NOTES ON INTRADERMAL SKIN TESTING

WITH DR MICHAEL SHIPSTONE AT QVS

COST

Consult \$130 Skin Test \$255

Vaccinations - Approx \$240/6 months

PROTOCOL

Usually receive vaccinations twice weekly for 6 weeks then 3 weekly. Generally the owner is taught to do these.

70% respond with 6 months. 30% show no initial response - of these is treatment is continued about 10% will show some response.

After 2 years of treatment 50% of the original 70% that showed some response, will have achieved a cure and require no further treatment.

- The other 50% may require longer treatment then be able to stop treatment and be cured; may require intermittent treatment or may even require life long treatment.

PRIOR TO SKIN TEST

Must not have had an injection of steroid during the previous 6-7 weeks. - Must be off oral prednisolone (cortisone) for a period of 1 month.

Must be off antihistamine and topical cortisone cream for a period of 2 weeks.