

Treating Bumblefoot

(My disclaimer, I am NOT a veterinarian. My recommendations are based solely on research and experience... now.. Read on. Lol)

Soak the foot in the morning in Epsom salt water warm. For about 20 minutes. Next take a gauze pad put Ichthammol salve on it, and wrap the foot with the gauze on the booboo in vet wrap. This will also serve to keep the booboo soft and will help draw infection out. Let her wear the wrap throughout the day. In the evening remove the wrap and soak again in Epsom salt warm water for 20 minutes. Rewrap the foot with gauze and salve. Leave overnight. And repeat soaking and rewrapping in the morning. you will be soaking and wrapping twice a day for at least a week. Then reevaluate.

Ichthammol 20% salve:

http://www.amazon.com/gp/aw/d/B003Z99FWM?pc_redir=1402630740&robot_redir=1

How to wrap the foot link: Chicken Bumblefoot Bandaging HOW-TO:

<http://youtu.be/qxNh5HA0b4w>

If you want to let it drain some, you can take an exacto blade and Lance the abscess (or where the black dot is) a bit but don't squeeze. Lancing it may also help when it's wrapped to draw out infection. I would only lance it once or twice during course of treatment to see if you can find the kernel. WEAR GLOVES IF YOU CHOOSE TO LANCE!

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If soaking and wrapping alone is not doing the trick, you can start antibiotics. I recommended a Penicillin based antibiotic:

Go to Tractor Supply, and find the penicillin G with Procaine. Dose is 100 milligrams per kg every two days intramuscular injection. my silkies generally weigh about 800g. If you have a postal scale you could get her weight and figure dose.

Surgery should be your last result. Usually bumblefoot is caused by staph bacteria. That is nasty stuff as it can spread.

**Below is Dixie Hopkins Puleo's
hen Abigail...
Before and after doing this
treatment!**

