

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

Bowen Hoof Trimming Workshop

Sunday 12th October, 2025



THE
BAREFOOT
BLACKSMITH

'Equine performance and longevity'

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.

All the things you can't get online.

Subjects covered include:

- Functional anatomy of equine hooves; parameters of normal , recognising functional hooves.
- The vital importance of barehoofcare; 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.
- Trade secrets that make a hard job easier.
- Latest and greatest in sustainable hoof protection that doesn't affect hoof function (eg. boots, tips, polyshoes).

Course Structure:

- Theory
- Cadaver trimming demo
- Hands on cadaver trimming
- Horse trimming demo
- Hands on horse trimming

Who are these workshops for?

All horse owners:

- Whether they want to take over the hoofcare task outright;
- or provide a touch up trim in between visits from the hoofcare professional.;
- or just learn the parameters of healthy hooves, so they can make informed decisions about their horses' hoof management.

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

Much to learn there is !

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 barehoofcare and he now works as a specialist equine podiotherapist working with performance horses across a wide range of equestrian disciplines, using parameters that work in Australian conditions.

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

Give your horse the best possible hooves with maintenance trimming.

Who are your teachers?

Andrew Bowe. B. App. Sc., Dip. Equine Podiotherapy, Cert. IV Workplace Training and Assessment, Cert. III Farriery, RVL licensed.
Nicole Bowe. B. App. Sc., Dip. Equine Podiotherapy, Cert. IV Workplace Training and Assessment, Cert. III Veterinary Nursing.

Venue: Menilden Farm, 203 Bowen Developmental Road, Bowen

Time: Arrive at 8.00 for an 8.30am start; finishing around 4.30pm.

Cost: Full Participant \$300 (with horse)
includes trimming gloves, comprehensive workbook, supervised cadaver trim and trimming your horse under our guidance:

Auditor \$200 (without horse)
includes trimming gloves, comprehensive workbook, supervised cadaver trim and observing horses getting trimmed.

Bookings: Prior booking is essential.
Min 6 full participants. Max full participants 8.
Max total no of participants is 16.
Course placements are filled in the order of payments received along with completed booking forms.

Catering: BYO chair and lunch.
Morning and afternoon tea provided.

Contact: 03 5773 4306 or
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