

Summer 2011 Our 21th Year of Publication

BWFA

The Brotherhood of Working Farriers Association

National Business News Bulletin



We continue to be dedicated to offering education and public awareness by promoting the Farrier as the most important equine professional to the overall health of the horse!



NEW...

**Farrier
Certification
Procedure & Testing**
To be different from the rest!
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Member Highlights

Member Business

**BWFA Annual
Convention**
October 21-22, 2011
Friday & Saturday

2nd Annual Trail Ride
Thursday 20th

TESTERS meet on
Wednesday 19th

Register by October 1

A BWFA Membership Publication

From the President...

From snow to floods, fires and tornados, our country has endured disasters from coast to coast.

The economy is trying to bounce back to include the horse industry. Members in various states tell me that business is great and others barely getting by. So goes it for the independent small businessman, so hang in there and learn to diversify your skills and supplement your income.

Onto BWFA matters:

Board Members, TESTERS and those tested at all levels have offered their input for years about the BWFA certification. Whether they liked it, disliked it or just want it to be much harder, it does need to be updated. Board members met last December 2010 and made the proposal to seek advice from Master Farriers for the Master Farrier testing. So, we welcome you to submit at least 5 of the most important questions/answers that only you think would be appropriate for that level. Send them by mail or email directly to the BWFA Headquarters. Additional advice, photos, etc can accompany related to your input. I have also proposed to update the JI & JII levels as noted in this issue. We will discuss this at the 2011 Convention.

I have set out on some personal travel this spring but always staying in touch with members and on the cell phone daily. The office receives calls daily and we all thank you for the support of our devoted Board Members and TESTERS and trust that we are all working towards the goal of promoting Farriers and YOUR business.

Keep up the good work. See you in October

Ralph Casey

Send us your email address

Like most associations and businesses we are online with this publication, local news and videos. In an effort to lower cost of printing and postage our office has been contacting each member by phone, email and mail in order to update your information.

With an email address, you will receive this today, not in 30 days or more third class US mail.

Company advertisers/newspapers/other publications are leaning towards an online trend so there are less dollars going towards actual print. With more online members, we will be able to provide more Bulletins than 4 (or less) a year.



Link Casey & Ken



Ken & Devon Morrow of Canada

For the Farrier: Keep up with the times....

“Know your horse breeds and how to shoe a Variety”

We are proud to announce that Ken Crimmins will be our head liner this year. A graduate of the Casey & Son Horseshoeing School in 1996, a Journeyman II, BWFA TESTER and board member since 1998 and FNRC board member since 2001. Ken works in Aiken, South Carolina near Augusta, Georgia which is an area overwhelmed with horses of all breeds; Polo, Hunter, Jumper and most recent the McCurdy Quarter/TWH 5 gaited breed that is becoming more popular. This horse has a smooth ride and stamina for 15+ trail rides and owners are loving them. He will talk about shoeing for the customer, heeled shoes, toe weights and all sorts of traction including studs and heeled shoes.

Ken has been a long time friend of Ralph and Link Casey. We call him “Happy Ken” someone who is still excited about his occupation and life in general. Come out to have one-on-one with a “success story.”

Thank you Ken Crimmins for highlighting the annual Farrier Spring Fling on May 21 in Georgia. This event is hosted by the FNRC, Casey’s School, Georgia BWFA Farriers as a combined effort for all farriers and horse owners to attend. This marked the 22nd year at this location and marked the 10th Anniversary of the FNRC and opening of the BWFA Hall of Fame Museum back in 2001. We have come a long way. As always our vendors were here for lots of discussions and hand-on education and fun!

Thank you

We would like to go

**Back Under the
“Big Tent”
this year!**

**Sign up today or by October 1 for the 2011
Convention
October 21-22**

See page 4

OCTOBER 21-22 FRIDAY & SATURDAY

2011 Convention Coordinators



Link Casey of LaFayette, Georgia, joined in 1999 BWFA Master Farrier, TESTER, Master Educator, BWFA Vice President, Board Member/FNRC Member

Continuing Education is always fun as I teach the basics (5 days a week) all day long. I learn and show with farriers I have known all my life. All are eager to teach me more at Conventions. I appreciate their support as Vice President. I feel comfortable with the younger crowd and encourage them to meet & greet “the mentors” in this trade.



John Burt of Fouke, Arkansas, joined in 1992 BWFA Master Farrier, TESTER, Master Educator, BWFA Board Member, Certification Chairman

Getting back to basics is what I would like to share with young & seasoned Farriers. The shoeing basics that is. Through the BWFA in person and my phone all these years, I have enjoyed the opportunity to make great friends and hone my skills to help pass along to new members and to my own son, Cody.



Stan Trimble of Pulaski, Tennessee, BWFA Gaited Master Farrier, TESTER, BWFA Board Member/FNRC Member

Heavily committed to the Gaited horse Industry, as a farrier with training, breeding and competition in the family. Although gaited is not everyone’s desire, it is a business with the Equine world that should not be overlooked. I enjoy teaching, traveling for TWHBEA and am glad to share my knowledge. I have a sign on my rig “Your Horses May Depend on Your Farrier”

Additional Speakers include

- **Ralph Casey of Georgia**
 - Business, 2011 Travels, Announcements
- **TJ Jones of Florida**
 - Specializing in Grand Prix Dressage
 - Business at the top level
 - Worldwide Travel but down to Earth advice
- **Tony Dinginanni of Texas**
 - Winning consistently at a top level and staying sound
 - Specializing in performance with great success
- **Sean McDonough of Kansas**
 - Case Study, Business his new type of Apprenticeship Program
 - Working experience with a local Veterinarian
- **CJ Ward of Oklahoma**
 - Handmade hands-on, advice & conversation
- **Certification TESTING, New procedure trials, workshop, practice & advice headed up by Ronney DeBoard of Georgia assisted by Tom Cable of Ohio**

**Vendors
Registration
will go out with
this publication**

2011 Annual Convention

<p style="text-align: center;">Thursday October 20</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TESTERS Meetings • Practice • Upgrading • NEW testing trials <p style="text-align: center;">(advance registration is appreciated)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Thursday October 20 2nd Annual Trail Ride</p> <p>Bring your horse and ride the local Pinhotti Trail or in the Chickamauga National Battlefield come in Wednesday PM, camping and horses boarded the 3-4 days on property.</p> <p>Your COGGINS, hay feed, etc is required</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Friday October 21 Farrier Presentation Day</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Saturday October 22 Continued programs and Vendors open for shopping! Hands-on and product demonstrations</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Motels</p> <p><u>I-75 exit #333 Walnut Ave. Dalton, GA</u> Days Inn 706-278-0580 Hampton Inn 706-226-4333 La Quinta Inn 706-272-9099</p> <p><u>I-75 exit #312 Hwy 53 Calhoun, GA</u> Jameson Inn 706-629-8133 Hampton Inn 706-629-0999 La Quinta Inn 706-629-2559</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Directions</p> <p>I-75 North & South take exit # 320 LaFayette/Resaca, turn West onto Hwy 136 towards LaFayette, GA</p> <p>Drive six miles until the road ends, turn right and continue on Hwy. 136, six more miles.</p> <p>We are on the right. Look for the sign: Farriers National Research Center and School</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Awards Banquet and Dinner (open Board meeting will follow)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Friday PM</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Tickets on sale now</p> <p style="text-align: center;">\$25.00 per person</p> <p style="text-align: center;">off sight location</p> <p style="text-align: center;">RSVP by October 1 would be appreciated</p>

2011 Convention Registration

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ email: _____

_____ **Pre-registration \$50.00 before October 1, 2011**

_____ **Registration \$100.00 after October 1, 2011**

_____ **Banquet \$25.00 each**

Cost: \$ _____ Paid with: _____ check made payable to BWFA, _____ Credit/Debit card

Credit/Debit Card number: _____ Exp: _____ CVV: _____

Send this form with check or credit card information enclosed to:

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Approval of BWFA TESTERS changes in 2011

All Farriers who are interested in remaining or becoming a new TESTER are asked to attend a 1 day session to accomplish this. This will be scheduled 2 days prior to the convention held at the BWFA Headquarters. The 2011 date will be Wednesday, October 19, 2011 to receive your approval. Each TESTER approved will receive a special TESTER Certification card with the first two years being on a trial basis.

The reasons for these changes are:

1. The BWFA testing has been completely changed at the JI, JII and MF levels. We have eliminated the written test altogether. The new tests in its entirety will be given orally.
2. The shoeing procedures have changed.
3. The shoe modification and forge work required has been changed
4. Please note: The Apprentice II level offered at Horseshoeing Schools will remain the same.
5. A new study guide with two DVDs will be available for purchase which will include all of the requirements. The JI, JII & Master Farrier will require one study guide however; the shoeing requirements will be different for each level and a separate DVD for each level.

BWFA Certification Testing will be changed and updated in 2011

The reason we have implemented these changes is that we want our farriers to make more money and be more professional. It is simple and easy to understand. This change has been in the works for a number of years. The test is not designed to be harder, it will help the farrier become more efficient and help our farriers get ahead of the curve.

These are modern times. We must be willing to change. I believe that everyone will see the advantage of a more common sense testing procedure and I encourage certified farriers to upgrade.

We are also including a section on "How to Sponsor a Horse Owner Clinic." It is designed to help you understand farrier science from the beginning, therefore helping you to pass it along to others. You will be able to give this DVD to a client or as a presentation for a crowd. Then take questions from the participants to further enhance your own information. Use it as a tool.

There will be a phase out of the old and phase in with the new from now until the 2011 Convention at which time the book and DVDs will be available. If you are studying with the current study guides, go ahead and test and/or upgrade this year. Some sections of the old tests will remain. The Guidelines and Requirements page will remain (mostly) the same.

Testing Fees – changes in 2011

New members and annual membership is currently \$85.00, which will remain the same.

A testing fee of \$100.00 will go directly to the TESTER, not the BWFA.

(Previously only \$25.00)

(The Apprentice II level offered at Horseshoeing Schools will remain the same and at NO testing fee for students upon graduation)

Testing Locations – changes in 2011

According to the number of TESTERS applying in 2011 will determine the various locations in the United States. Testing will be held at the BWFA Headquarters once a month with a local Master Farrier TESTER. (Ralph Casey excluded)

(The Apprentice II level offered at Horseshoeing Schools will remain the same and at NO testing fee for students upon graduation)

Pricing:

The Book and one of the DVDs will be the same for each level at \$65.00

The second DVD will be designated for each level.

Please request Journeyman I, Journeyman II or Master Farrier

If...you purchase the set for the JI now and would like the JII later, you may request the second DVD for only \$45.00.

Attention Current Members:

Please forward your questions by email, phone or mail directly to the BWFA Headquarters to address them as a whole, THIS YEAR, so all will be understandable by October.

All Certification Cards will be changed in 2012

We are asking that each member return their card with a current headshot photo that we may keep on file. New cards will include a barcode allowing us to process your renewals information faster. This goes for annual, gold and lifetime members. Your photos can be mailed or emailed to us. There is no extra charge for this change.

Remember,

The BWFA is more about business. Sure we started a certification program by popular demand but our emphasis should be on keeping a steady business, continuing education AFTER your certification, and being successful. Some of you don't quite get it!

**Questions from members and FYI:
This section was brought to our attention by
member, Kelly Case.**

When will we have a BWFA election?

According to the Bylaws:

Elections for board members are every 4 years, the last being in 2008, and the next will be in 2012. The elections are held at the annual conventions in October with a show of hands. Anyone interested in running will be asked to submit information about themselves, what they have to offer and how they can best serve the BWFA membership. We limit this to 250 words which will be printed in the 2012 bulletins. Each will present themselves to the members attending the convention for a 15 minutes introduction.

Elections for officers are every 2 years, the last year being 2010, voted in at the convention. The next will be in 2012. Same as above to submit your name.

Anyone running for any office should be familiar with the bylaws which are distributed to new and renewal members annually. Board members are required to attend two of the three scheduled board meetings per year or forfeit their position.

How come members never see a published accounting of the finances?

There are many members who have requested to review the financial affairs and we have accommodated them. We have learned from the past to have our CPA present to explain details in person, that way there is no argument. According to our IRS ruling letter for a trade association, we make our records available for public inspection (this wording is included in the by-laws) and we prefer to do so at board meetings, preferable during the annual conventions in October. We must receive a prior written request from the individual.

Someone referred to the BWFA as a 501(C)3 organization ---That is incorrect!!!

The simplest thing can be misinterpreted. That is why we talk face to face. One question brings on another.

Why and who approved the training of the Flexion Therapy through the BWFA?

First and foremost---it is not approved or disapproved through the BWFA

The Equine Flexion Therapy provided by Dan Marcum of Texas, who is *also* a BWFA member, attends the BWFA events as a vendor. The BWFA DOES NOT offer an EFT Certification or Certificate.

The Equine Dentist is also a vendor and does not offer certifications, so is the Nikken Magnetic vendor, Nutrition – these are helpful horsemanship/horse handling topics that most farriers seem to be interested in and do not have access from anywhere else.

Any vendor or equine professional/specialists who attend our conventions are welcome to demonstrate their products or technique. We have reported on many of them in these bulletins.

The BWFA is an organization with a “farrier certification only.” It is not our job to police other equine related careers or subjects or products. The BWFA does not endorse products like the AFA does. There are no rules to keep BWFA members from endorsing products on their own.

BWFA TESTERS and testing procedures – I am all for getting guys certified but we really do not have a uniformed protocol on testing procedures.

TESTERS have always been asked to meet one on one at least once a year to update and improve, some do and some don't. That will change in 2011 as stated on page 2.

It seems the BWFA is doing everything but shoeing, why?

The 2010 Annual Convention hosted several top shoers. TJ Jones of Florida spent most of two days discussing and shoeing the Grand Prix horse and working with farriers out of his shoeing rig. CJ Ward of Oklahoma came here for the first time and received a round of applause after he finished a handmade aluminum shoe in less than 45 minutes and spent the rest of the weekend working one on one with farriers. There was a great round table discussion.

This was along with the vendors offering their services and/or products for demonstrations: Frank Duggan with Vettec, with the new Hoof n Soak, OFC brought in a lot of new hand tools as did Mustad/Delta and new shoes. Lots of farrier related subjects, right there in front of you.

BWFA members are always welcome to offer their presentations if you will call us in advance. I encourage all members to attend the annual convention to stay informed in person

Who & how did we decide changes needed to be made?

The times have changed!! There are so many more ways to learn now then 30 years ago. Computers, iPods, Books downloaded, DVDs, TV, Audio, Meetings and online.

By the BOD with input from most active & older TESTERS, input from past, deceased members, Jack Miller & Reggie Kester, and Q&A personal one-on-one comments, they are long overdue.

Those who have opinions & express them are heard. Those who do not care can only accept what we implement.

Hey-this is not a government run operation. We are friendly



The BWFA Limited Edition Kissing Crane Knives are now only available by auction at a BWFA sponsored events and Conventions.

These knives were available for direct purchase for a limited time.

There were only 50 of these knives made for our members. Half of those have been purchased. If you would like one, be sure to attend a BWFA event soon.



South East Farriers and Horse Owners Association BWFA Chapter in Virginia

A summer trail ride and camping trip to Iron Mountain is tentatively planned for August 12-14. Contact David Tuggle 434-792-3811 email: tugglefarm@gmail.com

A Colt-Starting Challenge similar to the “Road to the Horse” challenges is also in the works. This Challenge will showcase three trainers who would compete for a trophy and showcase a horse they had previously trained. This event is planned for the fall.

David Tuggle, BWFA Journeyman II/TESTER, held an Equi-Cast Boot and Saddle Fit Clinic to show members and the public how to fit an Equicast boot to a horse’s hoof as a good alternative to other temporary boots available. The clinic was hosted by Tim & Karen Hill of Chatham, Virginia on February 19. More than twenty clinic participants watched as SEFHA President David Tuggle and fellow farrier Jeff Crider demonstrated applying a temporary Equi-cast boot to one of the Hill’s horses.

After a bag lunch, clinic participants enjoyed a saddle-fitting discussion and demonstration led by SEFHA member Susan Newton.

On March 12th, SEFHA hosted a tack sale and swap meet at the recently dedicated Olde Dominion Agricultural Complex in Chatham, Virginia. Eighteen members and vendors participated, and public interest was encouraging. Saddles, saddle pads, halters and bits sold briskly. SEFHA made a small profit on table space rentals. The group agreed to make the swap meet an annual event.

SEFHA has planned a de-spooking clinic at member Lisa Geyer’s Callands, Virginia, farm in the coming months.

Thank you for your support!

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You can order your BWFA Emblem T-Shirt from us in the office or through CafePress.com at this link www.cafepress.com/horseshoen_time



**2011
Convention
October 21-22**

**S.H.O.E. Annual Awards
Banquet February 4, 2011**

Submitted by Marcus Pierce

It is hard to believe that this was the 18th year in a row that SHOE has hosted this event, Dinner and awards banquet. The very first was held at the old McGuffey Restaurant in Matthews NC. With a very young Scott Childres winning the very first Farrier of the year, David Millwater winning the Journalism Award with his farrier dictionary now in its 5th and he said last print. Our newsletter editor back then was Fred Peterson who won our Local supporter of the year. And who can forget the MC that year was a very young Jeff Crane and David Orr who was our officers at that time. Fast forward to this year and Link Casey taking the top honors of Farrier of the Year.

This year our Officers Dwayne Holder and Randy Baker did a fine job by seeing that everything ran just right. It had to be our best yet. With new sponsors Neighborhood Feed, Dirty Dog Depot, and Kay Wahl, this banquet was one to remember. People from all over the southeast came. One of the winners was a Mississippi Hall of Fame member and the winner of the 1988 Southern 500 at Darlington, see if you can pick him out.

A big thank you to Marcia Baker for all her hard work. This year's winner are:

4H leader of the Year –

Megon Barham,

sponsored by Neighborhood Feed

Outstanding Clinician –

Jan Emore,

sponsored by Dirty Dog Depot

Educational Award –

Scott Childres,

sponsored by Kay Wahl

Farrier Life Time Achievement -

Frank Lessiter and the AFJ,

sponsored by Pierce Farrier Supply

Patriot Award –

Farrier Product Distribution,

sponsored by Pierce Farrier Supply

Trainer of the Year - Dave Seay,

sponsored by Dwayne and Jennifer Holder

Horseman Life Time Achievement -

Dave Seay,

sponsored by Third Charm Training Center

Senior Horse & Rider –

Lake Speed and Oreo,

sponsored by Third Charm Training Center

Jr. Horse & Rider –

Melanie Masciarli and Drayco,

sponsored by Third Charm Training Center

Horseitarian of the Year –

Fran Tyson ,

sponsored by Mint Hill Animal Hospital

Humanitarian of the Year –

Fran Tyson,

sponsored by Mint Hill Animal Hospital

Horse of the Year-

Poco Bueno 084 owner Sam Helms,

sponsored by Randy and Marcia Baker

Brandywine Parent Award –

Dianne and Dick Calwell,

sponsored by Debbie and Darrell Campbell

Journalism Award –

Ginger and Ralph Casey

National Supporter of the Year -

Troutmans Restaurant

Local Supporter of the Year –

Randy and Mitzi Cribb

Horse Owner of the Year –

Jessica Waddell

Farrier of the Year - Link Casey

A new Award from the BWFA Headquarters and Ralph Casey was presented to **Marcus Pierce** this year, appropriately named “**The Cutting Edge Award**”.

A BWFA Emblem pocket knife offered in 2010 as commemorative pieces, Marcus received #20 of 50, signed and numbered.

Presented by Ginger Casey at the Banquet, in honor of his dedication as a chapter leader and the S.H.O.E. Mind Games tradition.



(L to r) Link Casey received the 2010 Farrier of the Year Award, Marcus Pierce received The Cutting Edge Award from the BWFA, Banquet Officers Dwayne Holder and Randy Baker



Marcus and the Pierce Family

(l to r) Randy Cribb, Benjamin Cribb, Rebecca Cribb, Ann Pierce, Mitzi (Pierce) Cribb, Marcus Pierce, Samona (Pierce) Adams, Mark Adams



(l to r) Robert Scott, Bill Scott, Marcus Pierce, Jeff Crane, David Orr at the first S.H.O.E. Chapter Clinic in 1993

**LEARN ALL ABOUT THE
S.H.O.E. CHAPTER AND
THEIR ACTIVITIES FROM
THE BWFA BULLETINS
BEGINNING WITH
NOV. 1990.**

**YOU CAN VIEW A SLIDE
SHOW OF THEIR
HISTORY AT BWFA.NET**

Continuing Education Offered by the Farriers National Research Center



(left) Freddie Maggard, Farrier of London, Kentucky
With Stan Trimble (right) FNRC Instructor &
BWFA Master Farrier of Pulaski, Tennessee

Shoeing Gaited Horse Course

March 31- April 3, 2011

Instructor: Stan Trimble, BWFA Master Farrier, Gaited Specialty

The Class was AWESOME. Stan is an excellent teacher and person. I considered it an HONOR to work under him. Thank you, FNRC for offering this course. I look forward to studying hard and returning in the future to test for my Gaited Certification offered by the FNRC.

We began our class by leaving 6:30 am daily and returning around 6-7 pm nightly at which time we studied by taking notes. We traveled to a local TWH owner/breeder facility with 30 plus horses. We began working by 8:00 am and we hit the ground running from day one.

The majority of the horses were very athletic type of show horses and excellent to work with and well cared for. The owner was very knowledgeable about the breed which provided us with a better insight of the entire gaited horse industry.



**Fred Maggard,
London, Kentucky**



Students receive their EFT Certificate of Completion from the FNRC (l-r) Chris Glover, Audrey Paquette, Dan Marcum (Instructor), Daniela Schatz (front)

Dan Marcum Farrier & Equine Adjuster

2011

**Equine Flexion Therapy Classes
August 18, 19, 20
October 19-23
Convention week**

For more information about Dan's class visit

**www.horseshoentime.tv/eft.html
or contact the FNRC at
(706) 397-8909
FNRCinfo@aol.com**

**Deep Flexion Class – Equine Flexion Therapy
January 2011**

My name is Daniela Schatz (photo above) and I am a certified farrier. I attended the Deep Flexion Class at the Farriers' National Research Center in LaFayette, Georgia It is definitely something to think about learning.

I have been to the Spring Fling and to every BWFA Convention since I became certified. At one of the conventions, I noticed Dan Marcum. He was examining horses for soreness and talking about "treating the cause and not the symptoms." He got my attention and I started to watch his work.

During his demonstration, there was a horse who, when Dan had barely touched him, almost hit the ground with his hindquarters because he was in so much pain. It took Dan less than a minute to treat any particular sore spot. The next time he touched the horse on the same sore spot, the horse showed no sign of distress!

Dan's demonstration convinced me, that it would be good to learn how to help a horse to relax and feel better.

After all as a farrier, working under a calm, easy-going horse is better for my back and easier than working under a horse who is in pain and can't lift his feet higher than 12 inches off the ground.

I had the opportunity to bring two of my own horses to the Farriers' National Research Center, and Dan Marcum taught me how to ease their soreness; look for problems I didn't previously see or know about; and how to treat them. I learned more than I ever thought I would. I also worked on other horses so I would not get "stuck" with just my own horses' problems.

I also enjoyed working and studying with two fellow farriers (Chris and Audrey). The class required a lot of hard work and an overwhelming intake of information; however, in my personal opinion, it was absolutely worth all the effort. As we like to say: "A Happy Horse Makes A Happy Owner."



**Daniela Schatz
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Nolan Hoof Plate Class March 13, 2011

(l – r) Justin McKee, Farrier of Alabama, Link Casey FNRC Instructor-BWFA Master Farrier, Rudi Slokker, Farrier of The Netherlands
not pictured Freddie Maggard, Farrier of Kentucky

Note: These are not BWFA Certification Courses More info: www.horseshoentime.tv/fnrc.html

Benefit in Kansas

BWFA Master Farrier Sean McDonough hosted a benefit concert on Thursday April 14, 2011 in Kansas to raise money for Meadowbrook Veterinary Hospital and Dr. John Brooks, DMV of Kansas who had a massive heart attack in February.

One hundred and fifty of Sean's clients came out in support and had great fun with Fred Hargrove and the Prairie Rose Rangers. They are the only Cowboy band that has played Carnegie Hall!

Sean purchased BWFA Emblem knives, BWFA hats, a sweatshirt and two Horse Owner Annual Memberships that he added to the silent auction which helped raise about \$3,000.00. The Horseowner Membership Packages were a big hit.

"Thanks for the help. Promote yourselves folks. No one else will!!!"



Orin Friesen & Sean McDonough



Sean & Susie McDonough

Clinic in Kansas

Sean McDonough also held a BWFA Horse Owner Clinic at Southern Winds Equine Rescue in Udall, Kansas on April 16, 2011.

There was a foundered mare he worked with that became sound and the owner asked Sean to host the clinic.



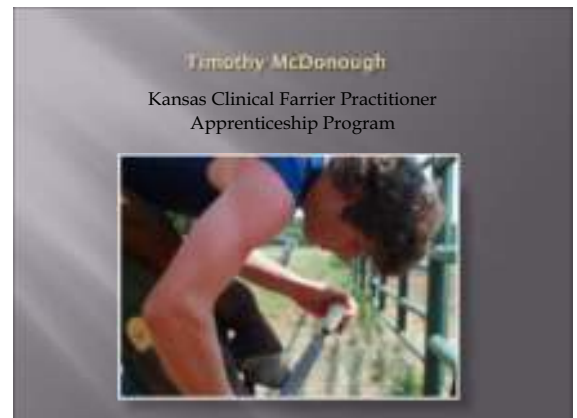
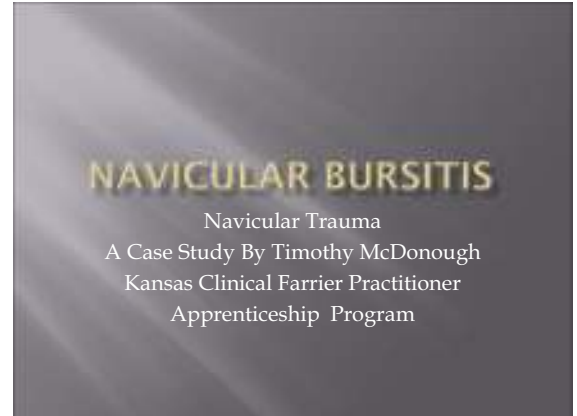
(left) Horse Owner Vic McMullin with Sean McDonough (right)

2011 Convention Presentation

Sean is developing a new program in Kansas to try to train Clinical Farrier Practitioners.

His son and farrier Timothy will work with him this summer to design it.

Sean will present a Power Point of:



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Changing our Culture

By Sean McDonough

I have brought myself kind of full circle in this industry. When I decided I wanted to be an elite Farrier, I knew I would have to seek out the best farriers in the world to learn from. It's kind of like island hopping in World War II. I read dozens of magazines, journals and printed materials. Why learn from any article that any publication did on any farrier? I wanted to learn personally from the guy that taught him. So I joined the B.W.F.A. in 1993. The reason was these names were popping up like Burney Chapman, Bud Beaston, Tony Gonzales, Reggie Kester, Jack Miller, and Elmer Seybold. Then I saw a story on CNN about this guy that was doing some really modern and radical things in the Atlanta area. His name was Ralph something. Just kidding Ralph! What I am getting at is Ralph, Ginger, and the B.W.F.A. allowed me to get under all of these guys feet until they were sick of answering my questions. What I learned from all of them first was humility. When all these men personally helped me, it wasn't for 300.00 a session or whatever professional clinicians get these days. They knew that I was hungry to learn and all it cost me was some gas and lots of paying attention to what they said.

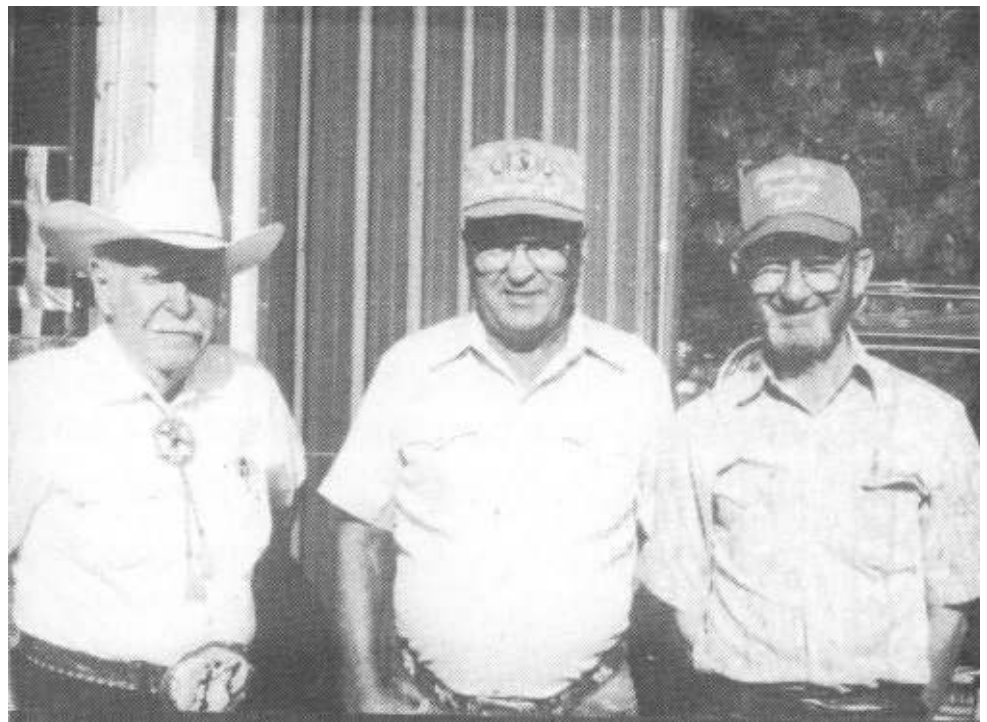
I started putting on clinics and I called a lot of them and a lot of them came. Here is the point. They came because I was hungry to learn and I was hungrier for my clients to learn. At that time I'm 30 years old and these guys are the best on the planet, and now I'm standing next to them! Now I really get to learn and they are coming to me!!! In this day and age we have to stroke egos and pay money. We won't ask because were too smart and too proud. We experience animosity with Veterinarians and I think in part we signed up for it. It seems to me that all we want is respect in our industry, not to be the tip of the sword in our industry.

When a new client meets me they still see Chester the Blacksmith. They usually have a professional clinician telling them what to tell me. We waste huge amounts of time and mental effort to try to force respect on us. If it weren't for farriers since the time of Christ, we would still be in the dark ages. That's why it pisses me off when I go to some horse expo, and there is a Professional Barrel Racing Clinician that is telling me how to shoe a barrel horse. So you can stand there and argue with her, she has the crowd! Or you can whip out your trusty laptop afterwards, show her the digital radiograph, and explain to her that is why she is only a Professional Clinician and I am a Certified Master Farrier with the B.W.F.A., A.F.A. or whomever your loyalty lies with. I don't know if I have ever had an original thought. But when I speak, Burney, Bud, Tony, Reggie, Jack, Elmer, and Ralph are talking. It's just my voice. Now who is the crowd looking at? Respect is earned and sometimes it takes a lot of humility to get it. Take 1 day a week, do research, read a book, talk to people. Listen before you speak.

Change the culture of our industry. These are and were truly great men. Speak their words with your voice. You're never too old or smart to Learn – Learn – Learn!!! Show your humility. Teach – Teach- Teach!!! Do the right thing even if no one else is looking.



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(I to r) Elmer Seybold, Bud Beaston, Reggie Kester, 1994

From Ralph Casey, President

Several have asked what the BWFA is doing to protect our trade. (I put a video up on the website and Facebook to address this back in January 2011)

As the BWFA President, I have encouraged the BWFA farriers to get involved in the research cases at the Farriers' National Research Center. This keeps you ahead of the curve. The reason we built a research center was to protect the "farriers" trade in the future, we will have to go to court with the veterinarians. I also believe that the AFA will be there to protect the vet, thinking that the vets will let them have the lead.

There is one thing I have learned, when you go to court, you need a lot of research and proof. Not only do we have ours on film and documentation, we have concrete proof that the vet is not the expert. That's all I have to say about that.

Here are a few notes we received from members.

Jeff Busch of Virginia

As you know we as farriers have been struggling with vets trying to take more and more of our work from us, or trying to prescribe shoeing protocols. One issue that vets tend to forget, if we as equine professionals make it too expensive for the average person to own a horse then all of our earnings will go down in the process.

Sean McDonough of Kansas

I watched your videos on the website about protecting our trade. I think they are good. Here is my question. Can we practice our trade in the 21st century without Radiographs, Venographs, and ultra sounds? All we know is what we see. The more we see the better we can help our clients. I know there is a lot of animosity between farriers and vets. I've been dealing with it for 30 years. This guy that I work with is the only vet I've ever seen that will take one of his own horses, look at me and say "What do you think?" Maybe he can shed some light on what Vets should be listening to? Both of our philosophies should be on helping the client's horse. If we achieve that we both will make money! I'm getting way more money on a lot of these cases than the vet hospital. Dr. Brooks is a savvy guy in the horse industry and recognizes my value and he tells clients that. The motto should be "**We have taught vets all they know but not all we know!!**" Only the top farriers work with vets anyway. Why not pour a little sugar on it and make them come to us??



Photos sent in by Master Farrier Peter Cote of Fredericksburg, Virginia of his shop in memory of his father. Peter has been a member of the BWFA since August 1992

An advertisement for Stockhoff's Horseshoes & Supplies. At the top left is the Stockhoff's logo, a blue horseshoe with a white 'S' inside. To the right of the logo is the text "'Since 1863' Stockhoff's Horseshoes & Supplies". The main image shows a young woman with long brown hair, wearing a black top and a blue denim skirt, sitting on a large rock in a grassy field. She is holding a cardboard sign that says "WILL WORK FOR SHOES". To her right, the text reads "We will see you at the BWFA Convention!". At the bottom left, it says "Full Line Farrier Supply Shop That Specializes In You, the Customer." and at the bottom right, "1-800-421-1002". At the very bottom, the website "www.stockhoffsonline.com" is displayed.

Business/Members

BWFA Farriers get involved in helping others

CJ Adams of Louisiana, joined the BWFA in 2009, gave an excellent presentation from his own website to assist new farriers in bookkeeping with How-To Tips for Farriers.



Ralph Rodgers of South Carolina, Journeyman I Farrier who started his new career in 2010 after military retirement, Smart & Sharpe, he took the business skills he learned from the BWFA events to promote his business.



Frank Cadena of Corpus Christi, Texas, BWFA Master Farrier, TESTER & Master Educator joined in 1993, Owner/Semi-Retired C Horse Forge School of Horseshoeing, excellent in the forge, developed family hoof dressing, offers BWFA forge classes.



Frank at the 2009 Convention

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Sean McDonough of Kansas shoes 5 of the top 10 Barrel Horses in his region.

I can talk to a Veterinarian over the phone and we can look at the same X-Rays/Radiographs while I am standing with the horse and owner at their ranch. I see in the future laying a digital X-Ray over a Thermal Image for a different view.

I am proud and anxious to inform my clients that the organization I am part of is the "tip of the sword" of the farrier industry. I personally like the idea of living in the 21st Century with the technology available.

What does this do for my business?

Currently, I am trying to trim my clientele list down from 300 to the top of the tier.

A lot of farriers will not continue to educate themselves. Others say "Ask me, I'll tell you"

I say "Ask me, I'll show you what I know" I can presently hand over 50-100 clients to anyone (BWFA certified) who wants to move to the Midwest. Mostly in the Wichita, Kansas area and maybe 150 mile area surrounding. I stay in touch with the BWFA Headquarters by email and phone usually on a weekly basis. Contact me or the BWFA for more information. I will be at the Convention again this year.

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Basic Horse Care for Injured Horses by Jim Lane 2010 Convention Results

"When I hear somebody talk about a horse or cow being stupid, I figure it's a sure sign that animal has outfoxed them" a quote from

Tom Dorrance

Do you have an injured horse? If so, are you interested in basic horse care for your injured horse? This page will discuss how to care for your animal after an injury has occurred using alternative treatments with no side effects in conjunction with the treatment provided by your vet.

However if you do not have an injured horse, we will also discuss how to maintain a healthy horse using magnetic therapy.

Many owners who have horses that have suffered from muscle or hoof injuries have found that their horses recover better and faster using magnetic therapy and far infrared therapy. They usually come to use this as a last resort after having tried all other options.

If you do not **treat** a horse's muscle due to stress related injuries, the horse will experience pain and muscle discomfort. They are similar to us. Horses will do whatever it takes to avoid muscle discomfort and pain. This avoidance will cause them to not follow leads, fail to perform as expected, or refuse to perform entirely. Horses do not like sore muscles.

Muscle injuries in horses occur mainly due to the muscles not being properly warmed up before an activity (riding, running, jumping, etc) or they occur because the trainer pushes the horse too hard to achieve maximum performance.

Basic Horse Care for Injured Horses: Severed Tendon

On October 22 & 23, 2010 the 21st Annual Convention was held for the Brotherhood of Working Farriers Association at the Farriers' National Research Center & School. Several horses are brought in with a varying degree of health problems. We were chosen to do research for the FNRC with our technologies on a 30 year old horse that had its tendon severed by a vet in the fetlock area.

We worked in conjunction with Dan Marcum, Flexion specialist from Texas and Link Casey, Farrier with the Thermo imaging cameras for the FNRC.

The thermo imaging was done on the horse to determine the hot and cold spots on the body and hooves. The imaging indicated that there were several hot spots on the body due to muscle stress. The temperature in the hoof of the injured leg was 65.6 degrees and the other hoof registered at 87 degrees.

See photo 1 page 15

The following was performed on the horse:

-- The Powermag was used on the body and the legs.

-- The elastomag human elbow wrap was placed on the fetlock

-- Dan Marcum performed Flexion Therapy on the horse

See photo 2 page 15

-- Horse was placed in a pasture to exercise for 2+ hours. The horse was brought back into the paddock and the thermo imaging was done to determine if there were improvements in the horse.

These improvements are as follows:

-- The hot spots had disappeared.

-- The horse was walking better and placing its heel on the ground.

-- The temperature in the hoof of the injured leg had increased to 92 degrees.

-- The thermo imaging of the heat, blood flow matched the other hoof.

-- The temperature in the hoof of the good leg had increased from 87 to 91.5 degrees

See photos 3 & 4 page 15

-- The horse was then fitted with special shoes headed up by Farrier Ronney DeBoard as a demonstration for farriers to observe and discuss.

Importance of Leg and Feet care in Horses

What does all this have to do with shoeing you ask?

The feet and legs are considered the second heart for horses and is vital to circulation. Many clinical tests have been conducted on people to indicate and confirm magnets improve the circulation in the feet and legs, www.magnetic-therapy-living.com/magnetic-insoles.html, especially people with diabetes. Magnetic therapy effects horses the same way they do humans. A horse's heart is only .5% of its total weight and it relies on it's legs to

act as auxiliary pumps to keep blood flowing at optimum level. These pumps are located in the horse's hooves. The lowering of the hoof (weight applied) and raising of the hoof (weight removed) causes contracting and expanding of the hooves producing a pumping effect in the frog. Therefore, it is essential to improve blood flow to the hoof. It is essential to have oxygen and nutrients flowing freely to improve and prevent hoof problems. Since a horse cannot talk his actions are the only way he can communicate to you about his well being.

Your knowledge of your horse, regular vet check ups, and correct maintenance of the hooves are vital in keeping your horse healthy.

Basic Horse Care: Preventative and Maintenance with Magnetic Therapy

1. Give your horse magnetized water daily. Do this by fitting a magnet to your pipes, placing a magnet underneath your horse's water bowl, and/or getting a magnetic water filtration system for your home and barn. This will facilitate better oxygen absorption and help maintain homeostatic pH levels.

2. After riding, run the powermag or hand held magnetic generator up and down the horse's legs and body for 30 minutes on each side. This will promote release of muscle tension and prevent further muscle strain and sprains. It will also decrease any inflammation that may occur.

3. Have magnetic insoles, or small patches made with the horse's shoes. This will promote increase circulation in the hooves

Benefits of Magnetic and Far Infrared Therapy

-- Reduces knots and soreness in muscle
-- Improves circulation of oxygen, nutrients and removal of cellular waste products

-- Restores free range of motion and flexibility so that your horse may compete or roam without muscle restrictions.

-- Neutralizes acidic pH level. Acidic bodies are more prone to repeat injuries.

This is to be used in conjunction with your vet's recommendations. Do not attempt to **treat** without consulting your vet first and doing your own research.



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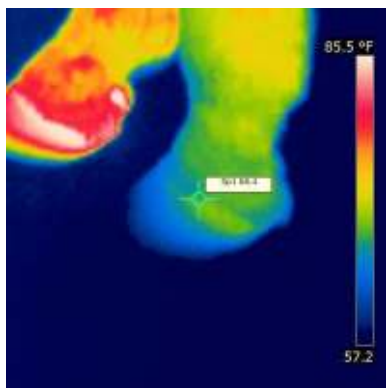


Photo 1
Before magnetic wrap was applied
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Thermal Images of Magnetic Therapy



Jim Lane of EQWELL
Nikken Magnets

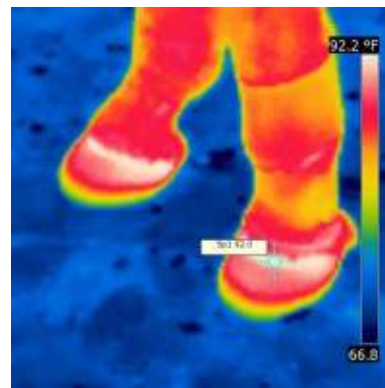


Photo 3
Left front hoof Thermal Image after magnetic wrap was on for 3 hours; the blood flow has increased and shows an even heat

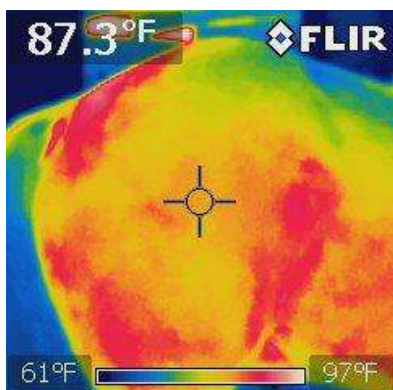


Photo 2 Before Massage

Thermal Images of Equine Massage With Dan Marcum

Photos property of FNRC
A case study presented at BWFA 2010
Convention to Farriers & owners and again
at 2011 GA Spring Fling

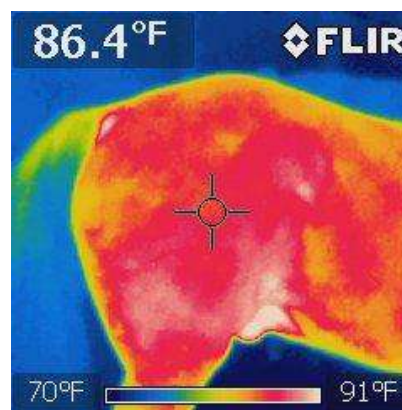


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Submitted by Tony Dingianni

I specialize in performance horses but over the last ten years probably 80% of my horses have been barrel horses. I have built a reputation for being able to help these athletes that have orthopedic or performance issues. This has allowed me to work with some of the top rehab facilities, clinics, trainers and horses. I want to give back to this profession that's been good to me. I will to walk through the way I approach shoeing a horse, what questions I ask, what I look for in conformation, the different shoes I use, why I use them, and the effects they produce. I would also like to go over my experiences with the natural balance shoe.

I am currently working with a few guys trying to explain the way different shoes affect the movement of a horse in soft ground (arenas). Around 95% of my horses are speed horses; mainly barrel horses and so on, so all are usually used on conditioned ground. One of the problems I'm seeing with these horses are the way they're set up. I think a lot of Farriers are looking at these horses in the barn halls or on the grass before shoeing and not taking into account the way these same horses will travel when used in cut up, deeper ground. So showing them the differences between certain shoes in relation to certain feet and/or conformations and how they travel and perform in arena footing will hopefully help. Granted every arena is different and so is the ground, but that's part of it.



Tony Dingianni of Texas (right) with Ralph Casey at the 2010 Convention

I might have a horse running in Tucson AZ (which can get deep) and the following afternoon run in Houston TX (which is usually shallow ground with a hard pan under it).

Figuring out that happy medium for that horse allows him to perform at his best safely, allowing him to do his job longer not to mention keeping the rider safe. I will be working on this with others for a while and will be taking notes as I go.

Then we're getting into the different common lamenesses we see in barrel horses on a day to day basis and different approaches to preventing or stabilizing the said problem to keep them going. I know this is nothing new, just another way someone sees it, and who knows maybe another approach to something that might help someone.



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See you at the Convention!



I am a certified Master Farrier, graduate of Bud Beaston's school, OFC, in 1993. I live in Cortez, Colorado with my 7 year old son I named Croix in honor of St.Croix shoes.

In October 2009 Glenn Hause of St.Croix Mustad Hoof group came to Cortez and did a photo shoot of me and my son for the April 2010 issue of American Farrier's Journal. I found myself on page 13 a full page of our story. It was a great experience and wanted to share it with the group.

Now is the time to strive forward and continue to do all that I can for me and my son. I am a full time farrier and full time single dad as well as a volunteer fireman.

I remember Ralph Casey coming to the school and having a great time with him, Bud and all the rest. It made a lasting impression on me as farriers working together.



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Farrier Funnies!

From the Truck of Tom and Vicky Cable of Ohio

Well the other day the temperature got up to 0 degrees. We got to our first stop; I pulled the shoe off, handed it to Vicky to work on while I prepped the foot. Without thinking I grabbed some nails, put them on my magnet and a couple in my mouth as always. WELL that was stupid, my tongue and my lips were all froze together. I didn't want Vicky to know I had done that. She would have had a ball with it. I kept working until the nails heated up enough so I could remove them.



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Please Don't Eat My Horse
by CJ Ward

THE history of mankind, and the horse, if written in detail would probably fill more volumes than possibly any other subject. Our profession is intertwined with that history. We have seen pictures of Roman shoes, and nails. Also the Huns that swept across Europe using rawhide pads on the feet of their horses. Army's developed weapons for use from horseback, or pulled by horses. One thing that was very clear from the start was that if you were going to invade and plunder your neighbors, you must shoe your horses. George Washington himself told me, one morning at breakfast, "that his Army could move, only as fast as his farriers could work". Anyway, our horses were used for warfare, sports, work, transportation, and shoeing methods were adapted for each use.

Horsemanship and horseshoeing in the early years of our country were basically the same as Europe, until the Louisiana Purchase in 1803, followed by the Lewis and Clark expedition 1804-1806. Now the whole continent was open for exploration, and commerce. The companies transported supplies to the trappers, and then the furs back to St. Louis, where the furs were sold, and the companies were headquartered. The distances were great, and so was the need for farriers, blacksmiths. The men in the mountains lived very dangerous and hard lives, occasionally falling on starving times.

In March 1822, a young apprentice blacksmith in St. Louis ran off to join the Ashley Expedition to trap furs in the Rocky Mountains. His name was Jim Bridger; his name became a legend in the west even today. By 1840 Jim realized that the fur trade was in decline and established Fort Bridger in southwest Wyoming. Fort Bridger became a major way station on the trail to Oregon or California. He would trade healthy, fresh,

shod horses and oxen for settlers on the trail. Then he would turn their weak, starving animals out on his mountain pastures. When these animals became fat and healthy, he would bring them in, shoe them, and they would be traded, or sold to the next group of settlers. Fort Bridger was supplied regularly from St. Louis. With basic supplies, he would buy wagon loads of steel. From available information, it would seem that most of his shoes were approx. 1/4 x 3/4 to keep the weight down, and get more bars on the wagons.

When settlers signed on in St. Louis for the trip to Oregon, they were told by their guide what to take. Usually, the horses would be for scouting, and hunting. Oxen would be used to pull the wagons. They did not require expensive harnessing, (like mules) and they taste better at trails end, where the first permanent structure would be a smoke house. The settlers would usually butcher one of the oxen on arrival in Oregon, probably the one that was the most trouble on the trail. The other oxen would be used for plowing, and other tractor like chores. Now they would have food while they built a cabin, planted crops, found game trails.

On the Santa Fe Trail however the Army, and wealthy traders,

used mules. Mules required expensive harnessing and professional handlers (called skimmers), but were fast on the trail. Many oxen were used on the Santa Fe Trail also. Whatever animal you used to pull your wagon it was the horse that brought civilization westward.

When our first explorers reached the mountains they would find that many of the native tribes there possessed horses. Lewis and Clark (with the help of their interpreter Sacagawea) purchased horses needed to get their expedition across the Bitterroot mountain range from the Shoshones. Most of these horses originated from spanish horses brought to Mexico, becoming wild and migrating north.

The Nez Perce actually created their own breed of horses, known as the Appaloosa. In the native villages, because of their isolation, hoof care, and veterinary medicine was very limited. These services were offset by the vast number of these animals.

If an animal became unable to keep up with the herd, it would probably be destroyed. Whether you were a Mountain Man, or a Native American Warrior, it was very unlikely that 900 plus pounds of fresh meat would be wasted.

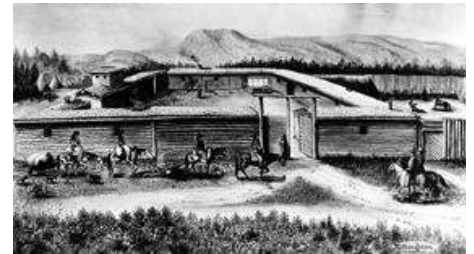
Most of these happenings were less than 200 years ago. That colt 45 ACP that you shoot on weekends, is a cavalry weapon. We still use many of the tools that were in those wagons. People see an old man in a chair, and some even think he is just waiting for the end. Actually he knows what has happened in the past, and is waiting to see what the hell happens next. So stand up and make your mark young man, when it comes to history, you're in it.

Keep yer powder dry
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**Be Nice To Your Farrier
or the Art of
Horse Holding
By Barry Denton**

How can you call holding a horse for the farrier art? Because a horse that is held properly by a good horse holder gets the job done more efficiently and gets the client a better horseshoeing job. Not only is it an art, but a science too! Some folks think that holding the end of a horse's lead rope while the farrier is shoeing your horse is a good time to daydream, chat with friends, or do your hair. Horse holding is a very exacting art requiring the horse holders full attention at all times. The science of it is getting your horse to cooperate with the farrier at all times during the shoeing process. This is not always easy to do and does require some effort on the holder's part.

Sometime in the late 1970's I was shoeing horses at a large barn and had been there all day. The last animal to be shod that day was a mule that had just arrived as a gift for the owner. This mule was a dandy. It stood about 15.2 hands, sleek, and very well broke. I went ahead and shod the rear feet first as I did on animals I was unfamiliar with. The owner was very attentive while holding the mule and the job went very easily without a problem. As I was under the left front foot the owner's sister arrived and came over to chat. With the owner still holding the leadrope and chatting away the mule seemed to be getting very uneasy. I put the mule's foot down and got the owner's attention once again. The mule seemed very put out that the owner would chat with someone instead of paying attention to him. With that thought the mule reached around and bit my side while I was rasping his foot. My knee jerk reaction was to spin away from the mule and hit him with my rasp so that he would release his teeth that are now clenched to my ribcage. In doing so I inadvertently hit the owner on the arm with my rasp. The blow broke her arm. Sometimes justice is served.



Barry and Laurel Denton at the National Museum of Horseshoeing Tools in Sulphur, Oklahoma standing in front of the Anvil Cross. Barry has donated an anvil with his name engraved for the cross.

The anvil cross is a project of the museum owner. Barry urges everyone to visit if you have the chance, you will not see a nicer museum of it's type.

Race horse shoeing was all I could think about in the 1980's. I loved the excitement of racing and the high volume of business I could do shoeing racehorses. My apprentice and I had just finished shoeing about sixty head of two year olds in three grueling days. These horses were headed for a sale and then to the track, so we were working against a deadline. As it turned out there happened to be two more to do after the sixty head. The next morning I came out to finish the remaining two. It was a beautiful cool morning and the stable was quiet as everyone had left for the sale except for my horse holder. I shod the first colt without incident. By the time I was shoeing the front left foot of the second colt my horse holder had become board and was day dreaming. As I was working the colt jerked his leg away from me, reared up, and struck my horse holder in the forehead. Out went the horse holder and off went the \$ 80,000 colt I was shoeing. First things first, I caught the colt. My horse holder is still out cold and bleeding from the forehead. I decided I needed to take this horse holder to the hospital. The only trouble was getting a 250lb. horse holder in my truck. You've all heard those stories in times of crisis,

you get super human strength. I left my horse holder at the ER with a lacerated forehead and bad concussion.

Now both of these incidents could have been prevented with a horse holder that paid attention. I even went so far as to take my own GOOD horse holder to many jobs for safety as well as efficiency. In the event that you are holding your horse for your farrier remember a couple of simple things. When the farrier is under the horse stay on the same side he is on. This way if the horse does something bad you will be pulling the horse away from the farrier and not into him. When the farrier puts the horse's front foot on the hoof stand you will have to step to the opposite side. Don't expect 9 year old children or non English speaking migrant workers to be good horse holders. By all means, give your farrier your full attention while he is working. Not only will you create a safe working environment, but you will probably get quite an education from a pretty sharp horseman.



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Press Release From Vettec Hoof Care

Over time we have received requests from our customers to create Superfast and Adhere syringes with more material in the cartridge, but that could still be used without the dispensing gun. Due to these requests, we will be replacing our 20cc Superfast and Adhere mini Syringes with 50cc Superfast and Adhere mini kits.

This change took place February 1, 2011. Please update your records to indicate that 46142 and 46143 are no longer available after this date. Instead, we will have 46143 (Superfast 50cc) and 46153 (Adhere 50cc) available. The product information for these new items is listed below.

46153 – 50cc kit of Adhere

Package contains:

- one 50cc cartridge
- 2 mixing tips
- One finger ring and plunger

Suggested Retail: \$20.00

46143 – 50cc kit of Superfast

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- one 50cc cartridge
- 2 mixing tips
- One finger ring and plunger

Suggested Retail: \$20.00

From the FNRC

A slide show is available to view the Step-by-Step process of applying the new Anvil Brand Sporthorse Shoe using Vettec Adhere product

The Farrier Instructor is Link Casey with Vettec Southeast Representative Lynne Myers during a class at the 2011 Farrier Spring Fling in Georgia.



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