

# **MORPETH HUNT PONY CLUB**

## SHOEING ACHIEVEMENT BADGE

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Horses feet are very important. They need to be looked after and regularly checked for injury and disease

- 1. How often should you pick out your horses feet?
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We need to shoe or keep ponies feet trimmed because they are continually growing

- 2. Where does the hoof grow down from?
- 3. There are 2 types of shoeing, can you name them
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Hot shoeing - the shoe is specifically made to fit the foot. It is tried on hot then adjusted as necessary.

Cold shoeing - the shoe has already been made & only minor adjustments are possible.

- 4. Which type of shoeing is best?
- 5. How often should a horse be shod?

Below are some reasons for shoeing

- When working on roads or carrying weight, the foot wears down more quickly than it can grow and pony becomes foot sore
- Ponies kept in fields hardly wear the foot at all. The feet grow long and mis-shapen, cracking and putting strain on tendons and ligaments
- $\circ~$  The feet should be trimmed or re shod every 4 to 6 weeks to keep feet in correct shape and length
- Shoes give more grip when working on grass (can use studs for extra grip)
- Shoes prevent feet from becoming so soft in wet conditions

#### 6. List 5 reasons why a horse might need re-shoeing

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The process of shoeing has 6 stages

- $\circ$  Removal
- $\circ$  Preparation
- Forgeing
- Fitting
- Nailing on
- Finishing

#### 7. Describe each process

- Removal
- Preparation
- Forgeing
- Fitting
- Nailing On
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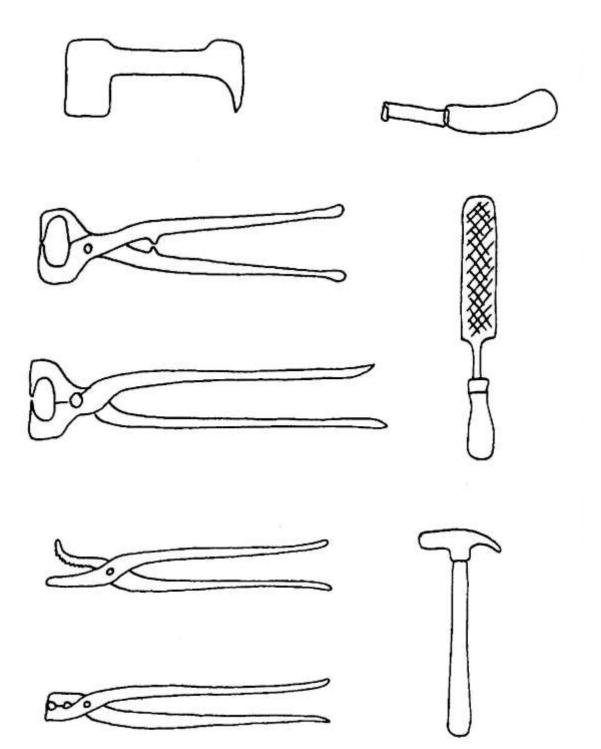
#### 8. What should you look for in a well shod foot

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9. How many nails should there be in a shoe?

- 10. How many clips should be on front shoe?
- 11. How many clips should be on back shoe?

### 12. Identify farriers tools in the picture



- 13. Label the following parts of a shoe
- Toe •
- Quarters •
- Heel •
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- Toe clips Fullered groove •



14. Describe the following feet







