

EQUINE VETERINARY SURGERY



TopSpec Vet of the Year Award

We are delighted that Tony has made it into the top four finalists for the TopSpec Vet of the Year at the 2017 Horse and Hound Awards. This is a fantastic honour for Paton and Lee, and a great recognition of the service and dedication Tony



has shown to the profession over the years. The award is to celebrate the vets whose skill and professionalism make the most testing times of horse ownership that bit easier. Paton and Lee client Louise Maestrani was one of Tony's nominees and said: "Tony is professional, passionate and has the patience of a saint (with the horses and owners). Tony has helped so many clients and horses but it doesn't end there. He has gone on to raise £5,000

for the Bob Champion Cancer Trust and 'Livvy's Race Day' challenge by carrying out a 'Raspathon' — rasping 50 sets of horses' teeth at 50 different yards in 24 hours." The awards ceremony will be held at Ascot Racecourse on 2nd November. Good luck Tony – we're all very proud of you!

Petplan Veterinary Awards 2018.



Talking of awards, over the years our wonderful clients have always been very generous in nominating us for the Petplan Veterinary Awards and we are extremely grateful for this support. The nominations are now open for 2018 and we'd love to call on you all once more. If you've been pleased with the service provided from Paton and Lee over the past 12 months, it would be great if you could take the time to let Petplan know about your experience. You can nominate for the following categories: Practice of the Year; Practice Support Staff of the Year; Vet Nurse of the Year and Vet of the Year. Thank you so much!



http://www.petplan.co.uk/vetawards

Macmillan Coffee Morning

On Friday 29th September 2017, Paton and Lee joined in with the World's Biggest Coffee Morning to help raise funds for Macmillan Cancer Support. The Paton and Lee Team worked really hard to put together an amazing spread of cakes and biscuits and thanks to their hard work and the generous support of our friends and clients we were able to raise £285 towards this great cause. Well done team, and thank you all for helping us eat the yummy cakes!!



Stressed about clipping?

It's that time of year again ... the days are shorter but the coats are longer! If you're getting stressed about clipping, there are a few ways Paton and Lee can help:



• Our clipping service is provided at our Hoo Hall clinic by yard manager Jo Martin, who worked for many years as a free-lance clipper before joining us at Paton and Lee, so has a wealth of experience.

Simply book your appointment with the office*, then drop your horse off in the morning and collect after 4pm, clean, clipped and ready to go. We'll look after your horse for the day, and we'll even put them on our weighbridge while they're here, so you'll know for no extra charge exactly what they weigh without their winter coats!

Our fees for the service, excluding sedation, are:

- Full clip (including legs and head) £53
- Hunter clip £43
- Blanket clip £40
- Trace/chaser clip £32

If sedation is required for Jo to safely clip your horse, there is an additional £40 charge for our standard level of sedation (which is sufficient in all but the most nervous of horses) including drug costs. All prices shown are inclusive of VAT.

*Our clipping service is subject to availability and is only carried out on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and some Fridays. The office will let you know which appointments are available.

- We don't provide an on-site clipping service, but we can come out and sedate on-site if required at our usual rates. The office will be happy to provide an estimate for sedating to clip at your yard.
- If you're calm about clipping but your horse is stressed about the idea, we can help with that too. Speak to Ben or Chloe about clipper training and habituation. They'll happily talk you through the process and you can even book in a behavioural consultation with them to get you started with safe clipper training.



Recommend a Friend for a Fiver



Throughout 2017 and in to 2018 we are continuing to offer £5 off your vet's bill if you recommend a friend to use Paton and Lee. The offer is valid for any new clients you recommend, or returning clients who didn't use us throughout 2016 or 2017. **Just ask the person you're recommending to mention your name when they register with us.** We'll credit your account by £5 once they settle their first invoice – it's as simple as that. You can recommend as many people as you like, so all those £5's could easily add up!

Vicky gets her Hack-On!



Vicky took on the MyHackathon challenge for Brooke – Action for Working Horses and Donkeys this year. She completed the 100 mile Hackathon on her Dartmoor pony 'Freddie', with the final miles taking place at the Burghley Sponsored Ride on Sunday 3rd September, alongside Cassie from the practice on 'Ernie'. Vicky raised a fantastic £405 for Brooke and also had a great time on 'Freddie' and improved his fitness too – everyone's a winner! Well done Vicky.

