

#### **BWFA Monthly eNewsletter** Volume 6, Issue 8

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#### Saturday October 25th 9am to Sundown "Free" Fall Clinic for BWFA members and guests

Location: BWFA Headquarters and Farriers' National Research Center & School La Fayette, Georgia

#### Volunteer Lecturers and Clinicians...



Sam Mannira, of Lake City, Florida. BWFA Certified Journeyman Farrier.



Dan Marcum of Texas is a BWFA Certified Master Farrier and Equine Adjuster who developed his Equine Flexion Therapy technique is also a BWFA 2012 Hall of Famer.

#### Your Topics of Interest will be OUR Topics of Interest!

Received from Questionnaires, daily phone calls, emails and face book private inquires, we will address what the every- day WORKING Farrier....encounters while on the JOB!



Doug Eidnier of South Carolina, BWFA Master Farrier, Master Educator School Owner and 2010 Hall of Famer.



Daniel Riffe of Texas BWFA Certified Journeyman Farrier and Professional Blacksmith



Daniela Schatz, originally from Austria, moved to Georgia, attended horseshoeing school and is currently a BWFA Certified Journeyman in the Northern Atlanta area.

About....Dan Marcum and Equine Flexion Therapy

# **Dan will honor the original fee....of \$200. for one day.... \$600 for three days....**Increase in 2015

Introduction on Sat. October 25

EFT Course October 26, 27, 28 Sun, Mon, Tues

- To supplement your income
- Offer your Clients More
- "Learn more than other farriers"
- Stay at the top of the Equine Industry
- Sign up now, 6 students to a class, 706-397-8909



Dan Marcum was born in Driggs, Idaho where he grew up working with horses. In the winter he drove sleighs and spent his summers packing in the mountains. In 1980, he moved to Texas and by 1989 had settled in Kirbyville. He married his wife Kathy in 1992. Dan's daughter, Annie, works for them as a trainer and Kathy's son, Travis, helps out with the maintenance.

The Marcum's operate an all-breed training barn, working with a wide variety of horses. They especially enjoy the Pleasure type Pintos. They attended their first Pinto show in 1994 at the Pinto National Show, and have been back every year since then. One of the things they love about Pintos is the diversity. It fits in with their "specialty" all around horses.

You can check out Dan's 2014 winnings at his face book.

#### Instructor Dan Marcum of Texas

This is a CFE, Continuing Farrier Education Course offered by the FNRC 1 day \$200 or 3 days \$600 - includes Dan's book. For info and slideshows go to www.horseshoentime.tv/eft.html

Click here to find an EFT Specialist

## Equine Flexion Therapy (EFT) Designed by Dan Marcum, Equine Adjuster, Farrier

EFT is a system that Dan has copyrighted from his training and work with his own massage therapy. As a horseman and farrier he saw a need to provide his clients' horses with relief from their rigorous show training and schedules.

The EFT is NOT new, flexion is commonly used in warming up and most trainers and riders adhere to a regiment.

Flexion therapy allows for more flexibility and comfort while aligning the spine without chiropractic adjustments.

Muscle therapy and deep motion flexing can help <u>prevent</u> the spine from being pulled out of alignment.

Thermal imaging before and after is just a good visual for students and (clients) where your hands do the feeling.

This is a great Equine Continuing Education Course as a supplemental income for farriers who WANT to learn and offer more for their customers.

In 2004, Dan attended a Nolan Hoof Plate Specialty Clinic at the FNRC at which time he was not a BWFA certified member. Dan freely offered his knowledge with lights, therapy and, adjustments for the foundered horses brought to us for the Nolan Hoof Plate applications. He witnessed many of the case studies included on the DVD we produced for Mike Nolan. He returned for a BWFA Convention and spent three days successfully completing his Master Farrier Certification under four TESTERS. We quickly scheduled him for 4 EFT clinics at the FNRC the next year. Over 30 individuals; farriers and horse owners have attended since then and eligible to further their education into the next two levels. *The EFT Specialist referral page is listed at the website above.* 

In 2008, Dan joined the BWFA Board of Directors. In 2012, he was inducted into the BWFA Farriers' Hall of Fame along with the other hard workers who are interested in the betterment of the farrier and overall equine industry. He has a wealth of information in riding, training, breeding, massage, flexion, trimming & shoeing...the whole horse.

# Need a Refresher Forge Class?? Hot, Cold and Corrective......



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BWFA Certification Upgrading and Testing
Can be offered for Apprentice and Journeyman levels
(Please see certification requirements at www.bwfa.net for details and test fees)

Testing is NOT required to attend the forge classes, just offered.

A Great Continuing Education Opportunity with CEU offered upon request.

#### 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

**Instructor: Ronney DeBoard, BWFA Master Farrier** with 40 + years' experience

BWFA Certification Chairman & TESTER, 2010 Hall of Fame Inductee

#### Saturday, October 25 Fall Clinic

with BWFA seasoned farriers here to help new members succeed in their farrier careers. This is YOUR chance to meet and greet those who VOLUNTEER their attendance and their knowledge. Admission is free, no vendors, you can watch or you can in and get your hands dirty. The more people attend the more subjects we will address.

(The EFT Course will follow on Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday.)

#### **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 email: dpierce926@aol.com

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

email: <a href="mailto:blackoakforge@hotmail.com">blackoakforge@hotmail.com</a>
<a href="mailto:blackoakforge@hotmail.com">By appointment only</a>

**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.

**Virginia-** David Tuggle, Danville, 434-792-3811

email: tugglefarm@gmail.com





**Billy and Kathy Fortner** are horse owners and members of the Farriers' National Research Center. Kathy is the President of the *NEHRF*, *National Equine Hoof and Research Foundation, Inc.* This non-profit organization works with owners with hoof problem horses brought to the FNRC for farrier advice and services, most of the time, to save their lives and locate new owners to continue the care. They came to the FNRC over 25 years ago with their foundered horse Cisco who lived many more years. They are successful business owners of B & L Electric so they understand the role of farriers in operating their own small businesses. A pair of horse lovers, the message is spread to horse groups, clubs, vet clinics, in articles, etc. They live in Georgia and attend every event offered by the BWFA. They are gracious hosts at their own location as well.

#### About Tom Cable Joined the BWFA in 2006

#### **BWFA Certified Master Farrier, TESTER, Board Member**

A working team Tom, the farrier and Vicki the assistant are also avid hunters and thrill seekers. His travels take him out west where his 8 horse team packs into the Rockies every year for Elk Hunting. His topic is traction and he does a well-rounded workshop on the easy, do's or don'ts and safety using traction devices, etc. This is hard working team, for sure!



Left to Right
John Blombach, Humanitarian of the Year
Ron Dash, Tester of the Year
Ronnie DeBoard, Farrier of the Year
T.J. Wyatt, Clinician of the Year
Our tall Texas friend is
Keith McDonald, Horse Owner of the Year
Ginger Casey, Administrator of the Year
Elmer Seybold, Lifetime Achiever Award

#### about Ronney DeBoard

Joined the BWFA in 1992 BWFA Certified Master Farrier TESTER, Board Member BWFA Master Educator Hall of Famer 2010 BWFA Certification Chairman

Ronney DeBoard began shoeing horses over 31 years ago when decided to pursue Horseshoeing as his career in 1985 with Elmer Seybold pictured at left in 1994, of the North Texas Farriers School in Mineral Wells, Texas. At that time, it was hard and grueling short course with 16 hour days but a lot of good memories. Ronney specializes in therapeutic shoeing and working with other farriers to upgrade their certification. (more at www.bwfa.net)



Photo of Link Casey showing off his hammer made by Daniel at right, 2013.

This year we asked Daniel to hold a workshop at the BWFA fall clinic

To show Farriers how to forge out their own hammers and tools.....just for the cost of the materials.

He wholeheartedly accepted the challenge

About.... Daniel Riffe, Blacksmith, Farrier and Clinician

In September 2009, a very young, Daniel Riffe began volunteering at the George Ranch Historical Park in Richmond, Texas near his home. He was introduced to many of the jobs there but took an interest in the blacksmithing shop and the cattle ranching and horse care.

By January, 2010 he became part of the blacksmithing demonstrations and quickly learned all he could. Through daily practice and instruction he became skilled enough to set up his own smithy and began his own business in the fall of 2010.

Daniel actively sought out other smiths to work under and became very involved with Brian Brazeal and the Houston Area Blacksmiths Association. In the summer of 2012 he was invited to demonstrate with the Young Smiths and Brian Brazeal at the International Conference of the Artistian Blacksmiths Association of North America known as the ABANA. (now this is an honor!)

In the fall of 2012, because of his interest and experience with horses, Daniel attended the Texas State Horseshoeing School under Bucky Hatfield (who has also become a good friend and mentor.)

In the fall of 2012, he returned to Bucky Hatfield in Texas for his BWFA Journeyman I Certification. Bucky, Daniel and his dad Chris Riffe then drove to Georgia to attend the 2012 BWFA Convention to introduce this talented young farrier....and blacksmith...to the membership and get him on the road to upgrading and show off his Blacksmith skills. Everyone present were very impressed and glued in on his technique at making tools. He donated a handmade rounding hammer to the BWFA office and one for the auction and offered "free" advice in working with steel.

In 2013, he continued his farrier education by completing the journeyman farrier course at the Heartland Horseshoeing School in Missouri. *Back to Georgia in the fall of 2013 he* traveled with BWFA members to Kentucky to visit the farrier shop there where we placed our Hall of Fame poster and talked with the farriers and learn the history in the museums.

During the summer of 2014, Daniel again joined the international Young Smiths, this time in Exeter, England. While there he demonstrated and taught forging techniques for hammers and other tools. Currently, Daniel works as a farrier with Randy Estep and Cameron Lapee, Texas while building his own client base. Relocating to Needville, Texas, Daniel has a new smithy shop and continues to work on his blacksmithing skills by forging tools and other projects.



#### About...Sam Mannira Joined the BWFA in 2003 BWFA Certified Journeyman II Farrier

Sam attended horseshoeing school and successfully passed his Apprentice II level of Certification to return home to Lake City, Florida to quickly set up his farrier business. He already had an extensive knowledge in riding, training and working with kids along with his own son and daughter. Clubs, shows, 4-H meetings and clinics are his lifestyle.

Sam will be here this year to offer up his expertise in the

Whole Horse Evaluation to include Nutrition and Dental

The Different Disciplines of riding and the shoeing, setting up in PBM (Proper Balance and Movement) for Performance Quarter Gaited, Dressage and others.

His recent experience in Ranch Sorting, Mounted Cowboy Shooting, and Competition Drill Team Instructor....and how the horse and rider can perform better...which relates back to the farrier.



About Link Casey, BWFA Certified Master Farrier, TESTER BWFA Master Educator BWFA Hall of Famer 2005 BWFA President and Board Member

Link attended his first day of real farrier school at age 13 in 1999, certified as Apprentice I and worked his way up to the Master Farrier Level in 2010. He is the Owner and Operator of the Casey & Son Horseshoeing School in La Fayette, Georgia.

He will be the MC for the clinic this year making sure that each and every new farrier attending receives a hearty welcome and learns from the Clinicians who have volunteered their time and years of knowledge to being here. (more at www.BWFA.net)



About Douglas Eidenier....seen here with his granddaughter and Farrier, Ashley in 2013 Joined the BWFA in 2005
BWFA Certified Master Farrier and TESTER
BWFA Master Educator
BWFA Hall of Famer 2009

Doug has 44 years of experience as a professional farrier and remains active in the field. A portion of Doug's experience and specialty was working with standard bred racehorses from Michigan, Kentucky, Ohio, and Pennsylvania and into South Carolina. He has also worked with all other types of horses from the very large to the very small. For 12 years, he manufactured stand bred harness horseshoes under the name D.E. Forging in Michigan. He received his License from the Racing Commissioner in 1982. He is also a member of the Michigan Horseshoers Association and American Farriers Association.

In 2004, he opened the South Carolina School of Horseshoeing in Aiken. He joined the Brotherhood of Working Farriers Association in 2005 as a Master Farrier, BWFA TESTER and Master Educator.

"I enjoy my work and being around other farriers while sharing knowledge of their input and output and with horse's and people."

His Granddaughter Ashley has been following in his footsteps by training under Doug and received her Apprentice II Certification here in 2013. The two of them have attended every BWFA event offered and Ashley went on to study the EFT with Dan Marcum to include this in their joint farrier team back in South Carolina. (more at www.bwfa.net)

#### FYI....

The BWFA started the first Farriers Hall of Fame beginning in 1992.

The museum opened in 2000.

The BWFA was the first farrier group to invite horse owners to join the membership.

The BWFA was the first to offer more than 2 levels of certification in order to encourage a farrier student to join right out of school.

We offer 7 levels of certification.

The BWFA was designed to have two divisions:

The BWFA for certified farriers and the

BWFA Master Educator School Division.



#### About Daniela Schatz Joined the BWFA in 2006 BWFA Certified Journeyman II Farrier BWFA Board Member

Photo taken at the Kentucky Horse Park in 2013 with members Kathy and Billy Fortner.

Daniela is originally from Austria where her love of horses started and really turned into a profession when she moved to the US...into Georgia and decided to attend Horseshoeing School in 2006 at the Casey & Son Horseshoeing School. At which time she certified for the Apprentice II, became an active member of the FNRC and attended every clinic offered; Nolan Hoof Plate, EFT, Gaited, Apprenticed with several farriers and moved up to Journeyman. Sharing her love of photography and riding, she is all about the equine industry.

Daniela has developed a clientele of customers with problem hooves. Knowing what to do, who to listen to, daily owner responsibility are some of her tips and how to manage a REAL problem, who to ask and how to remain professional with other equine professionals.

The EFT Course has helped her tremendously with understanding the whole horse as well.

#### **BWFA Membership Benefits include:**

Watch Horseshoe'n Time clips at www.youtube.com search Horseshoe'n Time.

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