaccination appears less satisfactory in goats than in sheep and the persistence of the response to vaccinations is shorter in duration in goats than in sheep and for this reason it is necessary to shorten the interval between booster vaccinations to every 6 months. In some herds that have had issues with Enterotoxaemia they will vaccinate every 2-3 months.

I often get asked about the best vaccination to use. The answer is, to get the simplest vaccination that contains the components most relevant to the herd in question. The commonly used vaccination (5-in-1 and 7-in-1) provide protection against Enterotoxaemia, Tetanus, Black Disease, Blackleg and Malignant oedema (plus Leptospirosis with the 7-in-1). A 2-in-1 and a 3-in-1 Vaccination will provide protection against Enterotoxaemia and Tetanus which are the two most significant Clostridial diseases in goats and the 3-in-1 will also provide protection against Cheesy gland. In general, I will recommend a 2-in-1 or a 3-in-1 (Glanvax3) unless you are in a liver fluke area and then I would recommend the 5-in-1 or the 6-in-1. Unfortunately, the 2-in-1 and the 3-in-1 can often be difficult to get from produce stores, but they may order it in for you. The other clostridial diseases are extremely rare and only necessary to vaccinate against when infections have been confirmed in your herd or if you live in a liver fluke area. Field trials have demonstrated the 2- in-1 more efficacious for goats for developing protective immunity against enterotoxaemia than 5 in 1. If you would like more information about Cheesy Gland, check out Browser's Bulletin 15 at https://www.lls.nsw.gov.au/regions/hunter/newsletters. If you are unable to get the 2-in-1 or the 3-in-1 (Glanvax3) then use the Clostridial multivalent vaccination that you can get. The most important thing is ensuring your goats are vaccinated for Enterotoxaemia and Tetanus and any vaccine is better than no vaccine at all!

Vaccination Regime for Clostridial Diseases:

Initial Vaccination: 6-8 weeks of age and a booster 4 weeks later (if the doe was not vaccinated then start initial vaccination at 3-4 weeks of age) Booster: Every 6 months and 1 month prior to kidding. Vaccinated does will pass their immunity to their kids in the colostrum Booster: 2 weeks prior to dietary changes

If you have other questions and concerns about sudden death in goats and Enterotoxaemia please send me an email on kylie.greentree@lls.nsw.gov.au

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For more information

https://www.lls.nsw.gov.au/regions/hunter/newsletters

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HOW TO TELL THE AGE OF GOATS

MOUTHING

Milk (kid) teeth — from birth up to 13 to 15 months — not all milk teeth are fully erupted at birth.



4-tooth — 4 permanent teeth showing — erupt from 18 to 21 months of age.



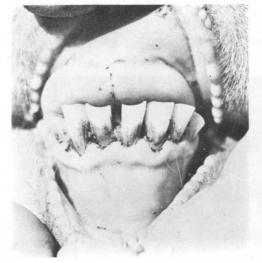
2-tooth — 2 permanent (central) teeth showing (plus 6 milk teeth) — erupt from 13 to 15 months of age.



 $6 \ tooth - 6 \ permanent \ teeth - erupt \ from 22 \ to 24 \ months of age.$



Full mouth — 8 permanent teeth — erupt from 27 to 32 months of age.



Gummy — all teeth broken, worn down to gums or fallen out.



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DATES FOR THE CALENDAR

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March NATS (National Angora Trophy Show & Sale) Goulburn.

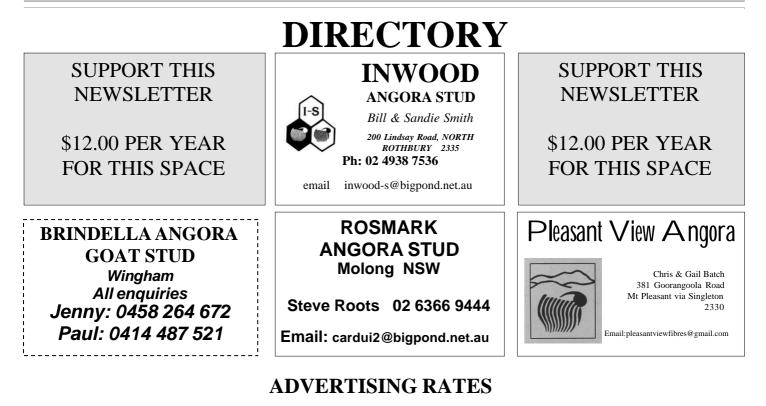
PLEASE NOTE THAT DUE TO COVID-19 THIS EVENT HAS BEEN CANCELLED FOR 2021.

A great National event is planned for 2022 in Goulburn For more information contact Nick Gorrie on 0409 129 123

April15Hunter Region meeting. To be held at 11am, at 200 Lindsay Road,
North Rothbury.

For more information contact Secretary Sandie Smith 02 4938 7536

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