



Veterinary
Holistic Health
and Referrals

HOLISTIC PET CLUB

Prevent parasites in your pets with minimal exposure to drugs/pesticides and help keep pets, bees, fish and families safe.

Is regular drug/pesticide use the only way to deal with parasites in pets and, in turn, keep all family members safe? We offer an alternative to the common "healthy pet clubs" that are organised by the pharmaceutical companies to maximise sales. Antiparasitic drugs are likely to affect the environment or microbiome and detox systems of the body while drug resistance is an increasing problem. Drugs should be used responsibly to keep them working well when dealing with infestations and in high-risk situations.

The Holistic Pet Club offers a responsible approach to parasite control, titre testing to ensure protection and avoid over vaccination, weight checks, dietary and exercise advice and discounts on supplements. We don't sell pet food but have negotiated discounts with local suppliers of wholesome pet foods.

Available at Club prices:

Faecal Egg Count (FEC)

FEC and Lungworm Test

Holistic Assessment (15 mins)

Exercise or Dietary Advice Consult

Titre testing for Distemper, Hepatitis & Parvo (DHP)

We understand that every household is different and, if you just want to use parts of our Club Offers, "free choice membership" is available.

Contact us for Club prices and details of additional Club benefits (including discounts at participating local pet food suppliers and applicable supplements). Please note, new members require an initial consultation, currently available in South Herefordshire and the Forest of Dean.



If healthy means free from parasites for pets, why not simply check on it?

Fleas

Sorry, herbs won't do the trick. Checking on a regular basis, using a flea comb, for flea dirt on a moist white tissue is a good way of making sure things don't get out of hand. Little black dots turn red in contact with water. Fleas breed in the house. A flea lamp can help detect them swiftly. If you find something we recommend you use treatments that work – but we don't sell them. Come for a "how to check for fleas consult", take a flea comb home with you and start checking.



Flea dirt

Checking for Worm (Egg)s

Did you know that wormers DON'T prevent worms, they only treat existing infections. Herbs that have anti-parasitical actions are very harsh. Well-tolerated "herbal wormers" in our experience won't work if a real burden is present.

Before resorting to wormers, it is best to do a faecal egg count. To cover the whole range takes a sample pooled over 3 days and two different tests. That way you can be sure to spot things like lungworm and tapeworm.

One type of worm (**Toxocara canis**) is genuinely dangerous for children and a single sample is sufficient for it. If you want value for money, you collect a pooled sample containing 3 samples from different days and have a reliable tape worm result as well.

Lungworm can be dangerous for pets and the risk depends on whether your animal eats snails especially in high-risk areas (for example South Wales and Worcestershire).



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