

Texas AgriLife Extension

Equine Hoof Care and Shoeing Short Course

January 3-6, 2011

Sponsored by Texas AgriLife Extension, Department of Animal Science,
and College of Veterinary Medicine

Pierce Pavilion, George Bush Drive, Texas A&M University

Instructors: Dr. Dennis Sigler, Jason Wilson-Maki, and Pat Burton

This course is designed as a comprehensive hoof care and introductory shoeing course. It will not, in itself, qualify you to become a competent farrier. It will provide the basic knowledge necessary to appreciate the skills and practice required to properly care for horses' feet.

Monday, Jan. 3, 8 am

Continental Breakfast, Introduction and Pre-test

Basic Anatomy and Physiology of the Foot, Dr. Kent Carter, CVM

Dissection of the Foot and Leg, Dr. Lynn Ruoff, CVM

Hoof Care and Management 101, Dr. Dennis Sigler, Dept. An. Sci.

Trimming Tools and Techniques, Pat Burton, Professional Farrier

Trimming Practice

Corrective Trimming – Separating Fact from Fiction, Pat Burton

Tuesday 8 am

Variations in Foot Flight Patterns Demonstrated on the High Speed Treadmill, Dr. Sigler

Nutritional Strategies for Healthy Hooves, Dr. Dennis Sigler

Basic Cold Shoeing – Demonstration and Practice, Pat Burton

Wednesday 8 am

Advanced Cold Shoeing, Jason Wilson-Maki, CVM

Use of Ready-Made Clips

Specialized Ready-Made Shoes

Demonstration of Basic Forge Work and Therapeutic Shoeing, Jason Wilson-Maki

Additional Shoeing Practice

Update on Management of Foundered Horses

Wrap up and Post-test

Thursday, Jan. 6

AFA Certification Exam (for those interested). (Additional cost of \$125 for test material and cost of test administration).

Cost = \$300 (includes lunches, refreshments, handout material, shoes, nails, and other supplies)

Attendees must furnish own basic tools (available from vendors on site, if needed). Basic tools must include nippers, rasp and handle, hoof knife, shoe pullers, driving hammer, and shoeing apron. Optional tools are clinchers, clinch cutter, rounding hammer, pritchel, and foot stand.

Attendees must be in shape and physically prepared to get under numerous horses and work!

Short Course may be audited for a fee of \$85, including noon meals all three days. Those auditing will be able to observe and learn from all lectures and demonstrations, but will not receive hands-on practice or individual instruction.

To register, return form on next page to the Department of Animal Science.

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Registration Form

Name _____

Farm or Business Name _____

Address _____

Email _____ Phone _____ Fax _____

I wish to sign up for:		Totals
___ Full participation Course	\$300	_____
___ AFA Certification Exam	\$125	_____
___ Audit Course Only	\$ 85	_____
___ I need to purchase basic tools		_____
TOTAL		_____

Mail to:

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