

Richard Mifflin Kleberg, Jr. Family Lectureship on

Equine Management

May 19-21, 2025 || Kingsville, TX || Hybrid Event

INSTRUCTORS:

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MONDAY, MAY 19, 2025

Morning sessions will be held at the Wildlife Center for in-person participants and as an online Zoom webinar for virtual participants

8:30 AM Welcome

8:45 AM Common Things That Happen Commonly

- Recognizing and treating common equine maladies
- Importance of a vet/client/patient relationship

9:45 AM Ranch Horse Dentistry

- Appreciating normal equine dental anatomy
- Aging horses by teeth
- Recognizing and treating common dental problems

10:45 AM **BREAK**

11:00 AM Expectations of a Working Ranch Horse

- What makes the great ones great
- Essential attributes/abilities

12:00 PM **LUNCH**

Lab sessions held at King Ranch for in-person participants will be recorded and made available to virtual participants within two weeks of the event conclusion

1:30 PM Basic Foot Care

2:30 PM Dentistry for Ranch Horses

3:30 PM **Break**

4:45 PM Working Ranch Horse Demo

5:00 PM **Adjourn**

TUESDAY, MAY 20, 2025

Morning sessions held at the Wildlife Center for in-person participants and as an online Zoom webinar for virtual participants

- 8:30 AM** Equine Nutrition – *presentation sponsored by Purina Animal Nutrition, LLC*
- Mare nutrition
 - Feeding the working horse

10:15 AM **Break**

- 10:30 AM** Breeding & Semen Handling in an Ambulatory Environment
- Management of the Transitional Mare
 - Understanding and managing the transition
 - Breeding with Frozen Semen in a Field Situation
 - Shipping and handling semen
 - Insemination strategies

12:00 PM **Lunch**

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Lab Sessions Include:

- **Nutrition:** Body condition scoring and building diets with forages, concentrates, etc.
- **Health:** Basic first aid, leg soreness examination, temps, injections and vaccinations

1:30 PM First Rotation

3:00 PM **Break**

3:30 PM Second Rotation

5:00 PM **Adjourn**

WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 2025

Morning session held at the Wildlife Center for in-person participants and as an online Zoom webinar for virtual participants

- 8:30 AM** Breeding the Postpartum Mare
- Understanding foal heat
 - Photoperiod influence
 - Pointers for achieving pregnancies

9:30 AM Travel to King Ranch

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- 10:00 AM** Managing Broodmares Lab
- Ultrasound ovulating/pregnant mares, using a speculum, caslick procedure

- 11:30 AM** Foaling Considerations Lab
- Placenta examination, foal health, postpartum mare care

12:30 PM **Lunch** at Calera Camphouse, King Ranch

2:00 PM **Adjourn**