



PATIENT PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Rudy Roo Garfinkel

Presenting Complaint: Bilateral forelimb lameness, currently worse in the right forelimb.
When Did the Problem Start: Initial lameness noted prior to February 2026. After completing 3 rounds of shockwave therapy and being released to normal activity, a leashed 1-hour hike resulted in recurrence of lameness. 2 nights ago, after rising from the couch, Rudy picked up the right forelimb and would not bear weight.

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Symptom Description: Working Red Heeler with recurring bilateral forelimb lameness. Post-activity exacerbation after a leashed 1-hour walk. Recent acute non-weight-bearing episode on the right forelimb after rising from rest. Owner has since restricted activity.

BREED

Red Heeler

Severity / Changes in Symptoms: Lameness recurred after resuming controlled activity. Currently predominantly affecting the right forelimb with an acute non-weight-bearing episode 2 nights ago. Owner reports overall progression worsening despite rest.

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Medication: OptiWise, Cosequin, and omega-3 oil (doses not provided). Up to date on flea/tick preventative (product not specified). No current anti-inflammatories. Previously prescribed trazodone and gabapentin but not currently administered.

COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC STUDY OF THE BILATERAL SHOULDERS and ELBOWS

Plain study of both elbows and shoulders, post contrast study of the right shoulder are available for review.

AGE

2yr

COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

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RIGHT ELBOW

Abnormal morphology of the right medial conoid process with irregular outline and fissuring. Subtle heterogeneity is seen accentuated in the tip of the right medial conoid process. Mild peri-articular osteophyte formation is present in the right elbow. There is no evidence of subchondral bone defects

LEFT ELBOW

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The left elbow shows milder but similar changes. Subtle irregularity and mild heterogeneity of the left medial coronoid process are present. No clear fragmentation is seen. There is no significant peri-articular osteophyte formation. The subchondral bone surface of the medial humoral condyle is intact.

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RIGHT and LEFT SHOULDERS

The CT appearance of both shoulders is normal with no evidence of OCD or degenerative change. No evidence of traumatic osseous injury is seen.

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COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS

- Right elbow: changes consistent with medial coronoid process disease, with mild secondary osteoarthritis
- Left elbow: mild signs of medial coronoid pathologies, no evidence of secondary osteoarthritic changes
- Normal CT presentation of both shoulders

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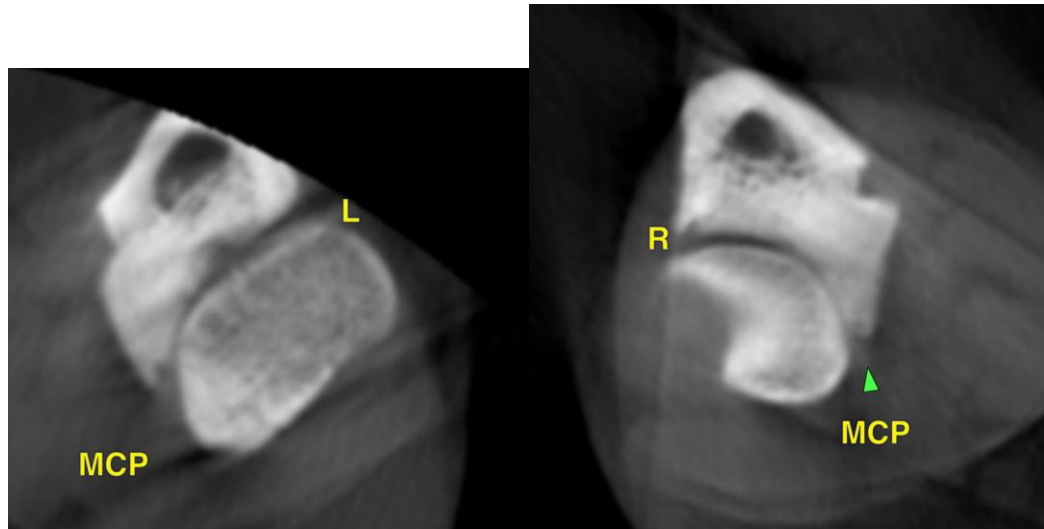
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INTERPRETATION OF FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

The imaging findings are consistent with bilateral medial coronoid pathology, the right side is significantly more affected than the left. The CT presentation suggests fissuring and potentially early fragmentation on the right side while the changes on the left side are more subtle and may be compatible with osteomalacia or micro fracturing /micro fissuring.

Arthroscopic evaluation of both elbows is strongly recommended for definitive diagnosis and treatment particularly of the right elbow.



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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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