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Diamond Hoofcare Products

Diamond Hoof Defender and Frog Dressing provide the 1-2 punch needed to either help clear an active infection or keep one from starting. Ask your FPD dealer about this quality hoofcare line.

DIAMOND HOOF DEFENDER

- Reduces bacteria and fungi on the hoof wall, sole and frog
- Boosts natural resistance of hoof against diseases caused by bacteria and fungi
- Can be applied to coronary band



DIAMOND FROG DRESSING

- Bonds to hoof protein to form a barrier between thrush and healthy tissue
- Reduces bacteria and fungi without harming surrounding tissue
- Flexible tip applicator for improved placement of treatment



FPD 21 for '21 Facebook Giveaway

THE MAY 2021 FACEBOOK GIVEAWAY WILL BE (1) BELLOTA RAZOR+ RASP FOR 21 WINNERS. The rasp side of the Bellota RAZOR+ offers a most aggressive cut, with a larger tooth design when compared to other Bellota rasps. In addition, special steel characteristics combined for the longest durability.



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JUST A REMINDER

BioPhene Disinfectant

This product can be used for tools, work surfaces, vehicles, and any place where there is a concern about viruses or bacteria gathering.



AluShield

AluShield is a "spray-on band-aid" intended for Equines, used to stop bleeding.

Nitrile Gloves

Nitrile gloves are recommended whenever someone is using any type of adhesives.



Liberty 6 Combo Slim

Combo nails are a modification of the City or Slim nail. The heads are slightly larger but yet the shank is still similar to the City or Slim. They are often used for resetting when nail holes have enlarged or with shoes that have a wide crease. Available in Steel and Cu Copper Shield. The 6 Combo Slim is 54mm in length.

Therapeutic Case Provides Valuable Lessons for Students at Pacific Coast Horseshoeing School

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Recently, I spent time at Pacific Coast Horseshoeing School. Students in their third week of instruction were able to observe and participate in valuable lessons regarding work with therapeutic cases. I was privileged to help provide training and guidance for the treatment of the horse presented in the following photos.

Upon first glance at the foot shown below, it would be easy to look at the length and believe a proper course of action would be an aggressive trim, to find the better foot within. However, this horse was older and had very limited mobility, underrun heels and an atrophied frog. In addition, there was a significant white line resection and treatment done two months ago that was showing improvement. The students performed a conservative trim to align the pastern and dorsal wall and shod the foot for protection.

The question of whether or not to repair was discussed. There are many factors to be considered in this decision: (1) how much wall has been removed, and will it destabilize the capsule and P3?; (2) is there still wall separation, and/or pathology present?; (3) will the shoe stay on if it's left open?; (4) is the horse's environment going to contribute to further intrusion by bacteria and fungus?

The decision was made to do a partial repair to stabilize the hoof and protect it from a dirty environment. Because there was a soft spot in the upper portion of the defect that got a negative reaction to applied pressure, the conservative approach dictated leaving it open to allow monitoring and further treatment if needed.



1. Preparation is critical to any adhesive repair. Note the resection stops where there is solid hoof wall attachment.



2. The prepared area is dried with a heat gun to maximize the bond. Drying is monitored with a FootPro™ Moisture Meter to get the surface moisture level below 10%. Ideally, zero percent moisture is desirable, and was achieved this time.



3. To control the heat generated by the adhesives used in the equine industry, it's important to apply it in layers rather than all at once. Vettec Adhere will set in 60 seconds, and this first application will provide an insulating layer to prevent additional layers from transferring heat to the foot.



4. Vettec Adhere is a fast setting, high strength urethane that bonds well, and can be nailed and clinched. It is similar to hoof wall, and can be nipped and rasped off as the foot grows out.



5. Adhesive repairs don't always look great until dressed with a rasp.



6. When putting a rasp to a fresh repair, it's important that the initial strokes are done in line with the longest span of the repair, in this case, horizontally. This avoids pulling at the repair and possibly weakening the bond.



7. Dressing for function is far more important than aesthetics, leaving the repair on the thicker side is fine for this situation.