**LOCAL ANAESTHESIA VS GENERAL ANAESTHESIA (and the risks involved):**

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| LOCAL ANAESTHESIA | GENERAL ANAESTHESIA |
| Suitable for performing surgery on standing animals | Prone to distention of the rumen (bloat)* Fast
* Have equipment ready in case there is need to treat
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| Simple and requires no expensive or complicated equipment | Prone to hypoventilation* Fast
* Appropriate anaesthetic depth
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| Performed by the surgeon himself, i.e. without the need for an anaesthesiologist | Compartment syndrome* Myopathy
* Neuropathy
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| Low cost | Uneventful recoveries |
| Low cardiovascular toxicity |  |
| Minimal patient recovery time |  |
| Relatively few side effects |  |