



VETERINARY REPORT

To whom it may concern

On Monday, March 6th at approximately 14h00 SPCA Inspector Jaco presented me with a dog confiscated from Woodstock.

ANIMAL DETAILS

Species: Dog
Breed: Pitbull
Sex: Male intact
Age: Adult
Tattoo/Microchip/Other: Nil
Description: Brown and white
Case number: A31256

EXAMINATION FINDINGS

- **Description:** The patient presented with a poor body condition score of 3/9, as per the Purina BCS scale. Multiple areas of hair thinning, notably on the dorsal lumbar area, were observed, likely attributable to previous flea infestation prior to treatment at the SPCA. Additionally, the patient's coat exhibited flakiness, indicative of prior skin irritation. Mild dehydration was noted based on skin tenting, along with the presence of skin folds in the hindquarter area
- **Cause:** In my experience the poor body condition is likely due to improper nutrition or underlying disease. In this case I suspect it is improper quantity and type of feed that was given to the animal. The skin condition seen is due to lack of ectoparasite control parasite control.
- **Prognosis:** Fair to Good
- **Recommendation:** In our care the animal was given tick and flea treatment and dewormed. He was also given Gabapentin to calm him down which has worked the past few days. Due to the anxious nature of the dog, I advise that he is evaluated by an animal behaviourist.

COMMENTS

The patient demonstrates signs of anxiety, albeit exhibiting affection upon gentle approach. Cage guarding behaviour is evident during enclosure stays, necessitating consultation with a behaviourist to devise a comprehensive management plan.

Yours sincerely

Dr Deepali Narotam (BVSc)
Veterinarian

Date compiled: 11/03/24