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What Performance Dog Owners Should Know About Tick-borne Diseases, Part 2

Tick-borne illnesses are a growing concern across the USA. Learn the facts so you and your vet can decide what is best for your canine athlete. By David B. Hyde DVM and Julie A. Roos DVM



Comparing the Derrett and Mecklenburg Handling Systems, Part 4: Front Crosses

This month we compare front crosses in each system. The front cross is the maneuver that has the biggest difference in handling between the two systems. By the *Clean Run* Staff



The Table from the Ground Up

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