

# Hoofcare Organisation of New Zealand



## Horse Owner's Natural Hoof Care Training Course

### **1. Application \$100**

To apply for our training programme print out the application form. Post completed form along with the application fee and a current photo to the address provided.

Please note that application does not guarantee acceptance into the Horse Owner's Training Course with HOOFNZ.

Should you wish to contact someone from HOOFNZ for a preliminary assessment before sending in your form and fee email your request to [training@hoofnz.org.nz](mailto:training@hoofnz.org.nz)

### **2. Telephone Interview**

Once your application has been processed you will be contacted via email to arrange a time for one of our representatives to telephone you.

The telephone interview is approximately 1 hour long

### **3. Acceptance**

Your application and telephone interview will be assessed by our training committee and you will be contacted via email with the result.

### **4. Course Material**

Once your application has been accepted you are required to purchase HOOFNZ's official training material, books and CDs. Order through our online shop

#### ***Compulsory books DVDs CDs***

Making Natural Hoof Care Work for You by Pete Ramey

Feet First by Sara Braithwaite and Nic Barker

Recognizing the Horse in Pain by Dr. Joanna Robson

Founder Facts by Jen Clingly and Marg Richardson

Calm, Healthy Horses by Jenny Paterson

Natural Hoof and Horse Care by Jenny Lomas

Feeding Horses in New Zealand by Dr Erica Gee BVSc, PhD, Dip ACT

### ***Recommended reading***

Understanding Horse Behavior by Dr Sue McDonnell  
Donkey Business111 by Christine Berry & Jo-Anne Kokas  
Founder, Prevention and Cure the Natural Way by Jaime Jackson  
The Sound Hoof by Lisa Simone Lancaster  
Paddock Paradise by Jaime Jackson

### **5. Natural Hoof Care Clinic \$330**

This is a 2 day course with HOOFNZ approved New Zealand or International clinicians only. Unless otherwise stated, the clinic fee is to be paid directly to the person conducting the clinic. Fees must be paid no later than 1 week before the clinic.

The course will cover how the equine hoof functions, internal structures etc. Recognising detrimental hoof distortion/healthy hoof patterns. Diet related hoof issues, lifestyle options for equines that improve health and soundness. Rehabilitation methods for horses with navicular, laminitis etc. including the use of hoof boots to facilitate a return to soundness. Wild horse hoof wear patterns and living conditions and how they relate to the domestic horse. The impact structural and postural issues can have on the hooves and vice versa. Safe horse handling practises. How to trim horse/donkey/mule hooves in a non-invasive manner.

### **6. Equine Nutrition – price and content may vary**

1 day lecture covering the following subjects;

- Equine digestive physiology.
- Basic nutrients.
- Raw materials used in horse feeds.
- Creating a ‘complete’ horse diet and feeding for work level.
- Grass’s; Kikuyu, paspalum & endophytes.
- Paddock maintenance.
- Analyzing feed and forage.
- Meeting the specific nutritional needs of horses, ponies and miniatures.
- Diets for Equine Metabolic Syndrome, Cushing’s and Laminitis.

Please check <http://www.hoofnz.org.nz/html/clinics.html> for lecture dates

### **7. Safe Horse Handling Procedures \$25**

Booklet form and test sheets. Includes assessment of knowledge and trimming skills on final audit day.

### **8. Final Audit for Horse Owners Course \$350**

Private trimming tuition and inspection of the Trainee's own horses by a HOOFNZ Certified Instructor.

**Note: The Horse Owners Natural Hoof Care Course is not a certification course and does not result in qualification with HOOFNZ.**

**However, completed course material can be cross credited if the Trainee wishes to continue on with their training and complete the remaining sections of the HOOFNZ Practitioner Training Certification Programme.**