

Sheep Veterinary Society, Spring meeting
Templepatrick, Ballyclare, Northern Ireland.
Monday 23rd - Wednesday 25th May 2022

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Chair person			
Time	Title	Speaker(s)	Affiliation
10.00 am – 13.00 pm	Liver Fluke Workshop/CPD covering life cycle, clinical picture, diagnosis, treatment and investigation of potential treatment failure	Matt Colston Philip Skuce	Elanco Animal Health Moredun Research Institute
11.00 am – 11.30 am	Tea/Coffee break		

13.00 pm – 14.00 pm Lunch and registration

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14.00 pm - 14.10 pm	Presidents Welcome	Rebecca Mearns	SVS, President
14.10 pm - 14.20 pm	Sheep Farming in Northern Ireland	Crosby Cleland	Ulster Farmers Union
14.20 pm – 15:20 pm	Keynote Speaker 'Challenges and opportunities for pasture based sheep production'	Tommy Boland	University College Dublin
15:20 pm – 15.40 pm	Surveillance Update	Amanda Carson or Rudolf Reichel	APHA

15.40 pm – 16.10 pm Tea/Coffee break

16.10 pm – 16.40 pm	Sheep scab in NI	Paul Crawford	Chair, NI sheep scab group
16.40 pm - 17.00 pm	RDP update on scab	Stewart Burgess	Moredun Research Institute
17.00 pm – 17.30 pm	NOAH/RUMA/AMR and the code of practice	Fiona Lovatt and a local speaker (TBC)	Flock Health Ltd

18.30 pm Transport (to and from) Hotel to Gaol Circle and C Wing for Conference dinner

19.00 pm Prosecco on arrival

19.30 pm Conference Dinner (Dress code: smart/casual)

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09.00 am - 09.20 am	"Back to the future" – historic perspective on liver fluke control	Philip Skuce	Moredun Research Institute
09.20 am - 09.50 am	Liver and rumen fluke – prevalence, co-infection and management	Grace Mulcahy	University College Dublin
09.50 am - 10.20 am	Analysis of ovine mortality in sentinel flocks in Ireland	Seamus Fagan	Agriculture, NI
10.20 am - 10.50 am	Liver fluke - the future of vaccine development	John Dalton	NUI Galway

10:50 am - 11.15 am Tea/Coffee break

11.15 am - 11.45 am	Breeding for improved sheep health through the Irish national breeding indexes	Noirin Mc Hugh	Teagasc
11.45 am - 12.15 pm	Identification and implications of Maedi Visna infection in NI flocks	Ignatius McKeown	DEARA NI
12.15 pm - 12.45 pm	Prevalence of pestiviruses in Sheep flocks in NI	Sam Strain	Animal Health NI
12.45 pm - 13.00 pm	OGM	Rebecca Mearns	SVS, President

13.00 pm – 14.00 pm Lunch

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14.00 pm - 14.20 pm	Damara, a New Breed of Sheep for the UK	Tricia Sutton	
14.20 pm – 14.50 pm	To flush or not to flush: Dealing with the unknowns in sheep fertility	Patrick Grant	The Sheep Vet
14.50 pm – 15.10 pm	When drugs go rogue	Moyna Richey	APHA Shrewsbury
15.10 pm - 15.30 pm	Nothing to lose: Two interesting surgery cases	JP Crilly	Larkmead Vets
15.30 pm - 15.50 pm	Mastitis, Lameness and watery mouth control in large flocks	John Grant	Parklands Vets, Cookstown

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16.20 pm - 16.40 pm	Abomasal Ultrasound as a Measure of Lamb Colostrum Intake	Hannah Edgar	RVC student
16.40 pm - 17.00 pm	How to practically implement TST at farm level	Nick Cotter	
17.00 pm – 17.20 pm	“Test before you treat” – the key to sustainable control of liver fluke in sheep and cattle	Diana Williams	University of Liverpool
17:20 pm - 17:50 pm	Tackle your feelings – mental health in agriculture	Peter Hynes	
17:50 pm – 18:00 pm	Closing remarks	Rebecca Mearns	SVS, President

19.30 pm Dinner at Hotel

Wednesday 25th May 2022

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Time	Topic	Speaker (s)	Affiliation
10.30 am – 12.30 pm	Transport leave's the hotel at 9.30 am FARM EVENT Ballycoose Farm in the Glens of Antrim Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Productive upland farm in the same family for hundreds of years and location for some of Game of Thrones Transport back to the Hotel for 2 pm	Campbell Tweed OBE	