Good Morning Cindy,

I wanted to follow up on Aspen's management plan.

I was pleased to hear that Aspen is doing well. Your last report suggested that he was walking better than he has in years. Can you detail for me just what you're seeing now that you didn't see before we started his treatment and could you grade his left hind left lameness for me on a scale of 0 to 10 with 0 being no lameness and 10 being a nonweight bearing lameness?

I know that he is still taking tramadol, gabapentin, and amantadine. Is he still on the herbal, Bone Stasis? The Deramaxx? Anything else at this time?

Thanks for the update. Enjoy your holiday.

Cheers,

Dr. S

Doctor,

Thanks for asking. Aspen is at a big zero, no lameness. Perfect. He is once again doing the "scenting" thing, where he kicks up dirt, mud and whatever else he can find in his way after he poops with BOTH hind legs. He is standing on his left leg again and picking up his right to go pee. Small things to some people, HUGE to me. He is also chewing on his bones like a pup again.

Thanks again for asking. I hope your whole gang is doing well; you will certainly be the first to know if Aspen needs you. Thanks for all you've done to make us all so happy.

Cindy, David and Aspen

Hi Cindy,

I was thrilled to see your December report about how Aspen is doing.

Any chance I could have a picture of Aspen (preferably with the entire family but him alone would be fine)? I have some upcoming presentations (Cincinnati, Las Vegas, Helsinki, & Banff) and would very much like to present his case management as an example of what can be done for patients with bone cancer; patients that had not been given much hope.

Thanks for the consideration.

Please give Aspen a Happy New Year hug for me.

Cheers,

Dr. S

Dear Doctor Stein,

I will be thrilled to get some pictures together. Give me the weekend and expect to hear from us again. Aspen was thirteen years old on New Year's Day thanks to you and your expertise. (Yes a New Year's puppy. He thinks that the parties and the ball drops are all for him; I let him believe it.) A year ago I would not have thought it was possible. Thank you doctor.

I'll give him lots of hugs.

Cindy