



PATIENT

Costa Bartholomew

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Goldendoodle

SEX

FS

AGE

9Y

WEIGHT

73lbs

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

P presented for Bilateral stifle US due to intermittent limping R hind for a few months. Consult with ortho surgeon in December 2025- No cranial drawer, rec strict cage rest, pursue US if no improvement.

Presented 4/17/26 for limping.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

Right Stifle

No abnormal effusion is seen within the supra- and infra-patellar area. There is no evidence of synovial or capsular thickening or proliferation. The cranial cruciate ligament appears to be continuous and well-delineated, no deviation from normal echoarchitecture is noted. Lateral and medial menisci are within their anticipated positions and align well below the bone surfaces, meniscal surfaces are even and smooth. The echotexture is hypo echoic and uniform. The joint margins are smooth; no osteophytes are seen. The infra patellar fat pad present, the expected echo architecture.

Left Stifle

Mild anechoic effusion is present in the supra- and intra-patellar recesses of the left stifle joint. The cranial cruciate ligament is continuous with mild irregularity of the outline and mild overall thickening. No evidence of rupture or discontinuity is seen. The medial meniscus is in-situ, smoothly delineated, and of uniform internal echoarchitecture. There is no evidence of significant osteoarthritic changes.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS

- Normal ultrasonographic presentation of the right stifle joint with no evidence of cranial cruciate ligament disease or meniscal pathology.
- Mild effusion and mild irregularity of the left cranial cruciate ligament consistent with early or mild degenerative change. No evidence of ligament rupture; medial meniscus within normal limits.

INTERPRETATION OF FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

The ultrasonographic presentation of the right stifle is within normal limits with no evidence of cranial cruciate ligament injury or meniscopthy. The left sided changes may represent incidental or early subclinical disease. Overall, there is no imaging evidence of partial or complete cranial cruciate ligament rupture in either stifle at this point. Clinical and possibly ultrasonographic monitoring of the very subtle changes of the left stifle joint is recommended.



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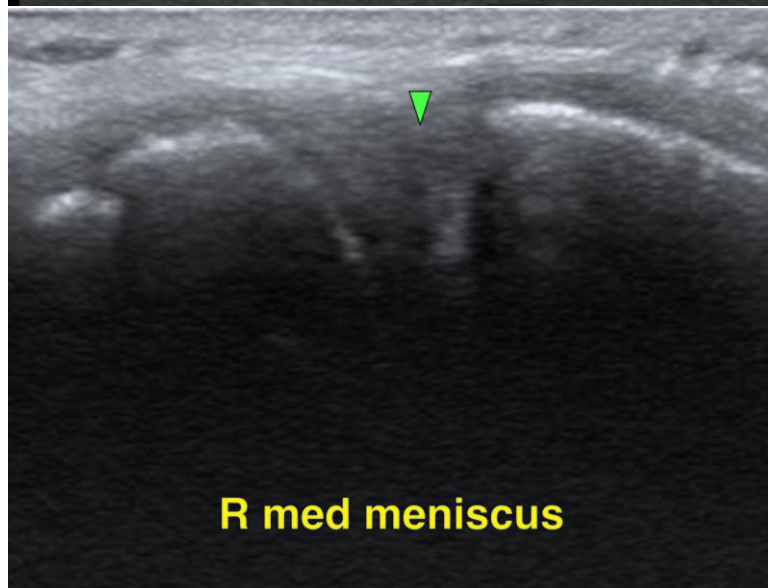
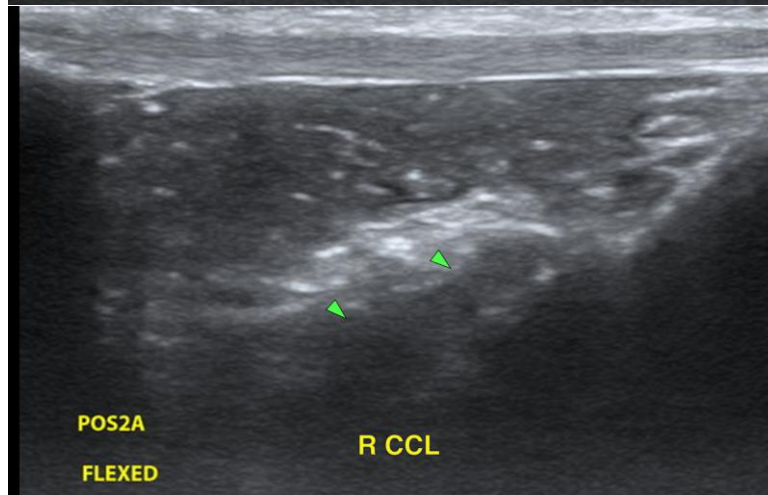
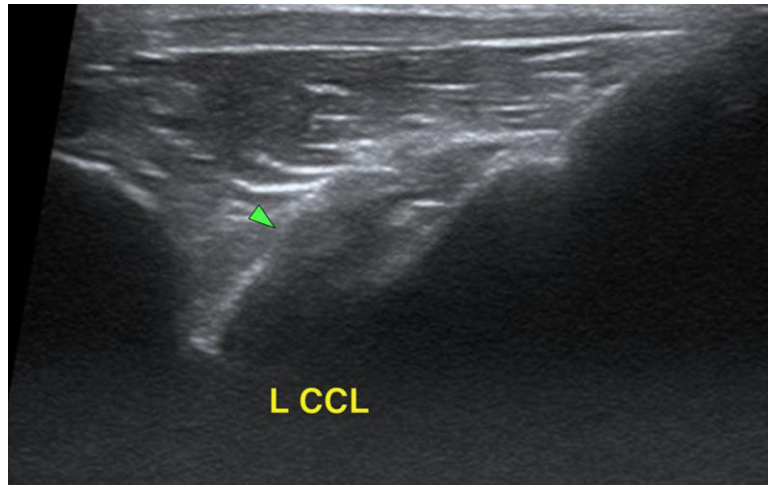
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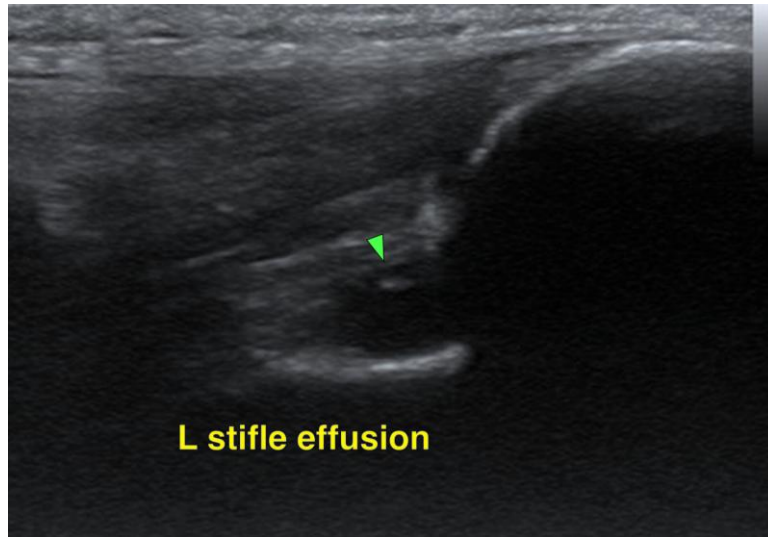
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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