

BWFA Monthly eNewsletter Volume 6, Issue 5 **July 2014**





The Historic Lighthouse on Tybee Island, Georgia Originally built in 1736 (photo by GC)

How did you celebrate our Nation's Birthday??

Included in this issue:

A visit to the Veterinarian Medical University and Horseshoeing School in Vienna, Austria with Daniel Schatz, see page 5.



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October 22-26 (Wed - Sun) 5 days only

(Same as above) with

Link Casey, Ronney DeBoard, Tom Cable, Doug Eideiner, Dan Marcum, Master Farrier TESTERS and Guests.

Apprentice, Journeyman AND Master Farrier Levels will be offered

Saturday, October 25

Fall Clinic



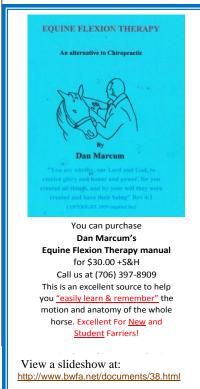


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Instructor Dan Marcum of Texas

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Click here to find an EFT Specialist

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Evaluation is done through testing the range of motion and palpation tests. Then the muscle therapy and deep motion flexing can help align the spine, and the treated muscles will help prevent the spine from being pulled out of alignment. Infrared Thermography reading is included by Dan Marcum and Link Casey.







FAQ --- Frequently Asked Questions BWFA Study Guides

The original study guide was started by Bucky Hatfield and Jack Miller. When BWFA member, John Blombach of Massachusetts attended our second convention in Texarkana, Arkansas, he volunteered to take our certification tests and make more formal study guides and he decided to divide them into 3 different books. It was John, who put the study guides together that we continue to use today. The Board and Master Educator Schools have added to them over the years, but they are basically the same. John Blombach is also the person who prepared the AFA study guides, so he knows each testing inside and out.

The equine books he suggest to study from are sometimes hard to locate and the Butler Book II is no longer in print. We suggest you use the current Butler book, which includes the information, just on different pages, etc.

When you purchase a study guide, yes, there is a lot of reading to do. We designed a DVD to go along with it to help you visually. Those of you who worry about taking written tests....should not worry so much about this, as that part can be taken in one on one conversation. The shoeing, shoe modification and forge work, etc, is at the horse which is what you do every day. (so your forge practice is important.)

Our TESTERS are asked to work with you for as long as it takes, within reason, until you are comfortable.



SouthEastern Farriers & Horseowners Association

4th Annual 2014 Colt Starting Challenge hosted by SEFHA a BWFA Chapter

On Saturday, October 18, 2014, SEFHA will host their 4th Annual Colt Starting Challenge. This contest features full-time horse trainer teams who work within a three-hour radius of Chatham, Virginia. While demonstrating natural horsemanship training, these professionals will take unbroken horses they have never seen before and transform them into relaxed, confident mounts. At the end of the day, the trainers and their equine "students" will compete in an obstacle course to determine the winner of the Colt Starting Challenge.

The Third Annual Colt Starting Challenge is recognized as the biggest and best competition of its kind in the region. Anyone with an interest in natural Horsemanship will be mesmerized by the talents of these three trainer teams, and horse owners looking for a quality trainer will see three teams of the best put their reputations on the line.

When Saturday, October 18, 2014

Video Click <u>here</u> to hear more about our challenge

Location: Old Dominion Agriculture Complex, 19783 US Hwy 29 South, Chatham,

Virginia 24531

Tickets: \$15.00 per person. You can buy tickets at the door. You can also buy tickets via PayPal. If you buy a ticket via PayPal, please PRINT your receipt and bring it with you! *They have photos and a large calendar of events at their website:* www.sefha.net

Email David at sefhal@gmail.com or tugglefoarm@gmail.com

Don't Forget about

Monthly Forge Classes

Contact these TESTERS/Schools for dates and fees:

Arkansas- John Burt, JDC School of Basic Farrier Science, Fouke, 870-653-5766 or 903-293-1113 email: JDCfarrier@cableone.net

Georgia- FNRC/BWFA LaFayette, Forge practice/testing 706-397-8047

email: info@bwfa.net

3rd weekend each month: Fri, Sat, and Sun - attend 1, 2 or 3days

Kansas – Max Williams, Shod Right Apprenticeship Program Cimarron, 417-531-5566

email: shodright@yahoo.com

Kansas – Sean McDonough, Wichita, 316-207-4121 email: equinehoofspecialists@gmail.com

North Carolina-Marcus Pierce, Indian Trail, 704-753-4576

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Oklahoma- CJ Ward, Tulsa, 919-697-7384

email: <u>blackoakforge@hotmail.com</u>

By appointment only

Ohio- Tom Cable, Zanesville, 740-819-5571

email: tomacable@gmail.com
3rd Saturday every month

Pennsylvania- Sonny Pistilli, Far Hills Forge Bethlehem, 610-748-8775 or 908-797-4433 Three-day to one week courses. His Home study course with DVD &handbook is available.

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Master Farrier, of
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along with Jim Chambers, DVM

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We are proud to announce that these retail outlets are now selling this unique book:

AQHA-American Quarter Horse Assoc. Jeffers Vet Supply, Dover Saddlery Montana Emu, Focus on Growth

At left, Link Casey, co-author on behalf of the FNRC.

Cooperation in Vienna, Austria

I am Daniela Schatz, a certified Farrier and a board member of the BWFA. I regularly attend the convention at the Farriers' National Research Center to extend my knowledge and support fellow Farriers as well as horse owners. I have attended every continuing education course offered and enjoy learning all I can. I was born and raised in Austria.

This past May, I visited the Veterinarian Medical University of Vienna which harbors a Horseshoeing School. I met with Wolfgang Hartl, a state certified Farrier, and A. Prof. Dr. HH Florian Buchner, PhD from The Department of Horse Surgery and Department for Small Animals and Horses. We discussed how the School and the University have developed a system of cooperation which has been in force since the beginning of the 1900s. The Farriers provide the skills to manipulate the horse's hoof, while the veterinarians and students document the changes with the help of special equipment and labs. They use cameras, computers, electrodes and other technical gadgets. In cases where the horse needs special attention, the different groups will observe the animal together and consult with each other. Everyone gets to voice their concerns. In the end, the veterinarian has to make the final decision. Sometimes surgery has to be performed.

The two groups are supporting veterinarians to become farriers and vice versa. I was informed that there are only a handful of these "Vet Farriers" in Austria. However, the plan is for many more in the future.

I want to thank Wolfgang Hartl and Dr. Florian Buchner for their time on such a short notice. I really enjoyed my visit and their informative support.

FYI: The Haflinger is the official horse breed of Austria. They are surefooted animal once used by the military as pack horses going into the Alps. They are very strict on the breeding stock there to this day. The famous and high dollar Lipizzan is popular and owned by the very wealthy. Others are heavy horses like the Noriaa. The Hanoverian, Trakehner and Friesian from Germany are also very popular breeds. Most horses there are used in the show arena. It is very costly to own horses just for recreation in



Daniela (at far left) with the girls from Stockhoff's, Elizabeth and Molly with farrier Laura Cole during a past BWFA Convention



This is a photographer's haven. A field of red poppies behind the University. You can see the Donau Tower to the right and the tallest building in Vienna to the left.



View over Vienna with Castle Schoenbrunn, the most famous building in Vienna.



Photo taken from Austria's school website

From Ralph Casey.

Daniela has always taken her farrier role and research very seriously. Knowing that she was taking this trip to her home land, I encouraged her to visit the school for a little more information to report back to the board and membership. Some of us hope to travel there with her in the future. She attended horseshoeing school here in the U.S. and joined the BWFA in 2001. I am proud of her participation....and she is also an accomplished photographer

Barry Denton on Reining Horses

By Barry Denton, BWFA MASTER Farrier, TESTER, Hall of Famer, Past BWFA Board Member of Arizona. (Reprint from 2012)

Reining horses come out of the ground during the slide for a couple of reasons.

Number one: The rider does not have the horse "collected" enough going into the slide. In other words the horse is not in a frame which means bent at the poll, soft in the mouth, an arch in the back which releases the shoulders and hips allowing the horse's rear legs to slide easily.

Number two: The horse does not have enough condition or muscle to hold the slide for an extended period.

Number three: The rider is sitting too far forward hindering the slide. You need to be with or slightly behind the motion.

The horse coming out of the slide has nothing to do with shoeing if the horse is built to slide. I shoe all my reining horses at their normal angle front and hind. The majority of my horses are shod with a sliding plate with a rocker toe and straight branches. This creates the least resistance when sliding.



FYI BWFA HISTORY - News Bulletin from May/June 1992

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The Tennessee Clinic

June 6, 1992 submitted by: Bucky Hatfield, Master Farrier, Master Educator President

Horse owners, farriers and special guests turned out at the White County Fairgrounds in Sparta Tennessee for a warm day of fun, demonstrations, education and contests. The credit for the hard work behind this successful clinic rightfully goes to our B.W.F.A. member, Lonnie Selby and his wife Alice. Lonnie was stricken by a heart attack in the winter of 1991 and has taken life at a slower pace since then, but nothing held him back from planning a fun and successful clinic.

Contests included handmade shoeing, with five classes, \$25.00 going to the first place in each class. The Eagle Eye shoeing contest was won by Scott Ledbetter of Marietta, Georgia. The best shoeing rig judging and prices were provided by the local Nissan and Chevrolet dealers with \$100.00 gift certificates. The winners were T.J. Wyatt of Texas and Jack Miller of Texas. Several companies offered items for the raffle: The Hay Handler, St. Croix Forge, G.E., Delta and Nordic, Hibberts Halters, Farnum and many more. The new canvas apron from Texas Farriers Supply was introduced and well received. It was a successful fund raiser for the B.W.F.A.

Certification was offered at all levels. The Master Farrier Certification was overseen by Jack Miller, Ralph Casey, T.J. Wyatt and myself. I welcome all new members and look forward to seeing you at the First National Annual Convention in November!!



Bucky Hatfield, Lonnie Selby accepting appreciation award, Steve Sandidge, T.J. Wyatt, and Jack Miller At Tennessee Clinic

A GREAT CLINIC IN TEXAS

MAY 2, 1992 submitted by Terry J. Wyatt, B.W.F.A. Tester and Master Farrier

This was one of the best clinics we have had here in Texas in years. The attitudes were good and everyone was friendly. The horse owners and farriers enjoyed the educational programs presented. Elmer Seybold and Ralph Casey presided over the horse owner educational program and many of the farriers attending the clinic pitched right in and offered shoeing demonstrations. This clinic attracted members of the Texas Farriers Association and surrounding states along with B.W.F.A. members. Most everyone left as a B.W.F.A. member. The raffle was fun for everyone. Walt Taylor was present with information and a slide presentation on the World Farriers Association in the evening.

I remember in 1989 when Ralph Casey came to Texas to present the B.W.F.A. Master Educator program. There were only five people in attendance at Elmer Seybold's Horseshoeing School and Ranch. Most people thought the B.W.F.A. and the Master Educators was a great idea but there was still a lot of skepticism. I found out right then that Ralph Casey is one of those positive thinking people who can motivate most any individual who has an open mind. This was further proven by the large number of farriers and horse owners in attendance on May 2, 1992.

Ralph presented a short portion of his Business Strategy and Lecture Clinic to the "Farriers Only" at this clinic. Comments afterwards were: "That man intimidates you to the point that he makes you mad, I mean mad. Mad enough to go out and to something about yourself and your business. He forces you to think!"

I would like to thank the many people who participated in the clinic and helped to organize it: Charles Ward, Elmer Seybold, Clement Stewart, Dale Partin, Jim Johnson, George Norrell, Andy Hitt, C.G. Roye, W.T. Hibbert and John Burt, our new B.W.F.A. Tester in Texarkana. Thank you!

The clinic at Pinedora Stables in Keyser, West Virginia was a success, thanks to B.W.F.A. Horse Owner member and host, Joyce Heinz and Jeff Holt, B.W.F.A. certified farrier.

Joyce is a dedicated horsewoman who is concerned about hoof care and wanted to share the importance of proper shoeing with her clientele, friends and local shop keepers.

Ralph Casey offered the horseowner educational protion, backed up with demonstrations and problem shoeing with B.W.F.A. Certified Farriers Jeff Holt and Ken Haas. UUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUU

Meredith Manor Equestrian Centre & Ron Meredith hosted an educational & shoeing program again this year for their students and local farriers.

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Ace Burdette & Thomas Whaley hosted their clinic in Greenville, S.C. bringing in many new members and introduced us to Natural Product Distributors representative Robert Freidman, D.V.M. as a new member.

FYI BWFA HISTORY - News Bulletin from July/August 1992

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Elmer Seybold, B.W.D.A. Master Farrier and Master Educator, is shown here while presenting a young farrier with a \$50. gift certificate donated from St. Croix. This was taken at the May clinic coordinated by J.J. Wyatt, B.W.J.A. Master Parrier and Tester, at the North Texas Farriers School in Mineral Wells, Texas.



William Stockhoff's & Sons traveled from Kentucky to Tennessee earlier in June to participate in the annual clinic sponsored by Bucky Hatfield, B.W.J.A. Master Educator President and Master Farrier. See you at the Convention! (Ralph Casey for left, Bucky Hatfield for right)



A continued and valued supporter! See You At the Convention!!!

Scenes from the "Business Strategy Lecture" with Ralph Casey in Farmingdale, New Jersey on August 16, 1992





Ralph Casey & Steve Bloom

Our thanks goes out to Steve Bloom, host and owner of the Across the Anvil East Farrier Supply shop and to Rita who worked hard to coordinate this event. Through the pouring dow rain, came farriers from all over northeastern United States. Many were B.W.F.A. members and a large majority of novice and professional farriers who did not belong to a farrier association came to find out "just how they could improve their business with a new kind of business strategy." We won't elaborate on the lecture any further at this time, you will have to attend one to find out what you missed. Needless to say, the participants were fully interested, as they all stayed the full eight hours of the lecture and 90% of the farriers who did not belong to any farrier association, happily joined the B.W.F.A. on that day. Congratulations to each one of you.

Prior to the lecture, a demonstration using the 3-M hoof bonding tape was demonstrated by Tom O'Hare, 3-M representative from Pennsylvania. Bob Peacock of the Farrier Science Clinic in Ohio, graciously donated a new Simonds finishing rasp to each person attending the meeting. Bob represents many products, such as the Champion work belt and Shoe Bond Systems products. Thank you Tom and Bob!



Bob Peacock, Farrier Science Clinic



Our newly appointed TESTER, John Burt along with his wife Doris and young son are already working hard for the B.W.F.A. They attended their local Twin City Rodeo to offer information on the B.W.F.A. and information about the Farriers Research Laboratory to the horse owners. We look forward to coming back out to Texas in November and look forward to seeing John and his family in September at the Laboratory Grand Opening and at the National Convention. Keep up the good work!



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