

**FEEVA**

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The logo of the British Equine Veterinary Association (BEVA) is a circular emblem. It features a central silhouette of a horse and rider, with the horse in a jumping or galloping posture. The text "BRITISH-EQUINE" is arched across the top, and "VETERINARY ASSOCIATION" is arched across the bottom. The entire emblem is rendered in a light blue color.

# **British Equine Veterinary Association (BEVA)**

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# Activities and issues

- membership
- continuing professional development
- horse passports and identification
- medicines availability and use
- transport welfare
- equine dental technicians and welfare standards
- importation of equine biologicals
- disease surveillance and preparedness



# Activities and issues

- Membership
  - attracting and retaining members
  - member benefits
  - effects of recession
  - information delivery
  - formulary
  - evidence based medicine (EBM) projects
    - colic, laminitis, worming



# Activities and issues

- Continuing professional development
  - 35 hr CPD/year (voluntary – RCVS)
  - competition from veterinary schools and commercial CPD providers
  - integration into post graduate study programmes and qualifications?
  - new graduate versus specialist



# Activities and issues

- Passports and identification
  - alternative methods of identification
  - linkage between passport and medicines use
- Medicines availability
  - Essentials List
  - phenylbutazone
  - responsible use of antimicrobials
  - medicines database EMEA
  - [eudrapharm.eu/eudrapharm/welcome.do](http://eudrapharm.eu/eudrapharm/welcome.do)



# Activities and issues

- Transport welfare and slaughter horses
  - ‘registered’ horses
  - Tripartite Agreement
- Equine dental technicians
  - boundaries, derogations and partnerships
- Equine biologicals importation
  - semen and plasma





# Activities and issues

- Disease surveillance
  - exotic disease preparedness
  - AHS, WNV, EIA
  - endemic disease surveillance
  - infectious disease surveillance scheme
    - influenza text alert (AHT & Merial)
  - endemic disease census days
    - BEVA and Blue Cross



# Revised timings

14.35 – 15.05 Peter Clegg MRSA

15.05 – 15.15 Discussion

15.15 – 16.00 FEEVA updates

16.00 – 16.15 Coffee

16.15 – 16.30 Work plans

16.30 – 17.30 FEEVA AGM

18.45 Taxis leave from Hotel Lycium

# Medicines: Essentials List

- 1950/2006/EC
  - list of substances essential for treatment of Equidae intended for slaughter
  - *positive* list not a *negative* list
  - withdrawal period not less than 6 months
- 470/2009/EC
  - amends 2001/82/EC
  - allows substances that bring *added clinical benefit* to be added to the list

# Terms of reference used by CVMP



*Substances considered must bring added clinical benefit through:*

- having different mode of action
- different pharmacokinetic or pharmacodynamic profiles
- different length of treatment
- different routes of administration

# FEEVA/FVE list

(approved by CVMP December 2009)

- Flumazenil
- Triamcinolone acetonide
- Flumethasone
- Pentoxyphylline
- Polymyxin B
- Amiodarone
- Flecainide
- Adrenaline
- Allopurinol
- Sucralfate
- Ranitidine
- Phenoxybenzamine
- Codeine
- Loperamide
- Budesonide
- Fluticasone
- Clarithromycin
- Ponazuril
- Radiopharmaceutical Tc99
- Gabapentine
- Carbamazepine
- Cyproheptadine

# Not approved by CVMP

- Phenylbutazone
  - ‘carcinogenic and teratogenic potential of PBZ did not support an inclusion in the list’
- Halothane
  - ‘well published user safety concerns were not outweighed by any potential added clinical benefit’

# Current position

- CVMP-approved list is awaiting public consultation and a decision from the Commission



# Other issues

- availability of medicines in different countries – ‘pan European’ licensing versus national licensing
- difficulties importing medicines under the Cascade from other European countries
- discrepancies between national marketing authorisations and European regulations

# Identification of horses

- 504/2008/EC
- FEEVA identification survey





# FEEVA identification survey

- 13 responses from 11 countries
- Austria (x2), Denmark, Ireland, Italy, Finland, Germany, Latvia, Netherlands (x2), Norway, Sweden, United Kingdom
- [www.surveymonkey.com](http://www.surveymonkey.com)

Has the Identification of Equidae Regulation (Commission Regulation 504/2008) been implemented in your country? If not, is there a planned date for its implementation?

- Yes: 12
- No: 1

Are 'suitable alternative identification methods' other than microchipping authorized in your country or when the regulation is implemented, will other identification methods be authorized?

- Yes: 6
- No: 7

If yes to Question 3: which methods are/will be authorized and for which horses: all horses or certain types/groups of horse (please specify), and who is/will be authorized to use these methods?

- Hot branding: 3
- Freeze branding: 2

Who will be authorized to identify horses in your country under this Regulation?

- Veterinary surgeons: 12
- Government officials: 2
- Studbook personnel: 4
- Trained lay people: 7

What type(s) of information will be held on the microchip?

- UELN only: 9
- UELN cross referenced to a database: 3

# Does your country have a central database for all registered horses?

- Yes: 5
- No: 2
- No, but separate databases: 4
- No, but linked separate databases: 2

In your country, which horses are seen as 'registered horses' according to Council Regulation 90/426/EC?

- All horses identified and registered = 11
- Only certain stud books = 1



In your country, do your passport regulations make provision for the suspension of the passport in an outbreak of notifiable/reportable disease?

- Yes: 6
- No: 7

# Summary

- 504/2008/EC mostly implemented
- some countries allow other methods of ID
- some countries allow non-vets to insert chips
- minority of countries have national databases
- registered horses has broad interpretation?
- 50% of countries have provision for suspension of passport if disease outbreak

# Common themes – work plans?

- national databases: importance, linkage of horse to location, removal of dead horses from database
- national licensing and availability of medicines
- protecting human health – responsible use of medicines, illegal supply, AMR, horse identification
- disposal and unwanted horses: need for slaughter
- enforcement of transport regulations
- disease surveillance and preparedness
- clinical practice: gender and generational changes, quality of new graduates and training, defining best practice
- lay practitioners: dental technicians

# Dinner tonight

- taxies leave at 6.45pm
- Palma Etterem (Palm Tree Restaurant)
- Simonyi ut44