



"Meg" the Border Collie was killed when she dived onto a stick that was being thrown for her. The stick went longways into her throat, ripping her oesophagus and breaking her collarbone.

Border Collie "Hobby" needed emergency surgery when a stick he picked up in the park went down his throat, shearing off one of his tonsils.

"Danny" the Weimaraner dived onto a stick that was being thrown for him. The stick went straight through his tongue, leaving a hole the size of a man's index finger.

"Zany", the German Shepherd cross, came to grief when a tiny stick went up through the roof of her mouth and travelled upwards, looking for an exit. The exit happened to be her left eye. Zany was in great pain and the vet thought she had a tumour behind the eye. It was only during the operation to remove Zany's eye, that the vet discovered the stick.

"Lester" the Border Collie, suffered a nasty injury when a stick that was being thrown for him went down into his throat. He did survive but the shock of the ordeal brought on epilepsy. Now, whenever he has a fit, his owner feels so guilty for throwing a stick when she could easily have thrown a ball instead.

"Tammy", the Collie Cross, was on a walk in the forest with her owner and her Rottweiler friend "Ben", who was proudly carrying a long stick. As Tammy ran up behind him, Ben suddenly turned away. The end of the stick swung around, piercing deep into Tammy's eye. Tammy's owner had to carry her several miles back to the car and then rush her to a vet for emergency surgery, but sadly she developed septicaemia and subsequently died of toxic shock.



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