



GRAYSON WELFARE & SAFETY WEBINARS

It was no surprise when Grayson-Jockey Club Research Foundation announced that the ninth Welfare and Safety of the Racehorse Summit, which was scheduled to be held in the Keeneland sales pavilion in Lexington, Ky., on June 23, 2020, had to be canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. In lieu of an in-person event, Grayson hosted a series of five weekly online seminars on equine health and safety topics which started on May 12, 2020.

“Even though we were unable to host an in-person Welfare and Safety of the Racehorse Summit, we felt it was important to offer these webinars to inform industry stakeholders and the public on the work being done to protect our equine athletes and enhance equine welfare,” said Jamie Haydon, president of Grayson. “We thank our presenters and moderators for taking the time to discuss the important work they are doing to protect equine athletes, as well as Keeneland for their continued support of the summit since its inception and look forward to being able to host an in-person event with them in the future.”

Among the major accomplishments that have evolved from the previous eight summits are the Equine Injury Database; the Jockey Injury Database; the Racing Surfaces Testing Laboratory; a uniform trainer test and study guide; the racing surfaces white paper and publication of educational bulletins for track maintenance; the publication of stallion durability statistics; the Hoof: Inside and Out DVD, available in English and Spanish; protocols for horses working off of the veterinarian’s list; recommended regulations that void the claim of horses suffering injuries during a race; and inclement weather protocols.

The webinars have been well-received and because of the positive response, Grayson plans to host similar health webinars throughout the year.

A brief description of each webinar follows along with links to the webinar on YouTube and to articles from various news sources.

*See the article in **Blood Horse**: "Big Data, Research, Spurring Improved Safety" - June 20, 2020*



Fetlock Injuries: Palmar Metacarpal Disease & How The Various Imaging Modalities Can Be Used To Help Diagnose It

Dr. Katherine Garrett,

Shareholder, Rood & Riddle Equine Hospital

-Discussing uses and advantages of different imaging modalities as well as highlighting common injuries to the fetlock

- **Replay on YouTube** - originally aired May 12, 2020
- **Paulick Report**
- **Thoroughbred Daily News**



Importance Of Transparency In Medical Records; Monitoring Horses Between Starts

Dr. Dionne Benson, Chief Veterinary Officer, The Stronach Group
Panel Members:

Dr. Ryan Carpenter, Equine Medical Center, Cypress, CA

Dr. William Farmer, Equine Medical Director, Churchill Downs Inc.

Dr. Scott Palmer, Equine Medical Director, New York State Gaming Comm.

-Emphasizing the importance of transparency in medical records throughout a horse's racing career

Replay on YouTube - originally aired May 19, 2020

- **BloodHorse Daily**
- **BloodHorse Daily**
- **Paulick Report**
- **Thoroughbred Daily News**



Track Surfaces: International Standards For Racing Surfaces & The Expansion Of The Maintenance Quality System

Dr. Mick Peterson, Executive Director, Racing Surfaces Testing Laboratory; Professor, Biosystems and Agricultural Engineering, University of Kentucky

-Focusing on the Maintenance Quality System, which monitors track conditions. Includes interviews with Glen Kozak, the New York Racing Association's senior vice president of Operations & Capital Projects; Jim Pendergest, general manager of The Thoroughbred Center and director of Surfaces at Keeneland; Dr. Stephanie Bonin, biomedical engineer at MEA Forensic; and Dennis Moore, track superintendent at Del Mar and Santa Anita

Replay on YouTube - originally aired May 26, 2020

- **BloodHorse Daily**
- **Paulick Report**
- **Thoroughbred Daily News**



California Necropsy Program: Lessons Learned From Dr. Sue Stover's Research

Dr. Jennifer Durenberger, The Jockey Club Steward,
New York Racing Association

Dr. Sue Stover, Professor of Surgical and Radiological Sciences,
UC Davis School of Veterinary Medicine

Findings from the California Horse Racing Board's postmortem program. Stover noted that catastrophic injuries are the result of pre-existing conditions and tend to occur in predictable locations.

Replay on YouTube - originally aired June 2, 2020

- BloodHorse Daily
- Paulick Report
- Thoroughbred Daily News



Equine Injury Database: 2019 Statistics & Racing Fatality Data

Dr. Mary Scollay, Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer,
Racing Medication & Testing Consortium

Dr. Tim Parkin, Professor of Veterinary Epidemiology,
University of Glasgow

Reviewing risk factors including history of previous injuries, time spent on the vet's list, increased age at first start, changing trainers and time spent with a trainer, track surface and condition, race distance, and racing in claiming races.

Replay on YouTube - originally aired June 9, 2020

- BloodHorse Daily
- Paulick Report
- Thoroughbred Daily News