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**AAEP NEWS**

**Send us a photo of your passion outside of practice**

The Annual Convention in Las Vegas will feature a video tribute to our members’ passions outside of daily practice, and we need to see you in action! Whether you scuba dive, coach a Little League team or ride horses, please send a photo of yourself engaged in your favorite activity to Sally Baker at sbaker@aaep.org by Nov. 2.

**New feature added to Avenues: Internship review rating**

Adding value for both interns and Avenues practices, members who participate in an Avenues internship now have the ability to review their internship experience. The reviews can be viewed at the bottom of each Avenues internship profile. The review consists of a star rating, two questions and a comment box. If you are a past Avenues intern, we encourage you to go to your practice's Avenues profile and rate your experience. Click [here](#) to look at practice profiles or rate your experience.

**October issue of EVE available on the AAEP Publications app**

The October 2015 issue *Equine Veterinary Education* is now available on the AAEP publications app. *EVE* will be mailed to all members this week. Use your AAEP website login to access the publications app. Download it from your app store today!
Touch: Equine Dental Care Guidelines provide a checklist for patient care
Dental care can be opportunity for service growth if you have the necessary training and skills. Review the AAEP Touch Equine Dental Care Guidelines to ensure comprehensive protocols for your clients.

Member benefit spotlight: AAEP Rounds
Collaborate with your peers immediately on a wide variety of topics through AAEP Rounds or the General Discussion List. These e-mail listserv groups are designed for interactive discussions with your peers about topics within equine medicine. Click here to subscribe to the Rounds list of your choice.

Equine Veterinary Journal: Featured papers of interest

A scoring system using a straightforward, quick and potentially cost-effective ultrasonographic technique can be used to reliably detect clinically significant ascarid burdens.

**Risk factors for post anaesthetic colic** - Jago R.C., Corletto F. and Wright I.M.
Gastrointestinal complications account for 50% of post-anaesthetic complications in this study, with a significantly increased risk in Thoroughbreds compared to other breeds, and when sodium benzyl penicillin was used as antimicrobial cover. The use of butorphanol peri-operatively appeared to reduce the risk.

CONTINUING EDUCATION
Hotel savings extended until Oct. 20!
If you have not yet made your hotel reservation, we encourage you to do so by Oct. 20 in order to receive substantial savings. To get started, visit the Hotel Accommodations tab on the AAEP Convention website page. You can book directly through the link for your preferred hotel among Mandalay Bay or Delano. Please note: The AAEP block at the Luxor is full.

Reminder: Podiatry Workshop now full
The Podiatry Workshop on Saturday, Dec. 5, is closed for registrations and all those on the waiting list who received a spot in the workshop have been notified.

Submit donated items for Foundation Celebration auctions by Nov. 3
For more information on the Dec. 8 Foundation Celebration, auctions and/or to make a donation, click here.

Thanks to Zoetis for its sponsorship of the Foundation Celebration.

Enter the Foundation Benefit Golf Tournament - Deadline Nov. 6
For more information on the Dec. 4 Foundation Golf Scramble and/or to enter, click here.

Thanks to Patterson Veterinary, Equine Division for its sponsorship of the Foundation Benefit Golf Tournament.

Registration now open for Resort Symposium!
Warm sun, soft white sand and turquoise Caribbean waters await when the AAEP’s 18th Annual Resort Symposium heads to Barbados, Jan. 25-27, 2016. Register now for your little slice of heaven.
INDUSTRY NEWS

FDA still needs AAEP member input on antiparasitic drug use and resistance in horses
In September, the FDA Center for Veterinary Medicine launched a survey about antiparasitic drug use and resistance in ruminants and horses and they still need your input. Responses will directly impact future educational outreach efforts to encourage the sustainable use of approved antiparasitic drugs and various strategies to slow the development of resistance. Click here to access the survey link. If you have any questions, please contact Emily Smith, DVM, at (240) 402-0576 or emily.smith2@fda.hhs.gov.

National Equine Veterinary Economic Study results – Management Practices
Results of a National Equine Veterinary Economic Study are being released in a series of six topics. The series' fourth topic - Management Practices - is now available. The study was conducted by AAEP Educational Partner Merck Animal Health and Henry Schein Animal Health, with support from the AAEP. Create a free account on the site to access the results in the document library. Results and updates can be found here.

REGULATORY NEWS

Cobalt thresholds in effect in California
A cobalt limit went into effect October 5 in California horse racing following the Office of Administrative Law’s approval of a regulatory amendment adopted by the California Horse Racing Board in August. Learn more.

EQUINE DISEASE NEWS

AAEP Resource: Revised Biosecurity Guidelines for Control of Venereally Transmitted Diseases now available
An AAEP-member review task force has reviewed and revised the Biosecurity Guidelines for Control of Venereally Transmitted Diseases. The emphasis of these guidelines is to control the transmission of; Taylorella equigenitalis (Contagious Equine Metritis Organism; CEMO), Equine arteritis virus (EAV), and Equine herpesvirus-3 (EHV-3; equine coital exanthema virus). To access the guidelines, click here.
Parx quarantine for EHV to last until Oct. 29
An equine herpesvirus quarantine at Parx Racing will remain in place until Oct. 29, provided no other horses test positive for the disease. Horses are allowed to ship into Parx to race, according to Sam Elliott, director of racing, but they will not be able to leave the grounds during the quarantine. Learn more.


Third case of EEE confirmed in New York
A horse from Hopkinton tested positive for the Eastern equine encephalitis virus according to the St. Lawrence County Public Health Director James O. Rich. This is the third confirmed case in the state this year involving horses. More.


Related:
- Third case of EEE in a Virginia horse for 2015

VS now reported statewide in Wyoming
Wyoming State Veterinarian Dr. Jim Logan reports the Vesicular Stomatitis Virus outbreak has now been documented throughout the state. Wyoming’s most recent outbreaks of VS were in 2005 and 2006. Learn more.

Courtesy of county10.com.

Related:
- Positive VS diagnosis in 14 Colorado counties
- Vesicular Stomatitis Situation Report - USDA/APHIS/VS

Four Kentucky horses with equine infectious anemia euthanized
Four horses were euthanized in Kentucky after testing positive for equine infectious anemia (EIA). They are the first cases in the state since 2007. Find out more.
Oregon horse tests positive for WNV
A horse from Eagle Point, Oregon, sampled on Sept. 25, has tested positive for West Nile virus (WNV). More.

Related:
- Two new equine cases of WNV reported in Kentucky - Courtesy of www.thehorse.com.

FOUNDATION NEWS

2016 Calendars now on sale
Provide a gift for your clients and at the same time help the Foundation. The 2016 AAEP Horse Sense calendars are now on sale here.

OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS

- An equine practice in Wilmington, N.C., is expanding and looking to add a third equine veterinarian to its staff. The successful candidate will be an enthusiastic, motivated individual who enjoys veterinary medicine and has a strong equestrian background. The fully-equipped practice has digital X-ray, digital ultrasound, shockwave, upper airway endoscope, gastroscope, and in-house bloodwork capabilities. The practice does a large amount of sports medicine and reproduction. Contact Virginia Reagan at ginger@reaganequine.com if you are interested in joining the team.

- An equine practice is looking for a boarded surgeon with at least three years experience. This position will require leadership as well as ownership responsibilities at a state-of-the-art hospital in horse country outside of Houston, Texas. Complete financing available for the right individual. Interested surgeons should contact Dr. Scott Swerdlin at (561) 346-4703. Additionally, please submit your C.V. to scott.swerdlin@equineclinic.com.