

Implications of New Animal Welfare Legislation (A C D Bayvel)

Future Directions in Animal Welfare - a Stranger in Paradise
(P H G Stockdale)

Veterinarians as Guardians of Animal Welfare (N Wells)

New Zealand's Animal Welfare Image and its Effect on Produce and
Marketing (C Baddeley)

The MAF Role in Animal Welfare (P J O'Hara)

The meeting was held in New Zealand and as such tends to be somewhat agricultural and meat industry orientated but the material presented in the proceedings volume is relevant worldwide. This valuable collection of technical essays gives a most useful one-volume outline of much of the current thoughts in the animal welfare field.

Animal Welfare in New Zealand. Convenor, G V Petersen. Proceedings from a seminar organized for the State Veterinarians Branch, New Zealand Veterinary Association, held in June 1992. Foundation for Continuing Education, Veterinary Publication number 144 (1992). 110pp. Obtainable from Veterinary Continuing Education, Massey University, Palmerston North, New Zealand (ISSN 0112 9643). Price AU\$35, £20 or US\$35.

Horse disposal

This booklet has been written by the Humane Slaughter Association to help horse owners face up to the reality that sooner or later they may, on welfare grounds, have to decide to have their horse humanely killed. The practicalities of the matter are discussed in response to four questions:-

- where will you have your horse put down?
- how will you have your horse put down?
- who will put down your horse?
- how will you dispose of your horse's body?

The information and advice is presented in a matter-of-fact, non-sentimental but still sympathetic manner so that the owner can make rational, informed and it is hoped correct decisions. The point is repeatedly made that it is the welfare of the horse that must have priority at all times and that it is the duty of the responsible owner to plan ahead and make provision for a humane end for their animals.

This short booklet is essential reading for all those involved in owning, caring for and managing horses.

Farewell - making the right decision. Humane Slaughter Association (1993). 14pp. Paperback. Obtainable from HSA, 34 Blanche Lane, South Mimms, Potters Bar, Herts EN6 3PA, UK. (ISBN 1 871561 06 X) Price £2 including postage.