

## AAEVT Hoof Beats – February 21, 2018



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### Registration now Open for our Northwest Educational Event

Come join us in beautiful Idaho, April 14-15th, for an amazing weekend of lectures and hands-on events. Topics to include: foal handling, limb dissection, specialty diagnostics, and more!

Registration includes all meals, supplies, handouts and Social events. There will be a Welcome Reception & CE Dinner on Saturday night (April 14th), sponsored by Platinum Performance, as well as, a Wrap-up Reception on Sunday evening (April 15th), sponsored by MWI.



\*\*\* This course has been submitted (but not yet approved) for 8.5 hours of continuing education credit in jurisdictions which recognize AAVSB RACE approval.

### Only a few spaces remaining for our Anesthesia Society Southwest Educational Event

Our very popular Anesthesia series is back for 2018 and there are only a few seats remaining for our Scottsdale, AZ event (March 24-25th). Register online today!

**Topics** will include: Anesthesia overview, Anatomy & Physiology, drugs & protocols.

**Wet Labs** will be a combination of: dissection, gas anesthesia, catheters, suturing, and more.

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### A Call for Case Studies

Ready to add "Speaker" to your resume? Members of the AAEVT are invited to submit Case Studies for consideration for presentation during the 2018 AAEVT Annual Convention in San Francisco, CA – Dec. 1-4th, 2018.

[Learn more HERE:](#)

What is a "Case Study"?

Important Dates for Submitting your Case Study

Key points and Ethical Considerations

## February "Tech Tips"

We are introducing a new segment to our Hoof Beats this month called "Tech Tips." AAEVT members have sent us clever, useful and tried-and-true tips that are used routinely in their practices. *Let's share!*

### Tech Tip #1: Forearm Over the Knees

Cierra Moore, LVT from Stephenville Equine Sports Medicine in Stephenville, TX sent her favorite tech tips beginning with a tip she uses to aid in taking quality hoof films.

"We take a lot of hoof films in our practice as we specialize in lameness and my primary doctor is also a farrier that specializes in corrective shoeing. I've found a trick that really helps me get better quality films is that the horse must be bearing full weight on the limb we are radiographing. So, in order to get our patient to stand fully on the limb we are shooting, I will first place both front feet onto blocks, and then I stabilize my horse on the blocks by placing my hand and forearm over one or both knees. This typically prevents the horse from picking up its feet or stepping off of the blocks and also ensures my patient is bearing full weight to aid in taking the highest quality picture we can get!"



### Tech Tip #2: Run a "Blank" on your way out the Door

Cierra also sent another "tech tip" stating that their blood machine, primarily the chemistry machine, requires a "blank" or calibration cartridge to be run in the machine before any blood can be analyzed after the machine has sat idle for more than 6 hours or so. This procedure takes approximately 10-12 minutes and, in the middle of the night when her doctor comes in on emergency, can make a long night longer...So, she simply remembers to run the "blank" before she goes home in the evenings to make that process faster for whomever may need to run a chemistry on a horse in the night!

### Tech Tip #3: Relax with Lavender

AAEVT Board member, Nicole LaGrange, says that in her practice:

"When we are performing imaging, such as an MRI, we set up a diffuser in the exam area with lavender oil, as well as, carefully put a few drops of lavender oil on any towels that will be placed under or around the horses head."

Lavender oil has been shown to have a calming effect and they feel it truly aides them in keeping their patients in a more relaxed state for these procedures.

### Do you have a unique protocol or ingenious strategy that you would like to share with your peers?

Send your "Tips" (and a few pictures!) to Rexann Morison, AAEVT Secretary, at [rexannmorrison@yahoo.com](mailto:rexannmorrison@yahoo.com)

## Industry News:

### **New Fluid Sizes for Equine Practice in Multiple Formulations**

Dechra Veterinary Products was one of the only companies to bring fluids to you when the country was in a shortage. Since then we have expanded our product line to bring you fluids for all your needs! To order, please contact your Dechra or distributor representative or call (866) 683-0660. Further details available at [www.dechra-us.com](http://www.dechra-us.com).



### **USDA shares updates aimed at ending horse soring and promoting fair competition**

USDA Animal Care recently posted an open letter regarding its efforts to enforce the Horse Protection Act, which is the federal law intended to end the soring of horses. The letter can be read in its [entirety here](#).



### **What horse owners want from their Veterinary Team**

At the American Association of Equine Practitioners Meeting in 2017, a survey of 8,069 horse owners was presented, which obtained information about veterinary clients and certain preferences that practitioners may find relevant to clinical equine veterinary practice. [Read more here](#)



### **Equine Disease News: EHM & EHV-1**

For the most up-to-date information regarding recent outbreaks, quarantines and quarantine releases please refer to the [EDCC website](#). Sign up for email updates from the EDCC [here](#).



### **Provide your thoughts on Model Veterinary Practice Act by March 25**

American Veterinary Medical Association members and non-members are invited to review and comment on the proposed changes to the MVPA [here](#). Direct any questions to the AVMA's [Dr. Warren Hess](#) or [Dr. Gail Golab](#).

