

## SURGERY REPORT

### Lot 84

**Identification:** **Smash Hit – Rock Hero 2020 colt**  
**Brands:** Left shoulder: RH under curved bar  
Right shoulder: 25 over 0  
**Microchip:** 985125000119532  
**Vendor:** Rich Hill Stud

On 2 January 2021, the above-described colt underwent arthroscopic exploration and lavage of the left fore digital flexor tendon sheath after sustaining a wound to the palmaro-medial aspect of the left front fetlock joint.

The digital flexor tendon sheath was examined using the standard arthroscopic approach. The entry wound on the medial side was identified and debrided, fibrin plugs were removed and the sheath was flushed with 15 litres of sterile saline. Both the arthroscopic portals and the initial wound were closed primarily. A regional perfusion with antibiotics was performed during surgery and recovery from anaesthesia was uneventful. The foal was maintained on systemic antibiotics, daily intravenous regional perfusions and gastro-protectant drugs and made an uneventful recovery.



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