



VETERINARY REPORT

To: Whom it may concern

On June 7, 2024, Cadet Inspector Bryan Arendse confiscated a dog, which was brought to the SPCA at approximately 11:15 a.m. The dog was confiscated from Heathfield (60 Maidstone Road).

I, Dr Rivona Ramnanan, examined the dog on June 7 2024.

ANIMAL DETAILS

Species: Canine
Breed: Pitbull Cross
Sex: Male, intact
Age: Adult
Tattoo/Microchip/Other: Nil
Name: None
Description: Tan and white
Weight: 21.1kg
Admission number: A34433

EXAMINATION FINDINGS

Upon examination, the dog was friendly. According to the Nestlé PURINA Body Condition System, this dog's body condition score was 4/9. Clinical parameters were within normal limits. Presence of ticks was noted. No abnormalities were noted on the Blood Smear, Faecal Float, and Faecal Wet Prep tests. Multiple old wounds and scars were noted on the face, chest, and limbs. The dog had swelling noted on the right front carpus and a mild limp detected during gait analysis. Radiographs revealed a pellet in the thoracic region, possibly in the lateral chest wall. The right front leg had mild swelling around the carpus. The left front leg showed small fragments of metal opacities.

COMMENTS

The dog is currently under treatment for ectoparasites and is on anti-inflammatories for the swelling on the right front carpus. The swelling could be due to a soft tissue injury. Should there be no resolution after seven days of treatment, further diagnostics may be advised after re-examination.

The pellet in the thorax and the soft tissue opacity on the left front leg are foreign objects that possibly entered the dog's body from being shot at, for example, with a pellet gun. The marks on the dog's body are suggestive of bite wounds, most likely caused by dog fighting. In my opinion, this dog is friendly, and any psychological or physical trauma was unwarranted.

Sincerely,

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