**Ventriculectomy-pre operative management.**

Removal of the mucosal lining of the lateral ventricles of the larynx for the relief of laryngeal hemiplegia in horses. The operation is performed through a laryngotomy incision in the cricothyroid membrane. It may be supplemented by an insertion of a laryngeal prosthesis.

The procedure is performed under general anaesthesia in dorsal recumbency or with the animal standing but sedated and injected with a suitable analgesic at the surgical site. In the standing position the procedure is performed blindly but the same technique as under general anaesthesia.

Four hours prior to surgery 2g phenylbutazone intravenously to minimise edema post operatively. The surgical area is clipped and prepared aseptically as shown in the video.