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AAEP issues white paper on ending the soring of Tennessee Walking Horses

Calling it one of the most significant welfare issues affecting any equine breed or discipline, the AAEP issued recommendations on Aug. 7 for eliminating the abusive practice within the Tennessee Walking Horse industry known as soring. Soring is the infliction of pain to create an extravagant or exaggerated gait in horses for training or show purposes.

Even though soring is prohibited by the federal Horse Protection Act of 1970, some within the industry still abuse horses. Its continued practice is documented by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's issuance of 103 competitor violations during the 2007 Tennessee Walking Horse Celebration, the industry's championship event.

"As an organization with the primary mission of protecting the health and welfare of the horse, the AAEP is strongly opposed to soring," said AAEP President Dr. Eleanor Green. "This wonderful breed must be preserved and protected in a climate in which its future is not challenged by the practice of soring. The true measure of success will be that soring no longer exists because the Tennessee Walking Horse industry itself brought it to an abrupt end."

Key points in the white paper, "Putting the Horse First: Veterinary Recommendations for Ending the Soring of Tennessee Walking Horses," include:

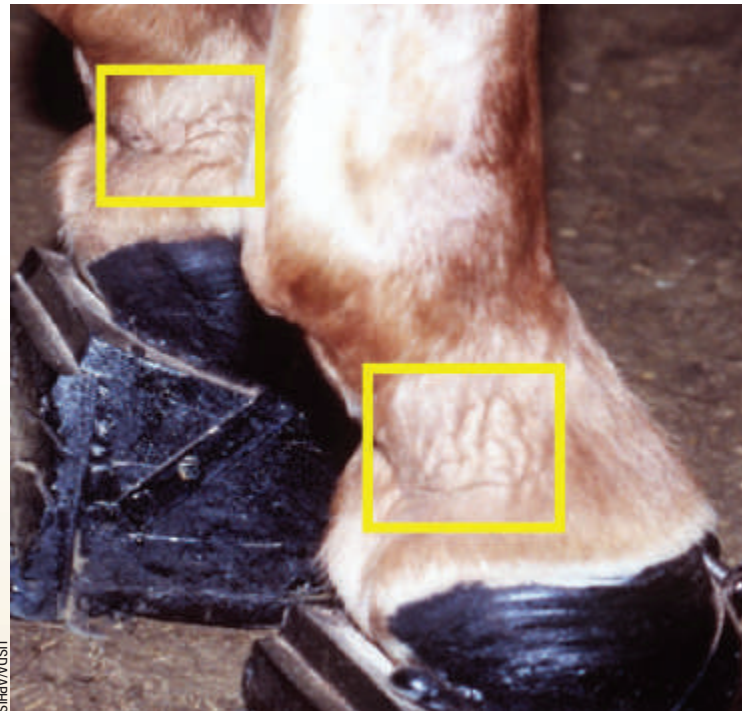
- Immediate institution of drug testing at every competition.
- The abolishment of the Designated Qualified Persons (DQP) Program and the establishment of a corps of independent veterinarians to conduct horse inspections and impose sanctions for violations of the Horse Protection Act.
- The development of objective methods to detect soring in order to eliminate the current practice of conditioning horses to tolerate pressure applied to the limbs.
- Establishment of a single industry organization that has governance responsibilities and sets and enforces uniform standards and regulations.
- Reevaluation of judging standards so that the innate grace and beauty of the breed are valued instead of rewarding the currently manufactured exaggerated gait.

The recommendations in the white paper were developed by the AAEP's Tennessee Walking Horse Task Force, a group with specific knowledge of the Tennessee Walking Horse industry and equine welfare issues. Dr. Midge Leitch of Cochranville, Penn., chaired the Task Force.

"The white paper is not intended to be a revision of the Horse Protection Act," explained Dr. Leitch. "We know

we are suggesting radical changes to current practices within the industry, but if industry leaders are intent on solving this issue, they will give serious thought to the recommendations that have been made."

The AAEP recognizes that it has no regulatory authority over the Tennessee Walking Horse industry but intends its white paper to provide guidance and support to those within the industry who are working to permanently end the soring of horses.



USDA/APHIS

A violation of the Horse Protection Act showing scarring on the medial side of the left front pastern and on the lateral side of the right front pastern.

"On behalf of the AAEP, I express gratitude to Dr. Leitch, who chaired the TWH Task Force, and the other dedicated AAEP members who accepted the charge of this task force and were so thoughtful in the development of the white paper," added Dr. Green. "I also want to thank the members of the various Tennessee Walking Horse industry organizations (HIOs) who came last year to the first TWH Summit in Lexington. These groups encouraged the AAEP to develop this white paper and they have a unique opportunity to eliminate the practice of soring."

The white paper is available on the AAEP Web site at www.aaep.org.

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Moyer named AAEP vice president for 2009

William Moyer, DVM, has been named the 2009 vice president of the American Association of Equine Practitioners. Dr. Moyer, of College Station, Texas, will join the Executive Committee next year and then serve as AAEP president in 2011.

Dr. Moyer is Professor of Sports Medicine and head of the Department of Large Animal Clinical Sciences of the Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences. He also serves on the board of directors of the College of Veterinary Medicine and is associate director of the Center for Equine Business Studies. He began his career at Texas A&M in 1993 following more than two decades on faculty at the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine. While at Penn, Dr. Moyer held numerous positions, including director of the Equine Outpatient Clinic and professor of sports medicine.



Recognized for his expertise in equine lameness, Dr. Moyer has authored or co-authored several textbooks, including *A Guide to Equine Joint Injection and Regional Anesthesia* and *A Guide to Equine Hoof Wall Repair*. His research also has appeared in numerous refereed journals and he has been an invited speaker at continuing education meetings worldwide.

Dr. Moyer has been an active AAEP member, most recently serving on the association's board from 2001 – 2004. He chaired the Equine Insurance Committee for three years and has been a member of the Educational Programs Committee. Dr. Moyer also co-facilitated the Equine Dentistry Forum held during the annual convention.

A 1970 graduate of the Colorado State University College of Veterinary Medicine, Dr. Moyer completed both an internship and a residency at the University of Pennsylvania. He also is a member of the American Veterinary Medical Association and the Texas Veterinary Medical Association.

Congratulations, Dr. Moyer!

A report from the AAEP Board of Directors summer meeting

by David L. Foley, Executive Director

At the recent Focus Meeting/Practice Management Seminar in Austin, Texas, the AAEP Board of Directors held a two-day meeting. The bulk of the Board's time was spent doing strategic planning for the next three-year cycle. Data from the recent membership survey was analyzed, as well as current factors in the industry and from within the profession. Full details of the revised plan will be presented later this year as the implementation plan is constructed; however, three key areas of focus emerged during this day and a half session.

I. Continuing Education. Continuing education is the mainstay of AAEP and is the association's primary mechanism to provide improved practice and protect the health and welfare of the horse. As such, it will always remain a key objective. This particular goal will revolve around AAEP's ancillary meetings and will likely include the addition of regional meetings, in-depth CE offerings and a stronger online presence.

II. Welfare Advocacy. The primary objective of this goal will be to increase AAEP's influence in advocating for the welfare of the horse. Attention to equine welfare issues has increased in both the media and in the halls of

Congress. The AAEP needs to be a leader in this effort and will work to develop quicker response mechanisms and develop evidence-based answers and positions to many of the current welfare issues.

III. Growing the Profession. This goal has multiple elements: attracting youth to the profession and exposing them to equine practice; maintaining their interest while in veterinary school; managing expectations regarding equine practice; and, working on higher membership retention of the recent graduate. Because of the complexity of this issue, it will likely be necessary for us to target our efforts in a few specific areas where the impact will be the greatest and most measurable.

An implementation plan will be drafted in the coming months and presented to the AAEP Board for its approval. Once approved, we will need to develop the infrastructure (budget, staffing, facilities, volunteers and other resources) and will then begin. As the saying goes, "Plan the work, then work the plan."

After the strategic planning session, the Board met for the remainder of the day and acted on the following items.

1. The Board approved the recommendations of the Nominating Committee for the election of 2009 officers, board positions and award recipients. The following individuals were nominated, approved and their terms will begin at the conclusion of this year's convention:

2009 Vice President – *Dr. Bill Moyer*

2009 Treasurer – *Dr. Jeff Berk*

International Director – *Dr. Desmond Leadon (Ireland)*

Director-at-Large – *Dr. Carol Clark*

Additionally, the following individuals/organizations will be presented with awards at this year's President's Luncheon:

Distinguished Educator Award – *Drs. Timothy R. O'Brien and the late John V. Steiner*

Distinguished Service Award – *Dr. Susan L. White*

Distinguished Life Member – *Dr. Larry Bramlage*

The George Stubbs Award – *John and Marianne Castle*

The Lavin Cup Equine Welfare Award – *Hanover Shoe Farm*

2. In other Board news, the recent election results were announced. The following members will begin a three-year term on the Board in 2009:

District I – *Dr. Peter Bousum*

District II – *Dr. B.A. Rucker*

District III – *Dr. Scott Hay*

District IX – *Dr. Debra Sellon*

Congratulations to all newly elected board members and award recipients!

3. In addition to the approval of the budget, minutes, and officer reports, the following motions were made and acted upon:

- A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the Public Policy Committee's recommendation to actively support the passage of H.R. 6278, a bill to prohibit the transportation of horses in interstate transportation in a motor vehicle containing two or more levels stacked on top of one another.
- A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the Educational Program Committee's recommendation to go from one Focus meeting to two in 2009, with the eventual move to three by 2011, if warranted.
- A motion was made, seconded, amended and passed as amended to approve the Tennessee Walking Horse Task

Force's white paper on ending the soring of horses.

- A motion was made, seconded and denied to approve the proposal for Alliance Partnership from TWHBEA. The board felt that this was premature and would reconsider this proposal based on how the Walking Horse industry responded to the recently approved white paper.
- A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the Racing Medication and Testing Consortium's (RMTTC) request for \$10,000 in funding from the AAEP.
- A motion was made and seconded to approve the concept of Intervet's proposal to provide vaccines for horses in rescue/retirement facilities. The details of this proposal are being developed and will be re-presented to the board when finalized.
- A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the Foundation Advisory Committee's recommendation for the AAEP Board of Directors to approve up to \$25,000 to develop and implement an awareness campaign for the AAEP Foundation.

The AAEP Board meeting adjourned and the Board of the Foundation convened. A number of funding requests from the Foundation were approved and will appear in the *Navigator* newsletter.

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AAEP focuses on racing issues

With the recent attention to catastrophic injuries at the racetrack, the racing industry is grappling with the best courses of action to ensure the health and safety of the horse and protect the integrity of the sport. The numerous racing organizations (NTRA, TOBA, Jockey Club, HBPA, ARCI, etc.) and the AAEP have been meeting frequently to work together to bring meaningful change and minimize the injury risk to the equine athletes.



As the professionals charged with the health and welfare of the horse, the AAEP has taken considerable action recently in this area. We convened a roundtable discussion in July in Austin, Texas, with a cross-section of members both directly and indirectly involved with Thoroughbred, Standardbred and Quarter Horse racing. The AAEP's goal was to gain a better perspective on events happening in the sport and the role of the veterinarian. Prior to this roundtable, the AAEP sent an electronic survey to AAEP members who categorized themselves as "racing" to get comments and feedback from a larger audience.

Several hours of discussion, both in large and small breakout groups, produced a number of positive things. The group identified four key areas for further examination: (1) The influence of animal rights groups and the societal change in how the horse is viewed; (2) Medication & testing; (3) Improving the relationship between the veterinarian,

owner and trainer; and, (4) The need for a better "business model" for both the industry as well as veterinary practice at the racetrack.

This group indicated a desire to continue its efforts in the form of an AAEP task force. Drs. Scott Palmer and Foster Northrop will serve as chair and vice chair, respectively. Upon conclusion of the meeting, a mission statement and action plan were developed. The charge of this task force will be to represent all aspects of racing in North America and to give a meaningful voice to the AAEP racetrack membership. The Racing Task Force will address issues of importance to racing jurisdictions worldwide. Additionally, the task force will provide a veterinary viewpoint on all aspects of racing that affect the health and welfare of the horse and will strive to make recommendations to the racing industry with the welfare and safety of the horse being the primary goal.

The task force is busily working and will be compiling recommendations on all of the areas mentioned above in the form of an industry white paper, planned to go to the AAEP Board at the Annual Convention in December.

Prior to adjourning, the task force did have a few initial recommendations/endorsements that went directly to the Board the next day and were approved. They are as follows:

- To support the recommendations of The Jockey Club Thoroughbred Safety Committee. Initial recommendations by The Jockey Club committee focused on toe grabs, modifications to the whip used by jockeys and the adoption of the RMTC rule banning the use of anabolic steroids 30 days prior to a race.
- To support the recommendations by the RMTC for uniform medication, testing, and penalty structures.
- To support centralized testing by accredited laboratories.

Look for more recommendations from this task force as its members continue their work.

Public Policy: AAEP immediate past president testifies at Congressional hearing regarding horse processing legislation

Dr. Doug Corey, AAEP immediate past president, testified on behalf of the AAEP during the July 31, 2008 hearing on the Prevention of Equine Cruelty Act of 2008 (H.R. 6598) and the Animal Cruelty Statistics Act of 2008 (H.R. 6597) before the Judiciary Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security of the U.S. House of Representatives. Following is the oral testimony delivered by Dr. Corey.

Dr. Corey's Testimony

Unwanted horses in the United States are facing a crisis. From New York to California, horses that are considered at-risk in the equine population are being severely impacted by a struggling economy, high grain and hay prices, and the closure last year of the U.S.'s three remaining processing plants. The result: increased equine cruelty in the form of abuse, neglect, and abandonment.

You have to look no further than national magazines and your own local newspapers to see evidence of the negative impact on the unwanted horse population:

- From *Time Magazine*, May 2008: "An Epidemic of Abandoned Horses";
- From *USA Today*, March 2008: "U.S. Shelters Saddled with Unwanted Horses";
- In the *Washington Post*, January 2008: "Loudoun County (Virginia) Gets 48 Cruelly Treated Horses";
- And from my home state of Oregon, the *Bend Bulletin* headline from just last week that read "Oregon Horse Owners Face Tough Decisions."

Headlines aside, those of us who are in the field every day practicing equine medicine know the harsh realities confronting horses that are unwanted. My colleagues are increasingly alarmed by their growing number of clients who can no longer care for their animals. Fortunately, some of these horses are sold to new owners or are able to be placed in a rescue or retirement facility. However, many more of these horses are left unsold at auctions, even with a rock-bottom sale price. Others endure a worse fate of being neglected by their owners or abandoned. In the state of Colorado alone, equine cruelty investigations increased by 40 percent in 2007.

While it is difficult to get an accurate count of the total number of unwanted horses in the U.S., we know from the number of horses currently being sent to other processing plants in North America that the number is in the tens of thousands. In 2006, the last year that U.S. horse processing



Dr. Doug Corey

plants were open for an entire fiscal year, the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture reported that over 102,000 horses were processed in this country alone. The vast majority of these horses were unwanted. And while the processing plants are currently closed in the U.S., the only option for many of today's unwanted horses remains processing at a facility outside of this country.

The AAEP advocates the humane care of all horses and believes the equine industry and horse owners have a responsibility to provide humane care throughout the life of the horse. Because of the large population of unwanted horses in the U.S., the AAEP believes that the processing of unwanted horses is currently a necessary end-of-life option and provides a humane alternative to allowing a horse to continue a life of discomfort and pain or endure inadequate care or abandonment.

Our chief reason for opposing this legislation is not because our association believes that sending a horse to a processing plant is the best option for reducing the unwanted horse population. Our opposition exists because this legislation does not help address the long-term care and funding that will be necessary to help the tens of thousands of horses that will be affected by a ban. Assuming a bare minimum cost of \$5 per day for a horse's basic needs, which doesn't include veterinary or farrier expenses, the funding needed per year, per horse, is approximately \$1,825. Multiply this, for example, by the number of horses that have been sent to Mexican processing facilities thus far in 2008, and you have

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30,000 horses with a cost of care per year of \$55 million dollars. This does not include the large number of horses that are also going to Canada. Can the federal government help fund the care of these horses?

Those who support a ban on horse processing often state that there are currently an adequate number of equine rescue and retirement facilities to care for all of the horses that need homes. I dispute that claim. While there are a number of facilities in the U.S. providing homes for old and unwanted horses, the capacity of these individual facilities is usually limited to 30 horses or less. Rescue operators themselves are having to turn away horses and are pleading for financial assistance. The infrastructure to care for this many unwanted horses is simply not yet in place. Many dedicated individuals are doing all they can on a shoestring budget, but the need is overwhelming.

In closing, this legislation is premature. Horse processing is symptomatic of a much larger issue, and that is how to provide humane care to the tens of thousands of unwanted horses in the United States. We believe the equine industry must work together to help these animals by edu-



cating owners and encouraging responsible horse ownership. That is why the Unwanted Horse Coalition was formed in 2005 by the AAEP, and now operates under the American Horse Council.

Society has been working to address a similar problem with dogs and cats for years, and yet millions of animals are still euthanized each year at humane shelters. But horses are different animals, both literally and figuratively. The issues we are addressing today are very complex. Solving this issue in the horse industry will take time, but the industry has deemed it an important priority and is working to solve it.

Last month the AAEP polled its membership on this issue, and 75 percent of our members believe that horse processing should remain, at this time, an end-of-life option. We, the horse veterinarians of this country, know that passage of this bill will put the unwanted horse population at even greater risk. I urge you to carefully consider the unintended consequences of this bill.

Thank you.

Educational Partner Profile: Bayer HealthCare Animal Health

Bayer Animal Health is a proud and long-standing AAEP Educational Partner. Bayer supports the equine veterinary industry through many of its programs and sponsorships.

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Owner education is a key initiative with the AAEP, and that is why Bayer works closely with the AAEP to develop and make available the AAEP/Bayer Client Education Brochures. This collection of 22 different brochures educates horse owners on a variety of topics and how their veterinarian can help with each of these issues.

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Celebration featuring Lyle Lovett and Baxter Black to benefit AAEP Foundation

A spectacular evening awaits you in San Diego this year for the 12th Annual AAEP Foundation Celebration. This year's event will feature Grammy Award-winning singer/songwriter Lyle Lovett as well as cowboy, poet and humorist Baxter Black. Tickets for the Celebration may be purchased when registering for the Annual Convention.

In addition to these entertainers, the evening will offer a buffet dinner, a two-hour open bar and the opportunity to take home numerous items during the popular live and silent auctions. Funds raised through the auctions will benefit equine veterinary students, horse owners and veterinarians through educational programs. Horses benefit from the Foundation through research and benevolent programs.

As a reminder, the Foundation is currently accepting donated items or cash donations for staff to purchase items for this year's live and silent auctions. The event is always a highlight of the Convention. With a wide range of equine art and memorabilia, vacation packages, jewelry, collectibles, and more, there's sure to be something for everyone.



Last year, the live and silent auctions raised nearly \$120,000, and since 1997 this event has raised more than \$900,000 to help the Foundation and its efforts.

To donate an item or to make a cash donation that will be used to purchase items that will be placed in this year's auction with your name listed on the item as the donor, visit www.aaepfoundation.org, click on the "Celebration Auction" link under the Program/Events drop-down menu, and download the auction form. To request an auction form by fax or for more information, contact Pam Shook at (859) 233-0147 or e-mail pshook@aaep.org.

AAEP Past President Pete Haynes receives AVMA's highest honor

Peter F. Haynes, DVM, MS, Dipl. ACVS, dean of the Louisiana State University School of Veterinary Medicine, has earned the 2008 AVMA Award. Marked as the American Veterinary Medical Association's highest honor, the award recognizes distinguished contributions to the advancement of veterinary medical organizations. The award was conferred at the AVMA's Annual Conference held in New Orleans, La., July 19-22, 2008.



Louisiana State University

Haynes has been a member of the AVMA since 1969 and served for 17 years in the House of Delegates, representing the American

Association of Equine Practitioners. He served on the House Advisory Committee for six years and was instrumental in the development of the first winter HOD session, held this past January. Additionally, he has served on numerous committees and task forces including the association's Long Range Planning Committee.

Haynes served as the AAEP's president in 1991. As part of that association, he helped guide its strategic planning initiative and governance changes and served on numerous other committees. In 2001, the AAEP honored him with Distinguished Life Membership. In addition, Haynes has participated on a variety of committees of the American College of Veterinary Surgeons. He also helped co-develop the Louisiana Veterinary Medical Association's Equine Committee.

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USEF seeking testing veterinarians

The United States Equestrian Federation needs testing veterinarians for its Equine Drugs and Medications Program in many parts of the United States. Intermittent work as an independent contractor. Scheduled four-six weeks in advance, when you are available. Hourly pay and expenses. Help United States Equestrian Federation protect the fairness of equestrian competition. Please respond to medequestrian@aol.com or call (800) 633-2472. EOE M/F/D/V

New AAEP member benefit: scientific database searching and document delivery service

The AAEP recognizes the difficulty that equine practitioners face when trying to obtain complete scientific articles from university libraries. For this reason, the AAEP has entered into a pilot database searching and document delivery service program with the Medical Sciences Library (MSL) at Texas A&M University. Beginning August 15, 2008 until December 15, 2008, AAEP members will be able to request searches and document delivery from Texas A&M's MSL at no charge.

AAEP members can request mediated database searches by sending an email to askmsl@medlib.tamu.edu or by contact-

ing the MSL at 979-845-7428. Members request document delivery using the library's DeliverEdocs service. Members must register on the library's DeliverEdocs service and identify themselves as AAEP members. Search results and articles will be delivered within two business days.

Any feedback you can provide on this service is helpful. At the end of the pilot period, the success of this program and its continuance will be determined. Please send feedback to Carey Ross at cross@aaep.org or (859) 233-0147.

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developing the practice through involvement in the community and equine related events. Compensation package includes fully furnished farmhouse with an in-ground pool, base salary, commission, retirement plan and continuing education. Interest in long-term commitment and/or practice equity is a prerequisite. Please e-mail cover letter including salary history and requirements, resume and professional references to hvsevc@gmail.com.

The AAEP Welcomes New Members

Petrisor Baia, DVM, Baton Rouge, LA
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 Christoph Grossenbacher, MV, Campbellville, ON, Canada
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 Fiona Lacey, DVM, Bullsbrook, AUS, Australia
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 Jenny Ulrika Olsson, DVM, Sundsvall, Sweden
 Daniel Perez, DVM, Elgin, TX
 Santiago Pigretti, MV, San Antonio De Areco, Buenos Aires, Argentina
 Ryan M. Rienstra, DVM, Miles City, MT
 Yair Rojman, DVM, Wellington, FL
 Robert Stawicki, DVM, Gainesville, FL
 Charles A. Strickland, DVM, Brentwood, CA
 Karen VanAnrooy, DVM, Edwardsville, IL
 Lotta Wallin, DVM, Hoor, SWE, Sweden
 Mitch Wasko, DVM, Leonard, TX
 Philip Anthony Wentz, DVM, MS, Franklin, KY

Susanne Zintner, DVM, Konrwestheim, DEU, Germany

The AAEP Welcomes Recent Graduates

Stanley B. Baker, Fayetteville, AR
 Elizabeth Barno, DVM, Hartland, WI
 Russell Steven Bauman, DVM, Centerville, TN
 Celeste Blumerich, DVM, Dover, NH
 Laurie Bohannon-Worsley, DVM, Oakdale, CA
 Tegan S. Bosard, DVM, Oakdale, CA
 Stephanie Brenna, DVM, Moorpark, CA
 Susan Aubrey Brown, DVM, Raleigh, NC
 Elizabeth Snow Caldwell, DVM, Auburn, AL
 Pam K. Chesterfield, DVM, St Thomas, ON, Canada
 Kelly L. Coderre, DVM, Epping, NH
 Lindsey Cook, DVM, Salinas, CA
 Elizabeth Cottrell, DVM, Earlysville, VA
 Michelle Lynn Dejanovich, DVM, Phoenix, AZ
 Jarod Eddy, DVM, Alto, GA
 Kathryn Rowena Evans, DVM, Patterson, NY
 Kristen Erika Fenstermacher, VMD, Allentown, PA
 Emily T. Fillman, DVM, Beyertown, PA
 Alicia M. Findora, DVM, Aurora, OR
 Kristen Fosnaugh, DVM, Turlock, CA
 Andrea Foster Rocklin, CA
 Kelly Giunta, VMD, Scottsdale, AZ
 Sara Gomez-Ibanez, DVM, Athens, GA
 Milosz Grabski, BVM&S MRCVS, Lexington, KY
 Raven Gulick, Marysville, OH
 Marthia Hagar, DVM, New Berlin, NY
 Jered Harlan, DVM, Wichita Falls, TX
 Brittany Harris, DVM, Walnut Creek, CA
 Katharyn Hart, DVM, Bakersfield, CA
 Laura Hellman, DVM, Raleigh, NC
 Lauren Hendrickson, DVM, Frederick, MD
 Elizabeth N. Holmes, DVM, Athens, GA
 Balie A. English, DVM, Guthrie, TX
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 Gregory William Johnson, DVM, Visalia, CA
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 Allison Nagel, DVM, Milton, VT
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 Johanna Jane Thompson, DVM, Orlando, CA
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 Stacey Ward, DVM, Kennett Square, PA
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 Ann Catherine Wimmer, DVM, San Martin, CA
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Meetings and Continuing Education

AAEP CE Opportunities

December 6-10, 2008
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October

1-5: Basic Sacropelvic Module. Options for Animals College of Animal Chiropractic, Wellsville, Kan. For more information, call (309) 658-2920 or visit www.animalchiro.com.

4-5: Orthopaedic Case Days 2008. Weilerswist-Mueggenhausen and Bonn, Germany. Instructors: Sue Dyson (England), David Frisbie (USA), Jonas Tornell (Sweden). For more information on all meetings and registration, contact Arno Lindner at Heinrich-Röttgen-Str. 20, D-52428 Jülich, Germany, call +49 2461 340 430, fax +49 2461 340 484, e-mail contact@agpferd.de or visit www.agpferd.com.

6-7: Applying Regenerative Therapies for Tendon and Joint Caused Lameness of Horses. Bonn, Germany. Instructors Peter Clegg (England), Lisa Fortier (USA), David Frisbie (USA), Scott McClure (USA), Thomas Weinberger (Germany). For more information on all meetings and registration, contact Arno Lindner at Heinrich-Röttgen-Str. 20, D-52428 Jülich, Germany, call +49 2461 340 430, fax +49 2461 340 484, e-mail contact@agpferd.de or visit www.agpferd.com.

10-12: An Overview of Equine Musculoskeletal Ultrasound. Sound Technologies, Arlington, Texas. 20 CE hours. For more information, visit www.soundvet.com.

19: Hagyard Bluegrass Equine Symposium. Lexington, Ky. Focus: equine reproduction. For information, contact Nicole Tomlinson, Hagyard Equine Medical Institute, at (859) 685-3709, fax (859) 252-8961, e-mail ntomlinson@hagyard.com or visit www.hagyard.com.

22-25: 2008 ACVS Veterinary Symposium. Manchester Grand Hyatt, San Diego, Calif. Oct. 22: Pre-Symposium Laboratories; Oct. 23-25: Symposium Seminars and Scientific Abstracts. For more information, visit www.surgicalsummit.org.

31-Nov 2: FAEP Dentistry Wet Lab. University of Florida. For more information, contact Rhicco Rentas at (561) 791-0453, fax (561)791-0395 or visit www.faeep.net.

November

5-9: Basic Thoracolumbar Module. Options for Animals College of Animal Chiropractic, Wellsville, Kan. For more information, call (309) 658-2920 or visit www.animalchiro.com.

8-13: The 7th ContinuEd® Equine Veterinary Symposium in Hawaii. Waimea Plantation Cottages, Waimea, Island of Kauai, Hawaii. The symposium will focus on lameness in the horse. For more information, contact Dr. Drew Turner at ContinuEd, P.O. Box 75598, Seattle, WA 98175, call (800) 539-7395, (206) 230-8359, e-mail info@continued.com or visit www.continued.com.

22-23: National Veterinarian Clinic #3. Anaheim, Calif. The clinic fulfills 16 hours of CE requirements as outlined for RACE. Topics include infectious disease at competitions, how to become a drug testing vet, and compliance with USEF rules at competitions. For more information or to download an application, visit www.usef.org.

December

2-4: West Coast Equine Reproduction Symposium III. Santa Ynez Valley Marriott & Alamo Pintado Equine Clinic, Buellton, Calif. Hosted by the International Equine Reproduction Symposium Trust and Alamo Pintado Equine Clinic. The course meets the requirements for 18 hours of continuing education credit. For registration information, call Kelly Wade at (530) 752-4512, fax (530) 752-0175, e-mail kswade@ucdavis.edu or visit animalscience.ucdavis.edu/WCER.

12-14: Basic Cervical Module. Options for Animals College of Animal Chiropractic, Wellsville, Kan. For more information, call (309) 658-2920 or visit www.animalchiro.com.

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January

19-23: 31st Lake Tahoe Equine Conference. Hyatt Lake Tahoe, Incline Village, Nev. For more information, contact Janet L. O'Brien at 2614 Anza Ave., Davis, Calif., call (530) 756-4899, fax (530) 756-3805 or e-mail jlo62@comcast.net. Registration deadline is Jan. 5, 2009.

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