Surgical Report: Lady Smack 2019 Colt

Procedure: Right hock arthroscopy

Owner: M. Kenny

Referring Veterinarian: O. Glen

On May 19, 2020, "Lady Smack 2019 Colt" was presented to Auckland Veterinary Centre for right hock arthroscopy. The horse was induced under general anaesthesia and placed in dorsal recumbency. The right hock region was clipped, prepared and draped in routine sterile fashion. The right tarsocrural joint was entered and explored arthroscopically. There were multiple large semi-adhered cartilage flaps overlying the lateral trochlea of the talus, consistent with an osteochondritis dissecans (OCD) lesion. The cartilage flaps were elevated and removed, and the underlying bone debrided down to healthy subchondral bone. There were very small cartilage and bone fragments loosely attached to the dorsomedial synovium which were removed. The joint was lavaged thoroughly with sterile Hartmann's solution. The incisions were closed routinely and a sterile bandage was applied. Recovery from anaesthesia was uneventful.

If you have any further questions please feel free to contact the clinic.

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