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#### Horse Behaviour & Safety

Mar 26 - Apr 13

## 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.

December 2017

Greetings!

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



**Alert:** Equine Infectious Anemia - Havelock, Quebec  
**Alert:** Rabies - 2 new cases Niagara, Ontario  
**Advisory:** Neurological diseases 2017 - Ontario

Want up-to-the-minute information on Health Alerts?  
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WHERE WILL YOUR LOVE OF HORSES TAKE YOU?  
 Equine Guelph Grads Celebrate!

**Horse Behaviour & Safety - Youth**

Mar 26 - Apr 13

**Upcoming Events**

**Equine Guelph next offering Online Courses**

Jan 15, 2018 - Apr 8, 2018

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Equine Guelph diploma graduates are members of the equine industry in many capacities - as breeders, consultants, coaches, event planners, farm owners, managers and more.

Loving horses and caring for them properly are not one in the same. Equine Guelph students invest in evidence-based education to ensure they are following best practices for the horses in their care.

Make 2018 the year you further your equine education! Study online this January - [Register today!](#)



**GUT HEALTH AND COLIC PREVENTION SHORT COURSE - sign up at [TheHorsePortal.ca](http://TheHorsePortal.ca)**

Learn to take care of your horses gut health and reduce your risk of colic. Colic is the #1 killer of horses other than old age.

This three-week online short course will run from **January 22 - February 11, 2018** and help you and horse enthusiasts from across Canada and beyond assess management plans.

[JOIN THE HERD: TheHorsePortal.ca](#)



**'TIS THE SEASON FOR GIVING**  
**Donate to Equine Guelph**

Donations to Equine Guelph help fund ground-breaking work in equine





Photo: Henrietta Coole

Buy your barn the Horse Health Check Poster - a fantastic reference tool!



Download an awesome new APP Horse Health Tracker by Equine Guelph




Save over \$55 on first aid supplies with the Equine Guelph First Aid Kit available at Greenhawk

### Job Track

A job posting centre for the equine industry.

### Report on Research

University of Guelph researchers discuss current projects. 

Research Radio Podcasts

### Hoofprints Tributes

Share photos & stories commemorating equine friends.



research and education that is making a significant difference in the lives of horses.

From a one time donation to legacy gifts, there are many ways you can show your support. **6 ways to give!**

Happy Holidays from Everyone at

Equine Guelph!



## KNOWLEDGE, PRACTICE AND APPLICATION at Large Animal Emergency Rescue Course

The unfortunate disasters in Alberta, California, and Florida clearly show that many people were willing to go to great lengths to rescue their animals -- many risking serious personal injury or worse. When any disaster strikes, an "incident involving animals" can quickly become an "incident involving people who are trying to save the animals". The public has strong expectations when it comes to animal welfare and proper training for emergency rescue of large animals is a crucial element. First responders in Ontario now have an increased level of knowledge thanks to over 30 keen, hardy participants and an experienced team of trainers.



Presented by Equine Guelph and the Meaford Fire Department, Nov 17 - 19, the large animal rescue course covered many topics including animal behavior in stressful situations and how to keep handlers and first responders safe. Attention was also paid to keeping the people who own and care deeply about their animals out of harm's way. Major topics covered included best practices for large

animal technical rescue, fire prevention plus personal safety and related animal behavior and care issues.

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## ATTENTION KIDS! EQUIMANIA! IS NOW ON THE HORSE PORTAL

Lots to do during the holidays. EquiMania! Online for Kids is now on the Horse Portal! Learn more about horses and how to keep safe on the horse farm with fun games and activities!

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Complete the activities to gain Stop, Think Act and Danger Detective certificates.

Put your horse knowledge to the test and take the EquiMania! Challenge!

[Join in the fun...](#)



## HUMANS LISTENING TO HORSES Vocalization Study Preliminary Results

We would like to thank the 309 participants who completed the recent vocalization survey conducted by graduate student Haley Belliveau and Dr. Katrina Merkies.

The online survey investigated whether humans can distinguish between positive and negative horse vocalizations. A total of 32 vocalizations were categorized according to whether participants believed the vocalization was positive or negative.

Statistical analysis revealed that humans correctly distinguished positive and negative vocalizations approximately 64% of the time.



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For more information contact [Dr. Katrina Merkies](#)



## TOOL OF THE MONTH: HORSE HEALTH TRACKER App with a 16 - point Health check and more...



Track your horses Body Condition Score with ease this winter with this handy App.



Equine Guelph also has a Body Condition Score poster available! [Grab one for your barn today!](#)



## TUITION AWARD DEADLINE EXTENDED - DEC 15! Stuart Stocks Memorial Equine Award



The successful candidate of the Stuart Stocks Memorial Equine Award will receive two online courses through Equine Guelph valued at \$549 each (Certificates are available in Equine Science, Equine Welfare and Equine Business - six courses complete the certificate).

To be eligible to apply, you currently must be a Groom in the racing industry with a valid Groom licence for horse racing in Ontario.

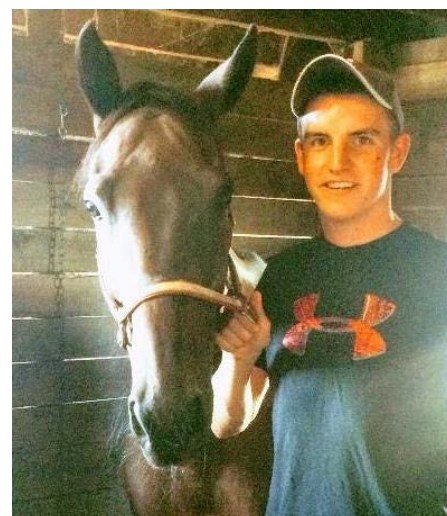
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## ROGER L'HEUREUX MEMORIAL AWARD WINNER!

Congratulations to Cameron Lago, winner of the first Roger L'Heureux Memorial Equine Award!

"I am thrilled to be picked as the recipient of the inaugural Roger L'Heureux Award," says Standardbred groom, Cameron Lago. "I am looking forward to another two courses, as my experience taking Equine Guelph courses has been amazing."



Equine Guelph thanks the L'Heureux family, David L'Heureux and Crystal Fountains Inc., for establishing this memorial award in loving memory of Standardbred driver, trainer and groom Roger L'Heureux.

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## OVC'S HEALTHY FUTURES STRATEGIC PLAN

The Ontario Veterinary College (OVC), with its rich history of excellence in innovation, education and service, is continually pushing the boundaries of veterinary medicine, including One Health.

One Health is just one of the five strategic areas that energy and resources will focus on for the next five years.

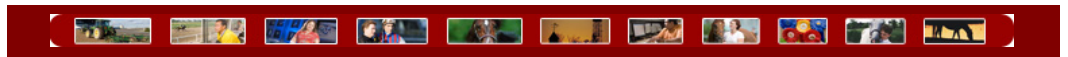




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 courses begin: **January 2018**

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- Marketing and Communications in the Equine Industry
- Equine Exercise Physiology
- Equine Nutrition
- The Equine Industry
- Equine Functional Anatomy
- Global Perspectives in Equine Welfare
- Management of the Equine Environment

**EARLY-BIRD: December 14, 2017**

### Sign up for Equine Guelph Courses beginning Jan 15

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](#)

**TheHorsePortal.ca**

**3-WEEK SHORT ONLINE COURSES**  
 Winter 2018

- Gut Health & Colic Prevention
- Sickness Prevention in Horses
- Horse Behaviour & Safety (Adult)
- Horse Behaviour & Safety (Youth)

**REGISTER NOW**



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