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JUNE NEWSLETTER

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A bundle of bantams...

Time has just flown by... with a busy month both in the shop and out and about:

The Sussex Festival of Beekeeping was a great day out with a great mixture of experienced beekeepers and beginners as well as many people just finding out beekeeping. The live demonstration went well with many onlookers viewing a hive being examined safely behind a bee screen. The bee auctions were really busy with all the lots selling and the talks and trade hall were 'buzzing'. It was great to see lots of beekeepers at our stall and also to see the other stalls doing well, this year there was a selection of plants, used equipment, fruit trees, bird boxes and a cake stall. This event is certainly growing each year and makes a nice family day out.



Last weekend we were at the Heathfield Show and apart from the cold wind (to be expected on this show site) it was a fine day – we have had many years of really cold wind and rain at this show so it is always a pleasant surprise to have a fair day, and this year the show ground seemed much busier than before.

This morning I am writing this newsletter with the sun shining through the window, Jason and Bertie are outside loading the car and will soon be leaving to install a chicken run and Dan is letting the animals out into their pens, its always a good start to the day when the sun shines, lets hope the nice weather lasts another couple of weeks. In two weeks time we are at the South of England Show with our display and educational stall, we will be opposite the fishing lake so if you are on the showground please come and say hello –it's always nice to see a familiar face.



Yesterday we collected a 'bundle of bantams' – A lovely group of delightful little hens of all sorts of colours, some have elegant plain feathers, some a real jumble of coloured frizzled feathers growing in all directions! These Pekin Bantams are guaranteed hens and have been vaccinated. They are in our first 'tripper-pen' through the gate so do pop down through the barn to have a look. We also collected a little group of white call ducks – these are still a little too small to go straight into an outside pen but as soon as they are fully feathered they will be splashing around in the duck pen by

our house.

Roger has been busy with the bees and we now have 4 colonies settled in our apiary. On Monday he added the first 'super box of frames' for the bees to store honey. Two of the new colonies are establishing well and should soon be available for sale.



More info on daily things from Mantel Farm in Dans diary:

http://mantelfarmshop.co.uk/epages/950003783.sf/en_GB/?ObjectPath=/Shops/950003783/Categories/Diary

Special Offers, New Products and Services:



Pekin Bantam Hens for sale

Pekins are a docile, friendly breed. They make excellent mothers and their looks are stunning, making them perfect for a small scale back garden set up. They make ideal pets for young children as they are easily handled and love a cuddle. Our Pekin Bantams are vaccinated and tested clear of salmonella so perfect for providing eggs for yourselves, friends, family or customers.

£30.00 each; guaranteed hens (cockerels also available). Both straight and frizzle feathers. Hens can be purchased by calling into our shop or you can reserve them through our website (for collection from our farm during our shop opening hours).

Call Ducks for sale

We have a little group of White Call Ducks for sale. Both Drakes and Ducks available, They make lovely little pets, full of character. They need just a small pen and pond.

£30.00 each; both ducks and drakes are available. Ducks can be purchased by calling into our shop or you can reserve them through our website (for collection from our farm during our shop opening hours).



New Drinkers and Feeders

These lovely drinkers and feeders will brighten up your chicken pen. Both functional and attractive (matching feed scoops also available!)

£24.95 each, available in blue, pink and green

Only a few quail remain!

If you are thinking of keeping quail then hurry! We only have a few left, so why not start with our beginners pack for just £135.00. Includes the house, 3 quail, feed and equipment. More info available at:

http://mantelfarmshop.co.uk/epages/950003783.sf/en_GB/?ObjectID=9775088&ViewAction=ViewProduct



Hybrid hens for sale

We still have a great selection of lovely looking hens available, but they are selling quickly so why not place an order on our website before calling to collect?

£15.00 each, guaranteed hens, fully vaccinated and tested clear of salmonella
http://mantelfarmshop.co.uk/epages/950003783.sf/en_GB/?ObjectID=4254205&ViewAction=FacetedSearchProducts&SearchString=hybrid&FacetValue_CategoryID=4527525

20% off Poultry Shield

Our Poultry Shield offer continues for one more month:

1Ltr Poultry Shield bottles: normally £10.50 **NOW £8.40**

Refills for 1Ltr Poultry Shield Bottles: normally £8.50 **NOW £6.80**

http://mantelfarmshop.co.uk/epages/950003783.sf/en_GB/?ObjectID=5074978&ViewAction=ViewProduct



South of England Show

The 2015 South of England Show takes place on the 11th 12th and 13th June at Ardingly Showground. This year we will again be in the centre of the showground opposite the fishing lake.

A great day family day out, this year the organisers are offering free entry for under 16's: more info on <http://seas.org.uk/south-of-england-show/>

With best wishes

From all at Mantel Farm

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