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HEALTH *flash*



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YOUR SEASONAL HEALTHCARE REMINDER

Summer 2013

Dear Equine Enthusiast,



Advisory For Ontario

[West Nile Advisory - learn extra precautions to take this very wet summer](#)

Alert: For Western Provinces

[More reports of EIA in B.C., Alberta and Saskatchewan](#)

SUMMER IS HERE - ARE YOU READY?

Don't Let Dehydration Spoil Your Fun in the Sun



- **Maintaining electrolyte balance** is key to preventing dehydration. Dr. Mike Lindinger explains why drinking plenty of water after exercise is NOT enough. [Read up on the latest research.](#)
- **What's eating your horse?** Those annoying bugs are out! You have protected your horse against West Nile with a vaccine but there are more pest concerns. Use of fly sprays, masks and sheets can protect against a variety of annoying insects. Keeping horses inside during the peak periods of dusk and dawn can also help keep disease carrying pests from feasting on your horse. [Learn more about pest control.](#)
- **Skin diseases & allergies** - Where did these lumps, bumps and blemishes come from? Learn more about the top triggers by reading Equine Guelph's [information sheet](#) courtesy of Equine Guelph's Health and Disease course.



Top Seasonal Tips

1. *Manage your pastures* - [Good maintenance of your horses' grazing area can bolster health and nutrition.](#)
2. *Watch for wounds* - [5 things not to do when you see red!](#)
3. *Learn about lameness* - It can occur for a variety of reasons: working on surfaces that are too hard or soft, conformation, strains or concussion injuries. The list is longer than your horse's leg! Find out about causes and early detection with Equine Guelph's [Lameness Lab tool.](#)
4. *No hoof no horse* - Learn more about how the [hoof functions and tips for hoof health](#) with OVC researcher Dr. Jeff Thomason, Equine Guelph's Functional Anatomy course instructor.
5. *Ensure your horse is fit* - After determining if the horse is suitable for the job your are intending, a great deal of planning goes into creating a workback plan to achieve fitness goals. Equine Guelph's Exercise Physiology course provides insight into equine body systems, functions and how to strengthen your equine athlete in a progressive manner. [Click here](#) to learn more about important considerations before training begins.

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Please note: This information provides guidelines only and should never replace information from your veterinarian.

TAKE YOUR KNOWLEDGE TO THE NEXT LEVEL

Interactive Quiz Game

True or False: Heat exhaustion can lead to problems as serious as kidney damage in horses.

Play our [game](#) to see if you know how to beat the summer heat!

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Helpful Videos



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View our videos on [YouTube](#)

Test your skills detecting Lameness with Equine Guelph's video challenge - Lameness Lab

"YEAR OF COLIC PREVENTION" - 2013

July Colic Prevention Tip



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Be Consistent - Make Changes Slowly!

- Avoid upsetting the 'bugs' in your horse's gut
- Make changes to diet/feeding routines very slowly to allow gut bacteria and enzymes a chance to adapt

Equine Guelph Colic Prevention Program

Colic is the #1 Killer of horses (after old age). Equine Guelph is helping horse owners Combat Colic with it's [Colic Prevention Program](#).



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