**Complications post-operative digit amputation**

Infection due to wound contamination because of failure of prophylactic anti-biotics or wet environment with excess faecal matter or insufficient drainage causing build-up of purulent discharge.

Delayed wound healing by persistence of local inflammation, reluctance to bear weight, abscess formation and recurrence of purulent discharge.

Moderate to severe lameness beyond 7-10 days post operatively.

Almost half of the cows under gone digit or claw amputation are culled within a year after surgery...therefore economic loss.

Sole ulcer in the healthy claw caused by the block, this can be overcome by using a padded bandage that involves both claws and stabilises the operated claw in the correct position.

Infection of adjacent joints or common digital flexor tendon sheath is rare but can occur.

All necrotic tissue was not properly removed.