



PATIENT

Coda Desaulniers

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Sheepadoodle

SEX

Spayed Female

AGE

4 Years

WEIGHT

35

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Pt with intermittent lameness of LH started approx 6 weeks ago. Was nonbearing weight a day after exercise.

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: Mild eosinophilia

RADIOGRAPHIC STUDY OF STIFLES AND TARSI

R/L lateral and VD, totaling 10 radiographs provided for interpretation.

21.05.2026

RADIOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

Hind legs

The muscle mass on the left appears reduced.

All bones are well mineralized, have a normal trabecular structure and smooth, continuous surfaces. Cortico-medullary development and differentiation of the long bones are physiological.

Stifle L: the joint presents with smooth, subchondral bone surfaces and the center of the femoral condyles is in line with the intercondylar eminence of the tibia. The cranial fat pad is slightly reduced, and the caudal fascial plains are blurred. Slightly irregular new bone (NB) is present on the tibial insertion of the cruciate ligament.

Stifle R: the joints present with smooth osseous margins, and the center of the femoral condyles is in line with the intercondylar eminence of the tibia. The cranial fat pad has a physiological size, and the caudal fascial plains are visible. New bone formation is not evident, and the patellae are located centrally in their respective groove.

Tarsi: a small amount of bridging NB is located on the dorsal aspect of the distal intertarsal joint space.

RADIOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS

Left

- Stifle effusion, mild
- Arthrosis, mild
- Muscle atrophy

Bilateral

- Tarsal arthrosis

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

The changes in the left stifle joint are suggestive of a recent cruciate ligament damage, and it is the likely reason for the lameness. In case the muscle atrophy is indeed present, a neurological examination is recommended because the stifle injury does not fully explain a muscle atrophy. Bilateral tarsal arthrosis affects the small tarsal bones.



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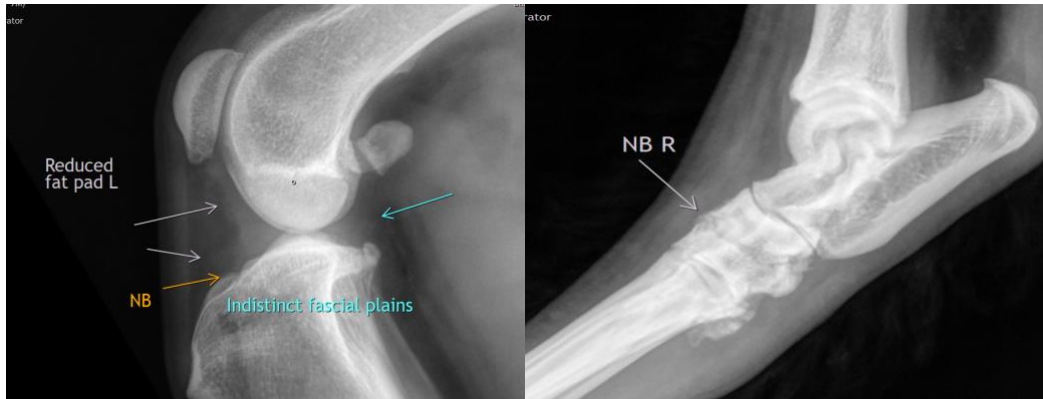
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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