

Provita not to be missed at the NSA Sheep Event

NSA's Edward Adamson (left) discussing plans for Monday's big event in Ballymena with Provita's Tommy Armstrong. Provita will be taking part in the event.



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PROVITA has confirmed that it will be taking part in next Monday's NSA Sheep Event, planned for Ballymena.

"We will be running a number of promotions and special offers across most of our sheep products," confirmed the company's Tommy Armstrong.

"Specifically, we will be offering a free sheep foot bath with every 20 litre purchase of Hoofsure Endurance."

He continued: "Sheep producers are enjoying a welcome upturn in fortunes at the present time. However, in order to maximise returns it is crucial to maintain nutrition and health levels in both ewes and lambs."

"The continuing cold weather has meant that lambs have not thrived as well as expected this year at grass. Given these circumstances, drenching these animals with Provita Proboost now will serve to get growth rates back on track."

And, of course, early lambing ewes will also benefit from a vitamin boost at this time of the year.

"The recent wet weather has also led to poaching in many areas and with this has come an increase in foot problems within many flocks."

Mr Armstrong continued: "Keeping on top of foot problems is crucially important in order to maximise ewe and lamb performance. The use of Hoofsure Endurance is strongly recommended in this context. It is non-toxic, biodegradable, tested to be more potent than formalin or Copper Sulphate and is extremely cost effective."

He concluded: "Next Monday's NSA event will be an important event in the sheep year here in Northern Ireland. Provita will be there to provide visitors with advice on the management of their own flocks and to answer any queries they might have about our product range."

Look out for the Provita Jeep at next week's NSA Sheep Event



Provita Combat ready to use film forming footspray

UK flockowners give Hoofsure Endurance the 'thumbs up'

HOOFSURE Endurance, the unique footbath solution from Provita, is finding favour with leading sheep producers throughout the United Kingdom. It can be used at the normal concentration rate of 1% i.e. 1 litre to 99 litres of water (1 pint to 20 gallons) or, where problems exist, at 2% - that's 2 litres of Hoofsure Endurance added to 98 litres of water (2 pints to 10 gallons).

In either case, it provides a proven means of keeping on top of feet problems within flocks. To improve the effectiveness of the solution prepared, an increasing number of sheep producers place a sponge mat on the floor of the bath. But in the same way as one swallow does not make a summer, foot bathing once in a blue moon will not deliver the degree of control over hoof problems required by sheep producers.

Leading NSA member Edward Adamson, who farms near Carrickfergus in Co Antrim, has been using Hoofsure Endurance for a number of years. He would summarise the benefits of the product as follows.

"It seems to do the job for us and we can control lameness provided we keep on top of it," he said.

Ian Gryce, from Whitby in North Yorkshire has tried many different products in an attempt to get real control over the feet problems within his

flock. Here's what he has to say about Hoofsure Endurance:

"After using Hoofsure Endurance regularly in the footbath I now hardly see any foot trouble. If there is the odd case of scald or foot-rot I mix up Endurance at 10% in a spray bottle. In one severe case we had a tup that was in very bad shape. Within a week, after using the spray, the foot was fixed and he was right again. I can swear by the product as it does the job," he said.

Meanwhile, Mr R Brocklehurst, from the north of England, bought Hoofsure Endurance and Combat to help control foot problems in his flock.

"We found that regular running through the footbath with Hoofsure Endurance will help keep feet right, especially during risk times, including seasonal and weather changes," he confirmed.

"The feet have to be right and lame sheep will not thrive. In my opinion Hoofsure Endurance is the best product we've used."

For more information or details of your local stockist of Hoofsure Endurance footbath solution or Combat footspray call Provita on 028 8225 2352 or their local representative Tommy Armstrong on 07720 101 444.



Sheep walking through a Hoofsure Endurance Footbath