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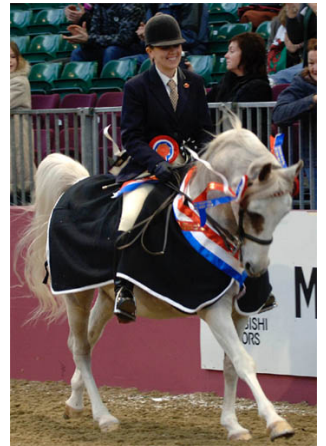
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Many congratulations to Magic Hussar who is the 2005 Veteran Horse Society Champion. He won his title at Olympia with his owner Joanne Marsh when they represented the South West. Magic lives in Shedfield nr Wickham and we congratulate him on winning the title. If you would like to read about Magic, please visit www.veteran-horse-society.co.uk



What's On:

Fri 13 January: **Julian Midda Evening Lecture/Demo "Natural Medicine for Horse Owners – A common sense approach to health maintenance and injury prevention"**, 7.00pm at The Fortune Centre of Riding Therapy, Avon Tyrrell, New Forest. Tickets £7.50. Pls get tickets in advance from Amanda Barton, tel 01590 622393, or email amanda@barronandsmithers.com

Wed 25 January: **Lecture Demo with Kyra Kyrklund**, world renowned dressage rider. Merrist Wood Campus, Worplesdon, Guildford, Surrey. Tickets £25 in advance, available at www.kyrak.com or ring 07870 414560.

Portchester Horse & Pony Association

Events to be held at Crofton Manor Equestrian Centre, Titchfield Road, Stubbington (nr. Fareham) with Amanda Napleton

Sat 4 Feb: **Gymkhana Games Practice**, 11.00am – 1.00pm. £2/rider. Opportunity to share a pony.

Wed 22 Feb: **Lunging Demo:** Informative evening of demonstrations on how to lunge correctly, using horses of different ability and age. 8.00pm, £2/adult, children free. Bring your own chair and refreshments. Guests of members welcome.

Sun 26 Feb & Sun 16 Apr: **Show Jumping Rallies**, £10/rider, 4 groups, max. 6 riders/group.

Sun 19 Mar & Sun 14 May: **Flatwork Rallies**, £10/rider, 4 groups, max. 5 riders/group

Rallies are for members only. New members always welcome.

For further details please contact Jo or Corrie on 023 9261 7841

Wed 22 February: **An Evening with Andrew and Bettina Hoy**, Merrist Wood Campus, Worplesdon, Guildford, Surrey. Contact Event Secretary 01483 884147

Thurs 23 February: **Lecture Demo with Monty Roberts**, Merrist Wood Campus, Worplesdon, Guildford, Surrey. Contact Intelligent Horsemanship, Lethornes, Lambourn, Hungerford, Berks RG17 8QS. Tel: 01488 71300

Fri 3 – Sun 5 March: **Going Barefoot Clinic with Dan Guerrero**, Northwood Farm, Forestside, near Rowlands Castle. Please see press release on second page. Tel 023 92 631223 or email kate.steed@btinternet.com

Wed 22 March: **An Evening with John and Charlotte Lassiter**, Merrist Wood Campus, Worplesdon, Guildford, Surrey. Contact Event Secretary 01483 884147

One Day Equine Courses at Merrist Wood Campus, Guildford, 10.00am – 1.00pm, Tel 01483 884040

Sat 4 February 2006: **What to look for when buying a horse** (Learn the skills needed to know what you should look for when buying a horse)

Sat 25 March 2006: **Lunging and Long Reining** (Learn to lunge and long rein your horse to improve training techniques). To register please contact the Campus direct or visit www.guildford.ac.uk/mwSite/mw_index.aspx

Sun 7 May: **Thorney Island Spring Show** at Thorney Island, Emsworth. NPS, P(UK), CHAPS(UK) & BSHC&RHA Affiliated classes. Fun classes, 2 kids rings, showjumping 138 classes - tel Sue on 01243 371470 between 7pm & 9pm for details. Schedules ready end Feb.

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Going barefoot - Having a sound barefoot horse is now within your reach

Internationally acclaimed BareHoof expert Dan Guerrero (pictured) is teaching at Northwood Farm, Forestside, near Rowlands Castle on **3-5 March 2006**.



His 'hands-on' three day clinic is designed to teach students the principles of hoof function and health, and equip them with the skills and confidence needed to trim their own horse's feet properly.

Many equines are well-suited to going barefoot. Factors such as conformation, the level of weight-bearing work and general health all play a part in hoof health, but a sound, healthy unshod horse that copes with its workload does not need shoes to improve its lifestyle.

One school of thought even suggests that metal shoes actually hinder the natural 'pump effect' of the foot, which promotes circulation, and that placing a non-cushioning plate between the horse and the ground removes most of the foot's

natural shock absorbing properties, and causes concussion.

Holistic vet nick Thomson says 'A horse will cope with being unshod as long as his feet are trimmed in a manner appropriate to the terrain and workload'. He also believes that, in the right circumstances, barefoot management can help prevent laminitis, splints, arthritis, ringbone and navicular syndrome.



However, the rate of wear must be commensurate with the rate of growth and if this is not the case then the horse may still have to be shod.

Completing the barefoot trim course will put you in a position to make an informed choice based on your horse's individual circumstances.

(left) Cadaver legs used to learn about hoof anatomy and trimming skills.

The course costs £300 and includes a trim on your own horse at the farm. For details of course program and booking, please call 023 92 631223 or e-mail: kate.steed@btinternet.com

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WATER: We are all familiar with the recommendations to drink eight glasses of water a day but what of our horse's requirements?

Horses, like us, need water to maintain all body functions but stress, exercise, diet changes, illness and especially travelling all put extra demands on the water balance in the body. Water utilisation is also governed by various minerals, sodium, potassium, calcium to name a few and it is when the water and mineral intake is out of balance that problems occur. Horses at grass with access to water consume enough wet matter (grass) to maintain adequate hydration in normal, light work circumstances but increase work load, add travelling, change weather conditions, competing etc and the requirements change. Stabled horses or those on limited turnout will be consuming a higher percentage of dry matter so water intake must be closely monitored.

What do you do if your horse is a reluctant drinker?

You may have noticed that your horse relishes drinking dirty puddle water but eschews his sparkling clean water bucket. If so let him drink his fill but do use your discretion and common sense, don't let him drink from road side puddles or near any obvious sites of contamination (muck heaps etc.) Generally, puddles lying in fields will be fairly fresh and safe to let your horse drink from, again fields that have been sprayed or treated must be avoided. Why do some horses like small children love puddle water? It may be that rain water is softer to his palette with no chemical after taste or your horse may be a connoisseur of earthier tastes, as a small amount of minerals may leech from the soil or perhaps it may be an innate instinct from the wild, drink while you can! Field troughs full of green gunge also appear to be a favourite and a Romany tradition of occasionally letting horses drink from water that had turned green in the sun was practised to give horses a glossy coat. Certainly any green matter that develops on the surface would have a high iron content which may have given tired horses a boost. If out on a hack and your horse is willing to drink from a fast flowing stream, let him but as with puddles, be aware of any hazards first. Some horses are fastidious about cleanliness so the above may not be suitable, keeping water buckets scrupulously clean may help to encourage them. Try emptying the bucket and sprinkling on a thick layer of bicarbonate of soda, this will remove any sliminess. Rinse thoroughly and refill. For extra minty freshness, pour a cap of mouthwash into the penultimate rinse and make sure there are no traces left in the bucket before filling.

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The old endurance favourite of sugar beet tea, really sloppy sugar beet or water drained off using a sieve or old flower pot is usually enough to encourage the most reluctant horse. Sugar beet is especially beneficial as it contains readily absorbed sugars and is full of fibre which will help maintain gut function. Those wise to the sugar beet trick may be encouraged with the addition of apple cordial diluted in the drinking water, this is useful to disguise the taste of water away from home. Similarly, carrot juice or pure apple juice can be added to tempt shy non-social drinkers. If all else fails try apple bobbing but this may require you to demonstrate how to do it. All I can suggest is wait until the yard is deserted as this may be hard to explain! As your horse splashes and splashes he will take in some water and the addition of succulents in his diet all increase his water intake. This is also a great activity for stabled horses or those on box rest as a good hour can be spent amusing themselves before they lose interest.

A Spoonful of Salt!!

Almost every endurance rider will add a teaspoon of salt to their horse's feed and a salt lick should be available too but many horses ignore them. Try putting it at the base of his feed bucket and as he roots around he will ingest some salt, this also helps slow down horses that bolt their food. Another way of encouraging a horse to use his salt lick is to pour peppermint essence over

it, this tends to be stronger than mint flavoured licks and if your horse likes other flavours try rum or brandy! After strenuous activity a proprietary electrolyte mixture should be given either in food or water (fresh plain water should be offered alongside), for moderate sweat loss a tablespoon of an equal mix of table salt and lo-salt should provide enough sodium chloride and potassium chloride especially when fed with calcium rich foods like alfalfa and sugar beet.

Although we tend to think that our horses' water and salt requirements are most needy in the summer we should be aware that during the winter the horse is as easily affected and clipped horses DO sweat!

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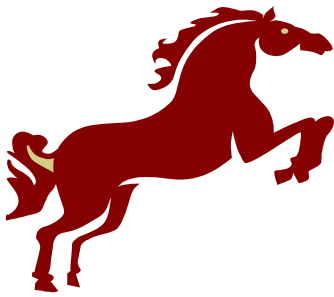
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A Bit of Fun !! - Horse Astrology by Kim Devries

Sagittarius (November 23 – December 20) The Sagittarius horse is naturally self-confident, honest, generous and free-spirited. This horse needs physical and mental freedom, so it is important to let your Sagittarius horse out into a large open area as often as possible. If frustrated by confinement, this horse is prone to injury or depression and may learn how to let itself out! This horse loves to roam and is a natural escape-artist! The Sagittarius horse has a youthful nature, and somehow never seems to grow up! The Sagittarius horse always seems much younger than its years, because of its fun-loving, playful and energetic nature. Whilst this horse loves learning, it needs to be given variety in its routines. If you remember that "variety is the spice of life" for your Sagittarius horse, then it will shine within your partnership. If you do not do this, then your Sagittarius horse will become bored and restless, and will find ways of taking control, so that it can have some fun! Like the centaur symbol of this sign, the Sagittarius horse has a naturally expansive spirit, which means that it really enjoys the thrill of adventure. As Sagittarius rules the hips, flanks and stifles, this horse is prone to problems in these areas if his or her needs for freedom and fun are not met within your partnership.

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