



Equine Veterinary Studies Award sponsored by the Worshipful Company of Farriers. Surveymonkey results for the 2022 cohort of Vet Students and Host Farriers. Report to Craft Committee and Court. Circulated to Vet School EVSA coordinators and also to each participant of the EVSA 2022 scheme.

Points to consider: (Craft Committee)

1. Should vet students be asked to bring PPE and Gloves as well as steel capped boots?
2. Should WCF provide resources for on line farriery tutorials (or at least links?)

Responses from the Veterinary Students:

- Seven of the eight students completed their Host Farrier placement in 2022. The remaining student could not fit in dates in her final year and so will do her placement post qualifying in 2023. Only 6 of the 7 students who took the placement in 2022 completed the surveymonkey evaluation
- Students once again felt the week had been of great value to them.

Questions and summary responses with comments.

1. Were the placement and arrival arrangements satisfactory? Yes 100%
2. Were the accommodation and travel arrangements satisfactory? Yes 100%
3. Were you able to participate satisfactorily and so benefit from the week with the farrier?
Yes 100%
4. Were there any problems which should be addressed for other placements? If so please describe them.
No 100%
5. Do you think that the placement will assist you with your future career as a veterinarian?
Yes 100%
6. Is there any further assistance the WCF could have given you concerning this placement?
No 83.33%
Other 16.64%
'Maybe a short course of online farriery tutorial? I think it is nice to have more knowledge before attending this placement and the Host Farrier could put more trust on your skill level. An online tutorial could be counted as EMS at the moment as well.'
7. Would you encourage other vet students to apply for this award? Yes 100%
8. We want to learn from your experience so if you can think of any improvements please let us know.
Nothing more 100%

Responses from the Host Farriers

Five of the seven Host Farriers completed the survey.

Host Farriers were very enthusiastic about being part of this programme and valued their time spent with the Vet Students.

Questions and summary responses with comments.

1. Were the placement and arrival arrangements satisfactory? Yes 100%. **Comment: Very good.**
2. Would you have liked more help in arranging accommodation for the student? No. 100%. **Comment: They stay with us.**
3. Did the student have an adequate level of knowledge to benefit from working with you? Yes 100%. **Comment: My student was one of the best. Very good.**
4. Were there any problems which should be addressed for other placements? No 100%. **Comment: Perhaps some specific PPE (glasses and gloves) for each student.**
5. How frequently would you like to take a student? Every year 80% Every other year 20%. **Comment: One Host Farrier also put 'never again' as a comment i.e. six responses from five farriers. This HF has advised me he is regretfully withdrawing from the programme due to work commitments going forward.**
6. Is there any further assistance the WCF could have given you concerning this placement? No 100%
7. Are there any other comments you wish to make? Yes 100%
Comments:
 - Another very enjoyable week
 - Very well run scheme and very rewarding to see students learn and grow their knowledge.
 - Both Henry and myself thoroughly enjoy hosting, and would be more than happy to do it again.
 - Very worthwhile. Helps build good relations between vets and farriers.
 - vet student was a pleasure to have. Would be great to see more students getting the opportunity. Thank you for inviting me to host a student.