# **BOOKS RECEIVED**

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## Multiple Choice Questions in Veterinary Medicine

P Brightling and D C Blood (1996). W B Saunders Co: London. 330pp. Paperback. Obtainable from the publishers, 24-28 Oval Road, London NW1 7DX, UK (ISBN 0 7020 2084 2). Price £14.95.

This book contains over 1000 multiple choice questions covering key concepts and common terms encountered in farm animal and horse medicine. It is designed for use by veterinary students in their senior undergraduate years, and by graduate veterinarians who are undertaking formal or informal continuing education.

#### The Price of Meat

Danny Penman (1996). Victor Gollanacz: London. 240pp. Paperback. Obtainable from the publishers, Wellington House, 125 Strand, London WC2R 0BB, UK (ISBN 0 575 06344 0). Price £9.99.

Danny Penman takes the meat industry apart, exploring the issues and examining cruelty-free alternatives, and offering insight into the philosophy of animal rights, the driving force behind one of the fastest growing reform movements in the world.

### Goats of the World

Valerie Porter (1996). Farming Press: Ipswich. 179pp. Hardback. Obtainable from the publishers, Wharfedale Road, Ipswich IP1 4LG, UK (ISBN 0 85236 347 8).

This is a valuable reference for those with an interest in the goat. It is carefully researched and describes more than 500 breeds and types of goat worldwide. The breed entries are arranged according to country of origin, and the range covered includes the sophisticated dairy breeds of Europe and North America, the promising specialized meat breeds from South Africa and the huge range of famous breeds and assorted local types in the Indian subcontinent. More than 180 of these widely varying goats are illustrated, to scale, in the book.

Vivisection Unveiled: An Exposé of the Medical Futility of Animal Experimentation Tony Page (1997). Jon Carpenter Publishing: Charlbury. 143pp. Paperback. Obtainable from the publishers, The Spendlove Centre, Charlbury OX7 3PQ, UK (ISBN 1 897766 31 9). Price £6.99.

Tony Page has been researching the facts about vivisection for a number of years. Drawing on conference papers and many other sources, his book unmasks the true nature of animal experimentation, presenting a startling collection of sound scientific evidence to show that it is not only valueless but actually poses a threat to human health.

#### Country Foxes

Hugh Kolb (1996). Whittet Books: London. 128pp. Paperback. Obtainable from the publishers, 18 Anley Road, London W14 0BY, UK (ISBN 1 873580 29 0). Price £7.99.

Britain's biggest predator inspires admiration, affection and hatred depending on who you are. Farmers say the only good fox is a dead one, huntspersons have an ambivalent fondness for them and others are passionate in their defence. This book clearly sets out the facts, without polemic. As well as tackling contentious issues, such as fox hunting, all other aspects

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of the life of the country fox are covered: what they eat, how they live and breed, how their sizes vary in different regions, and why they are so successful.

#### Dog Anatomy

Peter C Goody (1997). J A Allen & Co: London. 128pp. Paperback. Obtainable from the publishers, 1 Lower Grosvenor Place, London SW1W 0EL, UK (ISBN 0 85131 6360). Price £12.95.

This book is based on 38 pages of illustrations comprising over 150 individual drawings. The book is intended to provide the reader with the essential aspects of dog anatomy and has been produced for people who enjoy dogs and wish to know a little more about their overall structure.

# Growth of Farm Animals

Tony L J Lawrence and Vernon R Fowler (1997). CAB International: Wallingford. 344pp. Paperback. Obtainable from the publishers, Wallingford, Oxon OX10 8DE, UK (ISBN 0 85198 849 0). Price £24.50.

An understanding of the processes which change the size, shape and composition of farm animals is fundamental to all aspects of production which seeks to meet human dietary and other needs. This book provides, within the limits of a student text, a broad review of how animals grow and change in shape and composition, as well as those factors which affect growth processes and which dictate the extent and direction of changes within the animal.