



**PATIENT PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

Hank Erzen Had his Right TPLO done 4-8-2021. Now he is limping and not putting weight on his left hind leg. Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: PE: STABLE REPAIR- RIGHT STIFLE. LEFTR STIFLE- MEDIAL BUTTRESS, EFFUSION, MUSCLE ATROPHY, AND DRAWER POSITIVE. LABS ARE PENDING

**SPECIES**

Canine

**RADIOGRAPHIC STUDY OF THE PELVIS AND STIFLE JOINTS**

Radiographs of the pelvis and the stifle joints in two imaging planes are provided for review.

**BREED**

Boxer Mix

**RADIOGRAPHIC FINDINGS**

L7 presents asymmetric with a shortened transverse process in the left aspect and a transverse process articulating with the left iliosacral joint in the left aspect. Right lateral tilting and rotation of the pelvis is noted with subsequent oblique projection of the coxofemoral joints. The right coxofemoral joint presents a moderate widening of the joint space.

**SEX**

Neutered

The volume of the left thigh musculature is moderately decreased.

**AGE**

3 Years, 4 Months

The periarticular bones of both stifle joints present moderate osteophyte new bone formation and a moderate intracapsular soft tissue swelling distorting the infrapatellar fat pad cranially and the fascial plane caudally, L>R.

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A TPLO implant is visible at the proximomedial aspect of the right tibia, the osteotomy is filled with cancellous bone. Solid, smooth periosteal new bone formation is seen at the distal aspect of the TPLO plate.

**RADIOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS**

**HOSPITAL NAME**

Elizabeth Animal Hospital

- History of right sided cranial cruciate ligament repair by TPLO – the osteotomy is in the remodeling phase
- Bilateral moderate degenerative osteoarthritis stifle joints bilaterally, R>L
- Moderate articular swelling stifle joints bilaterally, L>R
- Disuses atrophy left thigh musculature
- Lumbosacral transitional vertebral with tilting of the pelvic axis

**REFERRING VET**

Leon Anderson, DVM

**INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

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The degenerative joint disease of both stifle joints is considered as a sequela to pathology of the cranial cruciate ligament ± meniscal pathology. Right sided TPLO has already been performed as treatment for cranial cruciate ligament rupture. The diagnosis of left sided cranial cruciate ligament rupture is supported by the clinically appreciated positive drawer sign/tibial compression test; surgical intervention is considered as the therapy of choice.

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The asymmetric appearance of the coxofemoral joints is considered as a sequela to the oblique projection of the coxofemoral joints – there are no signs for degenerative joint disease.



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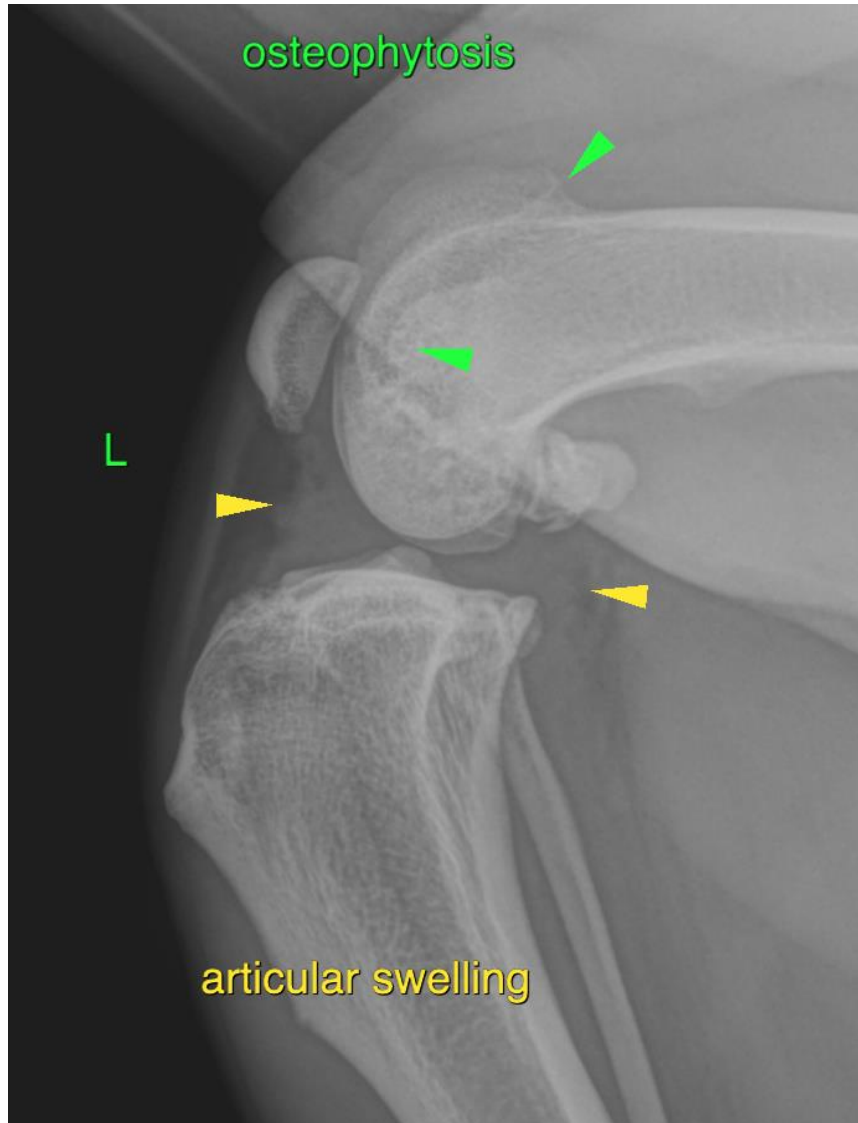
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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