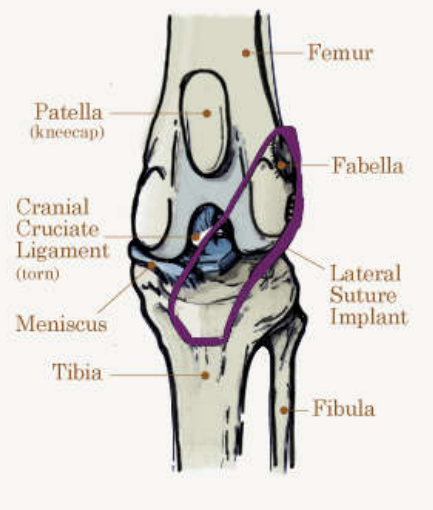


CRANIAL CRUCIATE DISEASE IS THE #1 CAUSE OF HINDLIMB LAMENESS IN THE DOG (WE CALL IT THE ACL IN A HUMAN).

THIS IS A DEGENERATIVE DISEASE AND ROUGHLY 60% OF DOGS PRESENTING WITH A TORN CRANIAL CRUCIATE LIGAMENT WILL TEAR THE OTHER KNEE WITHIN 2 YEARS.

THE EXTRACAPSULAR REPAIR

IS A SURGERY WE PERFORM ON OUR PATIENTS WEIGHING 50# OR LESS. THE KNEE JOINT IS EXPLORED AND THEN STABILIZED WITH STRONG FISHING WIRE.



We perform the TTA2 on all large breed dogs and especially those who live very active lifestyles. This surgery requires cutting of the tibia bone in order to alter the biomechanics of the knee joint by advancing the tibia enough to utilize the patella tendon in stabilization. This procedure begins with a joint explore like the extracapsular repair but more compares to the TPLO in that we expect: a return to full function with proper recovery and rehabilitation.