



Let's talk about legs!

In the morning

1. A short introduction

Why is it so important to learn more about the limbs?

2. Some reminders

- The thoracic limbs/forelimbs and the pelvic limbs
- Stages of growth of the skeleton

3. How to observe legs?

- ⇒ Methodology
- Standing
 - In motion
 - The tracks and the footprints

4. How to assess the legs and the consequences of the specific structure of the horse in movement?

- Comparison with the ideal legs
- Use of an assessment tool

5. What means "good legs"?

Notions of straightness, angulation, length, proportions, measurements, axes and planes.

6. What means "good gaits"?

Notions of tracks, amplitude, suppleness, straightness, rebound, rhythm, impulsion

7. Deeper in the knowledge: the flaws in the legs

- Inborn flaws
- Blemishes (soft and hard blemishes)
- How to remediate inborn flaws and how to prevent blemishes?

In the afternoon

8. Practice with horses

Observation of the horse: standing and in motion. Observation of the tracks.

Exchanges, individual and group exercises.

Learning of the use of the assessment tool and results of our analyses.

Conclusion of the day and goodbye

