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Meet the Rood & Riddle Veterinarians at New, Updated Wellington Facility

Wellington, Fla. - Sept. 7, 2017 - Wellington, Fla. - Dec. 13, 2016 - Rood & Riddle's new referral and surgical hospital located on Southshore Boulevard now provides expanded veterinary services to South Florida. In addition to the newly renovated facility, Rood & Riddle owns one-third of Advanced Equine Imaging, also located on the Wellington property. Rood & Riddle Equine Hospital in Wellington is the second expansion for the Lexington, Kentucky, based equine veterinary practice, which also established a referral and surgical practice in Saratoga Springs, New York, in 2013.

The Wellington practice is staffed by a team of experts who are looking forward to using their knowledge and expertise in areas such as equine surgery, sport horse healthcare, neurology and podiatry to provide outstanding service for their sport and race horse clients.



Scott Pierce D.V.M., the managing partner at the Wellington facility, is a shareholder and 32-year veteran of Rood & Riddle. He obtained his undergraduate degree from Northwest Missouri State, graduated from veterinary school at the University of Missouri in 1983, and then joined Rood & Riddle in 1985. His professional interests include working with juvenile Thoroughbreds, upper airway endoscopy and public and private sales.

Jose Bras, D.V.M., M.S., Dipl. ACVS, head of the surgical team in the new hospital, was raised in San Juan, Puerto Rico. He obtained his bachelor of science in animal science from Louisiana State University in 2000. In 2005, he graduated from The Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine. Dr. Bras completed an in-hospital internship at Rood & Riddle prior to a surgical residency and also received his M.S. in Biomedical Science at Kansas State University (KSU). After completing his residency, Dr. Bras remained at KSU as a clinical assistant professor/emergency clinician. In April of 2015, he joined the Rood & Riddle team and in 2016 relocated to Wellington as the surgeon.





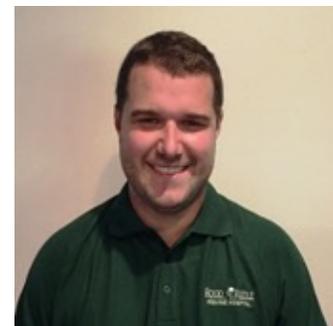
Stephanie Walborn, DVM, DACT, was born in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil and moved to South Florida when she was six years old. She attended the University of Florida College of Veterinary Medicine. After graduation, Dr. Walborn completed an internship at the Equine Medical Center of Ocala in Florida. She went on to complete a residency in Equine Reproduction at Texas A&M University and became a diplomate of the American College of Theriogenologists in 2017. Her professional interests include subfertile mares and stallions and assisted reproductive techniques.

Jennifer Jordan, V.M.D., DACVS, is a magna cum laude graduate of the University Of Pennsylvania College Of Veterinary Medicine. After graduation, Dr. Jordan completed an internship at Washington State University College of Veterinary Medicine, followed by a large animal surgery residency at the New Bolton Center in Pennsylvania. A Diplomate in the American College of Veterinary Surgeons, Dr. Jordan practices in both Lexington, Kentucky and Wellington, Florida throughout the year.



Ashley Embly, D.V.M., graduated magna cum laude from the University Of Georgia College Of Veterinary Medicine. After graduation, Dr. Embly completed an internship with Rood & Riddle in Lexington, Kentucky. Following her internship, she stayed on with Rood & Riddle as an ambulatory associate and also served for one year as the resident vet of Stonestreet Farms. Dr. Embly also completed the Chi Institute's course for acupuncture. Although Dr. Embly's primary focus is sport horses, she also has a solid background in reproduction and Thoroughbred work. She divides her practice time between Lexington, Kentucky and Wellington, Florida.

Riley Pierce, D.V.M., was born and raised in Lexington, Kentucky. From a young age Dr. Pierce became involved in the thoroughbred industry and equine veterinary medicine, watching his father Dr. Scott Pierce help grow Rood & Riddle Equine Hospital to what it is today. Riley graduated from the University of Missouri-College of Veterinary Medicine to become the fifth veterinarian in his family. Following graduation, Dr. Pierce completed an internship at Rood & Riddle Equine Hospital in Lexington. He then traveled to and made South Florida his home, after marrying his wife, a small-animal veterinarian and Wellington native. Dr. Pierce will provide general veterinary healthcare as well as assist Dr. Jose Bras in caring for hospitalized patients in an effort to deliver the same high-quality veterinary services he has been a part of since childhood.

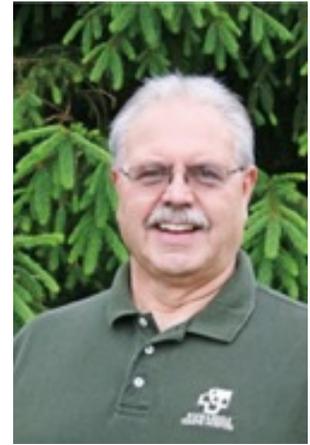


An additional unique asset provided by Rood & Riddle in Wellington is the increased ability for clients to have greater access to world-renowned equine health specialists such as Dr. John Hubbell, Dr. Stephen Reed, and Dr. Rolf Embertson.

John Hubbell, D.V.M., M.S., ACVAA, was raised in Lima, Ohio, in a pet and horse owning family. After receiving his D.V.M. from The Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine in 1977, he completed an equine surgery internship at the University of California, Davis and then returned to Ohio State as a resident in veterinary anesthesiology. Dr. Hubbell joined the faculty at Ohio State in 1982, where he served until 2015. Dr. Hubbell has been an American College of Veterinary Anesthesia and Analgesia Diplomate since 1982, written numerous articles on veterinary anesthesia and is the co-author of two textbooks: Handbook of Veterinary Anesthesia and Equine Anesthesia Monitoring and



Stephen Reed D.V.M., a shareholder of Rood & Riddle, graduated from The Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine in 1976. Following a residency in internal medicine at Michigan State University, Dr. Reed accepted a faculty position at the College of Veterinary Medicine at Washington State University in 1976. In 1983, he joined the faculty at The Ohio State University as an assistant professor, rising to the title of professor in 1994. In 2003, Dr. Reed was named to the Jenne Professorship in Equine Medicine and Surgery and held that title until moving to Rood & Riddle in 2007. Dr. Reed is widely recognized for his commitment to the horse, equine veterinarians and the equine industry. As a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine, he developed an interest in the specialty of equine neurology and became recognized as an expert in this area. He has written and spoken extensively on "wobbler" syndrome, equine protozoal myelitis, head trauma and the neurologic examination. In addition, Dr. Reed has authored and coauthored more than 150 peer-reviewed publications including Equine Internal Medicine, the only internal medicine textbook dedicated solely to the horse. In 2008, he also co-edited the textbook, Equine Neurology, with Dr. Martin Furr. Dr. Reed has received a number of recognitions for his work, including the Schering-Plough Animal Health and World Veterinary Association Award for Applied Research. In 2008, he was chosen to deliver the Frank J. Milne Lecture at the annual meeting of the American Association of Equine Practitioners, a singular honor given to a leader in equine veterinary medicine.



Dr. Rolf Embertson DVM, Dipl. ACVS, graduated from Michigan State University with a Bachelor of Science in Zoology in 1976. He also attended Michigan State where he graduated from Veterinary School in 1979 followed by an internship at Illinois Equine Hospital. Dr. Embertson completed a Large Animal Surgery Residency at the University of Florida, followed by an Equine Surgery Residency at The Ohio State University. In 1986, he became a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Surgeons. Dr. Embertson is a Surgeon and Shareholder at Rood & Riddle.

An additional valuable service offered by Rood & Riddle is the ability to schedule appointments with recognized equine podiatry specialists, including Dr. Scott Morrison and Dr. Raul Bras.

Scott Morrison, D.V.M., is a 1999 graduate of the Virginia Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine. He is also a graduate of the Eastern School of Farriery and built a successful farrier business prior to enrollment at Virginia Tech. Following graduation in 1999, Dr. Morrison completed a one-year hospital internship at Rood & Riddle Equine Hospital in Lexington, Kentucky. Following the internship, he was hired by Rood & Riddle as an associate veterinarian and began to develop Rood & Riddle's podiatry department. Today, in addition to being a shareholder and working as a veterinary podiatrist, Dr. Morrison manages the Rood & Riddle Podiatry Center and travels throughout the United States and Europe to consult and lecture.



Raul Bras, D.V.M., like his brother Dr. Jose Bras, grew up in Puerto Rico. He finished his undergraduate at Louisiana State University with a bachelor of science in animal science. He graduated from Ross University Veterinary School in 2005 and completed his clinical year at Auburn University. In 2005, Dr. Bras completed a surgery internship at Rood & Riddle Equine Hospital and the following year stayed on as an associate veterinarian in



the Podiatry Department. Dr. Bras completed the farrier program at Cornell University in 2007 and in 2010 became a Certified Journeyman Farrier of the American Farrier's Association. In 2012, he became a shareholder at Rood & Riddle Equine Hospital. In addition to providing his expertise in equine podiatry in Lexington, Kentucky, Dr. Bras currently travels throughout the United States including Ohio, Minnesota, South Carolina, Florida and New York on a monthly basis, bringing his highly specialized skills to his patients.

Rood & Riddle CEO Bill Rood said, "Rood & Riddle is very pleased to establish a hospital presence in Wellington, which is a major center for sport horse activities. Our mission has always been to provide the best care for our clients and patients wherever they are. With the help of our world class staff, our patients are assured the best care possible at Rood & Riddle. The addition of the Wellington property will allow us to better serve our many clients who compete in Florida every year, both with sport horses and in racing."

For more information about Rood & Riddle Equine Hospital in Wellington, please visit www.roodandriddle.com/news.php.

For emergency services or to schedule an appointment, please call 561-383-5437.

About Rood & Riddle Equine Hospital

Rood & Riddle Equine Hospital is a full-service equine hospital established in 1986 in Lexington, Kentucky as both a provider of ambulatory services and as a referral center for horses requiring specialized medical and surgical care. Today Rood & Riddle is known and respected throughout the world for innovative and highly skilled treatment of horses. Rood & Riddle Equine Hospital emphasizes an unwavering commitment to quality, both in the care of horses and in the relationships with clients and the community. With satellite offices in Saratoga Springs, New York and Wellington, Florida; Rood & Riddle endeavors to bring their world renowned expertise to the broader sport horse community.

Rood and Riddle Equine Hospital in Wellington Fast Facts:

Location:

5320 S. Shore Blvd. Wellington, FL 33449
Contact: 561-383-5437

Hours of Operation:

Open for emergencies 24 hours a day, seven days a week.
Open daily from 8am-5pm.

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