



# Newsletter

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## Off Season

The birds would be in a heavy moult now and hopefully not being bred from, unless for special reasons.

If you were to choose **two products** to use at this time, it should be...

- **Premolt** and
- **Plume Plus.**

**Vitaton 34** would be a great aid as well if used once weekly.

If fanciers were following a strict vaccination programme, **Paramyxo vaccinations** could be given at this time if needed.

No other medication for **Canker, Coccidiosis, Worms and bacteria (antibiotics)** should be used if possible. A few months without medication allows the birds to build up a degree of natural immunity against these conditions.

We are getting reports of Young Bird Disease. From this time of year until well into the racing season every year, we experience this. The problem worsens as we get closer to the racing season when the birds are put under the stress of training which is aggravated by them having to mix in close proximity, in training and racing baskets

**YBD is easier to prevent than cure.**

A suggested range of products that could be used over this time would be a combination of a few of the following.

- Enteroplus or Intestum
- Liquorice powder
- Medimune tablets and powder
- Medibrew
- Viroban
- Ensure that **Nobilus Paramyxo** has been given at 3 and 7 weeks of age.

A combination we have tried, and used on a daily basis, with very good results:

- **Entero Plus** or **Intestum**
- **Liquorice powder**

Both of the above are added to the food.

- **Medimune** (preferably tabs because of the added benefit of the grape seed and grape fruit seed extract) used when necessary.

For additional boosting effect **Medibrew**, containing Ginger, Elder, Thyme, Rhubarb root and Tumeric, as immune stimulants, and **Viroban**, can be added to water when necessary.

All of these products in various combinations can be used in the moulting season.

For further information on **YBD** visit our website at **Medpet.co.za**