



VETERINARY REPORT

To whom it may concern

On 15th October 2024 I was presented with a dog named Rudi who was Surrounded by Andre from Hawks Riverlands on 9th of October 2024. He was surrendered because the owner could not afford veterinary treatment,

ANIMAL DETAILS

Name: Rudi
Species: Dog
Breed: Mixed breed
Sex: Male sterilised
Age: Adult
Tattoo/Microchip/Other: Nil
Description: Brown
Case number: A07591

EXAMINATION FINDINGS

- **Description** of the condition:
Friendly nature, good body condition
Canine distemper test: Negative
Giardia Test: Positive with apparent clinical signs
Stools: Diarrhoea

Rudi was treated for Kennel cough on 12/09/24 (when coughing was first noticed). He was treated with Doxycycline antibiotics OI for 7 days and Rimadyl, a non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug OI for 5 days. Usually, we see a very positive outcome and complete recovery for these dogs as most cases of kennel cough are self-limiting. On 25/09/24 he was cleared to move from our Isolation facility back to kennels. Tracheal pinch test was negative, lungs were clear on auscultation and radiographs showed no abnormalities. On 10/10/24 he stated coughing again, it was a dry harsh cough consistent with kennel cough, he was treated again and re-evaluated today 15/10/24 and there has been no improvements. Today he had diarrhoea and tested positive for Giardia parasites. It is likely he has chronic kennel cough. Both Kennel cough and giardia are caused by contagious agents and it puts our other animals in kennels at a high risk, these diseases also spread very fast between animals in a highly populated enclosed space.

- **Duration** of the condition: Chronic.
- **Prognosis** – Poor
- **Recommendation** –

Due to chronic nature of this condition and no improvements despite multiple treatment attempts I advise humane euthanasia.

COMMENTS

In the best interest of this animal and the other animals in our care I advise humane euthanasia. Giardia is also a Zoonotic disease, this means humans can contract it as well, this poses a risk for our staff handling this animal.

Yours sincerely

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