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TEX CAUTHEN / HANS ALBRECHT FARRIER

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Soundness Starts at the Hoof



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Live in the Gluck Auditorium and Via Zoom

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SOUNDNESS STARTS AT THE HOOF

The Tenth Tex Cauthen/Hans Albrecht Farrier/Veterinarian/Researcher/Seminar presents at 9:00 AM on Sunday, January 18th LIVE in the Maxwell H. Gluck Equine Research Center Auditorium and worldwide via ZOOM. The guests of honor are Doug, Kerry and Steve Cauthen and Mrs. Vicki Albrecht. The organizing committee is chaired by Dr. Rob Holland and includes Dr. Clara Fenger, Mr. Steve Stanley, Dr. Pedro De Pedro, Dr. Fernanda Camargo, Mr. Ian McKinley, Mr. Kyle Meadows, Mr. Sandy Hawley, Mr. Duane Raglin and Dr. Thomas Tobin.

Following welcomes to the Martin-Gatton College of Agriculture, Food and Environment by Dean Laura Stevenson, Vice President for Land-grant Engagement and Dean of the Martin-Gatton College of Agriculture, Food and Environment and also to the Maxwell H. Gluck Equine Research Center by Dr. Brett Sponseller, DVM, Chair of the Department of Veterinary Science and Director of the Maxwell H. Gluck Equine Research Center, Dr. Robert Holland chairs the morning session on Objective Recording and Evaluation of Equine Locomotor Activity. Dr. Jamie Textor first introduces the iPhone based Sleip technology, describes how this technology works and how to best use it in practice. Next, Mr. Mark Casse presents its practical applications and how you can have detailed information on 200 horses at your fingertips. Dr. Bronte Forbes then overviews three years of experience with the Sleip technology in Hong Kong racing, following which Dr. Michelle Nihei speaks on using data driven management to enhance equine care, with the closing presentation from Mr. Marc Jerrem CJF on the role of gait analysis in farrier practice.

The morning session closes with a Round Table moderated by Dr. Robert Holland with Dr. Textor, Mr. Casse, Dr. Bronte Forbes, Dr. Michelle Nihei, Mr. Marc Jerram, Mr. Ian McKinley, Mr. Kyle Meadows and Dr. Clara Fenger, Mr. Eric Hamelback, Dr. David Lambert and Mr. Sandy Hawley as discussants. Lunch in the Maxwell H. Gluck Equine Center follows, most generously hosted by Ms. Linda Mars and The Mars Equestrian Foundation.

The afternoon session is chaired by Mr. Steve Stanley, IAPF and addresses the pivotal role of the hoof in equine soundness and safety. The session starts with a presentation by Mr. Travis Burns on stabilizing a fractured hoof capsule, following which Dr. Laura Kennedy presents on racehorse pathology involving the hoof and foreleg and Dr. Bruno Menarim addresses protection of the suspensory apparatus to reduce racing injuries. Following the afternoon coffee break Dr. van Eps presents on the anatomy and biomechanics of the hoof, following which Mr. Anthony Martinez addresses the matter of optimizing the racing surface. The next presentation is by Mr. Kyle Meadows and Mr. Ian McKinaly describing their novel smart shoe technology and its application in farrier practice. Dr. Jaret Pullan then closes the afternoon presentations with a review of optimal approaches to complex hoof function issues.

The afternoon session then closes with a Round Table Discussion moderated by Mr. Steve Stanley, IAPF with Dr. van Eps, Mr. Burns, Dr. Kennedy, Dr. Menarim, Mr. Martinez, Mr. McKinlay, Mr. Kyle Meadows, Dr. Pullam, Dr. Holland, Mr. Duane Raglin, Dr. Fenger and Dr. Tobin as the discussants.

The full videotaped seminar will be available on the Gluck Equine Research Center website and on the American Farriers Association Communications Committee's internet newsletter/eblast. This event has been submitted for approval for 7.25 hours of Continuing Education Credits by the Kentucky Board of Veterinary Examiners for Veterinarians and Veterinary Technicians and for 5.5 hours by the American Association of Professional Farriers AAPF); for more information, <https://www.ProfessionalFarriers.com> .

MORNING SESSION



9:00 AM- 9:10 AM

Welcomes to the Martin-Gatton College of Agriculture, Food and Environment and the Maxwell H. Gluck Equine Research Center

Dean Laura Stephenson, Vice President for Land-grant Engagement and Dean of the Martin-Gatton College of Agriculture, Food and Environment

Dr. Brett Sponseller, DVM, PhD, Diplomate, ACVIM, Chair of the Department of Veterinary Science and Director of the Maxwell H Gluck Equine Research Center.

9:10 AM- 9:15 PM

An Overview of Objective Recording and Evaluation of Equine Locomotor Activity and its Application in Racing Fitness Evaluations

CHAIR: Dr. Robert Holland, DVM, PhD, Holland Management Services Inc.

9:15- 9:45 AM

What is Sleip? How to Perform Practical, Precise Equine Gait Analysis with your iPhone

Dr. Jamie Textor, DVM, PhD, FDACVS, DACVSMR, Director of North American Market, Sleip, 915 Vista del Diablo Martinez, CA 94553.

9:45- 10:15 AM

Detailed Locomotor Fitness of 200 Horses at your Fingertips Whenever and Wherever the Information is Required.

Mr. Mark Casse, Casse Racing 6851 SW 66th Street, Ocala, Florida, 34476.

MORNING SESSION



10:15 - 10:45 AM

Using Sleip Technology to Evaluate Racing Soundness in Thoroughbred Racing Horses.

Dr. Bronte Forbes Stuart, BSc, BVMS, MACVSc, MBA, MRCVS, Department of Veterinary Regulation, Welfare and Biosecurity Policy, 1/F Sha Tin Central Complex, Sha Tin Racecourse, Sha Tin, New Territories, Hong Kong.

10:45 - 11:00 AM

Coffee Break

11:00 AM - 11:30 AM

Data Driven Management Enhancing Equine Care

Dr. Michelle Nihei, Circle 8 Ranch
1740 Grassy Springs Rd, Versailles KY 40383

11:30 AM - 12:00 PM

The Role of Gait Analysis in Farriery

Mr. Marc Jerram BSc (Hons) Grad Dip ELR CJF AWCF" Bishops Wood, Staffordshire, UK.

12:00 - 12:15 PM

Questions / Round Table Discussion

Chair: Dr. Rob Holland

Dr. Jamie Textor, Mr. Mark Casse, Mr. Steve Stanley, Dr. Bronte Forbes, Dr. Michelle Nihei, Mr. Marc Jerram, Dr. Clara Fenger, Dr. Rhodes P. Bell, Dr. David Lambert, Mr. Eric Hamelback, Mr. Sandy Hawley and Dr. Thomas Tobin.

AFTERNOON SESSION



12:15 - 1:00 PM

Lunch

Courtesy of Mars Equestrian

1:00 - 5:00 PM

Veterinary and Farrier Viewpoints on Optimizing Equine Safety and Performance

CHAIR: Mr. Steve Stanley, IAPF, Stanley Horseshoeing, 1087 Lakewood Ln, Versailles, KY 40383.

1:00 - 1:30 PM

Stabilization of Fractured Hoof Capsules

Mr. Travis Burns, MSc, CJF, TE, EE, FWCF, Professor of Practice, Farrier Services, Department of Large Animal Clinical Sciences, VA-MD College of Veterinary Medicine, Virginia Tech, 205 Duck Pond Drive, Blacksburg, VA 24060

1:30 - 2:00 PM

It's Never Too Late - an Integrative Approach to Racehorse Pathology.

Dr. Laura A. Kennedy DVM Dipl. ACVP, She/her, Associate Professor, Anatomic Pathology, Toxicology-adjacent, University of Kentucky Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory.

AFTERNOON SESSION



2:00 - 2:30 PM

Suspensory Apparatus Abnormalities in Racing Thoroughbreds - Specific Signals and How to Respond.

Dr. Bruno C. Menarim, DVM, PhD, Associate Professor,
Department of Veterinary Science, Room 128D, The Maxwell H.
Gluck Equine Research Center, Martin-Gatton College of
Agriculture, Food and the Environment, University of Kentucky,
Lexington, Ky 40546-0099

2:30 - 2:45 PM

Afternoon Coffee Break

2:45 - 3:15 PM

An Overview of the Functional Anatomy and Biomechanics of the Equine Hoof

Dr. Andrew van Eps BVSc, PhD, MACVSc, DACVIM, Dean W.
Richardson Professor of Equine Musculoskeletal Research,
University of Pennsylvania, School of Veterinary Medicine, New
Bolton Center, 382 West Street Road, Kennett Square,
Pennsylvania.

3:15 - 3:45 PM

Best Practices for Race-Track Maintenance Procedures to Optimize Race-Track Safety

Mr. Anthony Martinez Jr., Track Superintendent, Horseshoe
Indianapolis, 4300 North Michigan Rd., Shelbyville, Indiana 46176.

AFTERNOON SESSION



3:45 - 4:15 PM

Further Developments with The Smart Shoe Sensory Technology for the Equine Athlete

Mr. Ian McKinlay, CJF, 26, NE Drive, North East MD 21901
Mr. Kyle Meadows, Innovative Sports Technology, Grapevine, Texas.

4:15 - 4:45 PM

Optimal Approaches to Complex Hoof Function Issues

Dr. Jaret Pullen, DVM, Equine Podiatry, Veterinary Teaching Hospital, College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences Colorado State University, 1350 Centre Ave E114, Fort Collins, CO 80521.

Questions / Round Table Discussion

Chair: Mr. Steve Stanley IAPF

Mr. Travis Burns, Dr. Laura Kennedy, Dr. Bruno Menarim, Mr. Kyle Meadows, Mr. Ian McKinlay, Mr. Mitch Taylor, Mr. Duane Raglin, Dr. Robert Holland and Dr. Thomas Tobin.

End 2026 Program and Zoom Session

Thank you and safe travels!

SPEAKERS AND SUMMARY BIOGRAPHIES



DR. LAURA STEPHENSON



Dr. Laura Stephenson serves as Dean of the Martin-Gatton College of Agriculture, Food and Environment and Vice President of Land-Grant Engagement at the University of Kentucky. Prior to this role, Dr. Stephenson served as Associate Dean and Director of the Cooperative Extension Service and Associate Vice President of Land-Grant Engagement. Her extensive career in Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service included positions as County Agent, District Director, and Assistant Director for Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS) Extension Field Programs. Additionally, she served as Associate Dean and Department Chair for FCS Extension at the University of Tennessee. Dr. Stephenson holds a B.S. and M.A. in Vocational Education from Eastern Kentucky University and a Ph.D. in Public Health from the University of Kentucky. Her professional work has focused on the development of food systems and community based solutions to local issues. She has dedicated her career to addressing community needs by leveraging research-based expertise from faculty and extension agents. Dr. Stephenson values partnerships with commodity groups, local leaders and statewide stakeholders. Her commitment to the college's three mission areas—teaching, research, and Extension—is unwavering. Dr. Stephenson's vision focuses on strengthening Kentucky's agriculture, economy, and health by educating future leaders, fostering innovation through cutting-edge research, and expanding outreach efforts to create a meaningful and lasting impact on communities across the Commonwealth and beyond.

DR. BRETT SPONSELLER



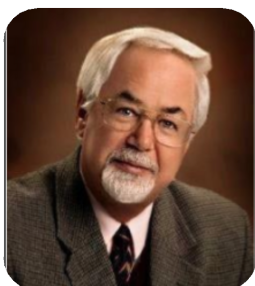
Earned his DVM from Cornell University, completed an internship in private practice with Equine Medical Associates in Edmond, Oklahoma, and a residency in large animal internal medicine (equine) from UC, Davis. He earned his PhD in molecular, cellular and developmental biology from Iowa State University and was and inaugural founder of the Equine Internal Medicine Service at ISU in 2003. Since then he has maintained an extramurally funded research focus in equine infectious diseases, including those caused by *Rhodococcus equi*, equine infectious anemia virus, equine herpesvirus-1 and *Clostridioides difficile*. His teaching portfolio includes didactic equine internal medicine, veterinary virology with graduate and professional students and equine internal medicine as a clinical rotation. Sponseller has mentored several residents that presently specialize in equine medicine in the Central Kentucky area.



DR. ROBERT E. HOLLAND, JR., DVM, PHD

Graduated from the Mississippi State College of Veterinary Medicine in 1994, and he obtained his PhD in Equine Virology in 2001 at The Maxwell H. Gluck Equine Research Center of the University of Kentucky. While studying at UKY, Dr. Holland served as a regulatory veterinarian with the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission and gained expertise examining horse racing from both sides of the regulatory fence. Dr. Holland has consulted globally to contain and prevent the spread of disease, including with the USDA and many state veterinarians.

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DR. THOMAS TOBIN, DVM

Veterinarian and a Professor in the Dept. of Veterinary Science in the Maxwell H. Gluck Equine Research Center where he works on the synthesis and certification reference standards and internal standards for equine therapeutic medication regulation. Contributions include “Drugs and the Performance Horse” 1981, the first plasma threshold for Lasix, introducing ELISA tests to horseracing; patenting Diclazuril as the first FDA approved treatment for Equine Protozoal Myeloencephalitis; and a biologically unique probabilistic mechanism underlying the Mare Reproductive Loss Syndrome (MRLS), <https://gluck.ca.uky.edu/directory/thomas-tobin>



MS. ALEXIS AGAPIOU

Alexis Agapiou is an Animal and Poultry Science major and visiting student from Virginia Tech with a strong focus on equine health, rehabilitation, and veterinary medicine. Alexis is actively involved in the planning and coordination of the Tex Cauthen Seminar Series, helping to organize programming and outreach efforts. She is especially passionate about education that bridges research, clinical practice, and real-world application for equine professionals. She plans to pursue a career as an equine veterinarian with interests in sport horse medicine, rehabilitation, and client education.



DR. JAMIE TEXTOR, PhD, DVM

Graduating from Colorado State University in 1998, she pursued advanced training in surgery and sports medicine first in Ocala and then at Cornell University. Jamie has worked as a specialist clinician, instructor and researcher, as well as a private practice owner and general practitioner. In 2024 she joined Sleip, a tech company specializing in objective gait analysis via computer vision. Originally from the Midwest, she now resides in Northern California with her family.



MR. MARK CASSE

Growing up in Ocala, Florida, Mark's father, Norman Casse, ran Cardinal Hill Farm. At age eight, Mark accompanied his father to the spring meet of the original Woodbine Racetrack. In 1973, father and son traveled to Churchill Downs and saw Secretariat win the 1973 Kentucky Derby. Notable horses include 2015 American champion turf mare Tepin and Canadian Horses of the Year Sealy Hill (2007), Uncaptured (2012), Lexie Lou (2014), Catch A Glimpse (2015) and Wonder Gadot. Mark has won thirteen Sovereign Awards for outstanding trainer in Canada and has been the leading trainer at Woodbine Racetrack 14 times.

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DR. BRONTE FORBES

A third-generation equine veterinarian, Bronte Forbes started his career in Western Australia after graduating from Murdoch University before moving to Singapore and then onto Hong Kong. Up until three years ago he had a primarily clinical role but has recently taken on a regulatory role, overseeing the veterinary treatment of the racehorses at the Hong Kong Jockey Club and ensuring that the integrity of racing is at the highest standard. Bronte is currently the Head of Veterinary Regulation, Welfare and Biosecurity Policy at the Hong Kong Jockey Club and holds an MBA, CertAVP, is a Member of the Australian College of Veterinary Scientists (Equine Medicine) and is awaiting the final results of his Professional Doctorate from the Royal veterinary College.



DR. MICHELLE K. NIHEI

Michelle is a 22-year veteran of Thoroughbred racing, conditioning graded stakes winners at Churchill Downs, Keeneland, Saratoga, Belmont and Gulfstream. Early in her career, Michelle spent time galloping for Sir Micheal Stoute in Newmarket, then became an exercise rider and assistant trainer for Eclipse Award Winning trainer Todd Pletcher, then hanging her shingle as a trainer in December 2007. She now trains at Circle 8 Ranch in Versailles, KY, developing regimens for Circle 8 over rolling hill gallops and a new, novel artificial surface. Michelle obtained her BSc and MSc from the University of Saskatchewan, her Ph.D. from the University of Kentucky, and for five years was a faculty member at Johns Hopkins University before making her move into the racing world.



MR. MARC JERRAM

Marc qualified as a farrier in 2006 after a four-year apprenticeship and passing the Worshipful Company of Farriers Dip.WCF examination. He then travelled overseas to further his farriery experience before returning to England in 2008 to start his own farriery practice based in Shropshire and Staffordshire. Marc has a great interest in corrective farriery which led to him completing the Myerscough College foundation degree in farriery science which is an innovative course aimed at assessing current farriery experience and knowledge along with new diagnostic technology to assess the balance of the horse's foot. At the end of this course, he took the Worshipful Company of Farriers AWCF examination which is an exam aimed at corrective farriery. A comprehensive knowledge of the horse's anatomy and remedial farriery is required. Following that, Marc undertook the BSc (Hons) course to further his knowledge and expertise. During this time Marc wrote a dissertation on static and dynamic asymmetry in unbroken horses. Assessing the effects at pre and post trim. Marc passed the degree with first class honors and was awarded the Myerscough trophy for outstanding practical and theory grades.

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MR. STEVE STANLEY, IAPF

Began working as a farrier in Versailles, Kentucky in the late seventies. Shoeing a number of World Champion trotters and pacers, he has worked as Head Farrier on leading Kentucky Thoroughbred and Standardbred farms. He has published articles on the practice of Farriery and various aspects of hoof anatomy, hoof disease, lameness, and therapeutic shoeing, including Hoofbeats Magazine. He has also served on the Board of Directors of the Standardbred Harness Horsemen's Association since 2007 and in 2016 he was inducted into the University of Kentucky Equine Research Hall of Fame.



MR. TRAVIS BURNS

Travis Burns grew up working with horses at his uncle's riding stable in North Carolina and promptly began his interest in shoeing at the age of 14. Academically, Travis attended a farrier school in the winter of 2002 and then started college the subsequent spring. Transferring from the University of Tennessee, he completed his BS in Animal Science in 2006, receiving his degree from North Carolina State University. He is truly interested in all aspects of the farrier world but is most fascinated by laminitis cases, quarter cracks, and Dressage horses. Currently, Travis is Lecturer and Chief of Farrier Services in the Equine Podiatry Service at the Virginia-Maryland College of Veterinary Medicine in Blacksburg, Virginia. Travis Burns is an Associate Professor of Practice in the Department of Large Animal Clinical Sciences at the Virginia-Maryland College of Veterinary Medicine at Virginia Tech. He is a Certified Journeyman Farrier with both the Therapeutic and Educator Endorsements from the American Farriers Association. Travis is one of 6 Americans to become a Fellow in the Worshipful Company of Farriers by examination from the United Kingdom, the FWCF. He currently serves as the Chief of Farrier Services in the Equine Podiatry Service of the Veterinary Teaching Hospital.



DR. LAURA KENNEDY

Dr. Laura Kennedy is a board-certified anatomic pathologist at the University of Kentucky Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory in Lexington, KY. A native of Michigan, Dr. Kennedy received her Bachelor of Science and DVM at Michigan State University. Following graduation, Dr. Kennedy served as a resident veterinarian at the Hanover Shoe Farms in Hanover, PA, a 400-mare commercial Standardbred breeding farm. Dr. Kennedy then pursued a residency in anatomic pathology at Texas A&M University, achieving board certification. Dr. Kennedy is the program coordinator for the Kentucky Horse Racing Postmortem Program, which entails performing detailed postmortem examinations on all racehorses that are euthanized or die spontaneously at all regulated tracks and training centers in the state of Kentucky. Dr. Kennedy works closely with the Kentucky Horse Racing and Gaming Corporation, racetrack medical directors, referral hospitals, and researchers within the University of Kentucky and throughout the country. Dr. Kennedy is dedicated to the safety and welfare of all participants in horse racing, human and equine. In addition to the prevention of catastrophic musculoskeletal injury and exercise-associated sudden death, Dr. Kennedy's dedication to the welfare of the racehorse includes providing for a healthy and happy second career following retirement from racing.

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DR. BRUNO MENARIM

Following over a decade of equine surgical practice, Dr. Bruno Menarim's research is focused on mechanisms of musculoskeletal inflammation and the development of innovative therapies to treat joint disease. His work has unveiled how to harness the patient's own immune system to recover from inflammation, without the adverse side effects of anti-inflammatory drugs. His ongoing studies include assessing how the activation of cell receptors that aid in resolving joint inflammation and how anti-inflammatory drug misuse can, paradoxically, impair natural resolution of inflammation. Recently, considering that the suspensory apparatus and fetlock joints are the most common sites of fatal injuries (>80% of cases) in racing Thoroughbreds, Dr. Menarim and Dr. Laura Kennedy have an ongoing study on the prevalence and relationship of pre-existing suspensory apparatus damage and catastrophic musculoskeletal injuries in Thoroughbreds.



ANDREW VAN EPS BVSc., PhD., MACVSc., DACVIM

Andrew graduated from the University of Queensland School of Veterinary Science in Australia. His PhD studies focused on the effects of therapeutic hypothermia on the development of laminitis. Andrew trained as a large animal internal medicine specialist at University of Pennsylvania's New Bolton Center and returned there in 2017 as the Dean W. Richardson Endowed Professor of Equine Disease Research. Andrew's research goal is to identify the mechanisms that lead to different forms of laminitis to develop effective strategies for prevention and treatment.



MR. TONY MARTINEZ

Tony Martinez is a third-generation track superintendent with over 40 years of experience shaping and managing top-tier racing surfaces. Throughout his career, Tony has overseen operations at prestigious venues both domestically and internationally, including Gulfstream Park in Miami, Florida where he managed the internationally renowned Pegasus World Cup. He currently serves as Track Superintendent at Horseshoe Indianapolis (Shelbyville, IN), where he runs the Horseshoe Indianapolis Derby and maintains what has been recognized as the safest racetrack in the United States from 2022 through 2025. The tracks under his care are consistently ranked among the safest and most reliable in racing, a testament to his dedication to the welfare of both riders and horses. Beyond his daily duties, Tony mentors rising professionals and helps guide key industry initiatives.

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MR. IAN MCKINLAY

Was born in Canada, graduated in Agricultural Science, in 1977 moved to Detroit to repair a quarter crack on a Standardbred racehorse. His technique was soon widely accepted and applied at Standardbred tracks in NY & NJ. Stone dust tracks were then the norm with hoof cracks and abscesses caused by the track surface. In 1985 he was introduced to Thoroughbred racing at Belmont Park where his techniques were well accepted. Ian has worked with numerous Hall of Fame trainers across the US, repaired 15,000 plus hoof injuries, glued shoes on countless horses, and marketed the padded shoes he has developed. There are endless intricacies to hoof lameness, and he enjoys sharing his knowledge and experience on social media and in clinics.



MR. KYLE MEADOWS

Is a Californian, BSc in Biology, U. Cal. Berkeley. He has competed in the NFL track and field and was a member of the US World Cup Bobsled Team. Kyle has developed training programs focusing on stride length and frequency, body composition, power testing and performance testing, sports-specific movements. Kyle has coached for the National Sports Academy in Lake Placid, which has produced numerous Olympic athletes. He is the founder of the Olympic Region Track Club, a USATF-sanctioned youth track club and he has also been a featured speaker for the New York Ski Racing Association, the New York Chiropractic College, PEAK running camps, and Dartfish Visual Analysis Symposiums. Kyle coaches performance and consults weekly with former Olympian and elite track and field coach Dennis Mitchell, working with his team of Olympic athletes to improve sprint biometrics.



DR. JARET PULLEN

Dr. Pullen founded JP Hoofworks in 2003, soon after getting his undergrad degree from University of Vermont. He built his farrier business in the Northeast focusing on performance horses and therapeutic farriery. As his business grew, he became more interested in therapeutic farrier work. After sustaining a knee injury in 2012 he set his sights on becoming a veterinarian. He attended Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine in 2016. In 2020, JP Hoofworks expanded their services to include veterinary services. He continues to work closely with some of the best-known equine podiatrists such as Drs. Ric Redden and Sammy Pittman. Currently Dr. Pullen travels much of the country attending to clients in New York, Vermont, Florida, Indiana, Texas, and Kentucky.

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MR. MITCH TAYLOR



American Farrier Association Hall of Fame, and an AFA Certified Journeyman Farrier since 1982. Combining his academic background with his passion for Farriery, he specializes in the treatment of lameness and foot imbalances. He graduated in Biology and Chemistry from Western State College, Colorado and earned his MSc at the University of Kentucky, working under Professor James Rooney, former Director of the Maxwell H. Gluck Equine Research Center. Mr. Taylor has been Director of Equine Podiatry at the Equine Veterinary Medical Center (EVMC) of Al Shaqab in Doha, Qatar, where he developed the facility and the training regimens for the EVMC staff. Since 1989, Mr. Taylor has been Director of the Kentucky Horseshoeing School, Richmond, Kentucky.

MR. DUANE RAGLIN



Grew up in Zion Hill in Midway, Kentucky, and apprenticed as a blacksmith with the late John E. Collins. He worked for Mr. Collins and Steve Simon until he opened the Raglin Farrier Service in 2004. For 17 years he has provided farrier services for some of the most prestigious Thoroughbred farms in Kentucky, including Gallery Stables, Lane's End Farms, Middlebrook Farm, Old Frankfort Park, Winter Quarter Farm, and many others. He strives to provide the newest developments in high performance hoof care and continues to help with new innovations that will benefit the athletic abilities of horses. He has been commissioned as a Kentucky Colonel in acknowledgement of his volunteer farrier services provided to rescued and neglected horses.

DR. RHODES P. BELL, DVM, MS, DIPL. ACVS-LA



Graduating from Vanderbilt University, Dr. Rhodes received his DVM from Auburn University, and an MS in Equine Surgery and Lameness at the University of Missouri. Dr. Rhodes is a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Surgeons- Large Animal. Dr. Bell Interned at Peterson & Smith Equine Hospital in Ocala, Florida and following his residency at the University of Missouri he worked in Maryland and Pennsylvania. Dr. Bell's interests are in surgery and lameness. Dr. Bell enjoys SEC football and basketball, follows thoroughbred racing, cycling, reading, spending time with his wife, who is also a veterinarian, specializing in Cardiology, and his dogs.

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DR. FERNANDA CAMARGO, DVM

Graduated from Londrina State University, Parana, Brazil in 2010, with her veterinary degree, and earned her PhD in Equine Pharmacology, Therapeutics and Toxicology at the Veterinary Science Department, University of Kentucky in 2007. Dr. Camargo oversees, coordinates and provides leadership for the 4-H Horse Program in Kentucky. Her work provides learning opportunities for the youth through camps, clinics, seminars, the State Horse Show, the State Horse Contest, and the State Horse Judging Contest.



DR. CLARA FENGER, DVM, PHD, DACVIM

Graduated with her veterinary degree from the University of California, Davis in 1988. After practicing in California, she went on to an Internal Medicine residency and master's program in Equine Exercise Physiology at the Ohio State University, where she worked with Ken McKeever and Ken Hinchcliff. She later received her PhD studying Equine Protozoal Myeloencephalitis at the University of Kentucky. During her studies at UK, she worked for the Kentucky Racing Commission as a State Veterinarian and continues this association for 15 years. She is a founding member of the North American Association of Racetrack Veterinarians (NAARV). She practices in Central Kentucky and specializes in Thoroughbreds and Standardbreds.



MR. DESMOND SANFORD HAWLEY

Is one of the greatest jockeys in Thoroughbred racing with 31,455 mounts, 6,449 wins and 18 riding titles at Woodbine Racetrack. Mr. Hawley received the Lou Marsh Trophy in 1973 and 1976 as Canada's top athlete and the Order of Canada, the highest civilian honor. He was inducted into the Canadian Racing Hall of Fame in 1986, the National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame in 1992 and Canada's Sports Hall of Fame in 1998. In 1973 he became the first jockey to ever win 500 races in one-year, breaking Bill Shoemaker's record. The Sandy Hawley Award is presented every year by the Ontario Sports Hall of Fame to an individual who best exemplifies a dedication to the community.

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DR. PEDRO DE PEDRO, DVM, MSC., DACVIM



has been an Equine Internal Medicine practitioner in Lexington for fourteen years. In 2016, he joined the faculty at Ross University School of Veterinary Medicine where he taught Large Animal (Equine) Internal Medicine and Clinical Pharmacology. In 2022, he joined the faculty at Morehead State University Department of Agricultural Sciences as Assistant Professor of Veterinary Science. Presently, Dr. De Pedro is Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs and Professor of Clinical Sciences at Universidad Ana G. Mendez School of Veterinary Medicine in Gurabo Puerto Rico. His research interests and current projects focus on performance horses and veterinary education. Dr. De Pedro continues to practice Equine Internal Medicine and is a veterinary consultant to general practitioners and non-for-profit organizations in Lexington, KY.

MR. ERIC HAMELBACK



Eric Hamelback is the Chief Executive Officer of the National Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association (NHBPA), the largest horsemen's organization in North America. In this role, he represents Thoroughbred horsemen at the national level on issues of racing integrity, safety, governance, and industry sustainability.

As CEO, Hamelback serves on numerous industry boards and committees, representing NHBPA horsemen on the American Horse Council's United Horse Coalition, the Racing Medication and Testing Consortium (RMTTC), the NTRA Safety Alliance, and the Racing Officials Accreditation Program. He also serves as an associate member of Racing Commissioners International. A long-time advocate for equine welfare, he has been actively involved in retraining and rehoming initiatives for Off-the-Track Thoroughbreds, including service on the Board of Directors of the Secretariat Center in Lexington, Kentucky; the equine advisory committee for Square Peg Foundation in Half Moon Bay, California; and the capital campaign committee for New Vocations Racehorse Adoption Program. A native of Frierson, Louisiana, Hamelback earned a Bachelor of Science in Animal Systems from Louisiana State University in 1993. He has lived in Central Kentucky since 2008 and currently resides in Paris, Kentucky, with his wife, Debra. They have two children.

MR. KEVIN L. WOLLER



Kevin L. Woller has degrees in Physics, Geophysics and Geographical Information Science (GIS). Kevin started his career at Mobil Oil Company and later worked at Pioneer Natural Resources. He has experience in many phases and types of geophysical investigations on several continents and offshore areas. While at Pioneer he directed international and domestic US projects totaling over \$100 million. The past few years he has been consulting for oil and gas companies.

He is an Associate Professor (Volunteer Faculty) at the University of Kentucky, contributing to studies of lake systems (CHIRP methods), shallow geology (ground penetrating radar (GPR) and seismic imaging) and forensics (GPR). He has employed special techniques using LIDAR data to enhance surficial features beyond the normal data readings. He is also a part-time employee (Special Advisor) at the Center for Applied Energy Research at the University of Kentucky.



MR. HANS GUNTHER ALBRECHT JR., FARRIER, AND GENTLEMAN

We are all present here at this Tenth Farrier / Veterinarian / Researcher Seminar courtesy of Mr. Hans Gunther Albrecht, Jr. Hans created these seminars, naming them in honor of the famous Kentucky farrier Tex Cauthen, and Hans' seminar concept was enthusiastically received by the world Farrier / Veterinarian / Researcher communities. I, (Thomas T) was invited to be his academic coordinator and over the years Hans and I developed a close working relationship, Hans always being a delight to work with.

It was with deep sadness and great surprise that I learned on March 6th, 2022, that International Farrier Hans Gunther Albrecht Jr. of Versailles, Kentucky had passed away peacefully in his sleep the previous night. Hans is survived by his devoted wife and love of his life, Vicki Albrecht; his daughter Krista Martz; granddaughters Cecilia and Adelaide; Cary Simon whom he regarded as his "second daughter;" and countless friends around the world who claim Hans as their adopted brother, father, or uncle. When Hans wasn't "*under a horse*," he had endless stories and jokes to share, and he was also a great listener, always making you feel that you were his one and only best friend.

Hans was born in Dusseldorf, Germany to Liberta and Gunther Albrecht, who moved to the United States when he was a child. Always the competitive athlete, Hans graduated from Long Beach State University, Long Beach, CA, with a Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology. He next worked as Aquatics Director for Los Angeles County and then for Nike as National Running Director and National Road Race Promoter. In 1982 he moved to Levi Strauss where he competed in "*Ride and Tie*", which events involved two riders and one horse. The need to learn how to shoe his "*Ride and Tie*" horse evolved into a passion for horses and farrier science. He attended Dr. Rick Redden's clinics where farriers and veterinarians learn and work together, which tradition Hans has continued throughout his career. Hans also worked with farriers Fred Love, Mike Savoldi and Steve Norman and soon became Director of Farrier Science at California State Polytechnic University. Hans shod horses to win for over 30 years in the United States and internationally, including in Dubai, Doha, England and Ireland. Specializing in shoeing Thoroughbreds for racing and for the auction rings at Keeneland and Fasig-Tipton, he has lectured globally, even lecturing in German at Hanover University Veterinary. Based near Lexington, KY, Hans has always shod his horses to win.



Tex with sons:
Doug, Kerry and
Steve Cauthen

RONALD "TEX" CAUTHEN was born in Muleshoot, Texas and grew up near Sweetwater, Texas, on his grandfather's farm. As a teenager he broke wild horses before taking a job at the San Angelo Texas racetrack. He began on the racetrack accompanying racehorses to New Orleans at 16 years of age, and he raced in the Midwest until 1962, when he was drafted into the Army and trained as a meteorologist.

When Tex returned to civilian life he attended the blacksmith program at Michigan State University, and he soon became a highly-respected racetrack farrier. Tex was elected to the International Horseshoeing Hall of Fame in its 1993 inaugural class.

In 1969 Tex married Myra Bischoff, an owner and trainer. Their first son, Steve, was born in 1960, then their second son, Doug, at which point the Cauthen's bought a farm in Walton, Kentucky, where their third son, Kerry, was born.

Steve won the 1978 Triple Crown aboard Harbor View's Affirmed as a teenager and later rode extensively in Europe, and Steve is a member of the National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame. Doug is President of Doug Cauthen Thoroughbred Management LLC located in Lexington, KY, and Kerry is managing partner of Four Star Sales, a Lexington-based consignment company.

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