



### FARM ANIMAL STAFF CHANGES

*We wish all our farm animal clients a happy and prosperous new year and as we enter 2012 we would like to update you with some staff changes in the farm animal office.*

Faye Roxborough is leaving us for pastures new and we are sad to say we will miss her lively antics in the farm office. However, we are pleased to introduce you to Susan Hoskyns-Jones who will replace Faye. Susan previously worked in our small animal department as a receptionist and will now be our farm animal receptionist with responsibility for the equine accounts.



Carole, who has been helping in the farm office on Mondays and Tuesdays, is also leaving us in January. Carole and her husband are taking on a bed & breakfast business venture and we wish them both the best of luck for the future.



As from January this year we welcome Camilla Douglas who will be working full time in the farm office. Camilla is currently undergoing training in all aspects of the day-to-day activities involved in running the office and is a welcome addition to the team.

We are pleased to welcome back Claerwen Randolph who has returned from maternity leave and will be doing mainly cattle work on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. Sadly, this means that our locum vet Jonathan Cranston will be leaving us and we are sure that all of you who came into contact with Jon during his time working for Larkmead will agree that he is an excellent vet and he will be greatly missed.

Mary Davidson is also leaving us this month, as she is getting married and will be moving to Scotland. Mary has been a popular addition to the Larkmead vet team, and we are very pleased and excited for her and her future husband. We wish them a bright and happy life together.

Mary's replacement will be Keiran Avery, who is joining the farm team in January. Keiran is a Bristol Graduate who came highly recommended by another XLVet practice. His recent farm elective included specific research on calf pneumonia and scour. Keiran has an interest in dairy work and is a keen sportsman, so you might meet him at the rugby or hockey club.



### Christmas Quiz

Many thanks once again to MSD Animal Health (formerly Intervet Schering Plough) for sponsoring the Christmas quiz 2011 and supper evening on 14<sup>th</sup> December. The evening was well attended with 13 teams competing for first place. The winning team was "Eat More Meat", led by Rowan Napper, with a score of 172. In second place was Blenheim Brainstorm who scored 145.

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