



Consultation report

Veterinarian: Dr Anjali Pillay

Job number: CONS-1186

Date: 8 August 2026

Client: Priya Naidoo

Contact: 082 441 9033

Patient: Scout

Species: Canine

Breed: Labrador Retriever

Presenting complaint

Scout, a six-year-old male Labrador, was presented for left hind lameness of four days. The client had noticed him hopping after walks and sitting with the left stifle held out.

History

Scout is desexed. He weighs 32.4 kg. Temperature on arrival was 38.6 °C. Microchip number 991 002 003 448 217. He is otherwise well, vaccinated, and has had no prior stifle surgery. No known trauma. Exercise had been weekend farm walks.

Examination findings

He was bright and walking with a 3/5 left hind lameness. Gait assessment on the lawn showed a shortened stride and a flick of the left stifle at the end of stance. Palpation of the left stifle found a moderate effusion and pain on full flexion. Cranial drawer in the conscious patient was equivocal. The right stifle was comfortable. No neurological deficits.

Diagnostics

A conscious radiograph of the left stifle was taken. Scout was not sedated. The film showed cranial displacement of the tibia relative to the femur and a small stifle effusion. This consultation report records the clinical visit. It is not a signed consent for a sedated procedure. A sedated procedure would need its own signed consent document.

Assessment

The findings are consistent with a partial cranial cruciate ligament injury of the left stifle. Surgical options were discussed. Conservative management was elected for now.

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Treatment and dispensing

Meloxicam 1.5 mg/ml oral suspension was dispensed, 1.0 ml once daily with food for seven days. Rest was prescribed: lead walks only, no farm running, no stairs if they can be avoided. A joint support diet sheet was given.

Home care and recheck

Recheck in 10 days, 18 August 2026. Return sooner if he cannot bear weight, if the stifle swells, or if he vomits on the anti-inflammatory.

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