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To whom it may concern

Client: Ivonne Bergh

Farm: PH08 Dapplemerc farm. Honeyvale

I, Dr D B Bosman, did a farm inspection on request of the owner on the above named farm. The inspection follows a SPCA warning issued on the 19th of May 2023 by Inspector Arendolf.

HORSES

I was asked to evaluate the condition of three horses. Luke, Maverick and Amber. I would like to note the following points:

- At the time of examination all the horses on the property was in proper housing and with enough good quality food available.
- According to owner the basic husbandry had been seen to, they were dewormed and had dental and hoof care by professionals.
- I found the client to be open to suggestions and criticism.
- I was made aware of management challenges that they experienced in recent past and which might have attributed to the slow weight gain of the rescued horses.
- According to owner they are in contact with an equine nutritionist, which will be advising them on how to increase their condition.
- **All three the horses in my opinion had a slightly reduced body condition score. It is my opinion that all three horses should gain at least one body condition score.**
- Amber had an old corneal lesion which seems to have healed well. Owner had a report from previous vet.

I subsequently made the following suggestions:

- The owner is to take a girth tape and get as accurate weights for each horse as possible (the owner came back to me the following day with measurements). This will give us a quantitative and measurable yardstick.

- I am happy to do follow up visits to assess. Allow at least 4 weeks in between visits.
- Careful book keeping of diet and progress.

DOGS

Both Gracie and Charlie was brought in for assessment at our clinic on my request the following day.

I would like to note the following remarks:

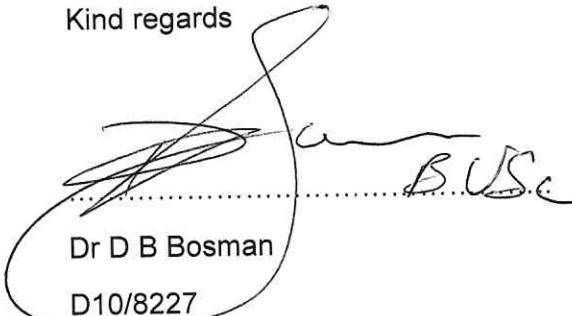
- Both dogs are struggling with skin allergies, the skin changes indicated a chronic and ongoing allergy. Taken over from previous owners which neglected parasite control.
- Both dogs were free from external parasites and had recently received Bravecto and dewormer.
- Both were in good condition.
- Both dogs were under treatment for the allergies by the client.

My advice

- Being on good quality external parasite treatment is the most important part of these dogs' recovery.
- I have added treatment to reduce the skin inflammation and keep the allergy down.
- Owner is to continue with anti-histamines

Hope this will suffice.

Kind regards



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