



**Gateway Clinic Instructors**

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## **LH Gateway to Hoof Care Clinic**

The Longhorn Conference Center  
White Stallion Ranch  
Tucson, Arizona

### **Day 1 – Monday, April 29, 2024**

- 9:00 – 9:10 **Welcoming Remarks.** (Bruce)
- 9:10 – 9:30 **On Being Human.** (Bruce)
- 9:30 – 10:30 **The Evolutionary Origins of The Optimal Hoof Form and Its Importance to Domesticated Horses.** (Bruce)
- 10:30 – 11:00 **Video: What Researchers Discovered About the Impact of Terrain and Movement on Hoof Form.** (Bruce)
- 11:00 – 11:15 **Break**
- 11:15 – 12:30 **Characteristics of The Optimal Hoof Form and Their Role in Proper Hoof Function** (Ann)
- 12:30 – 1:30 **Lunch**
- 1:30 – 2:00 **Essential Tools & Tool Care** (Ann)
- 2:00 – 2:30 **Trim Demonstrations**
- 2:30 – 4:30 **Supervised Trimming** (Ann & Steve)
- 4:30 – 5:00 **Clean up**

### **Day 2 – Tuesday, April 30, 2024**

- 8:30 – 9:00 **Hoof Prep at the Fort**
- 9:00 – 10:30 **The Negative Impact of Captivity And Suboptimal Management and Use Practices on General and Hoof Health.** (Bruce)
- 10:30 – 10:45 **Break**
- 10:45 – 12:30 **The Importance of Proper Hoof Landings and How Deviations From the Ideal Increase the Risk of Joint and Soft Tissue Injuries.** (Steve)
- 12:30 – 1:30 **Lunch**
- 1:30 – 2:00 **Trim Demonstrations** (Ann & Steve)
- 2:00 – 4:30 **Supervised Trimming**
- 4:30 – 5:00 **Clean up**

### **Day 3 – Wednesday, May 1, 2024**

- 9:00 – 10:30 **Introduction to Hoof Pathologies – Hoof Problems Caused by Management Practices** (Steve)
- 10:30 – 10:45 **Break**
- 10:45 – 11:45 **The Effects of Conformation, Posture, Movement on Hoof Form** (Ann)
- 11:45 – 12:30 **A Survey of Hoof Care Models: What Others Do that We Don't and Why** (Ann)
- 12:30 – 1:30 **Lunch**
- 1:30 – 2:00 **Trim Demonstrations** (Ann & Steve)
- 2:00 – 4:30 **Supervised Trimming**
- 4:30 – 5:00 **Clean up**

### **Day 4 – Thursday, May 2, 2024**

- 8:30 – 10:45 **Note:** No sessions to allow seminar participants to take advantage of the Slow Mountain Trail Ride or the many other ranch amenities and activities or the attractions in the general area.  
If you are going on the ride, meet at the corral at 8:30.
- 11:00 – 12:30 **Case Studies** (Ann)
- 12:30 – 1:30 **Lunch**
- 1:30 – 2:00 **Trim Demonstrations** (Ann & Steve)
- 2:00 – 4:30 **Supervised Trimming**
- 4:30 – 5:00 **Clean up**

### **Day 5 – Friday, May 3, 2024**

- 9:00 – 9:30 **Performance Hoof Boots and the Challenges of Measuring and Fitting** (Steve)
- 9:30 – 10:00 **Improving Comfort and Relaxation for Equine Care and Interventions** (Ann)
- 10:00 – 10:30 **Don't Go Down the Rabbit Hole - Differentiating Trimming Issues from Other Hoof Health Issues** (Ann)
- 10:30 – 10:45 **Break**
- 11:45 – 11:15 **Panel Discussion and Q & A** (All Instructors)
- 11:15 – 11:30 **Closing Remarks** (Ann)

#### **Meals are served by the ranch at:**

- 7:30 – 9:00 AM Breakfast  
12:30 – 1:30 PM Lunch  
7:00 – 8:00 PM Dinner

**Social Hour is from 6:00 – 7:00 PM in the ranch "bar."**