



# R.M. JONES Newsletter

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## Optimise Growth Rates with Optigain Lamb

**Optigain Lamb** is specially formulated for growing lambs. A highly concentrated liquid supplement containing key ingredients known to support **growth** and **development** in young & growing lambs.

It has high levels of **Cobalt, Selenium, Vitamin A, D3 & E**, together with **Amino Acids**.

To achieve the best lamb prices it is a good plan to finish lambs quickly—**Optigain Lamb** will help with this! For the very best results use before **Essential Lamb Bolus**

## FECPAK Faecal Egg Counting

Improve Performance

Increase Animal Production

Save Time and Money by detecting worm problems early.

Call us for more details

Sheep, Cattle and Horses



## Did you know?

Sainsbury's **FECPAK** project 2014-2017 found that reduced weight gain due to **parasites** costs an average sheep farmer in the UK up to **£12,000** a year

## GORILLA PRODUCTS IN STOCK

### GORILLA GLUE:

Renowned for its incredible strength and versatility, Gorilla Glue expands into materials to create a durable bond which is 100% waterproof and resistant to extreme temperatures.

### GORILLA TAPE:

Gorilla Tape is extra strong, double-thick and incredibly tough. Whether you need to stick rough, smooth or uneven surfaces, this is the duct tape with extra grip.



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Hereford: 01432 769527

Abergavenny: 01873 858300

Ledbury: 01531 806130

# Arable Update – June 2021

UK LIFFE wheat Nov22 @ 325 - 335/t

MATIF OSR Nov21 @ £690 - 720/t

AN34.5% Fertiliser @ £700+/- £70

Current wheat growth stage GS50

Current OSR growth stage GS70

## Comments

The recent rain has been very welcome. Warm soils plus moisture mean that maize and beet crops will establish rapidly which should make weed control (especially in beet) more straightforward. Any late applied nitrogen will have washed into soils effectively and will hopefully contribute to decent yields and/or quality. With commodities at unprecedented values any yield or quality improvements will have big impacts on bottom line.

## Tasks

### Cereals

- Spring cereals will need any follow up weed control along with disease and growth regulation. Where fertiliser hasn't yet been applied it should go on soon.
- Most T2 (flag leaf sprays) have been applied. Crops have low levels of disease with many wheat crops maintaining 4 or 5 green leaves. As mentioned in the last arable update keeping photosynthetic area as high as possible for as long as possible is one of the key drivers of yield. With crops reaching max levels of biomass with very high GAI bodes well for harvest.

### OSR

- OSR crops have finished flowering and are well into pod formation and development stage.

### Other crops

- Please check beet crops for Aphids (Peach Potato Aphids in particular). As soon as any are seen please let your agronomist know as they are vectors for various Beet Yellow viruses. There are thresholds but any sign of winged Peach Potato Aphid means your crop is at risk.



## Fertiliser

New season **fertiliser** prices are being discussed and offered intermittently depending on availability of product etc. It is very difficult to give accurate and reliable advice with regards to fertiliser currently given the volatility and uncertainty surrounding gas, imports and other related issues. If you do want to dip your toe into the market please let us know what you want and we will be able to explain the current purchasing options that are being offered by **CF, Origin, YARA** etc.

## Seed

We really can't stress enough that you need to start planning your seed requirements **NOW**. Do not leave till after harvest or a week before planting – you will be frustrated and delayed. The level of volatility and uncertainty in the commodities world means short lead times are unlikely with logistics once again under significant pressure. Remember that we can offer a very effective and competitive seed cleaning service if required.

**Summer Trials Day & iFarm Visit**

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June Gatley Farm, Leinthall Earls**

**Please phone 01497 820410 for an invitation**