

Re: Lame chicken – advice please ? Scaly Leg Mite!!!

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> OmManiPadmeOmelet <Omelet@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:
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>> I personally used a combination of pyrethrine spray and Olive oil...
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>> I was told by another chicken breeder that sparrows carry scaly leg
mite.
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> Hi Om,
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> I would still prefer applying something harmless like vaseline or olive
> oil, several times, than use something only once that is a) much dearer
> and b) potentially toxic.
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> I wonder whether the Frontline stuff is actually licenced for laying
> hens.
> not licemced but prescribed by my vet,

> Pyrethrine substances have been used here to kill varroa mites on bees,
> and I used it because we didn't have any alternative at the time. It did
> work fine for a few short years, until the mites got resistant to it.
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> All that is really necessary to get rid of scaly leg mites is suffocate
> them, and make sure the ones hatching afterwards get killed, too. I
> don't mind handling my birds at all, in fact I think I should do it more
> often.

Great but if one has 200 birds?

It gives a good idea of each bird's weight, and they get used to
> handling so they won't make a fuss if they need to be treated, or get
> examined by the judge at shows.
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> In fact, last time I showed some of mine at a club meeting, they asked
> me whether I'd sedated my birds, they were so calmly standing in their
> cages while all the others seemed to panick in that unfamiliar

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> environment!

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> Ah, about the sparrows, I need to check what exactly is the way that the
> mites change birds ;-) Somehow I don't see them hop off a sparrow in the
> yard, hoping that eventually a chicken will pass by that it can try to
> catch ;-) I would have thought that much closer contact is necessary,
> but as that is only a thought I need to try and find facts.

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> If I get around to it...

I tend to advocate frontline because it is easy, effective, cheap and it works. I imagine more than a few people would tend to put off treating the problem if it becomes a major task. I have used frontline for around 6 years on my fowl and been satisfied with it.

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