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EQUINE GUELPH HEALTH *flash*



YOUR SEASONAL HEALTHCARE REMINDER

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Summer 2018

**Alert:** Rabies report [Ontario](#)**SUMMER IS HERE - ARE YOU READY?**[Join our Mailing List](#)

What are Macronutrients?

A nutrition information sheet introducing the nutrients that make up the bulk of your horses diet (plus examples of sources that are high in these nutrients):

- Protein
- Fat
- Carbohydrates

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Is There a Dietary Cause of Wood Chewing?

Nutritionist and Equine Guelph online Advanced Health through Nutrition course instructor, Dr. Kathleen Crandell discusses the possible reasons why some horses chew wood, linking the habit to the horses need for roughage and fibre.

Photo & article courtesy of
Kentucky Equine Research

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Checking Hay Moisture

The importance of checking hay for moisture content has implications in both nutrition and fire safety!

Image of hay dangerously close to combustion kindly provided by



Teutopolis Fire Department Illinois, USA.

When hay is baled, it should not be higher than 18 to 22 percent moisture. At higher levels of moisture, bales lose large amounts of dry matter caused by excessive heating and molding. In severe cases, spontaneous combustion is possible. The University of Missouri Extension has a great article: [Making and Storing Quality Hay](#).

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Manure Management

A 1000 pound horse produces at least nine tons of manure each year. Without a well-thought out plan for collection, storage and disposal of manure, you could be faced with many issues such as: parasites, bacteria-harboring mud, water pollution, odour problems, flies and a host of health care concerns.

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Can you spot subtle lameness?

New video resource now posted in Lameness Lab! Thank you Equitopia and Dr. Sue Dyson, director of clinical orthopaedics at Animal Health Trust, UK for creating this great video.

[Go to the Video Challenge](#)



Quick Response is Key in Equine Antimicrobial Resistance

Veterinarians have been warning horse owners about the dangers of antibiotic resistance for years. Scott Weese, DVM, DVSc, Dipl. ACVIM, a professor in the University of Guelph's Ontario Veterinary College's Department of Pathobiology, claims that many members of the equine community still don't understand the concept and importance of bacterial resistance.

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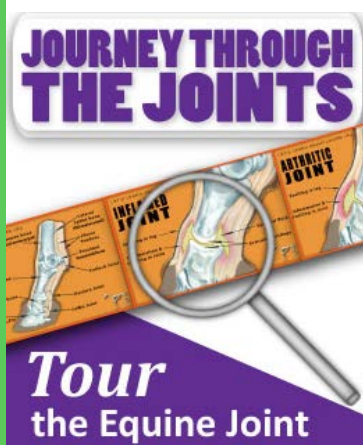
More Summer Tips in the Equine Guelph Archives & more

- [A really HOT info graphic!](#)
- [Dehydration test video](#)
- [Nutrition not extra soap for a gleaming coat](#)
- [Fly and rodent control](#)
- [Skin diseases and allergies](#)



- Pasture management
- Wound care - 5 things not to do
- 8 Ways to protect your horse from getting sick poster
- Protect horses from getting sick off property video
- Nutrition for performance horses

Healthcare Tool of the Month



Journey through the Joints

Do you want to understand what is happening below the surface and learn how to manage joint inflammation?

- Learn common causes of equine arthritis
- common diagnosis and treatments
- see a cool 360 degree tour of the skeletal leg structure and more

[Visit Journey through the Joints](#)

Online Educational Offerings



12-week Online Courses begin September 10

The Fall offering of 12-week courses include:

Management of the Equine Environment, Equine Health & Disease Prevention, Equine Functional Anatomy, Equine Nutrition, Equine Exercise Physiology, Stewardship of the Equine Environment, Equine Business Management, Advanced Equine Behaviour.

Early Bird Deadline: August 10, 2018

[Learn more and Register!](#)



Online Short Courses TheHorsePortal:

**Horse Behaviour & Safety
Youth Course**
(ages 14 - 17)
July 23 - Aug 10

Horse Care & Welfare
Sept 17 - Oct 5



All Equine Guelph courses qualify for Equestrian Canada professional development credits for coaches

Sickness Prevention

Oct 15 - 26

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