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# Equine Guelph E-News



Care about YOUR horse? - Care about ALL horses. Help spread the message of Equine Welfare by forwarding this email to a friend.

May 2015

Dear Horse Enthusiast,

Welcome to this month's edition of Equine Guelph E-News.



**Alert:** [More cases of EIA](#) - Saskatchewan and Alberta



## JOIN THE HERD OF HAPPY APP USERS! Get the Horse Health Tracker

Since its launch two weeks ago, our new app has had over 1,000 downloads! Join the hundreds of horse health advocates that have chosen Equine Guelph's [Horse Health Tracker App](#) as their new favorite management tool. Tracking vital health data and syncing appointment reminders is a snap for one horse or the whole herd.

"The ability to share pertinent information with your veterinarian is a wonderful feature," says equine practitioner, Dr. Laura Frost. "The Horse Health Tracker makes it easy for the horse owner to systematically collect vital health data and provide this information in real-time to a veterinarian. This app ensures that important pieces of the puzzle are not missed when communicating health concerns regarding a sick horse."



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[Buy your barn the Horse Health Check Poster - a fantastic reference tool!](#)

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[User guide](#) available on Equine Guelph website.

The App is available for download at [Google Play](#) and the [App Store](#).



## FULL-CIRCLE-RESPONSIBILITY - 2015

### Code Section 3: Feed and Water



It's not just about the food and water - it's also about what kind, when and how it is provided. Water is one of the most important nutrients and it is important that we provide adequate amounts of quality water year-round from safe sources. To learn more about horses water requirements and needs for a forage-based diet optimized for their individual needs...

[Read the full story.](#)

Visit Equine Guelph's [Code Decoder](#) tool: the fast and easy way to learn the National Code of Practice for the Care and Handling of Equines.



In partnership with Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, Equine Guelph is developing a 'Full-Circle-Responsibility' equine welfare educational initiative which stands to benefit the welfare of horses in both the racing and non-racing industries.



## EQUINE GUELPH AND GREENHAWK PARTNER

### On Equine First Aid Kit

Everything at your fingertips and an easy-to-follow resource manual make the Equine Guelph First Aid Kit your "go to" item when an equine emergency hijacks your perfectly planned day.

Equine Guelph and Greenhawk have partnered to offer this extensive first aid kit, at a great value, to keep you organized and ready to deal with emergency situations. Proceeds from the Equine Guelph First Aid Kit will be donated by Greenhawk to Equine Guelph in support of its welfare education programs.

Save over \$55 on contents - Buy the complete kit for \$129 at select Greenhawk stores!

[Full story and list of participating Greenhawk stores ...](#)




Download an awesome new APP  
Horse Health Tracker  
by Equine Guelph

### Job Track

A job posting centre for the  
equine industry.

### Report on Research

University of Guelph researchers  
discuss current projects. 

### Hoofprints Tributes

Share photos & stories  
commemorating equine friends.

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### EquiMania!

Bring EquiMania! to your Event!

Online Games for Kids

Become a Volunteer

### Sign up for E-News

Check out Equine Guelph's monthly  
news & Health Flash - 4 FREE seasonal  
healthcare reminders.

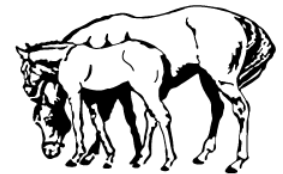


Your Emergency Preparedness week purchase  
**Are you prepared for an equine  
emergency?**



## EQUINE GUELPH THANKS YOU FOR E-DONATIONS!

Equine Guelph would like to thank all the  
respondents of last months e-donation requests.  
To find out how you can help strengthen the  
future of equine research, education, health and  
welfare visit our website.



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## REGISTRATION OPEN FOR TLAER IN OCTOBER Technical Large Animal Emergency Rescue

With Dr. Rebecca Gimenez, a world leader in large animal emergency  
rescue, this 2-day awareness hands on seminar, is appropriate for a very  
broad audience - horse owners, first responders, law enforcement,  
animal control officers, veterinarians, veterinary technicians, emergency  
animal response teams, livestock producers and associations.



photo: Toni MacPherson

Coming to Elora, ON - Oct 3 and 4, 2015

Participants will go through the do's and don'ts of large animal  
rescue before being guided through a variety of emergency simulations  
including plenty of hands on demonstrations.

[Read how this program has already made a difference for one of last](#)



## Read our latest bi-annual Newsletter

Spring 2015

[Archived Newsletters](#)

[year's participants...](#)

Early Bird special \$179 (Deadline July 15, 2015)  
Registration is limited - **ENROLL TODAY!**



### FINALIST FOR EQUINE INDUSTRY VISION AWARD

Gayle Ecker, director of Equine Guelph, has been selected as one of four finalists for the prestigious Equine Industry Vision Award for 2015. Intended to recognize innovation, leadership and service, the Equine Industry Vision Award, sponsored by Zoetis, and awarded by American Horse Publications, will announce a winner on Friday, June 19, 2015.



Equine Guelph director, Gayle Ecker received the distinction of being short-listed from a record number of 25 nominees.

"To be selected as one of the four top finalists for this prestigious award is truly an honour," says Ecker. "Many thanks go out to our sponsors, partners, donors and supporters that make it possible for Equine Guelph to promote horse health and welfare through our education programs."

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### EQUIMANIA! THANKS CAN-AM!

"Sharing a common vision promoting education, health and welfare for a vibrant equine industry makes it a pleasure to work with Ross Miller and his dedicated crew," states Equine Guelph's director, Gayle Ecker. "We always look forward to presenting EquiMania! at Can-Am and we were so pleased to present Ross with a token of our appreciation to celebrate 10 years together at Can-Am."

Accomplished artist, EquiMania! volunteer and long time friend of Equine Guelph, Ruth Benns created a beautiful painting depicting a typical jovial scene of the ever-popular EquiMania! display. The specially commissioned artwork was presented to Ross Miller, Mike Straw and Ron Waples in the main arena on Can-Am's Saturday night to help kick off the extravaganza show to a sold out crowd.



Original artwork by Ruth Benns  
presented in appreciation at Can-Am



Equine Guelph would also like to pay special thanks to the artists who offered donations of proceeds from their booth sales and through donations of artwork auctioned off at the Saturday evening extravaganza: Ann Clifford, Anne Clifford Artwork Wendy Fraleigh, Nola McConnan of Merriweather Studio, and Winnie Stott with the equine artists of Winsong Farm.  
[Read full story...](#)



## Equine Foundation Donation to Aid in Lameness Evaluation



photo: HENRIETTA COOLE  
Nancy Kavanagh, Ontario's EFC representative and secretary presents \$16,000 cheque to Equine Guelph director, Gayle Ecker

Equine Guelph and researcher Dr. Judith Koenig would like to thank the Equine Foundation of Canada (EFC), for its recent donation to support horse welfare. EFC has contributed \$16,000, 80% of the purchase of an Equinosis Lameness Locator® which will benefit both research projects and education by providing an objective method of determining equine limb lameness.

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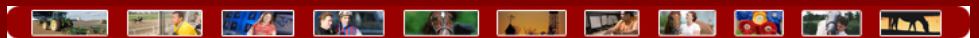
## SURVEY: HORSE WELFARE ISSUES IN CANADA

This survey focuses on industry management practices, rationale and frequency for contacting veterinarians, and opinions towards horse behaviour and welfare.

Participants may enter a draw for a two-week online education course [choice of Behaviour & Safety, Colic Prevention, or Biosecurity] offered by Equine Guelph.

The survey takes approximately 20-30 minutes to complete. You must be 18 years of age and a Canadian resident to participate. This study is approved by the University of Guelph Research Ethics Board.

[Survey Link](#)



## COURSES

### STUDY ONLINE

Award Winning Programs

These courses will begin :  
**May 11, 2015**

Early-Bird:

**April 11, 2015**

SIGN UP FOR:

- *Management of the Equine Environment*
- *Advanced Equine Behaviour*
- *Equine Nutrition*
- *Exercise Physiology*
- *Equine Functional Anatomy*
- *Equine Event Management*
- *Equine Finance & Risk Management*



## Last Chance! Sign up for Equine Guelph Courses beginning May 2015

Find out more about Equine Guelph programs, offered three times a year, through the University of Guelph.

Learn why equestrian professionals and horse enthusiasts are choosing them!

[Visit our Education Page](#)

Equine Guelph also offers two-week online courses:



## eWORKSHOPS

### HOT TOPICS



*Behaviour & Safety*



*Colic Prevention*



*Equine Biosecurity*

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