

## **Parasite Forecast and Disease Alert Images & Short Summary- September**

### **Disease Alert**

Image: *Bracken Poisoning (full).jpg (attached)*

This month, bracken poisoning in cattle and sheep is discussed; this most often occurs after a prolonged dry spell in the summer,. Also covered are trace element deficiencies in sheep including cobalt, vitamin E/selenium and copper deficiencies. In this webinar James Aitken BSc BVetMed MRCVS, Orchard Veterinary Group, Glastonbury, discusses the main features of these topics

### **Parasite Forecast**

Image to: *Ostertagiosis.jpg (attached)*

NADIS publishes a monthly Parasite Forecast for farmers and livestock keepers, based on detailed Met office data. The Parasite Forecast outlines the parasitic challenge facing cattle and sheep in the different regions of the UK. This month's includes the provisional 2013/14 liver fluke forecast, lungworm in cattle and parasite gastroenteritis in cattle and sheep, all of which may be problems with rain arriving after the prolonged dry spell. SCOPS best practice recommendations are also highlighted.

Please find the link to the September Parasite Forecast and Disease Alert webinars:

<http://webinars.nadis.org.uk/distributors/nadis.aspx> (England and Wales)

<http://webinars.nadis.org.uk/distributors/nadis-scotland.aspx> (Scotland)