**PATIENT**

Belle Conkling

PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Owner did not notice any incident of trauma, but patient is hard charging. Firm swelling noted around medial aspect of left tarsus. No pain on palpation. Swelling just noticed today by owner

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RADIOGRAPHIC STUDY OF THE TARSAL JOINTS

Radiographs of both tarsal joints in two imaging planes are provided for review.

BREED

Rottweiler

RADIOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

The periarticular bones of the left tibiotarsal joint present moderate osteophyte new bone formation and a mild intracapsular swelling of the left tibiotarsal joint is appreciated – most accentuated in the medial aspect.

SEX

Female Spayed

At the dorsal aspect of the right tarsal joint, mild osteophyte new bone formation is appreciated.

RADIOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS

- Moderate degenerative osteoarthritis left talocrural joint
- Moderate articular swelling left talocrural joint
- Mild degenerative osteoarthritis right tarsal joint

AGE

2 Years

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**INTERPRETED BY**

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The radiographic changes are consistent with degenerative osteoarthritis of the left tibiotarsal joint with concomitant joint effusion and bulging of the joint capsule medially. The most likely causes are preceding traumatic insult to the tarsal joint or an OCD lesion (no defect of the trochlear ridge/pathological widening of the joint space is appreciated in the current set of radiographs). The changes are chronic and acute on chronic insult may have reactivated arthritis. A synovial tap can be used to rule out primary inflammatory (immune mediated versus infectious) origin of the joint effusion. Due to the lack of clinical signs, but the swelling, a clinical trial with rest and NSAID might be tried. A CT study of the tarsal joint can be used if lameness develops, for further evaluation of the tarsal bones.

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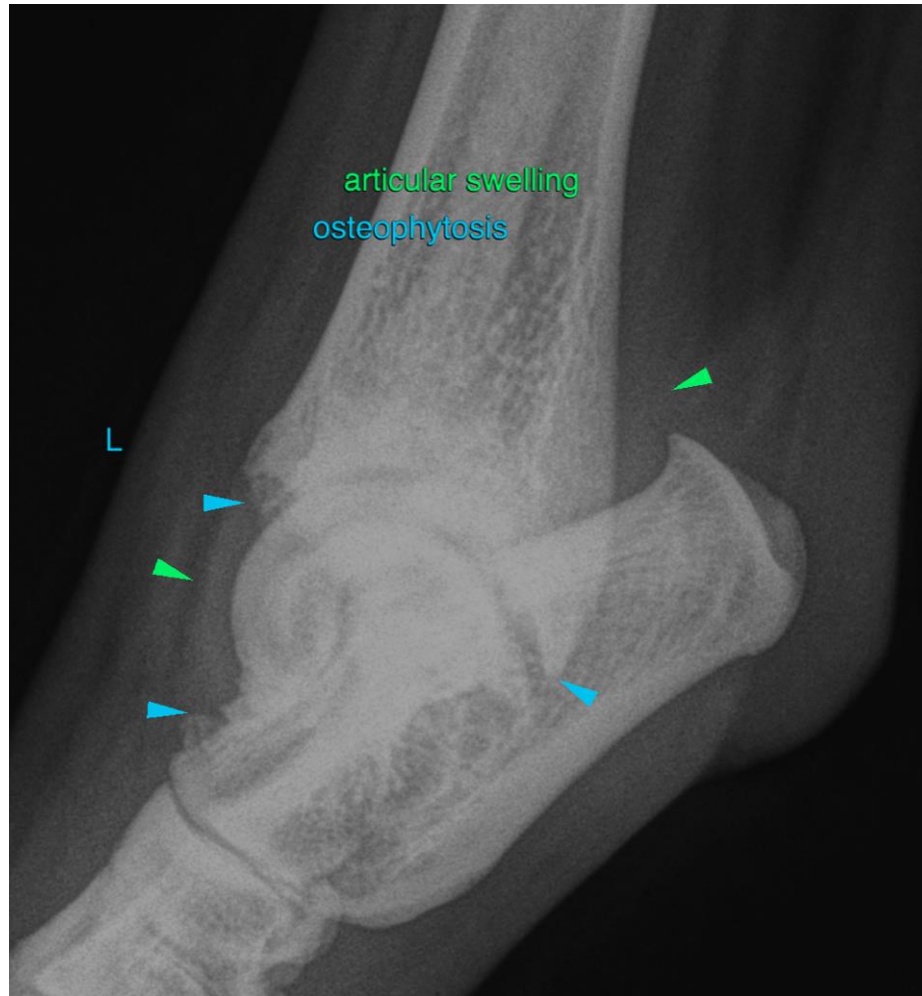
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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