

TETANUS AMNESTY NOVEMBER 2014

WHAT IS A TETANUS AMNESTY?

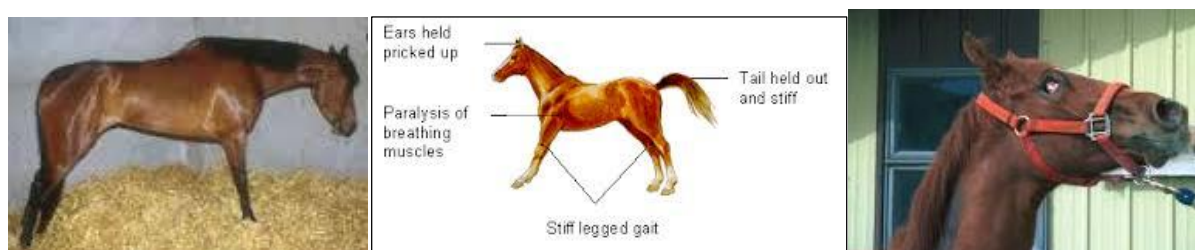
It is one way that Deben Valley Equine can give your horse a **FREE** tetanus vaccine

BUT WHY?

Because unprotected horses die from the tetanus and we don't want that

WHAT CAUSES TETANUS?

Tetanus is caused by bacterial toxins which paralyse the horse's nervous system



BUT MY HORSE LIVES ON IT'S OWN AND NEVER MIXES WITH OTHER HORSES.....

And your unvaccinated horse is at **HIGH RISK** of contracting tetanus because the bacteria (Clostridia tetani) live in the soil so he can catch this cruel disease in his own paddock.....

HOW DO THE BACTERIA GET INTO THE HORSE?

Via wounds – these could be large or small skin wounds or through a punctured foot or via tiny wounds in the mouth or along the gut

HOW CAN I PREVENT AGAINST TETANUS?

Vaccination –

Initial course is 2 injections about 4 weeks apart (Under the terms of our amnesty, the second vaccination is **FREE** for qualifying horses and donkeys).

A booster vaccination is required after 1 year and after that a vaccination is only required every 2 years.

IS ANY TREATMENT AVAILABLE?

Treatment is difficult, time consuming, very expensive and often unsuccessful.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE AMNESTY

Qualifying horses / donkeys must be over 12 months of age and register with Deben Valley Equine. Details of any vaccines given will be recorded in the passport. If previously vaccinated, no vaccine should have been given since September 2012. Visit fees are not included.