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## Breeding

The 2017 Foaling/Breeding Season is here!!

The first foals are already on the ground and we're all wondering where did that time go?! Busy months ahead and our dedicated team of Vets and Nurses look forward to providing excellent care to your mares and foals to support your business. We hope to highlight a few concepts and services that we can offer to ensure optimal breeding outcomes.



We are very excited that we now celebrate one year at the Waikato Equine Hospital and Performance Centre on the corner of Bruntwood, Pickering & Peake Road in Cambridge. It's a state of the art facility that includes a foal intensive care unit. Here we can provide professional veterinary care to achieve the best outcome for your sick foals and take the pressure away from you and your farm staff. Research shows that time is crucial when delivering foals, foal survival is related to time from the chorio-allantois breaks to the foal is delivered. Ideally this should not be more than 45-60minutes but accumulated statistics shows that during dystocia's, foals will survive up to 70minutes. However, when time gets up to 85minutes foals will not survive. At the hospital, we have a gantry unit that allows for hoisted obstetric corrections and immediate access to the operating theatre should a C-section be necessary. Early referral and transfer to the hospital of Dystocia cases will greatly improve the outcomes for both the foal and mare as well as future reproductive success of the mare.

We can also offer advanced reproductive management of problem mares; cervical surgery and laser surgery to remove intrauterine cysts that interfere with maternal recognition and attachment of the embryo to the uterus. We perform breeding services on the farm if suitable facilities are at hand. Please note that Health and Safety is very important and if our vets cannot safely perform rectal scans in a suitable environment (a crush with power, clean water and suitable dim light) we will decline to perform the work on your farm.

## WHATS NEXT!!!

What is more exciting is that we will offer **A Daily Repro Clinic**, at the WEVC hospital where the facilities are purpose built. **Between 1pm-3pm** Dr Alex Leander will be available for scanning, set up for AIs of fresh and frozen semen (ask for our mare reproductive packages), post breeding management and pregnancy scans. Bookings are essential!! We also offer an overnight or multiple night stay in yards or on pasture for your mares during the AI set up and procedure.



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