


PATIENT PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Lacy Kimbrough

Lacy is a very sweet 5 year old Bouvier. She is a service dog and competes in agility, carting, and some nose work. The owners have had concern about her spine for some time. She has had radiographs taken in 2021. The owner has noticed that she seems hesitant to jump in agility, does not like the weave poles, and seems to tuck her rear. She seems to struggle with weight needed for carting as well. Resisted initial palpation of right carpus which initially had crepitation and some laxity, but this seemed to resolve with further palpation. No pain isolated on palpation of any limb or spine. Some stiffness possible in hips on extension. Does tuck on palpation of lumbosacral area. Holds left rear leg at a wide - based stance with a slight tilt to it. No neurological deficits detected. We took full orthopedic rad images on 6/21/23, I am attaching the report below.

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Bouvier des Flandres

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC STUDY OF THE STIFLES
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.

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Left Stifle

Mild effusion is seen in the supra- and infrapatellar recesses of the left stifle joint. Mild swelling of the synovial membranes is noted. Minimal periarticular osteophytes are seen. The attachment of the cranial cruciate ligament at the intercondylar eminence of the tibia presents within normal limits. No evidence of fiber disruption seen. There is no evidence of a hypo- or anechoic halo. The infrapatellar fat pad is uniform in echotexture. The medial meniscus is incompletely seen but appears to be in situ and intact.

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ULTRASONOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS

- Ultrasonographically normal right stifle
- Mild osteoarthritis of the left stifle joint with no evidence of cranial cruciate ligament or medial meniscal injury

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INTERPRETATION OF FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS
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The ultrasonographic study confirms mild osteoarthritic changes with mild effusion and synovialitis of the left stifle joint. Currently, there is no evidence of fiber disruption of the cranial cruciate ligament and no evidence of medial meniscal injury noted. Other sources of mild osteoarthritis include chronic overload, primary degenerative joint disease, post-traumatic arthritis, and immune mediated arthropathy.

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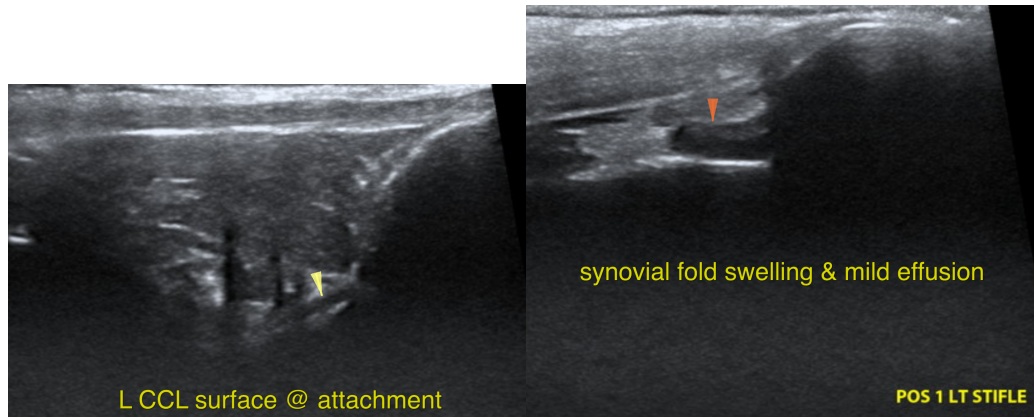
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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