

**Date:** 16.02.2026

**Lot number:** 56

**Patient:** Downbytheseaside (USA) – Best Western (NZ) '24

**Surgery:** Arthroscopic removal of osteochondral fragmentation of the right and left distal intermediate ridge of the tibiae

**Radiograph Date:** 09.02.2026

### **Radiograph Report:**

Both hock joints were operated.

Left hock joint – several fragments were removed from the distal intermediate ridge and the fragment bed debrided down to solid bone. The rest of the joint was in good health, there was some synovial proliferation but no cartilage damage associated with the lesion.

Right hock joint – a large firmly attached fragment was removed from the distal intermediate ridge of the tibia and the fragment bed debrided down to solid bone. The rest of the joint was in good health, there was some synovial proliferation but no cartilage damage associated with the lesion.

During the post operative period there has some filling noted in the limb that appears to be slowly resolving and the horse has never been lame.

**This horse was re-radiographed on the 09 February 2026. These radiographs confirmed that there were no abnormalities and the surgical site were normal indicating the surgery was successful and the prognosis is excellent.**

### **Prognosis for full recovery:**

Excellent

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