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These 4 Days Will Be Your Most Valuable Footcare Learning Experience In 2016

“WORKING TOGETHER FOR HEALTHY HOOVES,”

the 2016 International Hoof-Care Summit theme, summarizes the reason farriers and veterinarians travel to Cincinnati, Ohio, every year: to gain new and valuable ideas for improving equine hoof care.

Our 13th annual event offers unparalleled hoof-care education through 8 General Sessions, 15 Hoof-Care Classrooms, 24 Hoof-Care Roundtables and 21 “How-To” Clinics. In addition, attendees will have 9.5 uninterrupted hours to spend at the IHCS Trade Show, which will reveal

2016’s new footcare products, as well as those items farriers have come to rely on for years.

Because the sessions draw hundreds of hoof-care practitioners to Cincinnati every year, the networking provides you with an unequalled opportunity to share ideas with your peers. While at the Summit, you can check notes, discuss topics and learn from other farriers and vets from around the world. Among these are some of the most innovative and forward-thinking footcare experts of today.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2

8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. “Registration Time.”

Pick up Summit materials, including FREE in-depth footcare materials included with registration. (See page 10 for details.)

9:00 to 10:30 a.m., 10:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. “Special Footcare Clinic.”

Sponsored by Vettec, these hands-on footcare workshops feature several workstations manned by Vettec clinicians. Take part in or observe these. (See page 11 for details.)

9:30 to 10:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. “Smart Nutrition Tips From SmartPak.”

Jessica Normand, Senior Director of Equine Health for SmartPak, and Danvers Child, CJF, will deliver this presentation, which will be held twice. (See page 11 for details.)

12:50 to 1:10 p.m.

“Working Together For Healthy Hooves.”

American Farriers Journal staff will outline proven steps to help you get the highest possible rate of return from your Summit attendance. They’ll also share a motivational presentation to kick off the IHCS.

1:10 to 2:00 p.m. “An Anatomical Review Of The Features And Effects Of Different Foot Types (Part 1).”

How do different foot types affect the inside of the hoof and distal limb? For this presentation, Mitch Taylor, owner and operator of the Kentucky Horseshoeing School in Richmond, Ky., will bring a variety of equine cadaver feet that represent a wide spectrum of foot types. Through dissecting each foot and limb at different stages, he’ll first establish a foundation for the parameters of this review.

These dissections will utilize a close-up camera so all attendees can see on



Mitch Taylor

a big screen the subtle anatomical details that Taylor will discuss.

Why You Shouldn’t Miss This: Gain insights on how the same internal structures are affected differently by various foot types.

2:00 to 2:15 p.m. “Hallway Networking Opportunities.”

Stretch your legs while sharing footcare ideas with others. Attendees find all of the hallway-networking opportunities alone are well worth the price of attending the Summit.

2:15 to 3:05 p.m. “An Anatomical Review Of The Features And Effects Of Different Foot Types (Part 2).”

Continuing these dissections, Taylor will continue this examination of different foot types. During this investigation, the Hall Of Fame hoof-care school instructor will focus on the differences that foot type have on internal structure. For example, he’ll select dramatically different foot types, such as an upright vs. underslung foot, and illustrate what effects occur to the inferior check ligament.

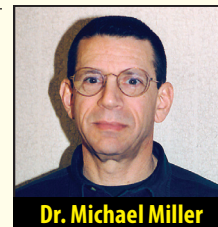
Why You Shouldn’t Miss This: This examination will help you better communicate the reasoning behind your trimming and shoeing strategies with your clients.

3:05 to 3:15 p.m. “Best Speaker Recognition And Awards.”

Four individuals from last year’s International Hoof-Care Summit will be recognized for their outstanding presentations, as rated by attendees.

3:15-4:05 p.m. “Breaking Away: How Concern Over Breakover Has Sabotaged Real Gait Analysis.”

What are we talking about when discussing “breakover?” When defining this action, Dr. Michael Miller finds farriers tend to over-simplify and lack agreement. The Huntsville, Ala., farrier and medical



Dr. Michael Miller

“The Summit is a bargain for the money, with so much education and so many ideas all in one place and held at a great time of the year.”

— Larry Peiper, Carlisle, Pa.

doctor will examine this subject to show the complexity it holds.

He'll enlist biomechanics, anatomy and history in a thorough look at breakover and its function in gait. Miller's second talk will build on the information delivered here.

Why You Shouldn't Miss This:

Walk away with a stronger understanding of breakover that will help you better explain the concept to your clients.

4:15 to 5:30 p.m. "7 'How-To' Hoof-Care Product Knowledge Clinics."

We're offering a series of informative "How-To" clinics. You'll select three of these 20-minute sessions to attend. (Each "How-To" session will be held 3 times during this time block.)

1. Solutions For Safety.

Dr. Kenton Morgan, Zoetis

2. Hoof Protection Options For Endurance Horses.

Larkin Greene, Vettec

3. Is This Horse A Healthy Weight? How To Body Condition Score.

Jessica Normand and Danvers Child, SmartPak

4. The Use Of Copper Alloy Shoes.

Esco Buff, Kawell

5. Registration, Certification And Licensing.

What Do They Mean?

Dan Bradley, G.E. Forge & Tool

6. A Creative Frog Support Idea.

Conny Svensson, Razerhorse

7. Improve Success At Shoeing.

Wes Champagne, Postyme

5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

"Dinner On Your Own."

Network with fellow footcare professionals at one of downtown Cincinnati's many restaurants.

7:30 to 8:30 p.m. "8 Informative And Inspiring Hoof-Care Roundtables."

These small group settings (24 held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings) offer a remarkable learning atmosphere for information sharing.

Select one of the following 8 Hoof-Care Roundtables to attend. *Topics and moderators are:*

1. Hands-On Anatomy Warm-Ups.

This Roundtable will introduce three upcoming Summit lectures — utilizing anatomy models relevant to specific program topics. Dr. Hans Castelijns, Bob Pethick and Dr. Renate Weller will use Horse Science models from Allie Hayes as a "warm-up" to give you a head start on the terminology and anatomy that's part of later presentations. Attendees will rotate between three tables in 20-minute sessions. (This session will be repeated at 8:30 p.m. as Hoof-Care Roundtable #9.)

Why You Shouldn't Miss These: Pick up new ideas to learn even more about upcoming Summit lectures and assist you in dealing with those problem horses on your client list.

2. Shoeing For Soundness In The Gait

An Equine Athlete Needs In Competition.

Tim Cable, Blasdell, N.Y.

3. What We Know Vs. What We Think We Know... And Telling The Difference. The Importance Of Referencing In The Farrier Profession.

Travis Burns, Virginia-Maryland College of Veterinary Medicine, Blacksburg, Va.

4. Management Of Mismatched Feet.



FOCUSED CLASSROOM SESSIONS. Attendees can pick from 7 "How-to" Product Knowledge clinics and 15 classrooms for more specialized presentations. If you happen to miss one you wanted to see, don't worry, you'll receive a DVD featuring it later.

Steve Prescott, Raleigh, N.C.

5. Who Is Your Client's Hoof-Care Expert: You Or Google?

Dave Farley, Coshocton, Ohio

6. What Should We Consider About The Sole's Role In Weight Bearing?

John Stewart, Ramona, Calif.

7. Good Practices Vs. Poor Practices With Bar Shoes.

Tim Shannon, Moreno Valley, Calif.

8. For New Farriers (Apprentice To Third Year) Only.

(This session will focus on finding clients.)

Bob Smith, Pacific Coast Horseshoeing School, Plymouth, Calif.

8:30 to 9:30 p.m. "8 More Hoof-Care Roundtables."

Select another Hoof-Care Roundtable to share what's working for you, ask questions and learn from other attendees.

9. Hands-On Anatomy Warm-Ups.

(Repeated session, see Hoof-Care Roundtable #1.)

10. Balancing Your Practice Between The Needs Of Different Disciplines.

Curtis Burns, Wellington, Fla.

11. Thoughts On Breakover And The Hind Foot.

Randy Luikart, Ashland, Ohio

12. Business Mistakes That Cost Farriers Money And How You Overcome Them.

Esco Buff, Webster, N.Y.

13. Ethics: How Are We Doing As An Industry?

Dave Farley, Coshocton, Ohio

14. Managing A Horse Coming Back From Clinical Care To Your Practice.

Steve Kraus, Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y.

15. Tackling Soft Tissue Injuries With Sport Horses.

Danvers Child, Lafayette, Ind.

16. For New Farriers (Apprentice To Third Year) Only.

(This session will focus on early errors that limit or destroy farrier practices.)

Bob Smith, Pacific Coast Horseshoeing School, Plymouth, Calif.

"The value of Summit information is immeasurable to a young farrier."

— Jerry Hollaway, Lakebay, Wash.

7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. "Registration Time."

If you haven't registered, pick up your guide to the Summit, along with extra gifts from *American Farriers Journal* and sponsors. (See page 10 for details.)

8:00 to 8:05 a.m. "Get The Most Out Of Your Time At The IHCS."

Before this morning's opening general session, learn how to spot the real gems in today's program. *American Farriers Journal* staff will outline proven steps to help you select the specific sessions that will be most valuable in furthering your hoof-care education and career.

8:05 to 8:55 a.m. The Burney Chapman Memorial Lecture, Presented by Life Data Labs — "Why Equine Bones Break And Tendons Rupture: Is It Inevitable?"

The vet-farrier team may have to come together to overcome the challenge of a catastrophic injury to a performance horse. But what actually caused this challenge to occur?

In this presentation, Renate Weller, a researcher and veterinarian at the Royal Veterinary College in England, will discuss the functional anatomy of the horse in relation to these injuries. By understanding the anatomy of the horse and the physics placed on their day-to-day work, Weller believes we should have a greater appreciation of how these horses remain sound at all.

This annual lecture is named for Burney Chapman, the late Lubbock, Texas, farrier whose work influenced so many veterinarians and farriers.

Why You Shouldn't Miss This: Gain insight into how complex variables in the footcare strategies can help prevent severe limb and foot injuries to performance horses.

8:55 to 9:00 a.m. "Recognizing Summit Mail-In Forging Exercise Winner."

Find out who submitted the best contest shoe (aluminium shoe with a steel bar made from a rasp). This IHCS contest is sponsored by Victory. See the top shoes on display in the *AFJ* booth during the three Wednesday and Thursday Trade Show sessions.

9:00 a.m. to 9:50 a.m. "Shoeing The Hind Limb For Performance And Therapy (Part 1)."

Normal biomechanics of the equine hind limb is quite different from the fore limb. Researchers have compared the horse's front limb to a weight supporting "elephant-like" limb, and the hind limb to a propulsive "cat-like" limb.

In this presentation, Cortona, Italy, veterinarian and farrier Hans Castelijns will survey the anatomy and biomechanics of the hind limb. This will lead him to review how the soundness of the hinds can be compromised.

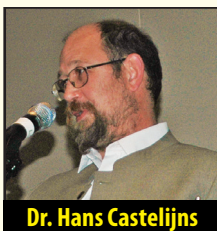
Why You Shouldn't Miss This: Gain valuable information on the hinds that will be necessary to learning the strategies presented in Castelijns' Friday afternoon talk on the subject.

10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. "Trade Show Time."

Get your first glimpse of all of the new products for 2016 and talk one-on-one with company experts. SmartPak will provide coffee for attendees during this session. You also can purchase a lunch so you can take advantage of this opportunity to meet with and discuss ideas with more than 130 Trade Show exhibitors.



Dr. Renate Weller



Dr. Hans Castelijns

1:15 to 2:15 p.m. "5 Powerful Hoof-Care Classrooms."

Choose among 5 Hoof-Care Classrooms for specialized footcare learning that fits your exact wants and needs. Send others from your group to other Hoof-Care Classroom sessions to pick up more valuable footcare ideas — then later compare the ideas each of you harvested.

Hoof-Care Classroom #1

"What Farriers Can Affect — And What They Can't."

In a continuation of his previous talk, Huntsville, Ala., farrier and medical doctor Michael Miller will examine how much influence the farrier has on breakover and gait pattern. He'll survey new technologies that will help researchers greater understand what is actually going on during equine locomotion. His presentation will provide insight on considerations the farrier needs to better manage feet. More importantly, Miller will balance what farriers think they are doing with things that are out of the control of the hoof-care provider.

Why You Shouldn't Miss This:

Take away an understanding of how recognizing your limitations in altering a horse's gait can help you best keep the foot healthy.

Hoof-Care Classroom #2

"Hoof Wall Rebuilds: Combining The Old And The New."

In this session, Rancho Santa Fe, Calif., veterinarian and farrier Mark Silverman will discuss the basics and mechanics of repairing the hoof wall.

Silverman will pull samples from his California clinic and how he and the resident farrier approach the application. A severe case study will demonstrate the need for understanding this footcare need.

Why You Shouldn't Miss This: Make sure you avoid costly mistakes during the process of rebuilding the hoof wall.



Dr. Mark Silverman

Hoof-Care Classroom #3

"Whole Horse Biomechanics: Looking At The Racehorse."

As a researcher at the Royal Veterinary College in England, Thilo Pfau has a keen interest in the use of innovative techniques for the assessment of ground locomotion. Using these techniques, he's studied the work of Thoroughbred racehorse.

In this presentation, Pfau will analyze the high speed gallop of these equine athletes. He'll reveal how the information gleaned helps us understand the performance injuries that occur with these horses.

Why You Shouldn't Miss This: Digest this information revealed about track Thoroughbreds and apply it to the performance horses you work with regardless of discipline.



Dr. Thilo Pfau

Hoof-Care Classroom #4

"Considerations For Hoof-Pastern Alignment."

San Los Obispo, Calif., farrier Pete Healey says that historically little has been written about the hoof-pastern axis (HPA) other than when balanced this should be a straight axis. However, there is a lot more to it than that.

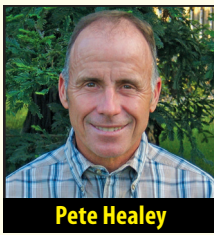
The vector of the pastern axis is significant to the load bearing areas of the foot, the palmar angle of the coffin bone and the tension of the ligaments and

"I always enjoy seeing the lineup of speakers. I always go home with things to think about and new ideas to try."

— Sonny Pistilli, Far Hills Forge, Bethlehem, Pa.

tendons in the lower limb. This presentation will show how to measure and evaluate the hoof-pastern axis, describing the five HPA conformations, the relationship of pastern extension to lameness and the differences of pastern alignment between the right and left fore limbs and the hind limbs.

Why You Shouldn't Miss This: Learn a mechanical formula that you can apply to correct broken-back axis concerns.



Pete Healey

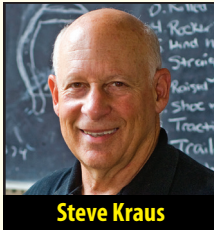
Hoof-Care Classroom #5

"SHOEING FOR SPECIFIC DISCIPLINES: Keeping Polo Horses Competing."

As a polo rider, umpire and farrier, Cornell University's Steve Kraus has a unique understanding of the horse's footcare needs. He'll deliver plenty of deep insight to this presentation.

Kraus will touch on many of the complex variables that affect the hoof care of these equine athletes, including rule changes to what's allowed with shoeing. He'll discuss some of the shoeing strategies when dealing with lameness issues common with these horses.

Why You Shouldn't Miss This: Gain knowledge about this discipline that can help you grow your practice.



Steve Kraus

2:15 to 2:30 p.m. "Valuable Hallway Networking Time."

Stretch your legs and share the latest footcare ideas with fellow attendees before this afternoon's general session gets underway.

2:30 to 2:40 p.m. "2015 Rising Shoeing Star Awards."

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4

7:30 a.m to 5:00 p.m. "Registration Time."

Pick up Summit materials, including additional gifts. (See page 10 for details.)

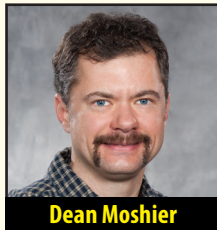
8:00 to 8:05 a.m. "Latest Summit News."

Get the latest International Hoof-Care Summit updates from American Farriers Journal staff members.

8:05 to 8:50 a.m. "40 Ideas In 40 Minutes: Build A Better Practice With Backyard Horses."



Mark Aikens



Dean Moshier



Pete Healey

More than 90% of *American Farriers Journal* readers report that they have backyard accounts. While performance horses draw much attention, the backyard horse is the backbone of the industry.

We assembled a panel of farriers whose books contain a significant percentage of backyard horses. Mark Aikens of Norwich, England; Pete Healey of San Los Obispo, Calif.; and Dean Moshier of Delaware, Ohio, will present their ideas covering the footcare and business of backyard horses.

This fast-paced session will allow each presenter 1 minute for each idea, so the presenters can cover as many ideas as possible in the time allowed.

This program honors three outstanding students who are earning a living as farriers just 3 years after graduating in 2012 from one of North America's more than 50 public and private horseshoeing schools. The program's goal is to promote the importance of continuing footcare education, while encouraging young shoers to develop the talents needed for a successful career.

Sponsors include Electric Hoof Knife, Hawthorne Products, Life Data Labs, Purcell Farrier Supply, R.J. Matthews Co., Vettec and *American Farriers Journal*.

2:40 to 3:30 p.m. "Hoof Capsule Management For Sheared Heels And Quarter Cracks."

The forces placed on the hoof capsule are astounding. When problems arise that compromise this structure, the farrier must act. Having an understanding of why distortion occurs in the back half of the hoof capsule is paramount in coming up with a solution.

Califon, N.J., farrier Bob Pethick will pull from his experiences and research on how to best approach this issue. By providing insight on why these problems arise, Pethick then can explain solutions to overcome these challenges.

Why You Shouldn't Miss This: Walk away with a greater understanding of how to address problems affecting the hoof capsule.

3:30 to 6:30 p.m. "More Trade Show Footcare Product Time."

Here's your second chance to talk over new products and existing product applications with key industry leaders. SmartPak will provide beer and lemonade during this session.

7:30 to 9:00 p.m. "American Association Of Professional Farriers/International Association Of Professional Farriers Annual Meeting."

All Summit attendees are invited to the AAPF/IAPF's annual meeting, where you will hear about the group's previous year and look ahead to 2016-2017.

Why You Shouldn't Miss This: You'll come away with dozens of new ideas that you can take home and immediately use to improve how you work with backyard clients.

8:50 to 9:50 a.m. "Destroying Roadblocks That Hamper The Veterinarian-Farrier Relationship."

No sane farrier or veterinarian believes that they don't need the other for helping their clients' horses. So why does it that the two aren't always on the same wavelength?

This session will present a give-and-take between veterinarian and farrier Mark Silverman of Sport-horse Veterinary Services in Rancho Santa Fe, Calif. Representing the farrier point of view will be Pat Reilly of the University of Pennsylvania's New Bolton Center in Kennett Square, Pa. Both presenters in this session have earned solid reputations for successful work with other veterinarians and farriers.

The goal of this session will be to give thought to how the two groups can continue to benefit by working together rather than searching for divisiveness.

Why You Shouldn't Miss This: You'll walk away with a deeper understanding of the veterinarian-farrier relationship and how you can better work with the other party.



Dr. Mark Silverman



Pat Reilly

"The Summit is an unparalleled learning and networking opportunity without any politics or drama."

— Rick Burten, Champaign, Ill.



GET THE INFORMATION YOU NEED. Spend one-on-one time with the manufacturers and distributors of the hoof-care products you use in your practice.

10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. "Your Last 'Tool-Time' Opportunity — Trade Show Wrap-Up."

Here's your final opportunity to check out new footcare products for 2016. SmartPak will provide coffee for the enjoyment of attendees. Lunch will be available for purchase in the Trade Show area.

1:30 to 1:45 p.m. "Networking Break."

Take a break after spending time at the Trade Show and share the product knowledge you gained before the next classroom sessions begin.

1:45 to 2:45 p.m. "5 More Hoof-Care Classrooms."

From among 5 Hoof-Care Classrooms, select the one that will have the biggest impact on your footcare practice in 2016.

Hoof-Care Classroom #6

"Appropriate Use Of The Heart-Bar Shoe When Dealing With Hoof Wounds."

Heart-bar shoes have a long tradition of usefulness, but are not the easiest shoes to fit properly. Cortona, Italy, veterinarian and farrier Hans Castelijns will discuss how to properly use these shoes when dealing with hoof wounds.

Taking examples from his footcare practice, he will share a concise guide of the correct ways to use the heart bar in these cases. He'll survey other factors to consider when thinking about using this shoe.

Why You Shouldn't Miss This: Be armed with information to make the right shoeing decision when dealing with various hoof wounds.

Hoof-Care Classroom #7

"Looking Inside The Horse's Hoof: How Can Advanced Imaging Help Farriers?"

Advanced imaging techniques like magnetic resonance imaging, ultrasound and computerized tomography scans are powerful diagnostic tools. But each has a distinctly different function.

Renate Weller of the Royal Veterinary College in England will survey each of these tools and explain their role in diagnosing problems within the foot and limb. She will use illustrative case histories to help explain the use of advanced imaging for managing foot lamenesses.

Why You Shouldn't Miss This: Leave with an understanding of the tools that the footcare team can use to help identify problems, and how these can help you plan the strategies to overcome them.

Hoof-Care Classroom #8

"Shoeing Strategies For Addressing Navicular Syndrome."

Managing palmar heel pain and pathology of the navicular apparatus in the horse's foot requires a team approach.

In this presentation, Lexington, Ky., veterinarian and farrier Vern Dryden will discuss the diagnosis of the navicular apparatus and the surrounding area to pinpoint what the problem is. He'll explain various therapeutic shoeing options and how they are used to reduce stress on this and surrounding areas.

Why You Shouldn't Miss This: Add new shoeing solutions to your arsenal for managing issues affecting the palmar heel.



Dr. Vern Dryden

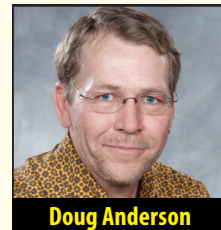
Hoof-Care Classroom #9

"Understanding Balance Through Weight Bearing."

The effects of weight bearing on the hoof capsule are at the very heart of farriery. Its effects determine hoof capsule conformation, and function of muscular, skeletal and soft tissue alignment — all of which have a direct impact on biomechanics.

Doug Anderson struggled with this as a young farrier until he had it explained with the use of a balloon. The balloon is a representation of a hoof capsule and a finger to simulate the expression of weight bearing. As long as the force is in the center there will be balanced (equal) pressure in all directions. However, like a hoof capsule, as soon as the center of weight bearing moves out of balance, then the reactions become increasingly asymmetrical.

Why You Shouldn't Miss This: Come away with a fresh perspective on viewing the hoof capsule that will help you educate your footcare novice clients.



Doug Anderson

Hoof-Care Classroom #10

"Interpreting The Foot And The Radiograph: Using A Measurable System For Balance."

The foot has four main integrated areas of balance that revolve around the center of rotation of the coffin joint. The information needed to balance the foot can be harvested from the hoof and pastern, as well as from lateral and dorsopalmar radiographs.

Building from his experiences of working with the veterinary team at Alamo Pintado Equine Medical Center, Pete Healey will demonstrate how a cohesive measuring system between the physical foot and the radiograph can be used to evaluate and shoe the foot for equilibrium and to decrease distortion through the shoeing cycle.

Each area of balance will be analyzed using example feet and radiographs and a case study foot will be presented that documents a rehabilitation process after four shoeings.

Why You Shouldn't Miss This: Learn tools for building better communication between the vet, farrier and owner for proper footcare.

2:45 to 3:00 p.m. "Networking Break."

Take a few well-deserved minutes to stretch, relax and swap footcare ideas with others before this afternoon's general session gets underway.

3:00 to 3:20 p.m. "2016 International Halls Of Fame Induction."

The *American Farriers Journal* staff will introduce inductees into the 2016 International Horseshoeing Hall Of Fame and the 2016 International Equine Veterinarians Hall Of Fame with moving video tributes.

"When you come to the Summit, I think you are among the top 1% of farriers. You come for continuing education and are committed to improvement."

— James Gilchrist, Wellington, Fla.

3:20 to 4:15 p.m. "Evaluation For Static And Dynamic Balance."

Whenever presented with a horse, a farrier must take the static and dynamic states in mind. Rancho Santa Fe, Calif., vet and farrier Mark Silverman says it is a conceptual question that farriers deal with on a daily basis.

During this presentation, Silverman will walk through how he approaches this situation when considering soundness and fine-tuning the horse's performance. He'll then explain how these principles are applied to how you trim and shoe using examples from his sport horse practice in Southern California.

Why You Shouldn't Miss This: Gain tips for how you can best evaluate a horse at rest for its job in the ring, track or field.

4:15 to 5:05 p.m. "Hoof Mapping: Where Do We Go From Here?"

Every year, there is a lot of talk about the "basics." Berthoud, Colo., farrier Steve Foxworth says that one of the most widely discussed and generally confusing topics seems to be about the trim. Is it possible to come to a common understanding about what a "basic" trim should be? Is it a primary factor in soundness? Is it a foundation for which we apply an apparatus for performance, soundness or rehabilitation? What does mapping show us? Is it a starting point for shoe placement or is it much more?

These are all important questions, and are critical for understanding the next steps for mapping the foot. Foxworth will guide the audience through these to better explain the value of hoof mapping.

Why You Shouldn't Miss This: Learn the basic steps in mapping the foot so that you can gain greater insight from Foxworth's next talk.

5:05 to 6:00 p.m. "Investigating Gait Characteristics And Limb Coordination Of The Asymmetric Horse."

It has been speculated that asymmetric conformation of the distal limb predisposes horses to lameness, in turn affecting their performance, as a common occurrence. In his research, Norwich, England, farrier Mark Aikens questions whether a variation of gait exists in horses with asymmetrical front feet compared to those with symmetrical front feet. His study used gait analysis to assess the kinematics of five sound riding school horses with symmetrical feet.

In this presentation, Aikens will lay out how this research was conducted and what can be taken away from the results. Furthermore, this presentation can illustrate the complexity that goes into such a study.

Why You Shouldn't Miss This: Take away considerations for when you deal with similar conformational issues with your clients' horses.

6:30 to 7:30 p.m. "8 More Powerful Hoof-Care Roundtables."

This is your opportunity to exchange the latest ideas and proven hoofcare strategies with fellow farriers. Go toe-to-toe with fellow attendees on the topic that holds the most interest for boosting your hoofcare work and income in 2016. Find answers to your pressing hoofcare concerns — or become a hero to another farrier by offering solid advice based on your own hoof-care experiences. *Topics and moderators include:*

17. Where Does Foot Mapping Lead The Trim?

Steve Foxworth, Berthoud, Colo.

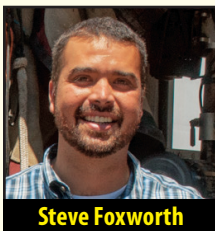
18. Considering All Of The Variables When Selecting A Pad.

Dean Moshier, Delaware, Ohio.

19. What's Going On With This Foot And How Should The Concern Be Addressed?

(Bring digital images of a tough or perplexing case study on a jump drive or CD/DVD for open group discussion regarding the best course of action).

Pat Reilly, New Bolton Center, Kennett Square, Pa.



Steve Foxworth



PRESENTATIONS FOR ALL FOOTCARE. All sessions are carefully selected to make sure there are topics and speakers that will appeal to any level of hoof-care professional. Mitch Taylor will once again perform a dissection to illustrate points regarding anatomy.

20. Conformational Considerations That Affect The Footcare Of The Sport Horse

Doug Anderson, Frederick, Md.

21. Marketing: Selling Yourself To Clients, And Delivering What You Sold.

Daisy Bicking Parkesburg, Pa.

22. It Happened In A Flash: Avoiding Safety Accidents.

Mark Aikens, Norfolk, England

23. Managing Client Expectations In Laminitic Cases.

Dr. Amy Rucker, Columbia, Mo.

24. Building A Partnership With Your Supply Shop.

Adam Wynbrandt, Sacramento, Calif.

"You can bet I'll be at the Summit next year. I had a great time this year — I learned so much, visited with old friends and met new ones."

— Tyler Basinger, Benson, Ariz.

8:00 to 9:00 a.m. "Final Call — Pick From 5 Highly-Intensive Hoof-Care Classrooms."

Attend the Hoof-Care Classroom that will have the biggest impact on your 2016 footcare work.

Hoof-Care Classroom #11

"Assessing The Value Of Information And Gathering Your Own Data."

In this joint lecture, Dr. Renate Weller and Dr. Thilo Pfau of the Royal Veterinary College in England will discuss how to evaluate information presented to you. Oftentimes, it can be difficult to discern the viability of footcare information. The pair will help you understand essential ways to question what you hear and read.

The researchers will then lend their advice on how to conduct personal studies that are feasible for the practicing farrier.

Why You Shouldn't Miss This: You'll be armed with new insights to be critical of information presented to you, without becoming cynical.

Hoof-Care Classroom #12

"Using A Grading Scale To Better Recognize Hoof Capsule Distortions."

What else can we learn from hoof mapping? In a continuation of his first talk, Berthoud, Colo., farrier Steve Foxworth asks what if farriers were able to consistently grade the severity of hoof capsule distortions.

We often hear that the frog is bad and unhealthy, or the heels are crushed, sheared and underrun, or the toe is too long. What makes the frog healthy or unhealthy? How far are the heels underrun? How long is too long for the toe?

In this lecture, Foxworth will present an approach to hoof capsule management and foot function improvement through the use of hoof mapping and hoof distortion grading.

Why You Shouldn't Miss This: Get insight to better manage the hoof capsule through hoof mapping.

Hoof-Care Classroom #13

"How To Make And Apply A Continuous Cuff Shoe For P3 Fractures."

There are several farrier treatment options utilized for the immobilization of distal phalanx fractures. Considering how important correct farriery can be at helping accomplish this, the best farrier treatment option would be to apply a shoe that has the greatest immobilization.

Webster, N.Y., farrier Esco Buff will explain his process for making, modifying and applying this shoe, and when it may be a better option than other modalities.

Why You Shouldn't Miss This: Learn a successful method of therapeutic shoeing that combines several external farrier treatments in one device.

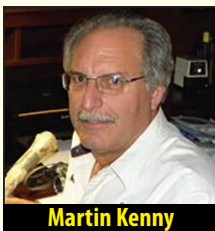
Hoof-Care Classroom #14

"Proper And Consistent Photography Of The Equine Foot."

One thing that sets the farrier up for failure when comparing photographs is when the images weren't taken at the same exact angle with the same exact param-



Esco Buff



Martin Kenny

eters. Farriers must have a way to set up the view that is repeatable every time, no matter where you see the horse.

Carthage, N.C., farrier Martin Kenny wants to see farriers abandon their smartphone cameras for taking photos for comparison purposes. Kenny will demonstrate why he believes that there is little value to use smartphones for this purpose. Instead, he'll present his protocol for collecting this data for more effective use later.

Why You Shouldn't Miss This: Learn a better process for collecting comparable photographs of the horses you work with.

Hoof-Care Classroom #15

"A Look At Hoof Knife Sharpening That Isn't Dull."

You have knife sharpening all figured out, right? Guess again. No matter what brand knife you use or how often you sharpen it, you'll look at knives differently after seeing this talk. Argyle, Wis., farrier and knifsmith Matt Maurer will completely dissect the sharpening process, giving insight with microscopic detail.

Why You Shouldn't Miss This: Learn steps to sharpen your knives that will help keep them sharper longer.

9:00 to 9:20 a.m. "Networking Break."

During a break in this morning's activities, share some take-home points you picked up from the hoof-care classroom you just attended.

9:20 to 10:10 a.m.

"Alternative Approach In Rehabilitating The Chronically Laminitic Foot Using Composite Materials."

The chronically laminitic horse often has foot problems that lead to euthanasia despite the best owner care and veterinary diagnostics. Common problems that are difficult to resolve are phalanx/capsular misalignments, thin soles and poorly attached hoof wall.

Parkesburg, Pa. farrier Daisy Bicking will explain how horses in this situation can be helped by using carefully designed and placed support devices. This presentation will discuss how these problems can be successfully addressed using glue and composite materials.

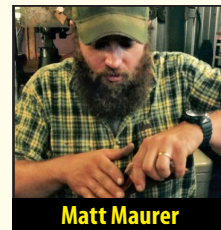
Why You Shouldn't Miss This: Learn how to use glue and composite materials for chronically laminitic horses.

10:10 to 11:00 a.m. "Lies And Damn Near Lies."

Who believes everything they read about horses' feet? Most people are likely to read an article and accept it as "good" if it reflects their opinion and consider it "wrong" or outdated if it doesn't, and disregard these articles.

John Stewart of Ramona, Calif., says certain details about horses' feet seem to have been repeated so often they are accepted as fact but may not be so, or may only be so in certain situations. The farrier and former veterinarian in the United Kingdom will discuss some of these oft-repeated "facts," and try to show why some are probably not true or might apply only in some circumstances.

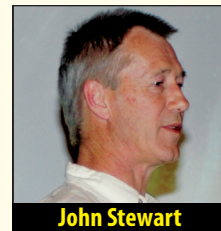
Why You Shouldn't Miss This: Learn why there are times you may be expounding opinion, mistaking the notion as fact.



Matt Maurer



Daisy Bicking



John Stewart

"Quite simply: You will learn by thinking ... the Summit makes you think."

— Kevin Cydrus, Chillicothe, Ohio

11:00 to 11:50 a.m. The Better Practices, Better Results Lecture, Presented by Kinetic Vet: "Shoeing Based On Disciplines And Different Footings."

Farrier and veterinarian Vern Dryden reminds that the surface a horse works on has been documented as a risk factor for injury. However, other risk factors include the riders decisions, athletic ability, fitness and conformation of the horse.

Farriery for an individual horse must take into consideration existing hoof and limb morphologies and extensively make adjustments for horse-hoof-ground interactions due to surface variance.

There is a high demand for quality equine riding surfaces driven by many factors such as; horse and rider safety, weather patterns, increased participation in equine sporting events, and increased demands of the equine athlete.

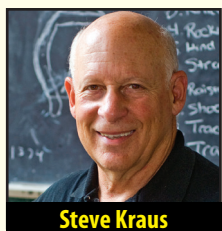
Performance and safety are key components to consider when evaluating a riding surface. Developing a surface that is consistent with sufficient support to prevent injury and assists in achieving an optimal performance is essential.

Why You Shouldn't Miss This: Go home with considerations to make about footing when working with your clients' horses.

11:50 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. "Eliminating Mistakes And Misconceptions That Damage The Use Of Adhesives."



Curtis Burns



Steve Kraus



Pat Reilly

Sometimes if a glue-on application didn't go well, the reason can be user error. But what happens when the users blame the product or procedure rather than turning that finger around to point at themselves?

We gathered a panel of adhesive experts that will lend the advice that they've gathered over years of practice.

The panel includes:

- ◆ Curtis Burns, Polyflex, Wellington, Fla.

- ◆ Steve Kraus, Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y.
- ◆ Pat Reilly, New Bolton Center, University of Pennsylvania, Kennett Square, Pa.

Why You Shouldn't Miss This: This session will give you tips to more effectively use adhesives in your footcare practice.

1:30 to 2:20 p.m. "Look Above The Feet: Head And Pelvic Movement Asymmetries At Trot In Riding Horses."

Recent studies evaluating sound horses have identified a large proportion of horses with motion asymmetries, but the prevalence, type and magnitude of asymmetries have not been investigated.

As a researcher at the Royal Veterinary College in England, Thilo Pfau says the increasing use of objective lameness evaluation necessitates a further characterization of the differences between lameness and motion asymmetries. This study investigated prevalence, as well as quantified type and magnitude of motion asymmetries of riding horses.

Why You Shouldn't Miss This: Help your owners gain insight into assessing their horse's gait and re-evaluating the soundness of their horses.

2:20 to 3:10 p.m. "Shoeing The Hind Limb For Performance And Therapy (Part 2)"

In a continuation of his presentation on the hind limbs, Hans Castelijns will present his uniform trimming protocol for the hind feet, based on the philosophy of leaving what belongs to the foot and trimming away what has grown in excess. He'll then present various options to employ with common sport injuries of the hind limbs.

Why You Shouldn't Miss This: Learn new shoeing strategies for the hinds that will help keep performance horses competing.

3:10 to 3:25 p.m. Closing Remarks

Columbia, Mo., veterinarian Amy Rucker will deliver the closing remarks of the 13th annual International Hoof-Care Summit. This inspirational talk will fire you up to head home and use the knowledge you've gained. Ω



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Win Summit Educational Prizes!

Several International Hoof-Care Summit attendees will head home with valuable educational products or enjoy these prizes in Cincinnati, including:

- ✓ One lucky attendee will have his or her name drawn to receive a 16 GB, 10-inch Samsung Galaxy Tab 4 Tablet.
- ✓ Two attendees will win a free dinner at a downtown restaurant with IHCS speakers Dr. Renate Weller and Dr. Thilo Pfau. You'll be able to pick their brains on a variety of anatomical or biomechanical topics while enjoying Boi Na Braza, a Brazilian steak house in Cincinnati.
- ✓ Two attendees will win a free dinner at a downtown restaurant with British farrier David Nicholls. During dinner, discuss the toughest business challenges facing your practice with this extremely business-minded farrier. You'll be able to pick his brains on a variety of anatomical or biomechanical topics while enjoying Morton's, Cincinnati's steakhouse.
- ✓ Walter Varcoe of Articulated Equine Skeletons and Varcoe Equine Services in Port Jarvis, N.Y., has donated four items to expand anatomy education. Two attendees will have their names drawn to receive a carpus down limb while two others will each receive a tarsus down limb.
- ✓ Another attendee will have his or her name drawn to receive a copy of the *American Farriers Journal* "Kitchen Sink" package that includes over 3,450 pages of valuable hoof-care information.

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DVD Of The 2016 IHCS Presentations

With this DVD, you'll be able to review presentations from participating Summit presenters after you return home. This will contain hundreds of presentation slides and dozens of hours of audio delivering essential hoof-care information. This will be mailed to you free of charge following the IHCS.

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Bonus Value: \$47.95

BONUS #3

2016 International Hoof-Care Summit Program

This 64-page, exclusive, hands-on hoof-care guide zeroes in on hundreds of field-tested ideas and research findings to help you trim and shoe more effectively in 2016. Offering valuable material from Summit speakers and suppliers, this no-nonsense reference will expand your hoofcare knowledge and help you operate a more efficient hoofcare business during the coming year.

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This special report delivers in-depth advice from members of the International Horseshoeing Hall Of Fame. Topics cover a wide range of practical subjects from trimming protocol to forging to business. These tips, harvested from hundreds of years of farrier experience, can make an immediate impact on your hoofcare practice.

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As a celebration of veteran farrier Red Renchin's life and dedication to hoof-care, each 2016 IHCS attendee will take home a special DVD featuring hours of webinars, videos, interviews and more from Red's many years as Technical Editor for *American Farriers Journal*.

Bonus Value: Priceless

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—Simon Curtis, Newmarket, England



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8 General Sessions: 17 hours

15 Hoof-Care Classrooms:
15 hours (3 sets of classrooms)

24 Hoof-Care Roundtables:
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21 "How-To" Clinics:
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Trade Show: 9.5 hours (3 sessions)

Please check www.ihcs2016.com
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Two Educational Opportunities To Be Held BEFORE The Summit Begins

Join Vettec as they provide two special hands-on clinics from 9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 2. Attendees can visit several stations to learn about the use and application of Vettec materials for various hoof-care needs. Each station will feature a different application. Limited to 100 IHCS attendees only. Register for this event at americanfarriers.com/vettec.

On Tuesday, Feb. 2, SmartPak will present "Smart Nutrition Tips from SmartPak," featuring Jessica Normand, Senior Director of Equine Health for SmartPak, and Danvers Child, CJF. Attendees will gain a better understanding of the major factors of nutrition, especially its relation to the hoof health of your clients' horses. The first session will be at 9:30 a.m. and will be repeated at 11 a.m. Register at americanfarriers.com/smartpak.

Bring Apprentices Or Hoof-Care Students For Big Savings!

If you're attending the Summit, your apprentices can register for only \$194.50 — a 50% savings off the full registration price. This offer also is valid for current attendees of a hoof-care school, veterinary program or veterinary technician program.

To learn more or register at the special apprentice rate, call the phone number listed on Page 12. This special rate is limited to one-time attendance as a student and one-time attendance as an apprentice.

Find Someone To Share A Ride Or A Room

Are you looking for another farrier or veterinarian to share a ride to the Summit or to share a hotel room? Either call the number on Page 12 or visit americanfarriers.com/ride to get help in finding a match.

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This unsurpassed guarantee should convince you that we're worthy of your trust and attendance. We look forward to seeing you at the 13th-annual International Hoof-Care Summit coming up this winter in Cincinnati.



Frank Desitter



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—J.W. Goolsby, New Holland, Ohio



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#1 Full Summit Registration \$359 (after 1/5/16 fee is \$389)

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