Sound Strategies For Better Footcare,” the 2018 International Hoof-Care Summit theme, celebrates another gathering of farriers and veterinarians in Cincinnati, Ohio, to improve equine footcare.

Our 15th annual event offers unparalleled equine footcare education through 8 General Sessions, 15 Hoof-Care Classrooms, 25 Hoof-Care Roundtables and 15 How-To Clinics. In addition, attendees will have 9.5 uninterrupted hours to spend at the IHCS Trade Show, which will reveal 2018’s new footcare products, as well as those items farriers have come to rely on for reaching and maintaining better hoof health and quality.

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

Plan Out The Next 4 Days Of Learning And Get The Most Out Your Time At The Summit

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23

7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
“Registration Time.”
— Duke Energy Convention Center,
Second Floor
Pick up Summit materials, including FREE in-depth footcare materials included with registration.

8:30 to 9:30 a.m.,
10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
“Key Nutritional Components For Healthy Hooves and Joints.”
— Room 200-205
Farrier Darren Owen of Life Data Labs will deliver this presentation, which will be held twice.

9:00 to 10:30 a.m.,
10:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.
“Special Footcare Clinic.”
— Room 206
Sponsored by Vettec, these hands-on footcare workshops feature several workstations manned by Vettec clinicians. Take part in or observe these.

All of Tuesday’s morning and afternoon IHCS educational sessions will be held on the second floor of the Duke Energy Convention Center. The Trade Show is on the third floor.

Most Tuesday and Thursday Roundtables will be held at the Hilton Netherland Hotel on the fourth floor. Roundtables 8, 16 and 24 will be held on the hotel’s mezzanine level.
9:30 to 10:30 a.m.,
11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.
“Equine Supplements 101: What You Really Need To Know.”
— Room 207-208

Jessica Normand, SmartPak’s Senior Director of Product Research and Development, will deliver this talk, which will be held twice.

12:50 to 1:10 p.m.
“Sound Strategies For Better Footcare.”
— Rooms 200-205

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

1:10 to 1:50 p.m.
“Foal To Maturity: A Discussion Of Comparative Anatomy (Part 1).”
— Rooms 200-205

Farriers understand that the foal’s bones are still developing in the early months of the horse’s life. But what specifically are the differences between the immature and mature foot. In this presentation, Paige Poss of Tucson, Ariz., will survey the anatomy of these structures, first by discussing how the immature bone responds and adapts as it grows to maturity.

Why You Shouldn’t Miss This:
Gain insights on how forces affect the young equine foot.

2:00 to 2:15 p.m.
“Hallway Networking Opportunities.”
Stretch your legs while sharing footcare ideas with others. Attendees find all of the hallway-networking opportunities alone are well worth the price of attending the Summit.

2:05 to 2:55 p.m.
“Foal To Maturity: A Discussion Of Comparative Anatomy (Part 2).”
— Rooms 200-205

In the continuation of this lecture, Stuart Muir of Rood & Riddle Equine Hospital in Lexington, Ky., covers shoeing options in relation to assessment, growth plate education and a new grading scale they’ve adopted at the clinic. The talk goes into all common and not so common issues, including flexural deformities and treatment of club-footed foals. He’ll also survey several treatment options utilized by the footcare team at his clinic.

Why You Shouldn’t Miss This:
Learn what you can do to help limb correction and various correction techniques in relation to different abnormalities young horses exhibit.

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Come see us at booth 417
2:55 to 3:10 p.m.
“Best Speaker Recognition
And Other Awards.”
— Rooms 200-205

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

3:10 to 4:25 p.m.
“5 ‘How-To’ Hoof-Care
Product Knowledge Clinics.”

We’re offering a series of informative “How-To” clinics. You’ll select three of these 20-minute sessions to attend. (Each “How-To” session will be held 3 times during this time block.)
1. Shiny, Glossy Hair Coat – Crappy Feet: What’s Missing?
   — Rooms 200-205
   Mike Barker, Life Data Labs
2. Practical Advice For Using Pour-In Pads.
   — Room 206
   Todd Allen, Vettec
3. Helping Clients Select A Hoof Supplement
   — Room 207-208
   Danvers Child and Jessica Normand, SmartPak

4. Leverage Evaluating And Managing.
   — Room 211
   Gene Ovnicek, Equine Digit Support System
5. A Few Lessons From More Than 50 Years As A Farrier.
   — Room 212
   Horseshoeing Charlie and David Kimbrough, Spurr’s Big Fix

4:25 to 5:15
“Take A Break On Your Way To The Hilton Netherland Hotel.”

Head over from the Duke Energy Center to our host hotel during this short break and get ready for a double block of roundtables.

5:15 to 6:15 p.m. “8 Informative And Inspiring Hoof-Care Roundtables.”

NOTE THE NEW, EARLIER TIME FOR THE TUESDAY NIGHT ROUNDTABLE COMPARED TO PREVIOUS SUMMITS.

ALL HOOF-CARE ROUNDTABLES ARE AT THE HILTON NETHERLAND HOTEL. MOST ROUNDTABLES WILL BE ON THE FOURTH FLOOR, BUT THREE ROUNDTABLES WILL BE ON THE MEZZANINE LEVEL IN THE CONTINENTAL ROOM.

We listened to you and shifted this session to an earlier time than previous Summits. These small group settings (25 held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings) offer a remarkable learning atmosphere for information sharing.

Select one of the following 8 Hoof-Care Roundtables to attend. Topics and moderators are:
   This Roundtable will introduce two upcoming Summit lectures and analyze feral limbs from the December 2017 American Farriers Journal special report — utilizing anatomy models relevant to specific program topics. Travis Burns, Andrew van Eps and Steve Kraus will use Horse Science models from Allie Hayes as a “warm-up” to give you a head start on the terminology and anatomy that’s part of later presentations and a report you also will receive at the Summit. Attendees will rotate between three tables in 20-minute sessions. (This session will be repeated at 8:30 p.m. as Hoof-Care Roundtable #9.)
   — Rosewood Room

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

2. Leverage Considerations For Farriers.
   — Rookwood Room
   Randy Luikart, Ashland, Ohio
3. How Do You Read The Horse And What Are You Looking At?
   — Salon H and I
   Todd Allen, Vandergrift, Pa.
4. What’s Your Problem-Solving Process In Therapeutic Cases?
   — Salon F and G
   Steve Prescott, Raleigh, N.C.
5. Dealing With The Heels During The Shoeing Cycle.
   — Salon D and E
   Danvers Child, Lafayette, Ind.
6. Simple Ways For Farriers To Grow Revenue And Decrease Expenses.
   — Salon B and C
   Esco Buff, Webster, N.Y.
7. Managing The Club-Footed Horse.
   — Caprice 2 and 3
   Bob Smith, Pacific Coast Horseshoeing School, Plymouth, Calif.
8. For New Farriers (Apprentice To Third Year) Only.
(This session will focus on building a farrier business geared for success.)
— Continental Room (On the Mezzanine Level)
James Gilchrist, Wellington, Fla., and Adam Wynbrandt, Sacramento, Calif.

6:15 to 7:15 p.m.

8. More Hoof-Care Roundtables.”
Select another Hoof-Care Roundtable to share what’s working for you, ask questions and learn from other attendees.

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

— Rookwood Room
Doug Anderson, Mt. Airy, Md.

11. Trends That Affect How We Shoe Hunters/Jumpers.
— Salon H and I
Dave Farley, Coshocton, Ohio

12. Tackling Hoof Wall Separations.
— Rookwood Room
Darren Owen, Scottsville, Va.
— Salon F and G

— Salon D and E
Curtis Burns, Royal Palm Beach, Fla.

— Salon B and C
Dr. Frank Reilly, West Chester, Pa., and Luke Farmer, Murillo, Ontario

15. Photography From Your Phone: Ideas On How To Improve Client Interaction Through Technology
— Caprice 2 and 3
Dave Richards, Southern Pines, N.C.

16. For New Farriers (Apprentice To Third Year) Only.
(This session will focus on avoiding mistakes that will damage your practice.)
— Continental Room (On the Mezzanine Level)
James Gilchrist, Wellington, Fla., and Adam Wynbrandt, Sacramento, Calif.

After The Roundtables.
“Dinner And Networking.”

With the first day wrapped up, continue your education by taking advantage of the gathering of hoof-care professionals to make new friends and get answers to your footcare questions.
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**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24**

7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. “Registration Time.”
— Duke Energy Convention Center, Second Floor

If you haven’t registered, pick up your guide to the Summit, along with extra gifts from *American Farriers Journal* and sponsors.

8:00 to 8:05 a.m. “Get The Most Out Of Your Time At The IHCS.”
— Rooms 200-205

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

8:05 to 8:55 a.m. Development Of A Biomechanical System For Equine Analysis (Part 1).
— Rooms 200-205

Curious about forces on the foot in the dynamic state, Italian farrier Dominico Cellaro became inspired to create his own system for measurement. But it isn’t just a machine used as a novelty. Through his research, he’s uncovering interesting findings that help us understand how horseshoes affect the different gaits in relation to ground reaction forces.

**Why You Shouldn’t Miss This:** You’ll gain insight on how forces affecting the foot have a negative impact on the foot.

8:55 to 9:00 a.m. “Recognizing Summit Mail-In Forging Exercise Winner.”
— Rooms 200-205

Find out who submitted the best contest shoe (plain stamped bar shoe). This IHCS contest is sponsored by VICTORY. See the top shoes on display in the AFJ booth during the three Wednesday and Thursday Trade Show sessions.

9:00 to 9:50 a.m. “The Burney Chapman Memorial Lecture, Presented by Life Data Labs — Understanding The Basic Mechanisms That Lead To Laminitis In Different Situations.”
— Rooms 200-205

We know conditions like obesity or contralateral leg lameness can lead to laminitis.

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

Get your first glimpse of all of the new products for 2018 and talk one-on-one with company experts. You also can purchase a lunch so you can take advantage of this opportunity to meet with and discuss ideas with more than 130 Trade Show exhibitors.

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

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

**Hoof-Care Classroom #1**

“**BETTER BUSINESS PRACTICES: What Does It Cost You To Shoe Each Horse?**”
— Rooms 200-205

The most common way that farriers gauge the profitability of their businesses is by determining what it costs to shoe each horse. The key to making this work is examining a complete picture. Kentucky farrier Pat Broadus and Indiana farrier Danvers Child will survey some of these often overlooked elements. They will also share some other factors you need to consider to make sure your practice is moving in the right direction financially.

**Why You Shouldn’t Miss This:**
Take away key points that will help you prevent a loss of income by not charging enough or eliminating needless expenses.

**Hoof-Care Classroom #2**

“**Effective Strategies For Battling White Line Disease.**”
— Room 206

One of the more common problems Travis Burns encounters in his practice is white line disease. In this presentation, the Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine farrier will explain the cause and effect of it, showing what is truly being damaged. He will share his tips for success, including debridement, shoeing options and the client’s role in aftercare.

**Why You Shouldn’t Miss This:**
Improve your chances for success by gaining this advice for managing this foot condition.

**Hoof-Care Classroom #3**

“**Traction Considerations To Help, Not Hinder, The Performance Horse.**”
— Room 207-208

Shoeing since 1979, Lexington, Ky., farrier Bobby Menker has shod performance horses of all kinds, including winning horses in both English and Western disciplines. In this fast-paced session, he will survey a variety of cases among a variety of disciplines giving his input on what should be considered for better use of traction. He’ll also talk about how traction needs

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Hoof-Care Classroom #4

“WHOLE HORSE APPROACH: Is Saddle Fit The Problem?”
— Room 211
Farriers are aware that poor fitting horse-shoes can cause discomfort and lameness in horses. Unfortunately, many do not realize that poor fitting saddles can cause lameness, gait faults, shoeing problems and even personality problems. Cornell University farrier Steve Kraus will show why it is vital to be able to recognize problems and how to best handle them. He’ll also explain how appropriate, skillful farriery needs to be in concert not only with saddlery, but other equine care issues.

Why You Shouldn’t Miss This:
Help inform clients of issues related to a poor fitting saddle that you notice through evaluating their horses at work.

Hoof-Care Classroom #5

“Adhesive Options In Relation To Foot Type.”
— Room 212
Glue is a widely used solution for a variety of hoof-care problems. Stuart Muir of Rood & Riddle Equine Hospital in Lexington, Ky., finds there is much that the everyday practitioner needs to consider. In this presentation, he will cover shoe selection, determining when you use which method depending on the foot type, modifications, tips and case studies. He will examine both direct and indirect methods.

Why You Shouldn’t Miss This:
Learn the essential steps to improve your work with adhesives so you can have another effective tool in your toolbox of footcare solutions.

2:15 to 2:30 p.m.
“Valuable Hallway Networking Time.”
Stretch your legs and share the latest footcare ideas with fellow attendees before this afternoon’s general session gets underway.

2:30 to 2:40 p.m.
“2017 Rising Shoeing Star Awards.” — Rooms 200-205
This program honors three outstanding students who are earning a living as farriers just 3 years after graduating in 2014 from one of North America’s more
than 50 public and private horseshoeing schools. The program’s goal is to promote the importance of continuing footcare education, while encouraging young shoers to develop the talents needed for a successful career.


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2:40 to 3:30 p.m.
Advancing Farriery Lecture, Presented by Castle Plastics — “P3 Angle And Its Relationship To Hoof Wall Angle.” — Rooms 200-205

Does P3 bone angle dictate hoof wall angle? In his research, Straffordshire, England, farrier Jonathan Nunn set out to answer his question. Through his work of analyzing 100 front and hind cadaver limbs, Nunn investigated the variation of angles of P3 to test the hypothesis of angular similarity of bone morphology to hoof wall angle. This research helped earn Nunn a Fellowship of the Worshipful Company of Farriers.

Why You Shouldn’t Miss This:
Leave with a better understanding of the hoof angle in relation to P3 and how that might affect your approach to footcare.

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

Here’s your second chance to talk over new products and existing product applications with key industry leaders.

7:30 to 9:00 p.m.
“American Association Of Professional Farriers/International Association Of Professional Farriers Annual Meeting.”
— Hilton Netherland, Continental Room on the Mezzanine level

All Summit attendees are invited to the AAPF/IAPF’s annual meeting, where you will hear about the group’s previous year’s activities and look ahead to the plans for 2018-2019.

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8:00 to 8:05 a.m.  
“Latest Summit News.”  
— Rooms 200-205
Get the latest International Hoof-Care Summit updates from American Farriers Journal staff members.

8:05 to 8:50 a.m.  
“How Effective Are Shock Reduction Solutions In Reducing Injury?”  
— Rooms 200-205
Royal Veterinary College researcher Amy Barstow has been investigating the effect of modern shoeing materials on foot-surface impact shock in horses. It is thought that high levels of impact shock and the subsequent high frequency vibrations that occur during foot-surface impact can be related to joint pathology and lameness. There has been a lot of work to develop riding surfaces that can help improve high levels of impact shock, but how many horses have access to these surfaces? She will share how she investigated impact shock on horses and the results of 3 years’ worth of impact-shock reduction research.

Why You Shouldn’t Miss This:  
See how impact shock could have a correlation to issues you are trying to manage in equine lameness.

10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.  
“Your Last ‘Tool-Time’ Opportunity — Trade Show Wrap-Up.”  
— Rooms 200-205
Here’s your final opportunity to check out new footcare products for 2018. Lunch will be available for purchase in the Trade Show area.

1:30 to 1:45 p.m.  
“Networking Break.”  
— Rooms 200-205
Take a break after spending time at the Trade Show and share the product knowledge you gained before the next classroom sessions begin.

1:45 to 2:45 p.m.  
“5 More Hoof-Care Classrooms.”  
— Rooms 200-205
From among 5 Hoof-Care Classrooms, select the one that will have the biggest impact on your footcare practice in 2018.

Hoof-Care Classroom #6  
“Negative Angle Of P3: A Positive Approach.”  
— Room 200-205
In his previous lecture, British farrier Jonathan Nunn shared his research on the relationship between P3 and hoof angles. In this, he takes a more practical approach to P3 misalignment. He’ll review structures and anatomy commonly affected by palmar/plantar de-rotation of P3. He’ll pull from case studies in his practice to show how he treats negative palmar/plantar angle of P3 with modern shoeing methods.

Why You Shouldn’t Miss This:  
Get new ideas on how you can help horses that present a negative palmar/plantar angle.

Hoof-Care Classroom #7  
“Radiographs In The Use Of Farriery.”  
— Room 206
The common use of radiographs has helped improve equine care. But when presented with a radiograph, what considerations should you give as a farrier to its interpretation? In this presentation, Scott Pleasant of the Virginia-Maryland College of Veterinary Medicine will pull from cases he’s worked on to give insights on using radiographs in shoe placement. His presentation also will show whether what we expect will happen to the foot does with pre- and post-shoeing radiographs.

Why You Shouldn’t Miss This:  
Pick up information to help you read radiographs when a veterinarian provides them to you in terms of how you should shoe the horse.

Hoof-Care Classroom #8  
“SHOEING FOR SPECIFIC NEEDS: Maintaining The Long Foot.”  
— Room 207-208
Ashland, Ohio, farrier Randy Luikart has spent decades shoeing the American Saddlebred. In this talk, he’ll explain how management of the longer hoof by positional alignment of the hoof with the three axis of the limb by using arc support mechanics and weight bearing evaluation (visual) works. He’ll review
methods for maintaining and repairing these feet in relation to his work with the Saddlebred. He’ll remove some of the mystery to trimming these horses if they are foreign to your practice.

**Why You Shouldn’t Miss This:** Get tips for improving your work with long-footed horses.

**Hoof-Care Classroom #9**

“**BETTER BUSINESS PRACTICES: Liability Law And The Farrier Business.**”

— Room 211

Before she became a farrier, Mary Bramley worked as an attorney. One area she sees her farrier colleagues confused about is how to classify their businesses. Whether a limited liability company other
classification, what are the advantages and disadvantages? And when trouble comes, which one will protect you, your business and your assets? The Massachusetts farrier will give you the clear picture.

**Why You Shouldn’t Miss This:**
Gain suggestions for protecting your business from potentially crippling legal damages.

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**Hoof-Care Classroom #10**

**“WHOLE HORSE APPROACH: Muscle Therapy That Can Help You And The Horse When You Work With It.”**
— Room 212

Australian muscle therapist Gary Wells will deliver a presentation focusing on a specifically designed muscle horse therapy course for farriers. This course will deliver two human muscle adjustments specifically designed to release the arms, neck, shoulders and back of the hard working farrier. He’ll also present clinical assessment of fetlock and hoof torques to provide an equilibrium of forces about the distal limb for weight bearing and swing phase function.

**Why You Shouldn’t Miss This:**
The release technique will allow the farrier to soften and balance a horse in minutes where necessary.

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2:45 to 3:00 p.m.

**“Networking Break.”**
Take a few well-deserved minutes to stretch, relax and swap footcare ideas with others before this afternoon’s general session gets underway.

3:00 to 3:20 p.m.

**“2018 International Halls Of Fame Induction.”**
— Rooms 200-205

The American Farriers Journal staff will introduce inductees into the 2018 International Horseshoeing Hall Of Fame and the 2018 International Equine Veterinarian Hall Of Fame with moving video tributes.

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3:20 to 4:15 p.m.

**“Treatment And Management Strategies For Acute And Chronic Laminitis.”**
— Rooms 200-205

In his previous presentation, University of Pennsylvania researcher Dr. Andrew van Eps discussed our understanding of causes of laminitis. In this talk he’ll go through options for managing the acute or chronic laminitic horse. This presentation is not just on shoeing and using orthotics, but also offers more general management and basic medical strategies for a holistic understanding. He says it’s important to realize that you often can’t fix laminitis by only addressing hoof care.

**Why You Shouldn’t Miss This:**
Increase your value to clients by becoming better informed in treatment tactics if their horse becomes laminitic.

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4:15 to 5:05 p.m.

**“Simple Steps For Evaluating Your Work.”**
— Rooms 200-205

Farriers must evaluate their work, especially when working alone.
Dusty Franklin of the Five Star Horseshoeing School in Minco, Okla., says he’s developed techniques for examining his own work. Ultimately it will be the horse that determines the job you did, but to cut down on costly mistakes, his techniques will give you better insight.

**Why You Shouldn’t Miss This:**
Learn practical and efficient steps for looking at your own work to improve your overall work with horses.

5:15 to 5:50 p.m.
“How To Fix Quarter Cracks.”
— Rooms 200-205

Marblehead, Ohio, farrier and veterinarian Adam Pendleton finds there is extensive disinformation on addressing hoof wall distortions in relation to quarter cracks. In this presentation, he’ll review how some common approaches

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don’t actually fix the problem. Furthermore, he finds contemporary management of the issue falls short and tends to be a poor approach to quarter cracks. He’ll share his theory of treatment and provide additional guidelines for management of quarter cracks and associated pain.

**Why You Shouldn’t Miss This:**
If you work with horses that frequently present quarter cracks, this talk will help you reevaluate your approach to addressing the problem.

6:30 to 7:30 p.m.
“9 More Powerful Hoof-Care Roundtables.”

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**Dr. Adam Pendleton**

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17. **How To Tell Clients Things They Don’t Want To Hear**
   — Rosewood Room
   Daisy Bicking, Parkesburg, Pa.

18. **What Kind Of Clients Do You Want?**
   — Rookwood Room
   Gary Gatts, Fredericktown, Pa.

19. **Rehabilitation For Foot And Hoof Injuries.**
   — Salon H and I
   Tim Cable, Blasdell, N.Y.

20. **Effectively Managing Long Toe-Underrun Heel Cases.**

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This is the final block of classrooms, which run five simultaneously. Attend the Hoof-Care Classroom that will have the biggest impact on your 2018 footcare work.

Hoof-Care Classroom #11

How To Improve Your Horsemanship As A Farrier.”
— Rooms 200-205

Horsemanship is a necessary skill of every farrier, but some feel it has become less emphasized by farriers. If you need to improve your horsemanship skills, come to Tim Cable’s presentation. The Bladsell, N.Y., farrier shares his insights from his multi-generational farrier family and honed from his work across several disciplines.

Why You Shouldn’t Miss This:
Learn new techniques for working with horses that will improve your efficiency.

Hoof-Care Classroom #12

“How To Improve Your Horsemanship As A Farrier.”
— Room 206

Lameness recognition is an important function of the farrier when looking at a horse in motion. Sometimes the indicators are not so obvious. In this presentation, Royal Veterinary College researcher Dr. Amy Barstow will discuss practices of lameness detection, and then lead an interactive discussion of a variety of cases. Attendees will be given the opportunity to vote on which leg is presenting the lameness by using a wireless voting tool. Barstow will read the results in real-time and reveal the actual problem limb and cause.

Why You Shouldn’t Miss This:
Tips on how to enhance your ability to investigate lamenesses in the horses you work with.

Hoof-Care Classroom #13

“Which Leg Is It: An Interactive Discussion Of Lameness.”
— Room 207-208

In his previous session, Italian farrier Domenico Cellaro shared how he developed his machine to measure...
effect of ground reaction forces. In this talk, he’ll show how he was inspired to make this machine, how he built it and the future implications of his work with it.

Why You Shouldn’t Miss This:
If you are interested in footcare research on a individual basis, you’ll learn tips for moving your work ahead.

Hoof-Care Classroom #14

“BEETTER BUSINESS PRACTICES: The Keys To A Successful Multi-Farrier Practice.”
— Room 211

Woodbine, Md., farrier Tom Parris says it is critical for a multi-farrier business to provide excellent customer service. In the presentation, he’ll talk about that and his model for a
multi-farrier practice. Obviously, business management is key to balancing the books on 700 horses, but there are some things Parris says are crucial that you may be surprised by.

**Why You Shouldn’t Miss This:**
Learn the essentials if you want to change your business into a multi-farrier practice.

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**Hoof-Care Classroom #15**

“WHOLE HORSE APPROACH: Support Your Hoof Care And Open A New Dialogue With Clients.”
— Room 212

Dr. Patricia Bona provided an introduction to equine posture in her previous lecture. In this talk, she will continue with evaluating myofascial restrictions due to various issues. Also learn to recognize the altered posture caused by “conditions” of plantar fasciitis, rotator cuff syndrome and tennis elbow in horses to help restore good posture from the feet up and the top down. She also will share her thoughts on how the whole horse team can collaborate on these matters.

**Why You Shouldn’t Miss This:**
Empower your practice with information that can help you identify problems outside of typical footcare and alert your clients.

9:30 to 9:45 a.m.
“Networking Break.”

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

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**9:45 to 10:35 a.m.**
— Rooms 200-205

One of the most popular lecturers throughout the history of the Summit is Ashland, Ohio, farrier Randy Luikart. He’s presented a few lectures over the years reviewing topics associated with equine biomechanics. For this presentation, he’ll review the highlights from these talks, including how the horse’s movement requires the foot and leg to operate mechanically in two roles, load acceptance and load application. Luikart will use physics to give a clearer picture of equine motion.

**Why You Shouldn’t Miss This:**
Walk away with a fresh perspective on issues facing this anatomy and ideas on managing them.
10:35 to 11:25 a.m.
The Working As A Team Lecture (Part 1), Presented by Dechra: “Causes And Diagnosis Of Problems With The Navicular Apparatus: The Veterinarian’s Perspective.” — Rooms 200-205

In this lecture, we pair a veterinarian and farrier who work together to address a common foot problem. In the first talk, Dr. Scott Pleasant of the Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine will first survey anatomy of the navicular apparatus and then discuss the factors that lead to injury. He’ll explain how diagnostics help paint a picture of what the issue is and what to communicate to the farrier who will manage the footcare.

Why You Shouldn’t Miss This: Learn the causes of navicular apparatus injury to help in the management of the horse.

11:25 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine farrier Travis Burns will explain the importance of communication with the vet to create a solution to address this issue. He’ll cover several considerations of shoeing options available to the farrier, as well as what you should think about when determining application of the shoe or alternative device.

Why You Shouldn’t Miss This: When dealing with navicular issues, you’ll learn effective solutions and how to work as a team to help the horse.

12:15 to 1:45 p.m.
Friday Lunchtime Panel, Presented By Delta Mustad Hoofcare Center: “Thoughts On Shoeing For Performance.” — Rooms 200-205

There is no set recipe for helping a horse improve its performance through footcare. There are considerations that each farrier goes through in the evaluation and shoeing that are particular to their practices. In this session three farriers will share cases that exhibit how they approach helping a horse reach its full potential.

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Why You Shouldn’t Miss This:
This session will give you advice for effectively managing some issues related to the hinds.

1:45 to 2:35 p.m.
“Effect Of Different Riding Terrains On Hoof Wall Performance In The Barefoot And Booted Horse.”
— Rooms 200-205

The hoof is subjected to potential damage when encountering different terrains while riding. Western Kentucky University researcher Dr. Jennifer Gill and farrier Chuck York measured hoof performance while exercising horses on three different terrains while barefoot and wearing a hoof boot. During the 6-week study, hoof cracks, chips and wear were recorded through visual assessment and digital camera imaging pre- and post-exercise. Kinematics was assessed using video recording during exercise while barefoot and booted on the different terrains.

Why You Shouldn’t Miss This:
Gain insight on how the foot protection appliance you choose and terrain can affect hoof health.

2:35 to 2:50 p.m.
Closing Remarks.
— Rooms 200-205

We’ll close the 15th annual International Hoof-Care Summit with James Gilchrist’s inspirational presentation that will fire you up to head home and use the knowledge you’ve gained.

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