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Mr Mitch Freedman Mitchell Freedman Racing PO Box 54 Miners Rest, Victoria 3352

Dear Mitch,

Re: Tottie (Pearl De Vere)

Tottie was examined by the Ballarat Veterinary Practice Equine Clinic, at your stables, on 18th July 2019. She had a painful periosteal lump on her left front medial splint bone. There was also evidence of previous periosteal reactions on the left front lateral splint and both splint bones on the right front leg. Digital radiographs found an acute reactive "splint" on the LF medial splint bone (red arrow). The right front lateral splint was inactive however there was evidence of an old fracture line (green arrow).





Diagnosis:

Tottie has a reactive medial splint on the left front leg.

Treatment:

There have been all sorts of topical treatments used for these with varying success. Inevitably these horses need a short spell to let the reactive bone settle down. Ice boots, anti-inflammatory medications and topical medications such as DMSO



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roll-on help with this process. Tottie has splints on all four front splint bones indicating a chronic ongoing issue. I think it is likely that further "splints" will develop in the future and although these can often be managed, her racing preparations may be frustrating.

If you have any questions please contact me at the clinic on 5334 6756.

Sincerely,

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