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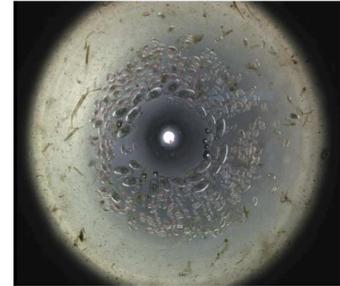


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Faecal egg counter

- New Precision Farming Service offered at R.M. Jones
- Don't Waste Wormer
- Samples Analysed from as little as:
 - £12 for Cattle and Sheep
 - £20 for Horses
- Get the results same day! *
- Get a Flock/Herd average in 1 sample

* Samples Analysed in 2-3 hours depending on demand



Boost Lamb Growth with new Optigain Lamb

Optigain Lamb is a highly concentrated liquid supplement specifically formulated with key ingredients known to support growth & development in young & growing lambs.

Increased Vitamins A, D3 & E—higher levels of key vitamins to support lamb growth

Increased Cobalt—essential for Rumen development

Added Amino Acids—aids growth & development in young lambs

Higher levels of Vitamin E, Selenium & Natural antioxidants- to support the natural immune function

Optigain Lamb helps maintain Vigour, Performance & balance pasture deficiencies

Dose at around 6 weeks of age

New Downland Sheep Bolus Balancer Bucket

This bucket is designed to supplement Sheep that have the Downland Essential Ewe or Lamb Bolus. It has high levels of Zinc, Vitamins A,D & E as well as Calcium, Phosphorus & Magnesium

What it doesn't have is Selenium, Cobalt or Iodine because these are provided, on a daily basis by the Bolus. This helps us keep the price of the bucket down.

Please remember not to use this Bolus balancer bucket when the Bolus runs out because your Sheep will be susceptible to trace element deficiencies.

Downland Lamb Milk

"Smells Like Mum, Tastes like Mum"

Downland Lamb Force is made with Ewe's milk, which is naturally higher in protein than cow's milk and matches the lambs needs more closely than cow's milk. Downland Lamb milk also contains 4 oils, compared to just 2 oils in other lamb milks
In trials Lambforce fed lambs were 3kg heavier than lambs reared on standard lamb milk after 30 days.

Downland Colostrum - "Best on Test"
at Cambridge University analysis of 5 leading colostrum brands

Should I bolus my Cattle at Turnout?

Our area is deficient in Selenium, Cobalt & Iodine, and also Copper in areas.
Downland Essential Growing Cattle Plus releases these Four trace elements.
All Day, Every Day for a full 6 months— at a cost of 2.6 pence per day.
It is a One bolus dose.

Improve Grass & Livestock Profitability with Downland Forager Grass Seed— Are you using the latest grass genetics to boost production?

We all know that having good grass is the cornerstone for profitable livestock farming. And yet it is surprising how often these production swards are not up to the job. Most 7-8 year old grass will have 40 - 50% bare ground & weed grass content. These weed grasses have less than half the response of perennial ryegrass to fertiliser. **More than a quarter of applied fertiliser can be wasted on these fields**

To improve the productivity of your grassland sow **Downland Forager**

Downland Forager is a 4 - 6 year ley for Intensive Cutting with Autumn grazing

Downland Forager is one of our most successful leys ever. It grows really well in Herefordshire & the Welsh border counties and we have many farmers singing its praises. **Remember to do a soil analysis before sowing**

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Early Spring N, PGR's and Root Growth

Good root development is essential for optimal crop performance and an early growth regulator application helps to maximise both tiller survival and root growth. Adjust is much better formulated than straight 3C and will work more consistently at lower temperatures and should be used at this earlier stage. Adding micro nutrients such as Nutriphite or Human Z50 will also provide the right micro-nutrients to improve the plants health status and root growth.

Oilseed Rape Canopy Management

The aim of canopy management is to optimise the crop's efficiency to achieve the ideal seed number per unit of ground area, resulting in maximum yield. The ideal canopy should have a GAI of 3.5 and set 6,000 - 8,000 pods/m². Canopies that are too large have poor light use efficiency and are at greater risk of lodging.

Flea beetle larvae in the stems are constantly adjusting the canopy this year making it less straight forward than in previous years. Keep in touch with your agronomist for the best advice on timings and rates of both nitrogen and PGR's to get the very best performance from your crops.

When treating crops with a fungicide for light leaf spot don't forget to add trace elements to maximise crop vigour and yield potential. Zoom is a humic acid based product which has a balanced elemental profile targeting the specific nutritional needs of oilseed rape.

Why use a T0?

Average yield increase 0.4t/ha over 12 years = 4:1 Return on Investment

Reduces inoculum - keeps us ahead of the disease not chasing it

Greater insurance should T1 be delayed

Helps to optimise PGR timings - essential for rooting and tiller management

In Winter Barley the T0 will help tiller survival and average yield response 0.25t/ha.

Wheat price would have to drop below £40/tonne before full fungicide programme would be unjustified.

Disease is present in our crops and it is essential to get a good start to the programme to get in front of it. We have a range of options and chemistry to suit every situation, speak to your R.M. Jones agronomist for the best advice on products, rates and timings.

Peas and Beans

VERY IMPORTANT - Please do not forget to inform your agronomist if you are planting, it is essential that these crops receive a pre-emergence herbicide as soon as possible after planting. Post emergence options are extremely limited, expensive and will not control all of the weeds necessary to grow a good crop.