

PEAK VIEW HOSTS HORSEMAN'S DAY

Peak View Animal Hospital of Fowler is hosting a free Horseman's Day on March 20, 2010 at the Rocky Ford Fairgrounds Indoor Arena from 9am-3pm. The seminar will feature horse trainers Kelly Yates, Jim Daurio and Tim Unzicker and veterinarians Dr. Rick Leone and Dr. Erin Epperly.

Kelly Yates (Pueblo, CO and Ft. Worth, TX) is a barrel racer with career earnings in excess of 1 million dollars. She is a 4 time NFR Qualifier and world renown clinician. Jim Daurio (Pueblo, CO) is an all-around performance horse trainer with success in the reining pen as well. He started showing 25 years ago as a youth and now coaches youth and amateurs at events including the AQHA Youth and Amateur World Shows. Tim Unzicker (Ellicott, CO) is a reining and cowhorse trainer. Tim is currently ranked in the top 30 NRCHA open riders. He was 6th in the 2008 World's Greatest Horseman competition and he's been a finalist in the AQHA World Show and NRCHA Snaffle Bit Futurity Show. Each trainer will demonstrate training skills and offer valuable tools to improve riders and horses.

Peak View veterinarians, Dr. Rick Leone and Dr. Erin Epperly will demonstrate digital radiography, shockwave therapy and equine dentistry. Digital radiography is a state-of-the-art diagnostic which allows veterinarians to see x-ray images instantly -even away from the clinic. The advanced technology also allows the images to be magnified, compared side-by-side, and stored on CD. Peak View will bring a Versatron Shockwave Therapy unit, the same unit used by Colorado State University School of Veterinary Medicine, which is used to treat osteoarthritis, sore backs, suspensory ligament injuries –even navicular disease. Shockwave therapy stimulates stem cells, osteoblasts and the horse's natural healing mechanisms to the treated area which improves the rate of healing. It is associated with a decrease in pain and a speedier return to use for injured horses. Equine dental care especially regarding performance horses will be discussed and a demonstration of high quality power dental tools will be done.

"We're excited to give back to the horse community and Horseman's Day will be fun and informative no matter what your discipline or level of performance, says Dr. Leone. "We are providing lunch and hope folks can spend the day with us."

Horseman's Day is free and open to anyone just remember to dress for the weather. Horseman's Day is not a riding clinic please do not bring your horse. RSVP is not required but if you have questions give Peak View Animal Hospital a call at 719-263-4321.