

# NORTH DEVON WORKING GUNDOG CLUB



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**NEW GDPA WITH RESPECT TO THE NDWGC**

**- TO BE SIGNED BY ALL MEMBERS AND THEN POSTED BACK OR PHOTO'D OR  
SCANNED AND E-MAILED TO THE MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY**

I wish to belong to the NORTH DEVON WORKING GUNDOG CLUB and I agree to abide by the club rules, I also agree that my contact details may be kept on computer by the club (this is required for the club officers to be able to contact the members) Sign: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**ALSO**

**PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THERE ARE STILL SOME MEMBERS WHO ARE  
PAYING THE OLD AMOUNT of £8.00/£12 FOR THEIR MEMBERSHIP.**

**PLEASE CHECK YOUR STANDING ORDERS NOW**

**BECAUSE**

**ANY MEMBER NOT FULLY PAID UP BY 1 MARCH 2023 WILL BE EXPECTED TO PAY A  
£5 RE-JOINING FEE AS WELL AS THEIR £10 MEMBERSHIP FEE.**

**ALL YEARLY SUBSCRIPTIONS OF £10 ARE TO BE PAID ON 1 MARCH OF EACH YEAR**

**ALSO PLEASE ENSURE YOU ARE PAYING "NTH DEVON WORKING GUNDOG CLUB"  
AND**

**YOUR "REFERENCE" MUST BE YOUR NAME INCLUDING ALL INITIALS AND POSTCODE.**

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**EVEN IF YOUR STANDING ORDER HAS BEEN SET UP AND WORKING FOR YEARS, PLEASE  
CAN YOU UPDATE YOUR REFERENCE AND THE PAYEE AS SHOWN ABOVE AS IT WILL  
GREATLY HELP WITH THE ADMINISTRATION FOR TRIALS AND WORKING TESTS AND  
CONTACTING MEMBERS.**

**MANY THANKS**

## **SUBSCRIPTIONS**

**Joining Fee applies to all new and lapsed members: £5**

**Annual subscription**

**Single adult £10.00**

**Joint Membership £15.00\***

**Junior £4.00\*\***

**Example year one single member: £5 + £10 = £15**

**Year 2 onwards £10 only**

\*Joint Members are defined as two persons living at the same address. \*\*Junior membership applies to persons who have not reached the age of 17 years at the time of making an application.

Your application requires a Proposer and Secunder who are fully paid-up members of the Club. If an applicant has difficulty in obtaining two signatures, please enclose a letter of explanation when applying to the Membership Secretary identifying membership of other clubs/societies where applicable.

[Membership form is at the back of this newsletter](#)

## **CHAIRMANS REPORT**

Well, this is my first chairman's report, so here goes.

I think I must start by saying a big thank you to all the committee for all the support they have given me in this new role.

I do feel that we, as a club are very lucky to have such a well-motivated and hard-working committee.

Can I welcome Sharon Stone on to the committee as the new treasurer and Laurie Pittaway who is now looking after the newsletter.

I must also say a very big thank you to Maurice Stanbury, Rosemary Price, Chris Jones, Charles Bradfield, Julie Taylor and Gordon Hewitt, who have now stepped down from the committee, all of whom have for many years worked hard to make the club the success it is today.

We have had a very busy summer with the training classes having an even greater number of people taking part, the working test having good numbers of entries and the fun day at Morebath, being a great success with 60 dogs taking part.

However, with every upside there is usually a downside, and this is certainly the case this year. Due to the ever-rising costs for the shoots the field trial running costs have certainly gone up.

I know there has been talk in some areas that gundog clubs across the country need to dig deep into the coffers and support the field trials, and to this end everyone on the committee and a lot of members have worked hard over the summer to raise the money to run the club events.

I now wish everyone a very good shooting season, be that shooting, picking up, beating or field trialling.

Graham Dibble

Chairman

# OFFICERS, POSTHOLDERS AND COMMITTEE

## **PRESIDENT**

Mr H Thomas

## **VICE PRESIDENTS**

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## **CHAIRMAN**

Graham Dibble

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## **FIELD TRIAL SECRETARY (SPANIELS)**

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Nigel Franklin

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Graham Dibble

## **NEWSLETTER AND WEBSITE**

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## **COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Lisa Tucker

## **REMINDER : MOCK FIELD TRIAL IN NOVEMBER**

### **Mock Field Trial A/V Spaniel 9 November**

To be held at Upton Pyne by kind permission of Paul Bowyer.

This event is aimed at people who have not run in a field trial before or have limited experience of trials. Dogs should be steady to game and of a reasonable standard. There will be no awards given but the judges will score you and give their advice.

Cost £100 per handler

Contact [nigelfranklin50@icloud.com](mailto:nigelfranklin50@icloud.com)

## **SUMMER TRAINING REPORT**

Can I start by saying a very big thank you to all the landowners that allow us to use their ground, the professional trainers that every year come along and give their time and experience to help us train our dogs and of course all the club trainers that come along and give their time and energy into making these classes so successful.

I must also thank Beth Payne and Skinners dog food for their generosity every year at the training meeting and again at the end of year fun tests.

It has been a very busy year with very good numbers of both Spaniels and Retrievers attending the training classes. This year we also had some HPRs join us as well.

We again had a very good number of new members sign up for the training this year.

As in the past we finished the training classes with a joint Spaniel and Retriever fun test and BBQ.

We hope to see everyone again next year.

Graham and all the trainers.

## **WIN AT SHERBORNE FOR NDWGC**

After a two-year break, the Sherborne Country Fair was in full swing once again on the last Sunday of May. A fantastic event organised by volunteers and run entirely for charity. The gundog team challenges were welcomed by both competitors and the public who were able to see some elements of the tests. The water tests on the lake proved the most spectacular and were enjoyed by many spectators.

Our club entered a team of three spaniels and their handlers; Julie Thatcher with her 3 year old ESS bitch Fuselea Harrett; Kevin John with his 5 year old ESS dog Greenbrush Charley of Boggwater; and Andrew Stevens running his 4 year old bitch Stockingford Sputnik. Maurice Stanbury was the non-playing team captain who was charged with ensuring everyone was in the right place at the right time as well as buying the ice-creams.

Nick Gregory, Paddy Williams and Sam Thatcher were the judges for the day and they had devised an excellent series of tests and challenges. The day started at the lakeside with a straightforward seen retrieve from the water. Handlers had to stand well back from the bank before sending their dogs through some heavy cover on the edge of the lake. A very good start for the team with full marks all round.

We then all moved up to the Old Deer Park, a wooded area with some lovely cover for hunting spaniels. Fortunately, the weather was fine and not too hot for the dogs to be shown at their best. Nick and Paddy had found some great cover for the hunt-up, a mix of bracken, fern, a few brambles and the occasional fallen tree to add variety, but no nettles. A good hunt and seen retrieve under both judges went well, with just the odd glitch when the dummy dropped in a gully for one spaniel which ran over it a couple of times before finding.

This was followed by a cunning test set by Sam, when the spaniels were sent for a seen retrieve with shot down a track but had to pick a blind from woodland on the right, halfway along the path. A real test of the stop whistle and handling skills, which proved the undoing of one of our team members, but he was in good company among other competitors.

The final test was a blind retrieve from woodland which all completed satisfactorily.

On the day the North Devon team was awarded second place when the presentations were made in the gundog ring. However, we subsequently learned that there had been an error in the scores and when revised, our team was upgraded to first place, closely followed by the Usk Valley Club team and the 'Bramble Bashers'.

Our congratulations to Nathan Quinn from the Usk Valley Club who had the honour of taking the award for 'Top Dog'.

Well done team, a great all-round performance!

## **WORKING TEST RESULTS**

### **NDWGC OPEN RETRIEVER WORKING TEST – 1<sup>ST</sup> MAY 2022**

The open Gundog Working Test for Retrievers was held at North Molton, courtesy of the North Molton Shoot and surrounding landowners.

The damp conditions didn't cloud the day and there were 19 runners enjoying the varied tests on the wonderful ground. The Club were grateful to Skinners for sponsoring this event.

Judges were Mr Nick Coates, Mr Keith Sandercock and Ms Julie Taylor. Everyone enjoyed being out in a slightly more 'normal' world to the last two years, and results were as follows:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Lullaby Reggie (Mr J Daly)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Peterspond Squirrel (Mrs Karen Handley)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Zennawood Pitch Perfect (Jessica Latham)
- 4<sup>th</sup> Sentiero Fizz (Shane King)

Two COMs were awarded : Ashoaks Spindle (Felicity Green) and Culpepper Greenwood (Nigel Sheppard)

### **NDWGC NOVICE RETRIEVER WORKING TEST – 26 JUNE 2022**

Well done to all competitors who took part in the above event held on new ground at Uplowman, Tiverton, courtesy of Mr James Bosley. 25 competitors enjoyed the varied tests and the weather was kind. Many thanks to the judges Mr Steve Ashby, Mrs Helen Ford and Mrs Beth Payne and to Skinners for sponsoring this event. The results were as follows:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Kitleylawn Aracea Aconitum (Janice Tall)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Trentinney Shotgun (Sally Ashby)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Castletioram Nighean Alba (Mervyn Newnes)
- 4<sup>th</sup> Golden Sun handled (Shane King)

Three COMs were awarded :

Highdunscott Indigo (David Heath)

Studebaker Dacia (Maureen Jennings)

Ashport Mr Fantastic (Zena Churchward)

These events cannot take place without the valued support and time given by the many helpers both before and on the day, - huge thanks to you all.



### **AV SPANIEL NOVICE WORKING TEST 28 AUGUST 2022**

The A/V spaniel novice working test was held on 28th August held at Molland, by kind permission of Molland estate and generously sponsored by Skinners. Our thanks go to our judges Aled Jones, Russ Woodward and Caroline Rawlings, also to our helpers who worked tirelessly throughout the day, without their help these events can't take place.

The Judges set a great Novice Test in some lovely rushy ground with a seen and a tricky blind followed by a water test under Caroline to finish. It was a long day with 26 runners but I think everyone enjoyed their day. The results were as follows

1st and Novice Handler Megan Jones with Herminey Hope ESS  
2nd Ellie Scott with Holsworthy Magic ESS  
3rd Rachael Headon with Nicaris Spica ESS  
4th Adrian Brown with Hesperus Odin ESS

CoMs to Hayley Matthews with Woodabudge Tamarillo and Tregarth Ava (CS)  
Chris Jones, Snapperhalt Umpire (ESS), Chris Baker, Enasgem Lexi (CS)

Congratulations to all in the awards and thanks to everyone for their patience and for creating a lovely friendly atmosphere

### **AV SPANIEL OPEN WORKING TEST 28 AUGUST 2022**

The club held its annual open test at Molland bkpo Molland estate and generously sponsored by Roger Skinner once again. Our judges, Aled Jones and Russ Woodward shadowed by Caroline Rawlings set a great test in some lovely rushy ground full of scent. There was a blind retrieve with a distraction seen, with both dummies to be retrieved followed by a tricky seen after some further hunting. All the dogs performed well, making this the perfect end to a long day for everyone involved

Our thanks to the judges and helpers for making this a lovely day

#### Results

1 Julia Griffiths, Remington Scout ESS D  
2 Simon Hudson, Shillingains Wilfred Cocker D  
3 Dennis Wills, Rhydders Aphrodite ESS D  
4 Tim Williams Gentle Georgie Girl Cocker B

#### CoM

Becky Franklin Clumsetter Peskipiksi Cocker B  
Val Brookes Autumn Willow Hester ESS B

## **SHOWS**

We had a busy, few weeks throughout July and August doing demos at Mid Devon Show, North Devon Show and Okehampton Show. We were also invited this year for the first time to come along and do a demo at High Bickington fete . This proved very popular.

This year with the extreme heat it was to say the least very trying.

We were again well received with good crowds watching the demos and a fair bit of interest from people wishing to join the club, learn more about training their dogs and even looking to join the training classes next year.

I must say a very big thank you to everyone that has helped at the shows either by doing the demos with their dogs, throwing dummies or helping with the club shop which at times was very busy. Without all your help we would not be able to attend the shows and let people see what we do and how we train our dogs.

Graham

## **FUN DAY**

A fun day was held at Morebath on 6 August by the club for its members, old and young, experienced and in-experienced - a social get together not only for the dogs, but also a chance for their handlers to put into practice all they had learnt over the past few months at training. It was also a great opportunity for the newer/younger members to have a taste of what it would be like to run in a proper Working Test.

The day started off hot and just got hotter, but relief for the dogs came in the shape of a very nice pond for them to swim in and, for their owners, a very nice cool wood to sit in.

The tests themselves were set to test the dog's ability, but not to challenge them. The judges for the day were Val Brookes who judged the hunting and retrieving exercise, Shane King who judged the obstacle retrieve which consisted of a bank and ditch, Karen Handley who judged the water retrieve and Laurie Pittaway who judged the woods retrieve. All the judges were there to help and advise the competitors, should they wish to go on and run their dogs in a proper working test under KC rules.

Our dummy throwers for the day were Maurice Stanbury, Nigel Stone and Brian Smith, and what a super job they all did for us.

At the same time as the tests were being run, there was also a Bale Scurry and a Sausage scurry, run by Chris and Gillian Jones, both of which attracted many of the competitors. In the end the Bale scurry was won by Jane Stenner and the Sausage scurry by Becky Warne and Amber. Rumour has it that over 40 odd sausages were consumed by the competing dogs, and just 10 bought back to their handlers in one piece – fair play to those dogs. Hope they were given them as a reward!

During the day a photographer Kit Williams was roaming around taking some lovely photos, a small selection of which can be seen on the NDWGC website.

We were very generously sponsored by Skinners and Gamekeeper Goods for the test prizes, which were split into 6 categories, Puppies, Spaniels, Retrievers, Best Veteran, Young Handler and a Team Prize.

Below are the winners:

**Puppies:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Julie Adams with Gunner
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Zoe Townsend with Tukka
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Clare Oldham with Alfie
- 4<sup>th</sup> Julia Griffiths with Scout

**Retrievers:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Victoria Pitcher with Plum
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Victoria Pitcher with Lexi
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Ed Brown with Tamar
- 4<sup>th</sup> Anne Brightwell with Merlin

**Spaniels:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Nicky Chapman with Teaser
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Donna Wyatt with Meg
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Becky Hawkins with Deryn
- 4<sup>th</sup> Karen Rossiter with Bertie

**Junior Handler:** Won by Thomas Scott with Pixie

**Best Veteran:** Won by Victoria Pitcher with Lexi

**Best Team:** Won by Kirsty Nicholson with Poppy

Lucy Coombe with Mona and

Victoria Pitcher with Lexi and Plum

The Fun day also held a brilliant raffle co-ordinated single handily by Val Brookes, which contained some fabulous high value prizes, donated by people from the Gundog world. Well done to Val as it would seem we sold around £300 worth of tickets.

Our most expensive prize came courtesy of Ben Randall of Beggerbush Gundogs, who donated a years subscription to his Gundog App which was won by Donna Wyatt and Meg. (see photograph)

Another fabulous prize was a year's subscription to the Gundog Journal kindly donated by Selena Barr The Field sports journal, which was won by Julia Griffiths and Scout. (see photograph)

More wonderful prizes included a Gun Service from David Kent, Drying Coats from Tucker Coats, Vouchers from Muntjac Trading, Gamekeeper Goods and Skinners, A dog grooming session from Jodie Delooze-Williams, A set of Liz Graham Training books, A Canine Sports Massage, from Whitedown Spaniels, a digital image of your dog on the day from Kit Williams and private/group training sessions from Geraldine Davis and Nigel Franklin to mention but a few.

There was also a table groaning under the weight of alcohol and food both for humans and dogs – and all to win for just £2 a ticket!

So a huge “Thank you” to all our sponsors for their generosity in making our day such a success.

Feedback from the day shows that it was so well received that plans are already in hand for another get together next year.

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## FIELD TRIAL SCHEDULE FOR RETRIEVERS AND SPANIELS 2022/23 SEASON

(Held under Kennel Club Ltd Rules and Field Trial J Regulations 2022)

- October 3<sup>rd</sup> 2022**      **Stake 1 Open AV Retriever** (One day, driven & walked-up)  
At Honeycombe Shoot by kind permission of Mike & Antonia Appleby
- Judges:                      Mark Bettinson A1836, Jamie Bettinson A2893,  
Diana Stevens B3483, Pete Castleman B1846
- Closing Date for Entries: Midnight 19<sup>th</sup> September 2022
- Draw:                              20th September 2022 7pm
- No of Dogs:                      12
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- October 5<sup>th</sup> 2022**      **Stake 2: Open Cocker**  
at Blannicombe, Nr Honiton. 9.00am for 9.30 start  
by kind permission of Gareth Stevens
- Judges:                              Margaret Cox A3130 A Faulkner B3747
- Closing Date for Entries: Midnight 20<sup>th</sup> September 2022
- Draw:                              21<sup>st</sup> September 2022
- No of Dogs:                      16
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- October 21<sup>st</sup> 2022**      **Stake 3: Open AV Spaniel (Exc. Cockers)**  
at Spreacombe, Braunton. 9.00am for 9.30 start  
by kind permission of Bryan Stevens
- Judges:                              Peter Avery A2404 James Luxford A3440
- Closing date for entries: Midnight 6<sup>th</sup> October 2022.
- Draw:                              7<sup>th</sup> October 2022
- No of Dogs:                      16

**November 16th<sup>th</sup> 2022 Stake 4: Novice Cocker Spaniel**

At Hall Shoot 9.00am for 9.30 start

by kind permission of Jeremy Boyd

Judges: Jeff Ayres A2914, Brian Barry NP

Closing date for entries: Midnight 1st November 2022.

Draw: 2nd November 2022

No of Dogs: 16

**December 12th 2022 Stake 5: Novice Stake for AV Retriever (Driven)**

at Bulworthy Shoot, Nr Bideford, N. Devon

By kind permission of Geoff May

Judge: Robert Atkinson A0005, Judith Evans B2898

Helen Ford, Karen Handley

Closing date for entries: Midnight on 28<sup>th</sup> November

Draw: 29<sup>th</sup> November 7pm

No of Dogs: 14

**TBC 2022 Stake 6: Novice AV Spaniel (Exc Cockers) tbc**

Judges:

Closing date for entries: midnight on

Draw:

No of Dogs: 16

- Entries can be made online via FTMS for both Spaniel and Retriever trials. You can pay online via Paypal or by direct bank transfer (please let us know if you use this method), or by cheque.
- The draw is carried out by FTMS on the day following the closing date and the entrants will be notified by an FTMS email. After this, all communication should be to the relevant Field Trial Secretary.
- If you are unable to make an entry via FTMS, a paper entry accompanied by a cheque, will be accepted. Your entry will be entered onto FTMS by the FT Sec.

-By entering a trial, you are committed to abiding by the KC JRegs and the Club's Conditions. Directions to the venue will be emailed to you with the running order.

-Once you are offered a run, you must pay at least seven days in advance of the Trial.

**No money – no number!**

**Entry Fees for Members** Retriever Stakes - Open £50; Novice £40 Plus FTMS admin fee £3.

Spaniel Stakes - Open £40; Novice £35

Entry Fees for Non-Members Retriever Stakes £100. Spaniel Stakes £80

**Prizes.**

<b>Retrievers</b>	Open	1st £50	2nd £25	3rd £15
	Novice	1st £40	2nd £20	3rd £10
<b>Spaniels</b>	Open	1st £40	2nd £25	3rd £10
	Novice	1st £35	2nd £20	3rd £10

In addition, food vouchers will be awarded to the top three dogs in each stake.

**We gratefully acknowledge the sponsorship provided by Roger Skinner Ltd.**

**Field Trial Secretary(Retrievers)**

**Mrs Beth Payne**

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[ffrs@ndwgc.co.uk](mailto:ffrs@ndwgc.co.uk)

**Field Trial Secretary (Spaniels)**

**Mrs Valerie Brookes**

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Nr Yelmpton, Devon, PL8 2LN

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**Help at trials is always appreciated; please give us a call or email.**

**If you, or a member of your close family have Covid-19 related symptoms or have tested positive, please follow the latest Government Guidance.**

## **Kennel Club Rules and Regulations**

(Excerpts taken from [www.thekennelclub.org.uk/media/3465/field-trial-j-regulations.pdf](http://www.thekennelclub.org.uk/media/3465/field-trial-j-regulations.pdf))

The following are definitions of certain stakes: (Regs J 3 d)

**Open:** A stake in which dogs have the opportunity of gaining a qualification towards the title of Field Trial Champion (K Regulations refer) and towards entry in the Championship or Champion stake for its breed; in which entry is open to all dogs of a specified breed or breeds except that such Stakes may not be confined to Any Variety Spaniel [except Spaniel (Cocker) and (English Springer)]. It may be limited to a prescribed number of runners (J4 refers), in which case these shall be decided by a draw conducted in accordance with Regulation J7.i. and J7.j. so that preference is given to previous performance.

**Novice:** Retrievers, Spaniels and breeds which hunt, point and retrieve: A stake which is confined to dogs which have not gained a place, or places, which would qualify them for first preference in the draw for Open stakes. **Pointers and Setters:** A stake which is confined to dogs which have not gained a first, second or third in open stakes or first or two seconds in All Aged, Novice or Puppy stakes prior to the close of entries.

1. Dogs entered at Kennel Club Licensed Field Trials must be registered at The Kennel Club in accordance with Kennel Club Regulations for Classification and Registration B. All dogs resident outside the UK must be issued with a Kennel Club Authority to Compete number before entry to the show/event can be made. All overseas entries without an Authority to Compete number will be returned to the exhibitor/competitor (JRegs 7.a,b).

2. The Society reserves the right to refuse and entry or nomination . Any such refusal shall be reported to the Kennel Club (JRegs7.d).

3. If entries or nominations exceed the number of permitted runners, the right to compete in a Trial shall be decided by ballot (subject to Regs J7i, see also J7j) (JRegs 7e).

4. After an applicant has been successful in the draw for a place in a stake, or as a reserve has accepted an offer of a run, if the run is not taken up, the applicant may become liable for the full entry fee except: - (Regs J7f) (1) Where the applicant has qualified out of Novice Stakes (where applicable) or, (2) Where the dog drawn to run has qualified for the championship after entries have closed or, (3) On production of a veterinary certificate confirming that the dog entered for the stake is unfit to compete or, (4) On production of a medical certificate that the applicant / nominated handler is unable to compete or (5) Where the dog drawn to run is withdrawn more than 7 days prior to the stake. (6) The Club may, or may not, after an entry has been accepted, allow an applicant to substitute a dog before a trial with another dog owned by him or her, the dog must however, be eligible and no reserves standing.

5. Should circumstances so dictate the Society, in consultation with the Judges, may alter arrangements as necessary. Such changes and the circumstances surrounding them will be reported to The Kennel Club (Regs J5c x).

6. No modification may be made to the schedule after publication except by permission of The Kennel Club, followed by advertisement in appropriate journals if time permits before the closing of entries (Regs J 5c2).

7. Judges at a Trial are prohibited from entering a dog which is recorded in their ownership or part ownership (JRegs 6a3).

8. Videography and photography will only be permitted with the express permission of the Chief Steward and the host.

9. Welfare of Dogs. An exhibitor (or competitor) whose dog is entered at a Kennel Club licensed event should take all reasonable steps to ensure the needs of their dog(s) are met, and should not knowingly put their dogs' health and welfare at risk by any action, default, omission or otherwise. A breach of this Regulation may be referred to the General Committee for disciplinary action under Kennel Club Rules and Regulations. DOGS IN CARS ON HOT DAYS. Your dog is vulnerable and AT RISK if left in a vehicle in high temperatures and even on days considered as slightly warm. Please take care of your dog. If your dog is found to be at risk forcible entry to your vehicle may be necessary without liability for any damage caused (Regs J 2).

#### CLUB CONDITIONS & CODE OF PRACTICE

10. More than one dog may be entered but second applications will not be balloted until after the first applications have been balloted. Names of the dogs should be entered in order of choice.

11. The Club does not allow dogs to be substituted whilst there are reserves still standing.

12. The OWNERS, including all JOINT OWNERS, of dogs entered for field trials must be members of this Society to get preference in the draw. Joint ownership will be considered the same as single ownership to have preference in the draw.

13. All Participants in the event (whatever their role) will be Briefed by the Chief Steward at the start and must follow the directions given by the Chief Steward – at all times.

14. Bitches in season must not be brought to the ground. (Regs J 9B2)

15. All dogs must be kept on a lead except when in line or used for picking-up under the direction of the judges or steward of the beat.

16. Risk assessments have been carried out for the Trial for Health and Safety and Covid 19. All those present must sign to say they have read and understood them.

17. Competitors are required to follow the code of practice and dress appropriately for the ground and for the occasion, in line with our Hosts, Guns and Keepers.

18. Trophies will be held for one year and it is the recipient's responsibility to ensure the safe return to the relevant Field Trial Secretary in time for the following year's Trial. The recipient is responsible for the engraving required and must return the trophy in the condition it was received.

19. Competitors must make their own arrangements for lunch.

20. Anyone wishing to attend the Trial to spectate, should contact the Field Trial Secretary in advance. Spectators attend at their own risk and must at all times obey the directions given by the Stewards.

## **Dates for your diary for next year:**

### **Retriever Working Test dates:**

Sunday 30 April 2023 – Open working test, Venue TBC

Sunday 25 June 2023 – Novice working test at Uplowman



## APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Please complete this form in full and send to the Membership Secretary, cheques made payable to NORTH DEVON WORKING GUNDOG CLUB.

I wish to belong to the NORTH DEVON WORKING GUNDOG CLUB and I agree to abide by the club rules, I also agree that my contact details may be kept on computer by the club (this is required for the club officers to be able to contact the members) Sign: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

BLOCK LETTERS PLEASE

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ (Mr, Mrs, Miss, Ms.): \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Post Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel. No: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

BREED(S) \_\_\_\_\_

PROPOSER (print) \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

SECONDER (print) \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Membership Secretary:** Mrs Caroline Rawlings, The Linhay, Cake Down Lane, South Molton, Devon EX36 3QD Tel 07967396271

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**New Member's Banker's Order Form**

To \_\_\_\_\_ Bank plc

Branch address: \_\_\_\_\_ Sort Code \_\_\_\_\_

Re: Account number \_\_\_\_\_ (Your Bank Account details)

Please pay to the Account of - **NTH Devon Working Gundog Club (Santander Business Banking),**

**Registered Office: Bridle Road, Bootle, Merseyside, L30 4GB .**

**Sort Code 09-01-51 Account No 42485500**

The sum of (amount in words) \_\_\_\_\_ £ \_\_\_\_\_

**The first payment to be made Annually on 1st March until further notice. Please use your Initials, followed by Surname followed by your postcode as the Reference. Eg (T P Smythe EX34 5PT)**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Post Code: \_\_\_\_\_

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