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NEWS FOR FARRIFRS

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FootPro™ Wooden Shoes

The new FootPro™ Wooden Shoes are now available. These wooden shoes are typically used in treatment of chronic and sometimes acute laminitis cases. Sold in pairs and screws are provided. The FootPro™ Wooden Shoes are a complementary product to the 3D Hoofcare Hoofcast, as most wooden shoes or clog applications are done with a cast material to secure the shoe.



Hoofjack Table

This aluminum table is 12"x12" and fits in a Hoofjack base. It's designed to keep items like Vettec and other hoof repair or glue-on products off the floor and within reach when working under the horse.



June 2022 FPD Facebook 20+2 **Giveaway Drawing**

The June Facebook Giveaway will be (1) 250 piece box of Liberty Cu Combo Slim 4 nails for 20 winners. Two winners will receive (1) 250 piece box each of 4, 5 and 6 Liberty Cu Combo Slim nails.



Look for posts on FPD's facebook page to register for a chance to win the monthly free give-away. This giveaway is only valid in the U.S. and Canada.

RACE PLATE **UPDATE**

HISA has announced that the new effective date for the shoe rules will be August 1, 2022.

The new rules have not changed since they were announced and once the effective date is reached, only flush toe race plates are allowed. No XT, Low Toe, Regular Toe or Quarter Horse toes are allowed for the Thoroughbred race horses. The exception will be a rim style shoe that has an outer rim that is no more than 2mm above the inner rim. The insert can also be 2mm and must be same height as outer rim.

Kerckhaert is working on production of compliant shoes in Kings, Tradition and Legendary styles.

Kerckhaert's current Outer Rim styles do not meet the 2mm restriction, however, they will design and produce one that will be compliant.

As far as we know, Quarter Horse racing is not affected by this new rule and they can continue to use the whole range of current styles. Standardbreds are also not impacted.

These rules are for U.S. race tracks and do not apply to Canadian racing.

THE TOOL CORNER

Tool Maintenance

he overwhelming majority of tools that are returned to manufacturers of top tools are not defective. Most tools show obvious signs of misuse and/or lack of maintenance. Even under correct use you have to realize top tools are not lifetime tools. If you have used your tools properly and taken the time to maintain them you will generally find you get your money's worth. The following photos will give you some idea how simple it can be to extend the life of your tools. When reworking tools, the most useful piece of equipment in your truck or shop is a belt sander or disc grinder. The belt sander serves a dual function, it can also be used to bevel or dress shoes. Most rework is done with no heat in the tool. If you try to forge the tools back into shape you will probably destroy any heat treatment that has been done or create problems with the weld between the mild steel handles and the tool steel head.



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1. Any struck tool will need cleanup and maintenance on a regular basis. A driving hammer with its edges and the off center blows on a clinch cutter will cause minor mushrooming and then small chips to break loose. Be sure to dome the struck end of your tools and put a good chamfer on the edge.







2. When the head of your forging tools are struck off center often enough this is the result. Both ends of the tool have been deformed. Better hammer control and early cleanup would fix the problem.



3. This e-head punch has been held too long in hot material and was struck while the tip was too hot.







4. Grind back to desired nail dimension.





5. Check against nail or use a guide. This one is made from aluminum.



6. Put point on all forepunch ends. **Right:** Maintained and ready to go back to work.





7. The tip of this drift was broken. Grind the end back flat.





8. Grind back to desired dimension, note slight grind curvature behind the tip to keep drift from changing your forepunched hole. An easy fix and it's good as new.







9. Pritchel with broken tip. Grind end flat. Grind to desired dimension. Use this approach to the wheel for aggressive stock removal.





10. Use this approach for finish control. Back to work but be more careful and you can avoid the breakage.