

DIY Hoof Care and Trimming

One on One or Small Group Trimming Training Sessions

The One on One or Small Group Trimming Training Sessions are tailored for people who have a good understanding of hoof and limb anatomy and also hoof function. They are a four to six hour (depending upon participant numbers) intensive hoof trimming session for one to four participants. These sessions are run throughout the year and can be held at your place or at 'Waterfall Creek' in Tallangatta Valley in North East Victoria.

A thorough understanding of hoof structure, lower limb anatomy and hoof function is a must so that the sessions can concentrate on the art and nuances of hoof balance and trimming. Participants will be provided with a self-paced study sheet that needs to be completed before the trimming day.

A highly recommended online course in bare hoof care can be found at <http://www.equinesoundness.com/courses.htm> Otherwise there is a plethora of information available online. Read and study as much as you can and then be the judge of what is appropriate and what is myth or misunderstood.

Have a good look at as many hooves as you can. Learn to identify what is a healthy hoof and what hooves have problems.

If you commit to this type of hoofcare training Glenn is available to assist in answering questions that you may have before the trimming sessions. You will get best value for your investment if these queries are dealt with before the trimming training day.

What else is covered on the day?

- Hoof care tools. Selection, use and maintenance.
- Horse handling to make hoof care easy for you and the horse.
- Looking after yourself. OH&S.
- Hoof boot choices, use and fitting

Do I bring my own horse?

You are encouraged to bring/use your own horse if it is very comfortable to stand for extended periods while you learn to assess and trim its hooves. The advantage of doing this is that you are given a good start in observing your own horse's hooves under the guidance of a qualified hoof care professional and trained instructor.

If you can't bring your own horse or do not have one, we have several quiet horses on which you can practice hoof assessment and trimming skills.

What is the cost?

For one on one or small groups at 'Waterfall Creek' in Tallangatta Valley –

one person: 2 x 2 hour sessions \$240
two people: 1 x 2hour and 1 x 3 hour sessions \$170 per person
three people: 1 x 2hour and 1 x 3 hour sessions \$125 per person
four people: 2 x 3 hour sessions \$100 per person

If a horse is to be de shod on the day allow another hour and \$60 cost. Participants are given the opportunity to remove shoes as well.

Travel costs will apply for sessions at your property.

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