

# Maintenance Hoof Trimming Workshop

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*'Learn how to maintain healthy hooves at a one day trimming workshop'*



## THE BAREFOOT BLACKSMITH

*'New ways to solve old problems'*

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B. App. Sc. Dip. Equine Podiotherapy. Cert. IV Workplace Training and Assessment. Cert. III Farriery, RVL licensed.

### What will you learn?

Our one day intensive workshop is specifically designed to teach horse owners how to maintain the hooves of their own horses.

### Subjects covered include:

- Functional anatomy of equine hooves; parameters of normal.
- The vital importance of keeping hooves functional.
- Using anatomical landmarks to objectively balance hooves.
- Safe handling of horses while trimming.
- Correct use of farrier tools.
- A generic recipe for basic maintenance trimming.
- Cadaver trimming.
- Horse trimming.
- Trade secrets that make a hard job easier.
- Why we prefer to keep horses unshod.
- How to grow all terrain hooves for barefoot performance.
- Sustainable hoof protection that doesn't affect hoof function (eg. boots, tips, polishes).

### Who are these workshops for?

Horse owners who want to take charge of their own horses' hoofcare; whether they actually want to trim their own horse themselves or just learn the parameters of healthy hooves, so they can make informed decisions about their horses' future hoof management.

Apart from progressive horse owners, our workshops are also attended by farriers, vets and equine therapists of various modalities who want to expand their knowledge in the ever evolving science of bare hoof care.

### Why are our workshops unique?

Andrew has seen equine hoofcare from both sides of the anvil. After working for many years as a traditional farrier, he learnt the benefits of the "barefoot option" and he now works as a specialist equine podiotherapist, using parameters that work in Australian conditions.

Not only has Andrew worked 'down under' thousands of horses, he networks with vets, therapists and other trimmers Australia wide. This adds up to a huge 'database' of experience from which to draw.

***"With maintenance trimming you can keep your horses' hooves in constant balance - the key to healthy strong hooves, athletic performance and long term soundness."***

**Time:** Arrive at 8.15 for an 8.45am start; finishing around 4.30pm.

**Address:** 470 Middle Creek Road, Yarck

**Cost:**

**\$220 Full Participant** (with horse) includes trimming gloves, comprehensive workbook, cadaver trim and trimming your horse under our guidance.

**Full participants bring their horse.**

**\$150 Auditor** (without horse) includes trimming gloves, comprehensive workbook and cadaver trim:

**Auditors do not bring their horse.**

**Bookings:** Prior booking is essential.

The maximum number of **full participants** is 10. The maximum total for the clinic is 18.

**Course placements are filled in the order of payments received along with completed booking forms.**

**Catering:** BYO lunch.

Morning and afternoon tea provided.

**Contact:** 03 5773 4306 or  
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**Accommodation** is available for people travelling long distances. Phone for options and details.