



## PATIENT

Benny Schuitema

## SPECIES

Canine

## BREED

Cavalier King Charles  
Spaniel

## SEX

Neutered Male

## AGE

7 Years

## WEIGHT

25.3

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## PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

- Acute onset ataxia/syncope at home, February 24, 2026
- Normal between episodes
- Started on Pimobendan d/t abnormal brick on TFAST
- Has been doing well at home since starting Pimobendan 2.5mg BID

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: 3/6 left systolic murmur December CBC/Chem/4DX NSF • BP ave 150 with doppler 2/24/26

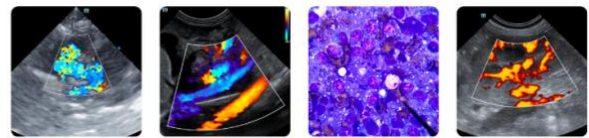
## ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE HEART

CANINE CARDIAC PARAMETERS	MR VMAX (m/s)	TR VMAX (m/s)	LA/AO (M-Mode)	LA/AO (Heart Base; Swe)	FS (%)	EF (%)	EPSS (cm)
NORMAL PARAMETER	4.5-5.5	<2.7	1.3	Up to 1.6	28-40	40-100	<0.6
PATIENT	--	--	1.3	~1.7	33	62	0.1
CANINE CARDIAC PARAMETERS	HR (BPM)	AV VMAX (m/s)	PV MAX (m/s)	BODY WEIGHT (lbs)	LAD LA MAX 4 Chamber	LVIDd Avg; 2D and m-mode short axis (cm)	LVIDs Avg; 2D and m-mode short axis (cm)
NORMAL PARAMETER	50-100	0.7-1.7	0.7-1.6				
PATIENT	110	--	--	25.3	3.8	3.7	--

E-wave velocity: 0.7

## Cardiac Presentation

The echocardiogram in this patient demonstrated enlarged **left atrial** size based on 3 different LA measurement methods. Chamber volumes and echogenicity were normal. The cranial and caudal **mitral** valve leaflets presented vegetative thickening consistent with endocardiosis. Doppler indicated measurable insufficiency. The **left ventricle** presented normal thicknesses with linear contour and was not dilated nor restricted. The **myocardium** presented normal echogenicity without subjective evidence of significant fibrotic or ischemic disease. **Contractility** of the ventricular walls was adequate and in normal range for this patient evidenced by the fractional shortening measurement and subjective evaluation of the different regions of the myocardium. The **left ventricular outflow** tract demonstrated normal laminar flow and subjective structural integrity. The **right atrium** and auricle revealed normal size, structure and content. No evidence of masses was noted or chamber overload. **Tricuspid** valvular assessment demonstrated adequate linear morphology. The **right ventricle** was of normal size (1/3 diameter of LV), chordae structure, myocardial echogenicity and thickness. **Pulmonic** tract assessment revealed normal valve structure, laminar flow, and diameter (approx.1:1 pa/ao ratio). No visible **pericardial** or free pleura fluid was noted. No echographically detectable evidence of



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infiltrative disease was visible. The cranial **mediastinum** and **pericardial regions** were free of masses in the visible window.

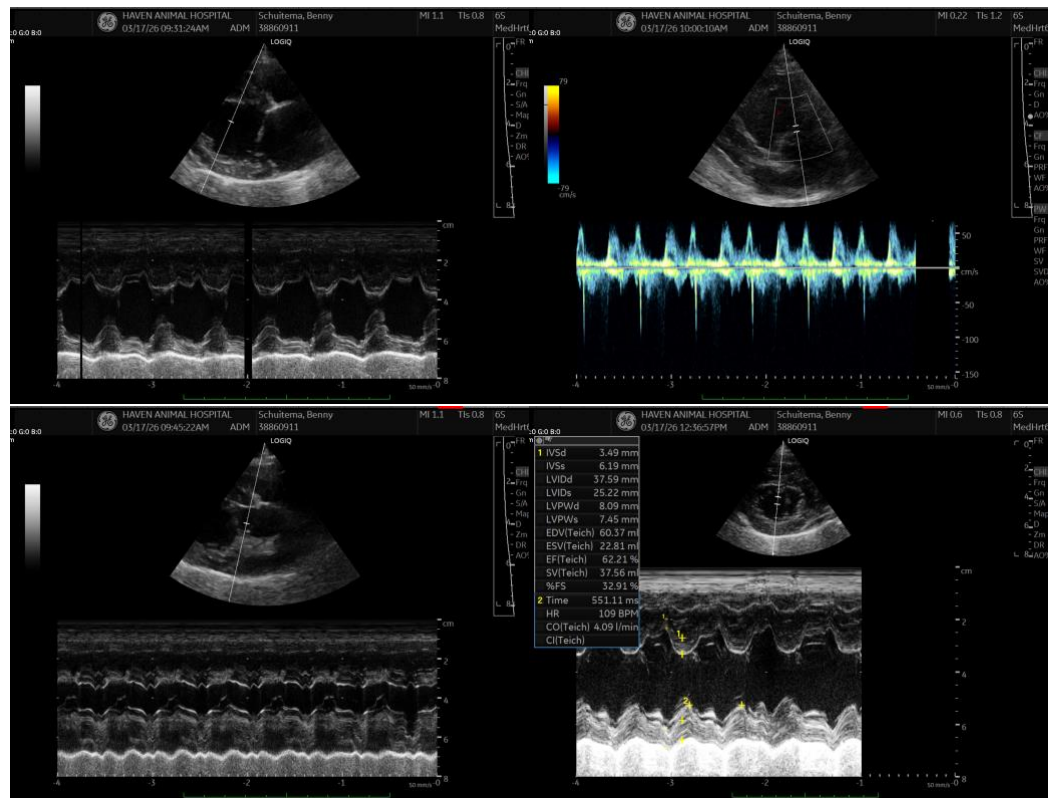
## ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

- Stage B2 valvular disease.

## INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

The heart has minor volume overload and is working to compensate for the valvular insufficiency. Target respiratory rate is < 20 resp/minute after therapy. After initiating or adjusting therapy, I recommend recheck on the clinical exam, BUN, Creatinine, USG, Chest radiographs & Blood pressure in 5-7 days. Recheck echo in 6 months, earlier if clinical decompensation is occurring. Minor anesthetic risk for a brief procedure at this time. Repeat preanesthetic echo is ideal if anesthesia is eventually necessary. A suggested anesthetic combination would involve Torbutrol premed, propofol induction, Isoflurane maintenance or equivalent protocol.

Recommend continuation of Pimobendan. ACEi therapy is indicated if any evidence of systemic hypertension is present. A Holter monitor would be ideal to rule out underlying paroxysmal arrhythmia that may be playing a role in the syncope.





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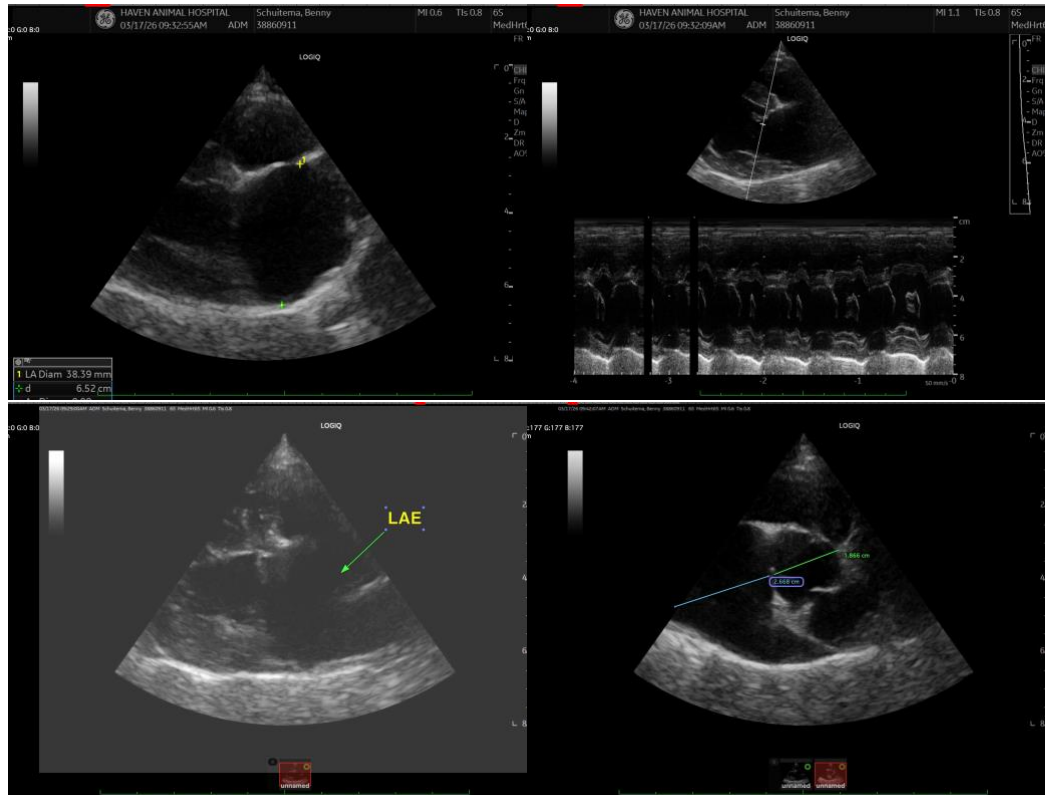
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

Thank you for this referral. If the clinical or image interpretation does not parallel your findings or if I can be of any further assistance, please contact me.

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