





Spring Evening Meeting Wednesday 26th April 2017 Glenavon House Hotel

Fork supper included—7.15pm AVSPNI Business meeting (members only) - 8.00pm Main presentation commences 8.30pm

Engaging With Sheep Farmers

How Can Flock Health Planning be Viable for Vets and Farmers?

Engaging with sheep farmers is often regarded as a costly and time consuming process, both for the involved vet and the recipient farmer. Evidence has shown that many farmers want to engage with an enthusiastic vet with an interest in sheep.
Reactive 'fire brigade' veterinary involvement in sheep practice is often expensive for the farmer and unrewarding for the vet. Proactive vets and practices are seeking ways in which services can be offered to their sheep clients in a way that promotes preventative flock health and monitoring, whilst providing a viable income to the practice.

Phillipa will discuss ways in which this can be approached in practice.

Bonus Topic!

An update on Ovine Pulmonary Adenocarcinoma -Jaagsiekte



Phillipa Page

Phillipa achieved a BSc in Animal Science from the University of Leeds and then went on to study Veterinary Science at the University of Liverpool. She qualified in 2006 and started work in mixed practice in South Wales for three years before moving to Gloucestershire to work in large animal practice where she has been for seven and a half years. The majority of her work is dairy and beef based, however Phillipa developed the sheep side of the practice through the start of specific sheep training workshops, newsletters, discussion groups, involvement with producer groups and active flock health planning.

Together with her husband, Phillipa also commercially farm 400 ewes producing fat lambs which has helped bridge the veterinary and sheep farmer understanding. She has been a committee member of the BCVA from 2007-2010 and has recently completed a three-year period as a committee member of the Sheep Veterinary Society.

> Everyone is welcome to come along to hear this excellent speaker. Free to AVSPNI Members. Non-members fee **£30**. **Please indicate your intention to attend** by emailing info@vetni.co.uk, telephoning 028 25898543





