

NEWSLETTER

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SACROILIAC DISEASE AND BACK PAIN

SIGNS OF SACROILIAC DISEASE

- Lack of impulsion (feeling flat)
- Bunny hopping gait
- Disunited in canter
- Failing to strike off on correct canter lead
- Hindquarter muscle wastage
- Prominent tuber sacrale

CAUSED BY?

- Direct trauma to the area resulting in ligament strain
- Secondary to lameness elsewhere in the hindlimb

SIGNS OF BACK PAIN

- Poor performance
- Cold backed
- Bucking
- Stopping
- Resentment to putting a rug on
- Reaction to palpation over the back

CAUSED BY?

- Reduction in space between adjacent spinous processes (impinging)
- Spinous processes overlying/overlapping each other

No power on your yard for the X-rays to be taken? Not a problem - we don't require any mains power to run all our X-ray and ultrasound equipment!



DIAGNOSIS

- Pain on palpation
- Rest of hindlimb ruled out as cause for lameness
- Response to medication and conservative therapy
- Confirmation by scintigraphy

TREATMENT

Corticosteroid injection in conjunction with a controlled exercise regime to promote muscle and ligament repair.

DIAGNOSIS

- Pain on palpation
- X-rays

TREATMENT

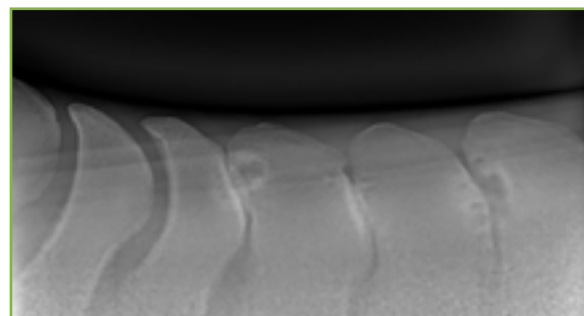
- Medical treatment with corticosteroid injection and a controlled exercise regime.
- Minimally invasive surgery to increase the space between impinging or overriding DSPs by interspinous ligament desmotomy.

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