

Advanced Equine Ophthalmology – A 2-Day Practical Course

COURSE DATE: Tue 10 – Wed 11 February 2026 **COURSE VENUE:** Mälaren Hästklinik, Stockholm, Sweden

SPEAKERS/INSTRUCTORS:



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PROGRAM:

08:00 – 08:30	<i>Registration</i>	
08:30 – 08:40	Course Introduction	
08:40 – 09:20	Recent Developments in Ophthalmic Diagnostics & Therapeutics Part I	Stephanie Bell
09:20 – 10:00	Recent Developments in Ophthalmic Diagnostics & Therapeutics Part II	Caryn Plummer
10:00 – 10:10	Questions	
10:10 – 10:40	<i>Coffee Break</i>	
10:40 – 11:20	Diagnostic Ocular Ultrasound & Imaging	Caryn Plummer
11:20 – 12:00	Corneal Healing & Ulcer Management	Stephanie Bell
12:00 – 12:40	Corneal Surgery – When, why & how?	Stephanie Bell
12:40 – 12:50	Questions	
12:50 – 13:50	<i>Lunch</i>	

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DAY 1 (Continued)

14:15 – 17:30	<u>Practical Sessions on Live Horses & Equine Specimens in Small Groups</u>	SB, CP, LS
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ophthalmologic Procedures - Nerve blocks, lavage system placement, aqueocentesis, intravitreal injections etc • Ocular ultrasound - live horses • Pre-Purchase Examination Case-based Discussions 	
17:30 – 17:45	Questions & Discussion	
17:45 – 19:00	<i>Wine & Cheese Reception</i>	

DAY 2

08:30 – 09:10	Non-Ulcerative & Immune Mediated Keratitis	Caryn Plummer
09:10 – 09:50	Equine Uveitis – Understanding a Complex Disease	Caryn Plummer
09:50 – 10:30	Equine Uveitis – A Rational Approach to Treatment	Caryn Plummer
10:30 – 10:40	Questions	
10:40 – 11:10	<i>Coffee Break</i>	
11:10 – 11:50	Ocular Neoplasia – Optimal Approaches to Therapy	Stephanie Bell
11:50 – 12:30	The Posterior Eye & The Pre-Purchase Examination	Stephanie Bell / Caryn Plummer
12:30 – 12:40	Questions	
12:40 – 14:00	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:00 – 17:30	<u>Practical Sessions on Live Horses & Case-based Discussions in Small Groups</u>	SB, CP, LS
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Examination of Horses with Eye Problems I Attendees can bring difficult cases to the course and work them up with the experts (owners are also welcome to be present) • Examination of Horses with Eye Problems II • Basic Surgical Techniques (<i>enucleation, eyelid laceration repair, temporary tarsoraphy, corneal laceration, simple conjunctival grafts</i>) 	
16:10 – 16:30	<i>Coffee Break</i>	
17:30 – 17:45	Questions, Discussions & Final Remarks	