

Elite Equine Veterinary Serves, Inc.

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An ounce of prevention can equal 1200+ pounds of cure!

Elite Equine Veterinary Services is a mobile, ambulatory veterinarian practice based in Monrovia, CA and serving the areas surrounding the Palos Verdes Peninsula. Headed by accomplished DVM, Dr. Sylvia Ouellette (pronounced Wool-ette), the practice centers around both preventative care and management of lameness issues in the Sport Horse world. Dr. Ouellette brings state of the art diagnostic equipment and therapies along with over 15 years of in field expertise when seeing her equine patients. After graduating from UC Davis with a Doctorate in Veterinary Medicine in 1995, Dr. Sylvia began her veterinarian career at the Southern California racetracks, where she was exposed to many types of sports related injuries to racehorses. This led to her current specialization in the Sport Horse industry, with emphasis on diagnosing and treating lameness issues of the equine athletes.

Clients of the Elite Equine Veterinary Services know that the Doctors believe strongly in preventative

medicine in the care of their horses. Often, with regular scheduled maintenance, other issues can be prevented, or sometimes detected early which would allow for treatment before the issue becomes critical. Annual General Wellness exams are key for long term equine health. These focus on the overall health including the eyes, heart, lungs, gastrointestinal and musculoskeletal systems. Annual vaccinations, deworming, Coggins tests and health certificates for travel or sales, insurance exams, and Dentistry are the regular routine services recommended by Elite Equine.

Elite Equine Veterinary Services utilizes affiliated practitioners, Veterinarians Dr. Elizabeth Schilling and Dr. Cathy Canfield, to



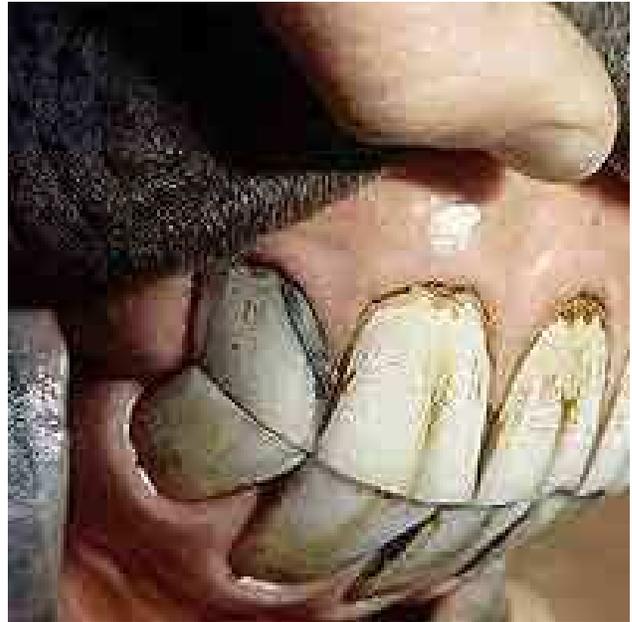
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This includes regular annual floating, to specialty dentistry needs such as extracting teeth, correction of abnormalities and senior equine dental care. Complete charting and dentistry work is done on each horse, each time for the thorough examination process. Floating should only be performed by a Veterinarian, or a licensed Veterinary technician under the direct supervision of a Veterinarian in the state of California. Elite Equine Veterinary Services strives to provide the best and most up to date services in the equine dentistry specializations.

With all of Southern California keenly aware of the evacuations in emergencies like wildfires, Elite Equine supports the AVID Microchipping identification for equines. Microchipping provides permanent, positive identification for proof of ownership. This procedure is valuable in the case of stolen horses to aid law enforcement in recovery, for cases of look-alike foals/horses, for transportation verification, and again with emergency response teams who scan recovered animals and reunite them to their owners quickly. Microchips are one method of permanent ID used by the Equine Species working group for the USDA's National Equine ID Program. Included with the cost of the chip is lifetime enrollment in the AVID recovery network, which is transferrable with nominal fees when a horse is sold or ownership information changes. Microchipping is an affordable solution and clinics or individual procedures are available through Elite Equine Veterinary Services.

Every horse owner dreads the sight of lameness in their horse. Dr. Ouellette uses a combination of history of the horse from the



owner, a visual examination of the horse in motion, and musculoskeletal palpation/manipulation in the exam to diagnose the source of the pain in the equine athlete. Most often, the advanced imaging tools can give Dr. Ouellette a fine tuned “read” on the injury or lameness. These tools include digital radiography (digital x-rays), digital ultrasounds, nuclear scintigraphy and MRI imaging. Once a diagnosis is isolated, a course of treatment can be recommended. Treatments include everything from simple physical therapy or medications to IRAP, Stem Cell or Shockwave therapies. Providing state of the art diagnostics and treatment options enables Dr. Ouellette to address the full spectrum of lameness issues, through lay-up recovery and rehabilitation.

Elite Equine Veterinary Services invites horse owners, trainers and stable professionals to check out their website often at www.eliteequinevets.com for informational healthcare articles and news in the equine

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medical field. Regular Appointments are scheduled Monday-Friday, 9am to 5 pm, with on call emergency assistance (after hours and/or weekends) for regular clients available with a phone call. Dr. Sylvia Ouellette and the Doctors and staff at Elite Equine Veterinary Services are committed to maintaining the highest quality of medicine, to keeping direct lines of communication between doctors and owners, all with the main goal of keeping healthy, happy horses!

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