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RADIOLOGY REPORT

Date: 12 February 2024
Horse: Never Bettor '22 Colt
Radiographs Taken by: Dr Sarah Daly BSc BVMS(Hons) IVCA
Radiographs Interpreted by: Dr Sarah Daly BSc BVMS(Hons) IVCA
Radiograph projections taken: **HOCKS:** LAT, DLPIMO, DP, DMPIMO

Examination: The above horse was examined on 2 February 2024 for bilateral effusion (excess joint fluid) in both hocks, also called "boggy hocks." The right hock was more effused than the left hock. No lameness was present.

The horse was radiographed and found to have an OCD fragment on the distal intermediate ridge of the tibia (DIRT) in the left hock, and a flat DIRT on the right hock with the suspicion that there may be a cartilaginous (invisible on radiographs) fragment floating around within the right hock joint causing the effusion.

Opinion: OCD lesions in the hocks are a very common finding in standardbred yearlings. These are very amenable to surgery provided they are removed at this young age before they cause problems. After surgery most horses go on to have normal racing careers.

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