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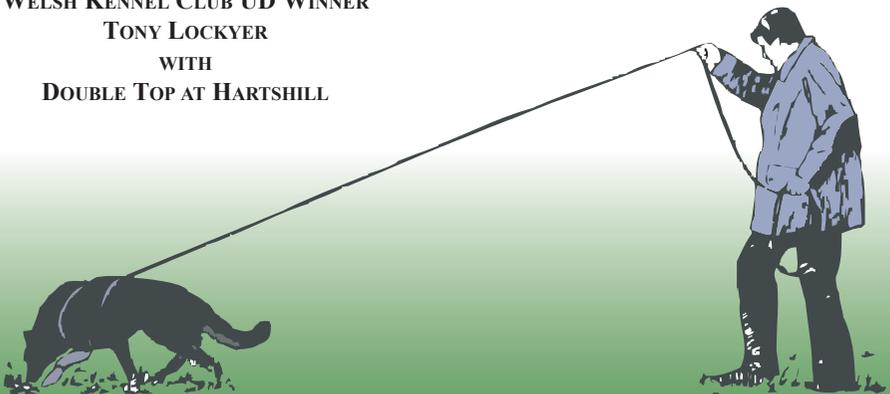
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TONY LOCKYER
WITH
DOUBLE TOP AT HARTSHILL**



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STEVIE BOYALL WITH STYPERSON LOMOND
CDEX-TDEX**



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EDITORIAL

There were no championship trials in January. The first Ch trial of 2006 was run by the Welsh KC. Congratulations to Stevie Boyall with Styperson Lomond who were Anne Thorpe's winning team in the TD Stake.

You may notice that the magazine has grown a bit this month. This enabled us to include all of the 2005 trial reports that have been received to date. We will print a list of reports not yet received in next months issue.. Before anyone jumps on my case, having not received them doesn't necessarily mean that they haven't been sent. It means exactly what it says – we haven't received them. The issue of the missing advertisement for the Ranmore open trial held in October has reared its ugly head again. It seems that WTM is getting the blame for the post office's errors. Whilst we fully sympathise with Ranmore, we do need to state for the record WTM cannot and will not accept any culpability for the millions of pounds the Post Office has just been fined for the loss of mail – looks like some of it should have come here.

We would like to reiterate that if you send reports or advertisements in by post, please check that they have arrived. If you email them please make sure that a confirmation reply is received. It is detrimental to our sport

and to ourselves to omit any trials reports or adverts. We do NOT want this situation to arise again.

On a lighter note, this month sees the clocks go in the right direction, hibernation ends, the days get longer and it's time to start training the dogs again. Life isn't all that bad after all.

MARK SKILLIN
Editor

READERS LETTERS

I should like to thank all my Trial friends for their cards, support and sympathy following the sudden death last October of my husband, Ron. He rarely attended Trial but was always interested in everyone's news, successes and otherwise, after a Trial (my "safety valve") and, as my closer friends know, was amazingly supporting of my addiction to this sport. Ron always liked to welcome trials friends and their dogs for the odd weekend

(probably a reassurance that there were other people as mad as me). I introduced Ron to the fun of dog ownership, but together we discovered the British countryside, and enjoyed music, food and wine and had some wonderful times.

Those who knew Ron described him as "a true gentleman", - that wasn't just his public face, he really was a gentleman. However, in the last eighteen months I came to appreciate his quiet strength and great courage. He wouldn't allow his illness to affect his way of life. He insisted I continue with Trials and, as usual, the only things that kept him from his beloved garden were a downpour or the Six Nations on TV. Solo's Reserve Ticket at Poole pleased him immensely and in his view vindicated this outlook.

I have been fortunate to spend the last thirty-nine years with one of the nicest, funniest and gentlest of men, not just a husband but also a partner and best friend. Adjusting to a new life will be difficult and I really value and appreciate your support.

ANN CLARKE.

DON'T FORGET ENTRIES CLOSING

March

4th	BAGSD (Flintham,, 13th-16th April 2006)	CH	PD WD CD
13th	Surrey (Ockley, 18th - 22nd April 2006)	CH	TD UD CD
14th	West Herts WTS (Helel Hempstead,31st - 2nd April 2006)	OP	TD WD UD
15th	Banbury and District (Hinton in the Hedges, 15th-16th April 2006)	OP	TD UD CD
23rd	Yorkshire WTS (Wakwfield, 8th-9th April 2006)	OP	PD TD WD UD
27th	Midland Counties (Walesby, 28th-30th April 2006)	OP	PD WD UD CD

ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY THESE DATES

LUNG WORM

At Christmas Flynn (eight month old border collie) spent a lot of time playing with my son's puppy Kes. We noticed that Kes kept getting blood on his nose, and realized it was coming from Flynn's tongue. Tongues do bleed a lot, but after a few days it was still bleeding off and on, so I thought I would take him to the vet. She decided to do a blood test, and the lab said his anti-coagulant levels were low, and they thought he had had access to rat poison. I was quite sure that he had not, unless some sick person had left some in the woods. He was treated with Vitamin K, and after a week the anti-coagulant levels were much worse! The lab still suggested rat poison. Fortunately my vet was on the ball, and rang their referral vets, who suggested that he might have lung worm. This proved to be the case, and he has just had a week's Panacur - which I understand is the only wormer which deals with it.

This worm is fairly rare, and clusters round the heart and airways. Its larvae issue an anti-coagulant, and young dogs can get bleeding into the brain and suddenly die. It used to be thought that it came from slugs and snails, but no-one is sure that that is the only method of transmission. Flynn could have passed it on, though it seems unlikely unless he was actually playing with other dogs, and probably not even then. It is mainly youngish puppies that are worst affected - older dogs seem to cope better.

I was very lucky, as if I had left the vet's appointment one more day I would have cancelled it, as his tongue had stopped bleeding. Flynn was always glossy, full of energy, and I would not have had the slightest idea there was a problem.

This worm used to be confined to Wales and the West Country, but it is certainly now in Surrey and spreading. If you have a puppy, or young dog, check with your vet that there is none near you.

BETTY MAYES

This was kindly sent in by Manda McLellan. Shame we don't live in a perfect world, but at least the thought is here. ed.

*The family's dog was bought for a guard,
Chained to a post in a chilly backyard,
Housed in a shed that was airless and dark,
And every few weeks had a run in the park.
When boredom set in with no fun and no work,
One day it broke loose and went quietly berserk.
Pa couldn't fathom just why it went wild,
As it flattened his wife and then bit his child.
The police were called in to sort out the mess,
And the whole sorry tale was revealed by the press,
The Rescue Society was really annoyed,
So, the dog was rehomed; and the owners destroyed.*

MISTER TIM TDEX

4/6/92 - 9/2/06

A privilege to have for a short time, rest well my mate.

DAVE MARCHANT

CLUB FOCUS

WESSEX WTC

Wessex is holding a 'Basic Food Hygiene' course on Sunday 19th March 2006, at Upton Village Hall.

Looking to the future, this certificate may become essential to any club who provides refreshments at a trial, or other canine discipline event.

If anyone is interested in joining us, please ring Lindsey Poole on 01460 281741

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WORKING TRIALS REPORTS

NORTH WEST WORKING TRIALS SOCIETY CHAMPIONSHIP TRIAL:

22-27 February 2005

STAKE: T.D.

Judge: TONY LOCKYER.

**Tracklayers: Dave Bell, Alan Fox And
Graham Slack.**

**Stewards: Rikki Davies And Kim
Astlebury.**

Many thanks to the committee of North West for the invitation to judge, to all the kitchen staff for the lunches and refreshments on the field to all my tracklayers and stewards especially to Rikki Davies-what an indefatigable worker she is for the society. Not only did she and Ken put me and other people up over the week, but she search stewarded for me for four days and then judged U.D for two days. Thank you also Ken for having me to stay and making me so welcome.

46 Entries, 35 competed, 8 failed the track, 6 only recovered 1 article from the track, and of these, three, Jane Webb, Ray Lea & Dave Marchant achieved over 90 for their track. 20 teams came back for control but only three dogs retained more than half marks on what was a pretty straightforward send away (for me) the best of these was Julie Atkins 9/10 followed by Barry Gilbert 8/10.

1st & C.C. Ann Fowler with: W.T.Ch. Waggerland Floss. 204.5. Tracked in a field where most others had failed. Lost most marks in the first quarter of the track and then settled to a great demonstration of teamwork,

all seven articles recovered. 28.5 for control. She is getting quieter, Floss that is!!!!

2nd & Res C.C. Barry Gilbert with: W.T.Ch Laetare Day Javu. 204. Best nose-work & control marks but an uncharacteristic failure of the clear jump lost the Ticket today.

3rd Glenys Page: with Briglen Nutmeg. 194.5

4th Sheila Tannert: W.T.Ch Styperson Tern. 188.5

Also Qualifying T.D. ex

John Wykes: FLYNNASTIC RED JAFF
OF TARNFORCE 188

Liz Roberts: ELECAMPANE ETTA AT
CALLANWAY 186

Sheila Tannert: W.T.Ch STYPERSON
BRIAR 185

Paul Adams: MOONBEAM SHADOW
184.5

Garry Atkins: CAFCOLL RON 184

Linda Newbold: LITTLE BRADLEY 179

T.D.

John Robinson: JUST BRADY AT
TRENTVALLEY 169.5

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SCOTTISH WORKING TRIALS SOCIETY CHAMPIONSHIP TRIAL

19th - 22nd May 2005

Venue : Lauder

STAKE : C.D.

Judge : WILLIAM MACKIE

Steward : Pat Lawrence

Thanks to SWTS for inviting me to judge the CD stake. Also my thanks to the Trials Manager Anne Bedford and all the helpers, a

special thanks goes to the ladies behind the scenes in the kitchen. The weather was its usual unpredictable self but this did not stop everyone from enjoying themselves. I would like to say a special thanks to Pat Lawrence for being an excellent steward. Lots of these young dogs showed great promise for the future and I wish all the handlers the best for their next trial.

1st Mr. W. Richardson with CAPER KALI BSD - Malinois (B) 01/07/03 FDU. NQ 82

2nd Miss P. Hewson with JANALLAN ZAPATEADO BSD Groenedael (D) 17/03/02. NQ 80.5

3rd Miss J. Stamp with SPROLLIE DOLLIE XB (B) 09/09/02 NQ73

4th Mrs. L.A. Cooper with JOSS COQUET BORDERER BC (D) 30/09/02. NQ73.

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WESSEX WTC CHAMPIONSHIP TRIAL

Aller Farm, Upottery
7th-10th July 2005

STAKE: PD

Judge: CHARLIE TAYLOR
Steward (search, patrol & C&A): Jacqui Gibney
Tracklayers: John West & Paul Cousins
Criminals: Jonathan & Steve Hinds, John West, Maurice Millington, Paul Cousins

Thank you to the committee of Wessex WTC for the invitation to judge. To Brian and Barbara Riste for running the trial so efficiently. Thanks also to Jacqui for her excellent stewarding and to the tracklayers and

criminals for doing such a good job. Not forgetting the kitchen ladies for all their hard work and Jean Cooke for putting me up (and putting up with me!).

Conditions were very hot throughout the week. Tracking was on grass and the nose-work section only cost us 1 of the 12 competitors despite the very hot, dry conditions. Unfortunately the C&A section saw three of the nosework qualifiers fall by the wayside leaving us with 8 qualifiers going into the patrol section. I started the test with the Test of Courage section where the criminals were armed with leafy branches and dustbin lids, and were instructed to make as much noise as possible. This was followed by an escort and then straight on to the chase which was in two parts, one with the criminal carrying a bag in his right hand and the other was a long chase. The dogs were then distracted by a criminal who stepped out from the crowd, which was a prompt for the escorted chase criminal to attack the handler. The recall exercise came next with the last exercise being the quarter. It was quite a big test, which on the whole was performed well by a majority of the dogs. Congratulations to all the qualifiers and better luck next time to the non-qualifiers.

1st & CC - Tracie Park - Waggerland Brook (BC) - 277.5 Qex. This was Brook's first PDEX and he really gained it in style. This team achieved a very good standard in the nosework and C&A and topped it off with an excellent patrol round. Congratulations on a well deserved win.

2nd & Res. CC - Celia Bourne - WT Ch. Kai's Kindred Sprit (WSD) - 269 Qex.. Another nice patrol round and good overall performance. Congratulations on winning the Res. CC.

3rd - Wendy Beasley - WT. Ch.

Bridgelpine Libra of Stardell (BC) - 268 Qex.. Very good round from this experienced team. Well done on gaining 3rd place.
4th - Dave Marchant - WT. Ch. Mister Jake - (WSD) - 267 Qex. Another well deserved qualification from this consistently successful team.

Also qualifying:

Grahame Brumpton - Just William (WSD) - 257 Qex.
Moirra Rogerson - Xandoas Tornado (WSD) - 251.5 Q PD only.

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**WELSH KENNEL CLUB
OPEN TRIAL**

Laleston, Bridgend
20th August 2005

STAKE: UD

Judge: MARTINE TAYLOR
Steward (search & C&A): Linda Reynolds
Tracklayers: Pat Herbert & Anne Thorpe

Thank you to the Welsh Kennel Club for the invitation to judge. Many thanks to Lindsay Poole for running a well organised and friendly trial. It has been a year or two since I have judged a UD open and I really enjoyed being able to watch some up and coming young dogs. Weather conditions were very hot for the nosework and the tracking was on good grass, but after a spell of sunny weather was very dry. I saw a couple of the dogs do some nice nosework, but unfortunately we didn't get any qualifiers as we lost them in the C&A, the heat of the day taking it's toll in the stays.

1st Mrs M. Capes - WHITEROSE

HOLLY (BC) - 173.5 NQ. The first trial for both the dog and the handler. A very enthusiastic young dog with good attitude.

2nd Mrs R. Price - MARLISH CADEAU (GSD) - 164 NQ.

3rd Mrs. S. McIver - NIKONIS VITA (GSD) - 89 NQ.

4th Mrs. F. Veasey - VANISTICA RAINBOW SEEKER - (BSD - Groen) - 59.5 NQ

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**YORKSHIRE WORKING TRIALS
SOCIETY
OPEN TRIAL**

17th - 18th September 2005
Rufforth, York

TRIALS MANAGERS REPORT

I would like to start by thanking the local farmers for the continued support in providing the land. I would also like to thank the YWTS committee for their support and help with the running of the Trial. Their help made the Trial both enjoyable and successful. The Trial was held at Rufforth, there were 9 WD, 13 UD and 3 CD entries. It was good to see new handlers at the Trial and hope they continue enjoying the sport.

The tracking was on dry stubble and quite a number of dogs found it hard going.

The control field was held on the playing fields at the Base.

A big thank you to the Judges - Glenys Page WD, Dave Olley UD and Dave Stewart CD & C/A UD/WD and their stewards for setting excellent tests and creating such a friendly atmosphere.

I would also like to thank all the helpers at the Trial, at Base, Trials Secretary Cath Chadwick, and Wendy Craven catering for the workers and competitors throughout the

trial. Tracklayers WD, Damian Chadwick, Brian Page. UD, Mick Cammidge and Peter Turner.

Lastly I would like to thank all the competitors who took time to write and telephone to say how much they enjoyed the Trial.

DAVID CRAVEN

CD AND CONTROL / AGILITY

Judge : DAVE STEWART

Steward : Anne Fotherby

Many thanks to Yorkshire Working Trials Society for the invitation to judge this stake. To Dave Craven, Trials manager well done, you have pulled off another excellent trial. Many thanks to the base staff of Wendy Craven, Cath Chadwick and Janine Atkinson for looking after me so well. A special thank you to my steward Anne Fotherby, who did a wonderful job in spite of having a bug and feeling lousy.

CD STAKE

3 competitors and unfortunately no qualifiers

1st Ms. J. Townsend with TENVRAS QUEST, Lab 76 NQ. A deserved winner. A bit more work on the sendaway and it wont be long before you get your qualification.

2nd Mr. Andrew Fox with STARDELL MUSCA, BC NQ 69.5. Only the stays spoilt what was otherwise a lovely round. Well done.

3rd Miss R. Leatham COCKLEY SPECTACULAR cross NQ 53.5. The youngest competitor at the trial and nothing seemed to phase her. Even when things were not going to plan she was still there encouraging and helping her dog. Well done.

UD Control

1st Mrs. V. Jenkins with PRAGNELL DAISY, cross 192.5Q. Congratulations Vicky, a lovely round. A pleasure to watch.

Good luck in the championships.

2nd Miss A. Smith with MATTIAS BELLARINA GSD 179Q. A lovely attitude with this dog, Angela. Bella did you proud. A little more work needed on the sendaways and retrieve.

3rd Mrs. I. Seymour with OAKEN-HEART DARK AFFAIR, GSD 179Q. Just the small hiccup on the scale Irene, otherwise another lovely control round.

4th Mrs. A. Witty with ANPO GABY, GSD 184NQ. What a shame about the down stay Alice. I really hope you sort that out. Qualification is there for the taking.

WD Stake

1st Mrs. J. Douglas with SHAD-OWQUEST AREBA, GSD 189Q. A very solid round although I suspect there is far more to come. Congratulations on your win and good luck in the higher stake.

2nd Mr. Andrew Fox with DAZLE-ROCK'S BRYN 'N' SCOOPY TOO, BC 187.5Q. Not bad Andrew, 2 dogs in 2 stakes and 2 seconds. A near faultless control round. A joy to judge. Well done.

3rd Mrs. P. Werner with CROCODILE DUNDINGO, Aus Kelpie 187.5Q. Well done Pat, a well deserved qualification. Just needs the long jump sorting out and you have a lovely control round.

4th Mrs. P. Harding with AUDLYN-TON GILBERT, GSD 185.5Q. Congratulations Tricia. Another nice round. You both worked well.

UD NOSEWORK

Judge : DAVE OLLEY

Tracklayers : Mick Cammidge and Pete Turner

Search Steward : Jenny Olley

Thanks to YWTS committee for the invita-

tion to judge the UD nosework. My job was helped by a friendly crew at base including trials manager Dave Craven, helpful and efficient tracklayers, Mick and Pete and a big thanks to Jenny for laying squares. Out of 13 entries, 9 worked on the day, with 5 qualifying on the nosework. All the dogs seemed motivated on track, one or two just weren't ready. We had some very good squares, with all dogs finding 3 or 4.

1st Mrs. V. Jenkins with PRAGNELL DAISY (XB). Track 86.5, art 20, square 33 (Q). This was the last track of the day, and by this time the wind had increased, but this did not deter this little dog. The track and the square was completed with enthusiasm, which was the result of nice handling and a well motivated dog.

2nd Miss A. Smith with MATTIAS BELLARINA (GSD). Track 88, art 20, square 24 (Q). a very good tracking dog, highly motivated and well handled, looking like a professional team for the higher stakes.

3rd Mrs. I. Seymour with OAKENHEART DARK AFFAIR (GSD). Track 77, art 10, square 26(Q), This is another good team for the future, although at times the dog struggled, the nosework qualification came through patience and skilled handling.

4th Mrs. A. Witty with ANPO GABY (GSD). Track 89, art 20, square 34 (NQ). This is the first time I have met Alice and her dog, and it was made memorable by the standard of work they produced. Anpo Gaby brought 4 out of the square in 1 minute 5 seconds, after a superb track and received the Nosework Trophy.

WD NOSEWORK

Judge : GLENYS PAGE

Square steward : Karen Shires

Tracklayers : Brian Page and Damien Chadwick

Thanks to YWTS for the invitation to judge WD nosework at this friendly trial. To my tracklayers Brian and Damien, you were great, and to my search square steward, Karen, 100 per cent success, even in the run-off, and being good company too, thank you all very much.

The tracking was stubble which had varying degrees of grass between, and the weather was warm and dry even though the trial was a week later than in previous years.

9 teams entered, 8 worked.

1st Jane Douglas with SHAD-OWQUEST AREBA (GSD) 189Q. track 87.5, arts 20, square 32, gun 5. Total n/w 139.5. Tracked well, nice to watch. Bit of mouthing in search square.

2nd Andrew Fox with DAZLER-ROCK'S BRYN 'N' SCOOPY TOO (BC) 187.5Q. Track 83.5, arts 20, search square 34, gun 5. Total n/w 137.5. Won the run-off, I bet he keeps you fit Andrew. Well done.

3rd Pat Werner with CROCODILE DUNDINGO (Aus Kelpie) 187.5Q. Best Track Trophy - 88, arts 20, search square 32.5, gun 4.5. n/w total 140.5. Came 3rd after run-off, but all credit to your dog Pat, after confronting a hare only a yard from the track, and having a child's screaming car on the lane at the side of the field. Well done.

4th Tricia Harding with AUDLYNTON GILBERT (GSD) Q. Track 80, arts 20, search square 34, gun 5. Total n/w 134. I thought you were going to run out of time at one stage, but you persisted, and the dog got you round. Well done.

Thank you competitors for entering under me and accepting my decisions.

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POOLE & DIST DTC CHAMPIONSHIP TRIAL

Linwood, New Forest
26th Sept - 1st Oct 2005

STAKE: WD

Judge: MARTINE TAYLOR
Steward (search & C&A): Kath Bracey-Wright
Tracklayers: John Reynolds & Rob Bracey-Wright

Thank you to the committee of Poole & District DTC for the invitation to judge. Particular thanks to Melvin and Mary Drewitt & co. for organising the trial, for putting me up in their new caravan and for all the lovely evening meals. Thanks to Kath for stewarding throughout and putting all the competitors at ease. Also thanks to the tracklayers John and Rob for keeping me, the competitors, and anyone else who happened to be visiting the New Forest entertained.

The heather was a good height for tracking and although the weather was good we did get the odd patch of rain, which meant the ground wasn't too dry. We had minimal interference from ponies and cattle with the exception of one of the four tracking days, where a herd of cattle decided to ruin the first three tracks. 12 of the 21 dogs that ran completed the track, one of these was short of articles and another 4 unfortunately went out on the C&A.

1st Heather Cook - RAXMAE GOLDEN REVIVAL (GSD) - 178.5 Qex. Competent all round performance and lovely control round ensured this team a qualification and a well deserved win. Congratulations

2nd Maurice Millington - MILKYHILL ROXY (GSD) - 177 Qex. A lovely nosework round, recovering all articles gained this partnership the second place. Very well done.

3rd Lynne Baker - TRKINDALE CODAL (WSD) - 177 Qex.. Another good performance and superb C&A. Congratulations.

4th Mrs. G Lawrence - Slieve Chance - (BC) - 169.5 Qex. Tracked in a fairly deep piece of heather and worked very well. Well done.

Also qualifying:

Mesd. Jefferson & Hornsby (handler Jenny Jefferson) - BEKKIS VIRTUOSO (BC) - 169 Qex.

Les Theobald - TYTRI TESS (BC) - 169 Qex.

Christine Stewart - BELDORM DUNCAN (Std. Poodle) - 167.5 Qex.

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PORTLAND DTC OPEN TRIAL

23rd October 2005
Waterston Ridge

CD STAKE AND UD STAKE C&A

Judge : Rose Faulkner
CD Square steward : Brian Bray
Control steward : Shirley Robinson

CD Stake

Thanks to Portland DTS for the invitation to judge the CD stake and control and agility UD. Brian was an absolute star, he helped me put up the jumps, laid the squares, then stayed when Shirley took over for the C&A and kept us supplied with sandwiches and

coffee at regular intervals.

There were four entries for CD and four different breeds. All dogs recovered three articles from the square and all gained full marks in the stays. Only the jumps were problematical.

1st M. Gatland with ABERDAUNANT CELYN OF MEREONI. Large Munsterlander. Congratulations. A well worked round. 90 C.O.M.

2nd A. Stevenson with GEMSTAR OF CLEYSIDE. Working sheepdog gained top marks for search and retrieve. 80 N.Q.

3rd G. Rowley with GAEGRAIZE NEMESIS GSD. Lovely big dog. 63 NQ.

4th T. Coult with FULMAY RIGHT ATTITUDE AT AMBERSLATE, Australian Shepherd. Showed she could qualify easily on another day. 62 NQ.

UD stake

Again all stays completed successfully. Results as N/W Judge Paul Cousins.

UD STAKE - NOSEWORK

Judge: PAUL COUSINS

Steward: John West

Tracklayers: Ann & Martin Bracegirdle & Pippa Bentham

I should like to thank Pat Middleton-Smith and Portland Dog Training Club for giving a novice his first judging appointment. I could not have asked for a better start. The weather was kind to us, the land was very good, the trial had a 'friendly' feel to it and my first competitor completed the track.

I set a straightforward UD track with a piece of wood and half a beer mat for articles. The search square articles were a long thin wooden tea stirrer, a piece of carpet, a gun cartridge and a piece of green hose. Of the six

competitors who turned up on the day, three completed the track. With one exception all the dogs retrieved at least three articles from the square. As you would expect at UD Open level inexperience played its part with a few dogs on the track. However, on the whole the standard of nosework was very good with most dogs tackling the track and square with enthusiasm.

To add to the excitement there was a run off for the best nosework award. Margery Lee with Loki and Felicity Veazey with Inka both scored 136. The run off was decided by a search square with Felicity turning out to be the eventual winner.

Thanks to my tracklayers, Ann and Martin Bracegirdle and Pippa Bentham. Special thanks to my search square steward John West whose knowledge and experience were available if requested. Thanks also to Carol Hedges and Pat Curtis who did an excellent job in the kitchen.

Well done to the qualifiers and better luck next time to those who did not quite make it. My thanks also go to the competitors who entered the trial without having heard of the judge before and for helping to make my day so enjoyable.

1st Margery Lee with LOKI MISCHIEF MAKER (WSD) Q182. A very steady track with dog and handler working in harmony and only losing half a point.

2nd Stella Smyth with MORROLI DIAMOND Dreaming (ACD) Q161. Did not make the end of the track but made up for it with an excellent search square dropping only one point.

3rd Felicity Veazey with VANISTICA RAINBOW SEEKER (Groenendel) NQ 166.5 . Matched the winner for the nosework

- what happened with the C&A?

4th Sally Baker with IVYMORE HESTER CDex (Weim) NQ 164. A very nice track but unfortunately failed to retrieve any articles from the square.

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BRITISH ASSOCIATION FOR GERMAN SHEPHERD DOGS OPEN TRIAL

28th - 30th October 2005
Red Lion, Long Compton, Warks

TRIALS MANAGER'S REPORT

Entries 35 T.D., 28 U.D. & 5 C.D.

Last year's entries were high so I was surprised to have an even larger entry this year with three days of U.D tracks.

C.D. as usual had low entries, which I think makes for a second class stake having to be squeezed in between the other stakes. I continue to be amazed that after 25 years in trials I am still wondering why it is has not become a qualifier for CD Ex.

The land was good this year, cereal with considerably more growth than usual, the fields actually looked green, the warm weather with regular showers provided good growing weather prior to the trial.

The Red Lion told me just prior to the trial that our usual pool room was not available as it had become a temporary kitchen while refurbishments took place, so we were set up in a corner of the bar.

I was very concerned as it is a rather plush carpeted area in with the usual customers.

However all went well and a more varied menu served all day meant competitors had a good selection of sandwiches and snacks,

which everyone seemed to enjoy. The extra business for the hotel probably means we will be in the public area next year.

During the trial the weather was reasonably kind to us until Sunday morning when it all went down hill with torrential rain, so I jumped in the car and stayed there, no point in getting wet!.

The Judges Penny Bellis T.D. nose work, Maeve Weselby U.D. nose work and Jean Howells C&A and C.D. set very fair tests and did a great job.

With three days of U.D. tracks it was really reassuring to have our usual tracklayers David Barker and Chris Gregory making sure the stake ran smoothly.

Steve Liney was very kind being up before dawn each day putting down the early T.D. tracks, also track laying was Carla Nienwenhuizen, Heather Donnelly and Len Newman.

Search stewards were Julie Bedford T.D. and John Weselby U.D. with Jenny escorting T.D. and Rita Tongue escorting U.D.

Anne Shepherd spent three days in the Red Lion as base steward assisted Saturday and Sunday by Ann Cark.

Refreshments for all Judges and helpers were put together by Eve Sherburn.

Jennifer Speak as secretary organised all the competitors and paperwork, Jenny Orchard escorted and kept me in order.

Everyone from judges to catering to base steward and workers in the field did a brilliant job working together to make the trial a real success; it is very reassuring to know you have reliable, experienced cheerful helpers making it all work.

To all the competitors thanks for entering, turning up on time, being so cheerful and accepting the occasional hiccup, it was great to see you all.

TONY ORCHARD

C&A AND CD STAKE

Judge : JEAN HOWELLS

Stewards : Alison Davidson (Friday), Bob Shropshire (Saturday / Sunday) and CD

I would like to thank BAGSD for inviting me to judge the C&A and CD stake at their open Trial. The three days were very enjoyable. My thanks to Jenny and Tony for the lovely caravan site! And all the super food. Thanks also to Eve for the welcome food boxes.

I had two stewards over the three days. Alison on Friday and Bob on Saturday and Sunday. Bob was also square steward for CD. Thank you both. The weather was very windy at time and very wet on Sunday morning. Well done to everyone who qualified.

TD

1st Q, Kevin Johnson and DUNNSLAYNE BLUE SKIES WSD (D). A lovely dog but a little over enthusiastic today. Well done on your win.

2nd Q, Val Upton with JAXBERRY JOE BC (D). Well done Val, a lovely round. Good luck in Ticket.

3rd NQ, Pauline Pearce and DUSTER RAGAMUFFIN WSD (B). Handled by Alan Ballinger. Unfortunately Rags fell off the scale, otherwise you would have qualified.

4th NQ, June Reed and LITTLE JOE GSD (B). Lovely heelwork but you need a little more work on your speak and send-away.

UD

1st Q, Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Simpson with GLENROYAL YAZZ GSD (B). handled by John Simpson. A lovely round. Nice heelwork and a good sendaway. Well done on your win.

2nd Q, Lynne Liney with HORNAGE COPSE WSD (D). Another good round. A

lovely sendaway and full marks on the jumps. Well done.

3rd Q, Maureen Capes with WHITEROSE HOLLY BC (B). A nice round. Well done.

4th Q, Sue Pickerin with NIKONIS QUIET RIOT AT HOBHILL GSD (B). Another nice round. Well done.

Also qualifying

Jannette Sayer with VILLAGE KING GSD (D)

Sally Baker with IVYMOOR HESTER Weim (B)

CD

1st Q, Mr. and Mrs. T.J. Wells and BERAKA HURRICANE OF COPYHOLD SBT (D). Handler Marney Wells. Well done Marney - I did hold my breath while you were doing the square as Busby seemed to be very hungry!

2nd NQ, Marie Dixon with THE BOY GUNNER XB (D). If only Gunner had found the other articles in the square. Keep trying.

3rd NQ, Mr. A. Goodley with HOLLY COLLIE WSD (B). Handled by Rosemary Woods. Holly worked well in very wet conditions, but unfortunately she failed the scale.

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ICENI CHAMPIONSHIP WORKING TRIAL

1st-6th November 2005

Tolleshunt D'Arcy, Maldon, Essex

STAKE: UD

Judge; RON JAQUES

Steward; Paula Jaques

Tracklayers: Colin Diggins and Alan Wright.

Thanks to ICENI for invitation to judge.
Thanks to tracklayers Alan and Colin for super job.

Thanks to Paula for stewarding C/A and squares.

8 entries 6 ran.

All work in one day starting with C/A. Control of very good standard in general with some super Sendaways. All dogs qualified jumps and stays.

Nosework on winter crop . Weather very good.

All but one dog qualified nosework, some lovely tracks all dogs getting at least 3 out of square.

1st L.Davies with ZEKA. (crossbreed) Qex on 192. Super sendaway and lovely track and square. Only dog with 20 for jumps. Dog has lovely attitude and should go far. Well done.

2nd N. Boyce with KATY (WSD) Qex on 190.5. Very good control, only no return over scale let you down. Best track only losing half mark. Super little dog. Well done.

3rd F Boulderstone with YUTHYR (lab ret) Qex on 178.5. again 10 mark sendaway and super track. Lovely big dog . Well done.

WD STAKE

Judge: PAULA HARVEY

Tracklayers: Brian Martin and Sue Ashby

Search Stewards: Pam Stare and Jason

Control Steward: Frances Ball

Thank you, to IcenI for the invitation to judge and to everyone who looked after me. Brian and Sue laid all my tracks with their usual precision. Pam laid squares for me on Friday, and Jason, who had not helped at a trial before, on Saturday. Thank you both very much. Francis was my control steward and I forgot to mention you at the presentation, thank you!

Tracking proved very difficult although the ground looked reasonable, crop with some growth but the ground was dry and there was quite a strong breeze.

1st Chris Stewart with BELDORM DUNCAN St. Poodle (D) 182 qualifying WDex. Duncan went slowly round the track checking quite a lot but got both articles, followed by a good square and a lovely control round. Well done.

2nd Pearl Rigg with FRONSAC KRUGAR GSD (D) 169 NQ. Bad luck Pearl especially as you had got round the track but your control let you down.

3rd Ann Wright with CARISHILL CHESTNUT G/Ret (D) 86.5 NQ

4th Roger Shrimpton with GRELGANNA KIRI BC (B) 86.5 NQ

STAKE T.D.

Judge: JOHN WYKES

Steward: Kate Wykes

Tracklayers: Gary & Mark

A big thank you to the club and to Les Theobald for asking me to judge, I had a wonderful week at this well organised and run trial, Les and his band of helpers did their usual good job of making this trial such a good event. My two tracklayers Gary, who laid all the earlies, and Mark, who laid the rest, did a wonderful job and every competitor had the same chance as all the tracks were laid superbly, exactly as I had wanted, thank you both very much indeed. To Kate who laid all the squares and scribed for me on control day, plus kept us all in order, thank you for once again doing a superb job. The weather was extremely cold and windy, but we were very lucky and only had a very small amount of rain, however the cold weather obviously affected the way the dogs tracked as most of the nosework qualifiers

came from the two days when it was slightly, very slightly warmer and we finished up with 22 to go forward to the C & A.

19 of the qualifiers turned up for the C & A on Sunday morning with one non qualifier, the control field took its usual toll of the competitors and we finished up with 9 qualifiers overall, however we still managed to get two of them on the same mark, so, a run off for the winner, this was a track which most of the people there came to watch, the result of which was

1st & CC LITTLE BART CDex TDex PDex Crossbreed (D) handler Rod Roberts, a competent all round performance from this experienced handler got the best out of his dog, and, subject to Kennel Club approval makes his dog up to a Working Trials Champion, well done Rod. 206 1/2 Q ex

2nd & res CC WT CH WAGGERLAND FLOSS BC (B) handler Ann Fowler, another very good all round performance from this pair put them up there but a missed article on the run off track cost them today, hard luck Ann. 206 1/2 Q ex. p.s. Well done on winning the KCCs

3rd LITTLE TARKA OF HARTSHILL CDex TDex GSD (D) handler Tony Lockyer, a good all round performance, but not your day today. 199 1/2 Q ex

4th WT CH JOLLY JILL CDex TDex WSD (B) handler Pat Herbert, another good all round performance. 199 Q ex

Also qualifying

TYTRI LACE OF TRENTVALLEY CDex TDex BC (B) handler Margeret Robinson 196.5 Q ex

WT CH LAETARE DAY JAVU CDex TDex BC (D) handler Barry Gilbert 191 Q ex

GLENALPINE PHOEBE OF STARDELL CDex TDex BC (B) handler Wendy Beasley 188.5 Q ex

WT CH BRIDGALPINE LIBRA OF STARDELL CDex TDex PDex BC (B) handler Wendy Beasley 184.5 Q ex
ALICE ON SPRINGS CDex WDex Lab Ret (B) handler Frances Ball 180 Q ex. First one well done.

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WORKING TRIALS CLUB OF IRELAND

Annagh, Gorey, Co Wexford
4th, 5th and 6th November 2005

UD, WD, TD STAKES

Judge : PETE HODGKINS

A big thank you to the Working Trials Club of Ireland for inviting Pat and I to judge at your trial. We thoroughly enjoyed our time with you. After an eventful journey (high winds cancelled ferry) we eventually arrived at our hosts to be greeted with a super meal thank you Doug and Miriam for looking after us so well.

Trials Manager Nigel and Secretary Caroline made sure the trial ran smoothly and all tracks ran on time, which was not easy when some days there were tracks running in each stake.

My tracklayers were UD Caroline Woods, Eithne O Kelly, John Ward, WD Miranda Moriarty, Jenny Hickey. TD Caroline Woods, Eithne O Kelly. Thank you all very much, all tracks were laid perfectly in difficult conditions.

Doug Tait laid all the squares and ferried me around and kept me fed and watered. A very conscientious steward. No one failed the search. Thanks Doug for all your help.

My wife Pat stewarded and scribed Control and Agility. I know I had a senior moment and forgot to thank you at the prize giving! Anyway, thanks for a job well done.

Tracking was on stubble, and some fields were greener than others. No matter how much planning is done we cannot control the weather. For those of you who were unfortunate enough to track on Saturday in strong winds and rain you were very unlucky. I am sure we would have had more qualifiers if the weather had been kinder.

All nosework was done first, followed by much appreciated home made soup and sandwiches at the base ... thanks ladies.

The C/A was done on a good grass field close to Base.

UD

1st Miranda Moriarty with HIGHFIELD CLYTEMNESTRA GSD. Good track and square. Just needs a bit more training for C/A. overall good performance from this young dog. 160.5 NQ.

2nd Liam Ward with SUE SEPTEMBER Lab. Tracked in the worst weather and did a good square. Would have qualified C/A if Storm had done the sendaway ... you will get there.

WD

1st Caroline Woods with P A R A V E L GABRIELLA GSD. Worked hard on the track. 4 articles from the square. Sendaway and stays need a little work. 97NQ.

TD

1st Jeff Poole with LATCHETS BOSS GSD. Track 95, art 20. Boss located all the square articles but only 2 were retrieved. A very bouncy dog. Well done Jeff on your qualification. 176.5Q

2nd Steve Searon with FIRCROFT IDAHO GSD. Found track conditions too difficult but kept trying. Good square. Qualified in C/A.

3rd Miranda Moriarty with HIGHFIELD QUO VADIS GSD.

4th Anne Collen with TESSA OF TANTRUM CROSS GWP

Both the above dogs could not cope with the

tracking conditions.

I must mention 2 competitors.

Marjorie Briggs and ORION (Weim) worked in UD and WD and did super tracks and squares in both stakes but chose not to do C/A exercises.

Miriam Lyons and ABBIE. This team were allowed to work (although not for competition) in agreement with Nigel, Trials Manager and myself. Abbie did a super track and square and then showed how the C/A should be done.

Hope you all enjoyed the trial and thank you for accepting my marks.

CD

Judge : PAT HODGKINS

Steward : Finlan Doherty

For those of you who are invited to judge in Ireland you can be sure of a true Irish welcome. Thank you to the Society for giving me the opportunity to meet you all once gain and to judge the CD stake. To Doug and Miriam Tate, thank you both for your hospitality in your beautiful home.

The trial was very well organised by Nigel assisted by Caroline with many of the competitors helping in other capacities. The Base was Nigel's cottage which was opposite the CD field. Miriam (Nigel's mum) looked after everyone in the food department with help from her friend in the kitchen ... what wonderful home made soup and cakes!!

There were 7 entries in CD, 5 competed. Finlan was a great steward giving clear commands for the control and agility and laying the searches. Thanks for all your help ... I even managed to understand your language, well most of the time anyway. I was pleased to see that all dogs and handlers had a super attitude and all are capable of qualifying CD very soon. Keep up the training.

1st Judith Owens with FIRCROFT DAL-WINNIE BC. Judith's experience showed in

getting the best out of her young dog Guess. Full point search and sendaway. Well done and good luck with her in the future. 87.5 Q.
2nd Diana Collie with COLLIEWOOD BROWN EYES BLUE BC. A pity about the down stay as Crystal did all the other exercises so well. I know she also managed to do the down stay in WD stake. 87.5 NQ.

3rd John Ward with STAN BY YOUR MAN LabX. This was John's first trial and he brought all his supporters with him! Great attitude from both dog and handler. No sendaway today but I am sure you will sort it out. The rest of the work was very good. Here's to the next time John. 78NQ.

4th Liam Ward with SUE SEPTEMBER Lab. A super Lab who also went the wrong way on the sendaway. Full marks on nose-work but no down stay. 71NQ.

Miranda Moriarty and her GSD HIGHFIELD CLYTEMNESTRA won the trophy for the fastest search square (38 seconds). Well done Miranda... the first dog to work too. Thank you for your hospitality on our last evening.

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LINCOLNSHIRE GSD AND ALL BREEDS TRAINING SOCIETY OPEN TRIAL

12th - 13th November 2005
Dunholme, Lincs

TRIALS MANAGER'S REPORT

Another trial over and I would like to thank all my helpers for a job well done - you were brilliant. At this trial, I had so many offers of help and I'm sorry if there weren't enough jobs to go round but I hope those offers stand for future trials!

All the judges set good tests, were good com-

pany and easy to work with, so very many thanks to them. Our farmers came up trumps and we had plenty of land to fall back on. The kitchen staff of Bob, Annie and Jenny did a good job as usual feeding everyone. Thanks also to Malcolm and Joan Snowden for putting up helpers and judges, myself and June.

I would also like to thank Jean and Peter Morley for their work in the past with the Lincoln trials, from which they have now retired. Jan Sewell took over as Trials Secretary and did an excellent job - many thanks Jan.

NIGEL HINES

CD STAKE &, UD - WD C&A

Judge : JULIA FINDEISEN
Square / control steward : June Hines

Entries : CD 6, UD 26, WD 13

Thank you to Lincoln for the invitation to judge at this friendly, well-run trial. Carole and I stayed at Joan and Malcolm Snowden's fabulous new barn conversion, along with a great bunch of people who ran, helped and organised this trial. Thanks for your hospitality. Nigel and his merry band of helpers make sure this trial runs as smoothly as it does. Everything was catered for - even the weather! We had two days of sunshine, considering the horrific forecast, Lincoln did us proud! THANK YOU. Carole had planned to be my steward for the weekend, but definitely did not plan to come down with a gastric infection on Friday evening. She sadly had to go home on Saturday morning. You were a miss Carole, especially at the Saturday night Karaoke!! Glad you are well now. June drafted in as my steward at very short notice but did a great job. Thanks June, you were great company.

CD OPEN

1st Meg O'Kelly with ON YER BIKE WSD (B) 83.5 CD COM. This lovely collie did a nice control round. Very close marks on the jumps! Well done and good luck in the future.

2nd D. Ellis with MISTER TILBUS Lab / Ret(D) 73 NQ. This handler was very nervous, as it was her first trial. No need to be, your dog has tremendous potential; he just needs time and patience. Sadly the jumps and nosework took their toll. He is lovely, good luck.

3rd R. Coitino with KENMILFORE COPPER GSD (D) 48NQ. This handsome GSD has a fantastic attitude to his work. His handler told me he had trained him on his own from videos and books! WOW. Very impressive. The stays and jumps let him down today, but I am sure he has a bright future ahead of him.

UD C&A

1st Moira Rogerson with SELDOMSEEN RIO WSD (D) 197.5 UD COM. Moira and Rio did a lovely control round. First class. He has a great future ahead of him Moira. Well done and good luck in championship. h/w 5, rt 5, s/w 9.5, stay 10, jumps 20.

2nd Laura Bardwell with TSAR PRINCE AMANUKA Rottweiler (D) 194 UD COM. This dog worked a lovely round. Nicely controlled with no fuss handling. Well done and good luck. h/w 4.5, rt 4, s/w 9.5, stay 10, jumps 18.

3rd J. Sayer with VILLAGE KING GSP (D) 193.5 UD COM. What a powerhouse of a dog. Well handled. Good luck. h/w 4, rt 5, s/w 6, stay 10, jumps 19.5.

4th Tracey Toms with CARISHILL BRAZILIAN Golden Ret (B) 188.5 UD COM What a lovely goldie. Worked with style and attitude. Full attention, even in the down stay! A pleasure to judge. Well done. h/w 4, rt 4, s/w 10, stay 10, jumps 18.5.

Also qualified

Judith Owens with FIRCROFT DALWIN-NIE BC (B) 188 UD COM

Jacqui Gibney with BRYN HEULOG AP BRECON Welsh Sheepdog. (D) 174 UD COM

Keith Butterfield with PLAS MAJOR KYLE BC (D) 162.5 UD COM.

WD C&A

1st Ann Bedford with WOLFHARTS DARK ISLANDER GSD (B) 188 WD COM. Rohan pulled out all the stops today. Nice accurate control round. Bit of a heart attack on the scale. Well done Ann, good luck in championship. h/w 4.5, rt 4, s/w 10, stay 10, jumps 19.5.

2nd Gordon Kirk with DARLING LASSIE Lab (B) 163 WD COM. This Labrador worked a dream for her handler, lovely teamwork. Seven years old, and young at heart! Well done and good luck. h/w 4.5, rt 4.5, s/w 8.5, stay 10, jumps 17.5.

3rd Yvonne Filleul with SODEN JAY WSD (D) 164 NQ. Unfortunately the send-away let you down today. Good luck for the future. h/w 3, rt 3, s/w 2, stay 10, jumps 20.

4th Irene Nicholl with GAMEPOINT GO AND GO Weimaraner (D) 160.5 NQ. A nice control round but sadly no scale today. Good luck for the future. h/w 4, rt 4.5, s/w 10, stay 10, jumps 10.

UD NOSEWORK

Judge : DAVID CRAVEN

Tracklayers : Jim Sewell, Alan Davis

Search Steward : Anne Davis

Comp entered 26 worked 23 Qual 7

Thank you to Lincoln for the invitation to judge the UD Nosework. Also to Nigel Hines and his team at the base for running a

excellent trial, my thanks to the kitchen staff who kept us well fed throughout the trial. A big thank you to my tracklayers Jim Sewell and Alan Davies and search steward Anne Davies who did an excellent job and was great company on both days.

Tracking was on winter wheat, sparse in places, with the fields dry for the time of year. Over the two days it was a pleasure to judge some excellent nosework from a variety of breeds, from experienced handlers with young dogs and new handlers competing in trials for the first time. Well done to all qualifiers.

1st Mr. Rogerson with SELDOM SEEN RIO WSD 197.5Q. A young dog in experienced hands. Congratulations on your win.

2nd L. Bardwell with TSAR PRINCE AMANUKA CDex, Rottweiler 194Q. This team was steadily consistent, hardly put a paw wrong. Well done.

3rd J. Sayer with VILLAGE KING GSP 193Q. Only lost one mark on the track, a pleasure to watch, also winning Best Nosework Trophy. Well done.

4th T. Toms with CARISHELL BRAZILIAN Gold Ret 188.5Q. Another nice track, a well deserved qualification with this lovely dog.

Also Qualified

J. Owens with FIRCROFT DALWINNIE BC 188Q

J. Gibney with BRYN HEULOG AP BRECON Welsh sheepdog 174Q

K. Butterfield with PLAS MAJAR R KYLE CDex BC 162.5Q

WD NOSEWORK

Judge : LINDA NEWBOLD

Tracklayers : Andrea and Trevor

Steward : Joan Snowden

My thanks to Lincoln for inviting me to

judge, to Jan Sewell for running the Base, to Bob and crew for the excellent food. Thanks to Andrea and Trevor for their professional tracklaying and to Joan for laying the squares.

Special thanks to Malc and Joan for their hospitality over the weekend and to Carol for the bed.

Tracking was on well grown crop and the weather, though cold, stayed dry and bright. 11 dogs worked and 5 completed the track. Enthusiasm and speed seeming to cause more problems than the conditions.

1st Ann Bedford with WOLFHARTS DARK ISLANDER 188Q. Lovely track. After a nerve racking start, and a very nicely worked square, especially given the domestic taking place the other side of the hedge!

2nd Mr. G. Kirk with DARLING LASSIE 163Q. Nice steady track and square. Shame about cutting the last leg, so missing an article.

3rd Yvonne Filleul with SODEN JAY 164.5NQ. Lovely steady track and both articles but then Jay decided not to do the square!

4th I. Nicholl with GAME POINT GO AND GO 160.5 NQ. BEST TRACK. Kyser raced round the track with a very breathless Irene in tow! Nice track and square, just needs a bit more work on holding rather than shattering the articles.

PD STAKE

Judge : ROB DOBSON

Tracklayers : Andy and Geoff

Stewards : Simon and Alan

Thanks to the Society for the invitation to judge this small but friendly trial. Nigel and all his helpers ran a well organised event, from kitchen staff to criminals, all performed brilliantly.

Not being in trials for a number of years, it

was great to see some old friends (and young) whom I hadn't seen for a long time. We had a good laugh on the Saturday night "get together", a bit different but all in good fun. Just what trials used to be like, let's have more of it. A special thanks to Alan Bolton, who not only kept great company, but also stewarded the patrol round and put everyone at ease, (not often you get a "Ticket" Judge to run after you). Many thanks Alan.

Saturday saw 5 dogs compete, all of which completed nosework to a very high standard. Judith Owen and Brody gaining a full point track. Control, I always like to see good, sensitive handling, yet not a tick tock dog, again standard was very high. Full control marks to Malcolm Snowdon and Jay.

Patrol . I always try to set a test in which the dog will work as much as possible on its own, in a flowing test, yet always within the control of the handler. Marks being gained for the dogs which work under their own enthusiasm, and points being lost for handlers with little or no control.

All teams gave a very creditable account of themselves 149/150 points scored from Jeff Poole and KIRI.

Sunday. Again 5 dogs competed but only 2 completed the nosework. Colin Harrison and NINA completed a track when most other handlers would have given up (or being blown off by fine tune judges). A credit to a sensitive and experienced handler.

Control varied from nearly there to "get back to basics" and let your dog enjoy the exercise.

Patrol. Dogs that didn't qualify need a little more work. John Philips and Colin Harrison just need a little "fine tuning".

1st Jeff Poole and KIRI BSD. This team were a pleasure to judge, a cracking bitch, good handling by a chap probably used to handling "big macho dogs". Credit to you Jeff, will almost certainly be a Ticket Team. 311.5Q

2nd Judith Owens and BRODY BC. Faultless nosework, control and only minor blips on the patrol. Gave Jeff a run for his money and another team for the Ticket class. 293.5Q.

3rd Lynne Davies and KANE Cross. Did enough in each section, and with a little more polish will give a good account of themselves. 258.5Q.

4th John Philips and LOGAN. Very good nosework, a little sticky on the control. Needs a bit more work on the patrol, well done. 258 NQ.

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ASPADS CHAMPIONSHIP TRIAL

10 - 13 November 2005
Auchterhouse, Dundee.

T.D. STAKE,

Judge LEN NEWMAN.

Track Layers, Joyce & Bill Rae, Bill Mackie, Gary Tait & Jim McKay.

Search Steward. Pam Cuthbert. Control Scribe, Lorraine Wilson.

Shirley Jeffery was in the kitchen & chief bottle washer.

I must thank ASPADS (Dundee) for making my judging appointment so enjoyable, with all the work and enthusiasm of the team. Thanks to Bill & Joyce for their hospitality. My tracklayers, stewards were great and a pleasure to be with. I believe that Gary must be the youngest TDex tracklayer well done on your first commitment at this level, I do find it sad that we have a big shortage of track layers, when so many are judging a

stake where they have never track laid!! I feel that the judge should be a competent tracklayer in the stake to be judged.

My search steward Pam was excellent (thanks for the sweets) and lastly thanks to Lorraine for scribing for me.

The weather was very good compared to my last visit. The strong winds made Thursday & Fridays hard with only two qualifying on each day, Saturday we had eight. The control day was fine and sunny.

I set an open track pattern bearing in mind the terrain and the environment of Scotland. My articles were all of different texture, wooden dowel, bamboo and a piece of rubber on the track. In the search a 10inch bolt, wooden peg, rubber grommet and a plastic tube containing water. Even with these sizes we only had two 3 & 4s, surely this proves that you do not have to have all the articles to fit in a matchbox. The tracklayers & search steward have to retrieve unfound articles so why make them so small. Why not judge the pick up, carry and present?

We witnessed some smashing tracks with three on 94.5. Lorna working her dog through an area that a hare had just run, Tracey's speed and accuracy and lastly Sheila (Heather) working through a tough patch but because of her better search, Sheila won the best nosework trophy. We had twelve qualifying after the nosework and finished with six.

I wanted to have an over all package. The exercise not won & lost on the sendaway in the control section. We started with heelwork around the jumps and the steward. The speak is in the control section so I was looking for control, sendaway 80 yards at an angle and a 90 yards redirect along a wall, followed by the jumps.

Thanks to the competitors for entering,

accepting my marks and test. Also for taking the time to say how much they enjoyed my test. I have passed the Dundee judging accreditation with a credit in the Scottish language!! And look forward to the possibility of judging in Scotland again.

1st & CC. 207.5 Q WTCh STYPERSON BRIAR, Lab - S Tannert.

2nd & Reserve CC. & best nosework track & search 205 Q WTCh STYPERSON TERN, Lab - S Tannert. Leading after the nosework but the long jump being very costly.

3rd 199.5 after run off. WTCh LAETARE DAY JAVU, BC CDex - TDex - B Gilbert.

4th 199.5. WTCh MELNOLA JAZZLAND, Xbreed - L Cottier.

Also Qualifying,

197.5 WAGGERLAND BROOK, BC CDex - TDex, PDex - T Park.

191.5 STYPERSON LOMOND, Lab CDex - TDex - S Boyall.

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**LEAMINGTON DTC
CHAMPIONSHIP TRIAL**

14th - 20th November 2005

Venue : Pailton, Warwicksire.

STAKE : UD

Judge : ROGER SHRIMPTON

**Stewards : C/A and search : Tally Rees,
Jane Hedges**

Tracklayers : Kate Peyton, Zoe Finley

Thanks to Leamington Dog Training Club for the invitation to judge the UD stake at their Championship Working Trial and to trials manager David Barker and his team for all their hard work in organising a very suc-

successful trial at this for them, a new venue. I was very fortunate to have four lovely ladies in my team. Wasn't I the lucky one! Tally Rees stewarded the control and agility and the search square on Friday. Jane Hedges the same role on Saturday. Kate Peyton and Zoe Finley were my tracklayers on both days.

On behalf of the competitors and myself thank you all so very much for giving your time and efforts for the conscientious way you all worked to give the competitors a fair chance.

Of the eleven teams entered, eight ran which was disappointing but seems to be the norm at the moment. It was nice to see so many different breeds entered. They were made up of : 2 border collies, 1 staffy, 1 terv, 1 flat coat ret, 1 lab ret, 1 GSD and 1 Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Ret.

The weather over the two days was cold and sunny on Friday and cold and foggy first thing on Saturday. As the C&A was carried out first thing it made the sendaway on Saturday more interesting. The sendaway was ninety paces out to crossed poles so on Saturday it really was a sendaway and not a send to. But the dogs either did it very well or not at all.

Tracking was on winter wheat of good growth and the standard was very good and a pleasure to judge. The search squares were all keenly carried out and in most cases very successful.

Track articles : knotted rope and 2"sq underfelt.

Search articles : wood .75" x 2.5", carpet 1" x 1.5", shotgun cartridge, cigarette paper packet.

1st Paula Wright with FLYNTASTIC LICENZ TO THRILL WSD. Qual UDEX with 180.5. control 33.5, agility 15, track 88, arts 10, search 34. A very keen young dog very well handled. Retrieved four articles

out of the square in less than one minute. James made it all look so easy. This team show great promise for the future. Good luck and well done.

2nd Jan Baker with JABY MANNA NSDTR Qual UDEX with 178.5. Control 31, agility 17.5, track 86, arts 10, search 34. Super little dog really enjoying its work. A good team this and a pleasure to judge. Well done and good luck for the future.

3rd Linsey Errington with CASTLESIDE YOUNG JET Lab Ret Qual UDEX with 171. Control 33, agility 17, track 85, arts 10, search 26. A very keen and energetic young dog, kept well under control, most of the time, by this experienced handler. Must have covered about three miles doing his square. Again a pleasure to judge. Well done.

4th Angela Gourd with NICKILA red Terv. Not Qual with 165. Control 20.5, agility 14, track 86.5, arts 20, search 24. Not so keen on the control and agility today but really enjoyed the nosework section. I am sure it will all come together very soon.

STAKE TD

Judge - LES THEOBALD

Tracklayers: Tom Darby, Roger Shrimpton, Norma Ansell, Tony Orchard & Len Newman.

I would like to thank the committee of Leamington for the invitation to judge at the trial.

Thanks to David Baker and his team for a very well run trial.

Thanks to my experienced team of tracklayers, especially Tom who laid the early morning tracks each day (just don't let him near the chocolate biscuits) and stewards who never put a foot wrong and were great company.

Weather conditions were cold and getting colder as the week went on, with a frost every morning. It appeared that if the tracks were laid in the frost and worked before the ground really thawed out, then most of the dogs went round. Where the tracks were laid in the frost but the ground had thawed out before being run then the dogs really struggled. Other than the cold, tracking conditions were very good with no rain or wind all week.

On the Sunday it was a nightmare with thick fog and frost first thing. Luckily the fog cleared slightly for the top 10 dogs to work, but then closed in again after that and many of the competitors could not see either the out run for the sendaway point or the redirection at all, they were just sending their dogs into the fog and relying on my directions as to where the dog was and when to redirect the dog. It is the first time I have ever judged the sendaway from in front of the competitor, it was difficult and I am sure it affected many dogs and handlers, but we just had to do the best we could under the conditions.

79 dogs entered with 69 actually running., of those 35 qualified on the nosework.

1st KAY LAREN (WSD) handled by Mrs Sharen Perez 211.5

Track - 94, Articles - 30, Search - 35.

A very nice control round qualifying TDEX
Congratulations and good luck at the KC's

2nd WTCh STYPERSON TERN (Lab Ret) handled by Mrs S Tannert 209

After a run off with the below dog.

Track - 92, Articles - 30, Search - 35

Another nice control round qualifying TDEX.

3rd GLENALPINE IZZIE AT DALE-

MAIN (BC) handled by Mrs E Thorpe 209
Track - 96, Articles - 30, Search - 34

An expensive long jump, but a very nice
Sendaway & redirect, well done

4th WTCh JOLLY JILL (WSD) handled
by Pat Herbert 205

Track - 98, Articles - 20, Search - 35

Also Qualifying TDEX

TYTRI LACE OF TRENTVALLEY (BC)
handled by Margaret Robinson 204.5

WTCh WAGGERLAND FLOSS (BC) handled
by Mrs Anne Fowler 204

BRIGLEN NUTMEG (WSD) handled by
Glynys Page 203.5

TOILERS TIMO AT SARSWAY (GSD)
handled by Sally Bergh Roose 203

STYPERSON MILLIE (Lab Ret) handled
by M Weselby 201

WAGGERLAND MURPHY (WSD) handled
by Dave Marchant 200.5

ELECAMPANE SPRUCE (Lab Ret) handled
by Mrs P Harvey 200

FLYNNASTIC WININ VENTURE
(WSD) handled by Mrs Jane Webb 199.5

DUNNSLAYNE BLUE OMEN (WSD)
handled by David Waite 197

TYTRI NIKKI (BC) handled by Eric
Nichols 196.5

WTCh BRIDGALPINE LIBRA OF
STARDELL (BC) handled by Mrs Wendy
Beasley 196

GRELGANNA LEO OF STARDELL (BC)
handled by Mr Paul Beasley 194

KENMILLONE FRASER (GSD) handled
by Mrs Maureen Regan 192.5

WTCh WAGGERLAND MISTER JAKE
(WSD) handled by Dave Marchant 192

WTCh LAETARE DAY JAVU (BC) handled
by Barry Gilbert 191.5

STYPERSON LOMOND (Lab Ret) handled
by S Boyall 191.5

GLENALPINE PHOEBE OF STARDELL
handled by Mrs Wendy Beasley 190.5

OUR DUG (BC) handled by Mrs Julie Atkins 189

TYTRIL KES OF BRYNSWOOD (BC) handled by Nigel Hines 189

SLIEVE CLINKER (BC) handled by Miss P Middleton-Smith 188

MERRY STEPS SKIP (BC) handled by Mrs M Jones 183

TONAYIA RUNNING WILD (WSD) handled by Raymond Lea 179

LITTLE TAKA OF HARTSHILL (GSD) handled by Mr T Lockyer 196.5

Qualifying TD

THE ECHO (WSD) handled by Sue Ashby 170

Once again many thanks to the society and the competitors for a very enjoyable week.

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FINGAL DOG CLUB WORKING TRIAL

25th - 27th November 2005
Painestown, Co. Meath, Ireland.

TD WD & UD STAKES

Judge: TONY ORCHARD

I would like to thank the Fingal Club for inviting me to come and judge for the first time in Ireland.

It was a really pleasant experience amongst an enthusiastic, friendly group of trialists.

I was made to feel at home immediately by Anne Collen who collected me from the airport, provided accommodation and transported me everywhere. Nothing was too much trouble.

I was treated to some fabulous meals out in the evening and provided with very tasty

sandwiches and soups at lunch time in a very warm comfortable base.

I also wish to thank Diana Collie for the delicious meal after the trial on the Sunday evening; it really was a very good job I was not judging the following day!

I arrived on Friday to sleet and snow, and it was bitterly cold although by the time I had started judging it had dried up a little. Generally the weather although windy at times was kind to us, although you did need your arctic clothing on.

The tracking ground was stubble with a fair amount of growth so I was surprised how dogs struggled to track, of course the wind and cold will have played its part, particularly on the more exposed fields.

The track layers all laid the tracks perfectly giving each competitor an equal chance of qualifying. Square stewards did a great job particularly as they laid different patterns for each stake, no TD dog got a UD square!

The trial was well organised which is no mean feat when every one is involved, competing, track laying, stewarding. Anne must have an impressive computer programme to work it all out.

So a big thank you to every single person involved.

To the results, disappointingly only three qualifiers, two Tracking Dog and one Working dog.

We did over the three days see some very good individual performances as the Special Club awards show.

UTILITY DOG (6 ENTRIES)

**Track Layers: Anne Collen, Diana Collie
Square Steward: Janet McGoughlin-Munch, Mary Dolan**

1st 183. FIRCROFT DALWINNIE BC b

and Judith Owens. Only lost 3 on the track with a full mark square, an impressive control round a real joy to watch very well done. My heart sank when disaster struck with the stay getting up at 3.5 minutes, really bad luck.

2nd 154. HIGHFIELD CLYTEMNESTRA GSD b and Miranda Moriarty. A good track losing only 2 marks until coming off the track at the last corner. Another impressive square at 34. Good c/a round with 10 for send away.

Club Special Awards To

SUE SEPTEMBER Lab b Liam Ward 157.5 Very good track, but missing an article in the square. No sendaway today, but you have a very capable dog with potential.
and

IR.SH.CH. TRILITE PRIVATE RYAN Wiem. d. and Marjorie Briggs 147.5 & Best Track Excellent track with a full mark square well done.

WORKING DOG (6 ENTRIES)

Track Layers: Donal Flynn, Sandra Meenan

Square Steward: Vicky Dixon, Mary Dolan

1st Q. 188 COLLIEWOOD BROWN EYES BLUE BC B and Diana Collie. A superb track and search followed by a 32.5 control round, perfect agility and a very worthy winner a joy to watch. Congratulations

Club Special Awards

2nd 136 & Best Track IR.SH.CH. TRILITE PRIVATE RYAN Wiem. d. and Marjorie Briggs

A real winner of a track good to watch.

3rd 91, XANDOAS DARGO WSD D and Caroline Woods

4th 83, PARAVEL GABRIELLA GSD B and Caroline Woods

TRACKING DOG (11 ENTRIES)

Track Layers: Sandra Meenan, Vicky Dixon

Square Steward: Vicky Dixon, Mary Dolan

1st Q, 201. TAMMERRYE MARANELLO BC b and Miriam Lyons Very good track and full point square. 8.5 send away, a very professional all round performance. Congratulations on a brilliant win.

2nd Q, 182.5, TESSA OF TANTRUM Cross CDex - TDex GWP b and Anne Collen Worked hard on the track. Team work found all three articles. An excellent send away topped a professional performance. Well Done.

3rd 132, HIGHFIELD QUO VADIS and Miranda Moriarty. A good track until hitting difficulties on the 13th leg. No speak and a slip up on the send away meant no qualification, but you worked hard earning you a deserved placing well done.

Club Special Award To

WT.CH. FIRCROFT DOON BC B and Judith Owens 152 & Best Track

Finally a thank you to all the competitors for entering, accepting my decisions and making it for me a very enjoyable three days.

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**NORTH WEST
WORKING TRIAL SOCIETY
OPEN TRIAL**

Lower Withington, Nr. Knutsford
27th November 2005

CD STAKE

Judge: TRACEY COLLIER

Steward: Pam Wadsworth

Thank you to North West Working Trials Committee for the invitation to judge the CD stake at this trial. It was the first time that both Pam and I have stewarded and judged and we both thoroughly enjoyed ourselves. A lot less frightening than competing! We had 7 entries with 6 competing. I tried to set a test that was straightforward so that a nervous competitor did not have too much to think about and could concentrate on working their dogs. I think everyone went home with some positives and also exercises that need a bit more practice. Everyone is capable of qualifying on their day.

1st Gillian Hodson WHITEGATES GEORGINA (Cross) - 82.5 Q All exercises well done, I know you were thrilled. This dog got what proved to be the two difficult articles out of the square and not the easy one!

2nd Monica Cormack CHOXXSTART RAGGED ROBIN (Beardie) 80.5NQ All you needed was one more article! It will definitely happen. All other exercises deserved your qualification.

3rd Barry Bray BRAMBLE SWEET SOUL LADY (Beardie) 78 NQ Again all that was needed was one more article. I know you were disappointed but it can happen to the best of dogs. I could tell that you have worked hard with Bramble. She worked very well.

4th Monica Brickell HARTWOOD HILL EMBLEM (Lab) 65 NQ Nearly there, just a bit more practice and experience on certain exercises.

U.D. STAKE

Judge - TERRY AUSTIN

Tracklayers - Janet Parker (3 days), June

Reed (2 days), Ricky Davies (1 day)

Scribe and Search Square - Sylvia Austin (3 days)

My thanks to NWWTS for the invitation to judge at this smoothly run trial, thanks also to everyone at the base for the lovely hot food and special thanks to my tracklayers Janet, June and Ricky and scribe and search steward Sylvia. Because of the number of entries the stake went over three days, and from 25 teams competing we ended with 9 gaining certificates of merit. Those that were ready to qualify did, those that didn't are not far away.

1st STARDELL ALULA - B.C. Mr D. Olley - 190, Lovely round from the young B.C. just bits and pieces on control, no long jump but super nosework - Track 88.5- 20 - 33 square, 33.5 control, 15 agility. Well done.

2nd DURSTONE MELODY - WSD Mrs S. Jones - 188. This dog put her nose down and completed the track as if on rails gaining full marks and winning the best track trophy, three from the square. Good control round, full agility. Well done. Track 90 - 20 - 28 square, 30 control, 20 agility.

3rd SELDOMSEEN RIO CDEX - WSD Mrs M. Rogerson - 188. Rio unfortunately left an article on the track otherwise as you can see from the mark what a super round this was. Track 88 - 10 - 35 square, with full mark control and agility, definitely one to watch for.

4th NIKONIS QUIET RIOT at HOB-HILL CDEX - GSD Mrs S Pickerin - 186.5. Sue was so pleased with the way her dog worked, lovely track and control. Track - 87.5 - 20 - 27 square, 32 - control, 20 - agility. Well done.

Also gaining certificates of merit:-

CHANASK VOLGA CDEX - GSD - Mr T. Green - 185.5, A little more control needed, but Trevor was so pleased. Well done.

NO RESPECT - BSD Mali. - Miss C. Wrend - 185 - First ever trial for both dog and handler, super attitude, good luck for the future.

DAISY DOO CDEX - Cross - Mrs J. Dykes - 183

KUHU TANGINIA MADSWAY - BC - Mrs M. Hand - 183

TELL TALE TACO - BSD Mali - Miss S.Scott - 178.5

It is a privilege to judge, my thanks to the competitors for entering. Hope you enjoyed the test as much as I enjoyed judging. You were a super bunch. Remember we all take the best dog home.

W.D. STAKE

Judge: DAVID BELL

Steward:Barbara Bell

Tracklayers:Kim Astbury (3 days)

Ray Lea (1 day)

Many thanks to the society for asking me to judge the WD stake. Thanks to Barbara for stewarding for me for all the 3 days, also many thanks to Kim for tracklaying for 3 days and to Ray for tracklaying on the final day, even if it meant that it led to some unmerciful micky taking on that final day. Seriously, if anybody needs tracklayers, these two are so capable, you just know that the tracks will be done as you want them to be. Many thanks also to the kitchen staff who always keep you well fed and watered at this trial, they do a splendid job.

1st Dean Woodcock with LAETARE LEFT IN THE DARK - BC - 195 Q.

This little collie made the test look really easy, handled well too.

Congratulations.

2nd Polly Thomas with BONZER HONEY-SUCKLE BLOOM - Lab - 186 1/2 Q.

A very steady tracking bitch. Well Done, also winner of the best track trophy.

3rd Bill Richardson with CAPER KALI - BSD Malinois - 175 1/2 NQ.

I had my heart in my mouth several times with this hyperactive little dog, but eventually it sorted out the track.

4th Dave Holt with CHARLESTOWN JAKE - GSD - 174 1/2 NQ.

An excellent track from the only dog to complete on the first day. Imagine what could be if you trained him Dave!

Just one little moan, Please, when you enter a trial, remember to apply the etiquette of trials. It does mean a lot to the helpers, judges, stewards, tracklayers etc. After all, without these people, there would be no trials.

PD STAKE

Judge; RON JAQUES

Steward; Paula Jaques

Helpers; Steve Lancashire And Tom Davis And Team. Pete Yates.

Thanks to NW for invitation to judge the PD stake. Thanks to Jenny Holt and all her team for a very well run trial.

Thanks to Ricky and Ken Davies for putting myself and Paula up and for their generous hospitality. The weather was very cold but stayed mainly dry with just a few showers on Saturday. Thanks to Steve Lancashire and his brilliant team for their usual superb job. What would we do without you?

Thanks also to Pete Yates for sitting in the hide.

Thanks to Paula for laying squares, scribing and patrol stewarding.

9 Entered, 7 Ran. 6 Qualified Nosework And 7 Qualified C/A,

Patrol round was straightforward starting with test of courage, search and escort, then

a quarter round the perimeter of the field ending with passive person in the hide. Then recall and chase with whole test in full view of observers.

The patrol round was done quite well by most dogs and I ended up with 5 qualifiers.

1st Richard Cornwall and GRUBER. Q288. Nice steady round. Well done.

2nd Anne Dent with ELLA. Q277. Well done.

3rd .Sally Bergh-Roose and JI. Q 263. Well done.

4th Polly Thomas with STANLEY.q258.5. Well done

Also qualified

Dave Marchant and MURPHY q257.5. Well done

Special thanks to all the ladies and gents in the kitchen for the lovely food, especially lunch on Sunday.

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RANMORE DOG TRAINING CLUB OPEN TRIAL

11th - 13th November 2005

Ockley Village Hall, Nr Dorking, Surrey

UD/WD CONTROL AND AGILITY

Judge : ELIZABETH DE UNGER

Steward : Ron Davies

My thanks to Ranmore for asking me to judge and to Joyce Tibbets for running an efficient trial.

Special thanks to Ron Davies for being such a kind and encouraging steward. Also to Dorothy Bowen and her helpers for the delicious food.

It was lovely to judge so many competent rounds with some excellent attitudes and

sendaways, especially in WD.

UD

1st Tessa Shoolbred with OVERHILL HAVOC GSD (B). Calm and competent round with a full mark sendaway. Well done. Q183.

2nd Stella Smyth with MORROW DIAMOND DREAMING ACD (D). Another good round with a full mark sendaway. Q169.

3rd Hilary Mercer with HAREWOOD ELDERBERRY LAB (B). It was a delight to see so much enthusiasm from dog and handler. A first UD for both and only lost 0.5 on the control. Q163.

4th Sue Drake with TIMBA OF HARDY VICTORY XB (D). Good control round. Sort out the jumps and you will soon qualify. NQ 170.5

WD

1st Paula Wright with FLYNNASTIC LICENZ TO THRILL WSD (D). A polished performance only losing half a mark on the control. Full mark jumps. A well deserved win. Q194.5.

2nd Nick Boyce with SARAMAK DANCING DIVA WSD (B). A lovely attitude only losing 1.5 on the control full mark sendaway and jumps. Well done. Q190.

3rd Jennifer Speake with SANTROVA-SO SONATA GSD (B). A very competent round only losing half on the control. Full mark jumps. Q185.5.

4th Dean Woodcock with LAETARE LEFT IN THE DARK BC (B). Another lovely round, again only losing 0.5 on the control. Full marks jumps Q179.5.

Also qualifying

Felicity Boulderstone with UTHYR DRAGON LAB (D). Lovely attitude. Full mark sendaway Q179.

Barry Harvey with FITZERS HAZEL LAB (B). Lovely attitude. Full mark sendaway

Q177.

Yvonne Filleul with BODEN JAY WS (D)
Q176.5

Beryl Kimberley with OAKHEART DARK
DELIGHT GSD (B) Q162.5.

UD NOSEWORK

Judge: PAUL BEASLEY

**Tracklayers: Val Upton, Caroline Ashford,
Barbara Ottley and Bob Burns.**

Search Steward: Wendy Beasley.

This was a first visit to the Ranmore trial for me, either as judge or competitor, and the hospitality, fine weather and good ground made it very enjoyable. Thanks to Joyce for her efficient management and Stan for all his work behind the scenes, as well as Dorothy and her team for the refreshments and lunches. Thanks also to Val and Caroline for their experienced track laying and to Barbara and Bob having their first attempts, which were very successful, also to Wendy for laying all the squares. I was very impressed with the overall standard. All the dogs wanted to track and most got round. Unfortunately, missed articles both on the track and in the square were costly.

1st Mrs Tess Shoobred and
OVERHILL HAVOC GSD (B) 183 Q A
lovely dog with a handler that gets the best
out of her. [The only dog with a full set of
articles.

2nd Mrs Stella Smythe and MORROW
DIAMOND DREAMING ACD (D) 169 Q
This dog had a steady, businesslike attitude
to his nosework, once again helped by his
experienced handler.

3rd Mrs Hilary Mercer and
HARCWOOD ELDERBERRY Lab (B) 163
Q A team having their first attempt at UD and
putting on a performance to be proud of.

4th Mrs Sue Zackheim and TIMBA OF
HARDY VICTORY XB(D) 170.5 NQ A nice
track with both articles but unfortunately
missed out by 0.5 on jumps otherwise would
have qualified.

All competitors were a pleasure to judge and
of a very good standard.

WD NOSEWORK

Judge: JOHN WYKES

Tracklayers: Stan, John and Bert

Square Steward: Lauren Marlow

Thank you to the club for asking me to judge,
I had a wonderful time, my three tracklayers,
two on Saturday, Stan and John, with Bert
joining us on Sunday, they all did a wonder-
ful job laying the tracks exactly as I wanted
(almost) and giving all the competitors an
equal chance of getting round, and my square
steward Lauren was absolutely brilliant, lay-
ing all the squares to give everybody the best
chance of getting the articles out as was
proved by the results of the nosework, only
two failures. To all the people behind the
scenes thank you very much for running such
a wonderful trial, the food was fantastic and
if nothing else it's worth judging for this club
just for that, once again thank you all very
much.

1st FLYNNTASTIC LICENZ TO
THRILL WSD (D) handler Paula Wright. A
very impressive nosework round from this
pair, and looking at the overall mark a very
good control round as well, one to watch out
for in the future. N/W 140. O/A 194 1/2 CoM
Well done.

2nd SARAMARK DANCING DIVA
CDex WSD (B) handler Nick Boyce.
Another good round, unlucky to come up
against the winner. N/W 136 1/2. O/A 190

CoM

3rd SANTROVASO SONATA CDex UDex GSD (B) handler Jennifer Speake. A nice round, just bits and pieces. N/W 129. O/A 183 1/2 CoM

4th LAETARE LEFT IN THE DARK CDex BC (B) handler Dean Woodcock. Missed article in the square was costly. N/W 130. O.A 179 1/2 CoM

Also qualifying

UTHYR DRAGON (ADI) Lab Ret (D) handler Felicity Boulderstone. N/W 131. O/A 179 CoM

FITZERS HAZEL CDex UDex Lab (B) handler Barry Harvey. N/W 125. O/A 177 CoM

SODEN JAY CDex UDex WS (D) handler Yvonne Filleul. N/W 131. O/A 176 1/2 CoM

OAKENHEART DARK DELIGHT CDex UDex GSD (B) handler Beryl Kimberley CDex UDex N/W 119. O/A 162 1/2 CoM

To all those who qualified well done, to those who didn't better luck next time.

PD NOSEWORK

Judge: STAN FORD.

Tracklayers : Me, Ron Davies, Bert Maynard

The nosework was on grass pasture land with good growth. The track pattern and articles; search pattern and articles had previously been selected by Wendy Beasley who judged all other parts of the stake. The good weather conditions made tracking conditions ideal and as a result all eight teams were successful.

1st Susanna Jaffa with ACCRA EAZEL BOB CDEx - TDEx ASD 297 marks. Lost just ten nosework marks - competent round of nosework exercises.

2nd Colin Harrison with SHINEHILL NINA CDEx - WDEx BC. 294 marks full mark track, the dog swallowed a search article, which perhaps is the reason the dog looked more confident than the handler!

3rd Judith Owens with FIRCROFT DOON CDEx - TDEx BC 270 marks. Lost just eleven nosework marks - good performance.

4th Jeff Poole with MANPOL ROBYN CDEx - TDEx GSD 260.5 marks.

Also qualifying C of M.

Sally Bergh-Roose with TOILERS TIMO AT SARSWAY GSD CDEx - TDEx. 258 marks.

This was not the best performance I have seen from this team but did enough overall to qualify.

The best nosework round was by John Reynolds with JACK THE LAD OF VALGRAY CDEx - WDEx. Full point round - the boy's not just a tracklayer!

Finally could I personally thank all competitors, fellow judges, and team of helpers for making this an enjoyable weekend at the trial. The only negative was the financial loss that my society will incur owing to the failings of the working trials magazine that failed to include the advertisement for the event.

PD C& A AND PATROL

Judge: WENDY BEASLEY

Steward: C&A Paul Beasley

Steward Patrol: Stan Ford;

Criminals: Bert Maynard, Ron Davis and Paul Beasley

I was pleased to be asked to judge the PD stake at Ranmore as I really enjoy judging this stake. Like Surrey, Ranmore has good ground and so I was fairly confident of having some nosework qualifiers but with 9

entries and only one day to run, I was grateful when Stan Ford offered to take over the nosework judging for this stake. This allowed me plenty of time to set out both my C&A and Patrol rounds, and Stan managed to achieve my objective with all dogs qualifying that section. Ranmore is blessed with an abundance of efficient helpers and Joyce ensures the trial runs smoothly while Dorothy keeps us all well fed. Paul and Stan were very efficient stewards and Ron, Bert and Paul did a tremendous job as criminals and ensured the round went just as I wanted it.

We had one scratch and so eight ran. The field for both the Control and Patrol round was quite large with a hedged boundary and plenty of scope for sendaways and quartering. C&A was for the most part well done and we only lost one team here with a slight confusion on the sendaway and redirect. Jumps were also well done with no failures.

The patrol round started with the quarter and for the first part of this an "innocent" man walked out from the boundary at the end of the field in full view of the dog and disappeared behind a blind. The dog was then sent out to locate this man. Once the handler had dealt with this situation the dog was sent on round the boundary to a second man sitting against the boundary under a fishing umbrella. This man was not quite so innocent and had a gun in his pocket and a chisel strapped to the umbrella. After the search during which the man became troublesome and noisy he was escorted back to the start post during which there was an attack on handler. The next exercise was the recall with a generous distance previously tested on our fastest collie. Once the dog returned to the handler they turned round to face the Test of Courage. This consisted of a T shaped area made up with wind breaks. The criminal was

at the far end in the square shaped box area and the dog was required to run up the passage way to get to the criminal. Black bin bags stuffed with newspapers were hung on the posts partially blocking the dog's vision of the criminal but the ends of the blinds were fanned out to encourage the dog to enter. The test of courage criminal was very noisy and aggressive shaking a plastic container of stones. The last exercise was the Chase, exactly the same as the recall but when the dogs had bitten and been joined by their handler they were allowed to win the sleeve.

I was very impressed with the overall standard and we finished with five qualifiers.

1st Susanne Jaffa with ACCRA EAZEL BOB ASD (D) Q This dog's full point C&A round was very impressive and he held it together with only minor mistakes in his Patrol round. Definitely one to watch.

2nd Colin Harrison with SHINEHILL NINA BC (B) Q Colin's experience has brought the best out of this young bitch and she shows great promise. A full point quarter and a committed patrol round which was a pleasure to watch.

3rd Judith Owens with FIRCROFT DOON BC (D) Q Brody has only recently started in PD and seems to be enjoying it. A good all round performance with just a blip on the Test of Courage.

4th Jeff Poole and LATCHETS BOSS GSD (D) Q A very experienced handler and a dog with a tremendous attitude. Unfortunately he was not wearing his thinking head but did enough to qualify and has already proved he can do it.

Qualified:

Sally Bergh- Roose TOILERS TIMO AT SARSWAY. GSD (D) Q Another dog with a super attitude but a little over enthusiastic on this occasion.

I look forward to seeing all these newcomers to PD in ticket where I am sure they will do very well. Well done to the qualifiers and even those that didn't make it this time showed tremendous promise.

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WESSEX DTC OPEN TRIAL

Aller Farm Uppotery
24th 27th November 2005

Judge: SHEILA TANNERT
Tracklayers Lindsey Poole Anne Clarke
Steward Robin

I would like to thank Wessex Working trials for the invitation to judge TD at their open trial. I would also like to thank Lindsey for putting me up and also for track laying. Thanks also to Anne Clarke for track laying. Many thanks to Robin for stewarding squares and control. We had a nice few days.

The weather - well what can I say. Thursday was cold and damp but Friday well it snowed. Lindsey sent out to lay the early tracks and never managed to reach the tracking ground. Ann and I were just setting off to go to base when Lindsey arrived back to let us know every thing had been cancelled for the day as no one could get into the village. People who rang were given a chance to work their dog on one of the remaining days Saturday the ground started to thaw and on Sunday we had quite a good day. I saw some smashing dogs and the standard was very good. Well done to all who qualified and to those who didn't - keep trying. I am sure your qualification won't be long in coming.

Many thanks also to Barbara and Jackie for the super meals they provided. Brian Riste - what a super Trials manager - never panicked once even when the going got tough with the

weather situation. Well done to all at Wessex for putting on a great trial.

We had 18 dogs work out of the 28 dogs that were entered

1st Jenny Jefferson BEKKIS VIRTU-OSO CDex WDex BC

Woody did a lovely track and search it was a pleasure to watch still needs a bit of work on the redirect part of the sendaway but really did deserve to qualify. Well done Jenny and good luck for the future 211ptsQ

2nd Colin Harrison SHINEHILL NINA CDex WDex BC

Colin tracked in the snow on Sat but even though he could see the track he let Nina work it out for her self - your handling was excellent. Nina also did a very good control round 210.5

3rd Jill Lawrence SLIEVE CHANCE CDex WDex BC

Tracked really well and also did a very nice control round. Very worthy of this place. Good luck for the future 207.5

4th Carla Morris AZI AZA KITE Crossbreed

Well done on your qualification. Just bits and bobs need tidying up and I am sure you will do very well with this lovely dog. 199

Also Qualifying

John West FULMAY FIRST CHALLENGER AT SHEPALIAN ASD 194Q

Pearl Bray KENMILITO STORM GR 185.5

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NATIONAL AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD ASSOCIATION OPEN TRIAL

4th December
Stoneleigh

TRIALS MANAGER'S REPORT

This was the second open CD trial run by N.A.S.A. Once again we had a very good entry of 15 and only a few scratches so once again a full day for the Judge and steward. Thank you for setting a sensible test, everyone seemed to be enjoying themselves.

A BIG THANK YOU to everyone that came to help, namely Catherine, Gary, Trish, Di, Tally and Zoe. You all did a brilliant job.

The competitors were a lovely bunch of people ranging from first timers to experienced handlers with young dogs. Most of the competitors stayed for the presentation, which resulted in a good atmosphere. Thank you to Leamington Dog Training Club for the use of your jumps and training ground. It was a brilliant day and thank you to everyone for making it so.

Linda Reynolds.

CD STAKE

Judge : Sue Darley

Steward : Sue McCabe

Very well run and friendly trials, all credit to Linda Reynolds and her very able team of helpers. We were very well looked after; in fact we committed the cardinal sin of sending back a Judges box with food still in it!!

I set a very straight forward test, my thought being that we are trying to encourage new people into our sport. The standard of work was excellent on the whole, and most of the handlers and dogs being capable of going on.

1st and best control round on 95 points
Q : Sue Jones with WSD MEG. Very nice all round performance as one would expect from Sue. The heelwork a lot better than Sue thought! Best of luck with Meg in the future Sue.

2nd and best nosework trophy on 90

points Q : Vicky Wilford with Pyrenean Sheepdog SCOOTER. This was the dog I was looking forward to seeing work, and he didn't disappoint. Scooter is the first dog of his breed to be awarded a C.O.M. Congratulations .. I am sure that on this showing he will go on to collect a few more. Very well done.

3rd 89.5Q Marie Dixon with X.D. GUNNER. I liked this dog a lot, Marie has had to work hard to get a tune out of this rescue dog, but her patience is paying off, and I am sure in time the article problem will resolve itself. Good luck with him.

4th 87.5Q Diane Matthews with WSD KIZZY. Very workmanlike round, the send-away costly today.

5th NQ on 62.5 Sarah Naylor and Lab ASSA. Assa is a very strong willed Lab, and Sarah had to work hard to get him to listen to her, but I saw nothing that couldn't be sorted.

6th NQ Morag McGinn with WBC BADGER. Only two out of the square, then Badger seemed to have his mind on other things during his control round. Keep up with his training and I am sure you can sort it out.

Trophy for the best "Aussie" went to Chris Shave and TOPAZ.

I would also like to mention David Barker and his GSD Sophie. David chose not to do the stays, but what a lovely round otherwise, only 4 points lost in total. I do hope that you manage to sort her stay out David.

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ASPADS WTS OPEN TRIAL

8-11th December 2005
Enfield

TRIALS MANAGER'S REPORT

Another successful 4 day trial due to the help

of a good team, thank you all. I will leave judges to thank their helpers in their stakes. Thank you Jacqui Gibney forstepping into Paul Morling's shoes when he was unable to come for C/A. To John Bowen, June Raymond, Jacky Rutter, Judy Meekings for the kitchen, a thankless but needy job. Judy also did paperwork before the trial and scores on her computer.

Well done to the qualifiers, keep trying those who did not quite make it. Again THANK YOU all for giving up your time to help. Come on you out there, how about you helping at your local trials.

VANA MOODY

STAKE UD & TD C/A

Judge JACQUI GIBNEY
Steward Jan Vallack

Many thanks to Jan Vallack for being an excellent steward and good company for the 4 days. Weather varied from cold to freezing, we had fog rain sun and the Buncefield cloud. I know the nosework judges will give full results, so to avoid repetition, I will just name the teams who did good C/A rounds.

In TD, Chris Gregory and GSD Buffy, CC Guard and Lab Bertie, Judy Meekings & Lab Megan and Malc Snowdon and Collie Jay all gave good accounts of themselves. Quite a few teams scraped through on minimum qualifying marks, the sendaway and redirect (or lack of it) mostly responsible, and only 9 dogs (of the 22 worked) achieved full marks on the jumps.

In UD, we worked 18 of the 33 entries, 12 scratches !! Although no dog achieved 20 for the jumps, Sally Baker & Hettie, R Woods & Holly, Lynne & Steve Liney with Boss and Gem , Sue Jones & Meg and Joan Watkins & Riley all did good rounds, and went on to qualify.

Congratulations to all the qualifiers, best of luck in Championship.

Last but not least, thank you Vana, for running the Trial. There were lots of problems to overcome, but you still managed to smile and sort them all out.

STAKE U.D. NOSEWORK

Judge: YVONNE FILLEUL
Tracklayers: Ruth Payton & Angela Porter
Steward: Penny Bann

Many thanks to A.S.P.A.D.S. for the invitation to judge. A big thank you to my tracklayers Ruth & Angela who had laid tracks exactly as requested even in the thick fog! Also thanks to my square steward Penny who laid excellent squares. Thanks to Vana, Trials manager who as usual ran an excellent trial, to Judy Meekings for the scores & printing the certificates and to everybody who helped in the kitchen. The food was excellent.

When I was told 33 had entered I panicked, but then set about finding articles which I would have liked to have had in an Open U.D. (In fact only 21 dogs worked.) I designed a track pattern that finished away from the pole to allow handlers to play with their dogs on the way back. The end article (a cloth Bone) was given as a reward for their dog. (1st Article was a square piece of underlay) Conditions for tracking were excellent although on the Sunday we did stand under the black cloud from the oil refinery at Hemel Hempstead!

On the whole all the dogs made good attempts at the test set. The square had 2 easier articles (a piece of carpet & a generous piece of vinyl) & 2 harder ones (a dolly peg & a green milk top). All the dogs got at least 2 articles out. Over the three days I saw some excellent tracks & searches from young dogs some at their first attempt in competition. To those

who qualified good luck in Championship U.D. If you didn't quite make it I am sure that a qualification is not far away. Lastly thanks to all the competitors who accepted my decisions.

1st Mr Steve Liney & GEMSTONE EASTER WISH, (Crossbreed) An excellent track & search the only dog to gain full points in the square. A pleasure to watch. Good luck in Championship U.D. (Track 88, Art. 20, Search 35) 194.5pts. COM.

2nd Mr & Mrs S L Liney & HORNAGE COPSE LAD (WSD.) Handler Lynne Liney Another excellent track & search, just losing odd marks here & there. Good luck in future trials. (Track 88.5 Art. 20 Search 32) 188.5pts. COM.

3rd Mrs Joan Watkins & DURSTONE O'RILEY (WDS.) An excellent attempt for his first trial, most impressive. Good luck in Championship U.D.(Track 88.5 Art. 20 Search 34) 188pts. COM.

4th Mrs Sue Jones & DURSTONE MELODY (WSD.) Another excellent track & search. Another dog that should do well in Championship U.D.(Track 88 Art. 20 Search 27) 183.5pts COM.

Also qualifying Udex

Pat Parkinson & CARISHILL HYACINTH (Golden Retriever) 179.5pts

Mr A. Goodley & HOLLEY COLLIE (WSD.) Handler Rosemary Woods 178pts.

Mrs Sally Baker & IVYMOOR HESTER (Weim.) 176.5pts

S. Zackheim & TIMBA OF HARDY VICTORY Handler Sue Drake 172.5pts.

TD NOSEWORK

Judge : DOROTHY BOWEN

Steward : Joan Watkins and Genine Newport

Tracklayers : Lee Cane, Penny Bellis, Jane

Gray and Lynne Baker

Thanks to ASPADS for inviting me to judge at this trial. Thanks to Vana, the trials manager, for organising everything and also for letting all the judges and helpers have the use of your house on Saturday for our evening meal. Thanks to Joan Watkins, my search steward and chauffeur, who was great company and also an excellent search steward. Genine Newport laid the squares on the day that Joan gained a COM in UD with her dog. (well done). Genine also laid the squares perfectly. I am sure you will be asked to steward again. My excellent tracklayers were Lee Cane, Penny Bellis, Jane Gray and Lynne Baker. Special thanks to Lee for laying the first tracks on all four days in the fog and thick frost. Thanks to Judy Meekings for printing the marks and certificates on the computer and also working in the kitchen with June and John. The food was excellent, especially the cakes made by Jan Vallack.

36 entered, 27 worked, 8 gained a COM.

1st Chris Gregory with VOMHAUSNYE QUANTUM GSD (B). Lost only one mark on the track and one mark on the search square. Excellent nose work. 215.

2nd Andrew Buchanan with GLENALPINE SOCKS BC (B). Full mark search square and another excellent track. 203.

3rd Judy Meekings with WITHYLINCH MURR AT WINDLEBROOK Lab. (B). Another full mark search square. Well done. 198.5.

4th Caroline Ashford with WOLFHARTS ULFHETHIN GSD (D). Good track. I was pleased when you had the second search article in your hand. 186.

Also gaining a Certificate of Merit :-

Norma Ansell with GEFNI WALKS ON WATER. GSD (B) 184.

Tracy Collier with SOROMOUR JUST FOR A LAUGH AND GLENTADA. GSD (D) 183.

Gill Lawrence with SLIEVE CHANCE. BC (D) 181.

Pearl Rigg with FRONSAC KRAUGER. GSD (D) 180.

This was a trial where the day you competed was important. All the dogs which worked on Sunday were unable to find the articles in the square. Was it due to the Hemel Hempstead fire which made a black cloud over the fields we were working in or was it the heavy frost that stayed on the ground all day due to the cloud of black smoke obscuring the sun? There must be a reason as we had full mark squares on other days and the same articles and steward were used. Commiserations to all the handlers whose dogs got round the track and got nothing out of the square.

The four days of the trial were very frosty and foggy but we had no rain.

John and Dorothy Bowen

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BLANCHARDSTOWN & DISTRICT DOG TRAINING CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP TRIAL

Date. 16th - 18th December 2005

Venue. Cappanargid, Rathangan, Co. Kildare. Ireland.

STAKES: C.D., U.D., W.D. & T.D.

Judge: MR. LOL CAMPBELL

Thanks to the club for your invitation to judge. I had a brilliant time, weather was very kind to us, only rained when we had finished on the Sunday. Thanks also to Judith and Jeff for their hospitality and use of your home. To my helpers, you all did a brilliant job for me, thanks a bunch (very professional)

CD Steward - Jennifer Hickey

UD Tracklayer - Jeff Poole

WD Tracklayers - Jeff Poole & Steve Fearon

TD Tracklayer - Rita Maloney who did all the tracks, Thank you.

Square and C&A Steward in all tracking stakes - Riona Kilbride, I really enjoyed your company, Thank you.

C.D. STAKE.

1st Judith Owens FIRCROFT DAL-WINNIE BC 82pts NQ.

Good all round test, well done.

2nd Miranda Moriarty HIGHFIELD CLYTEM NESTRA GSD 81pts NQ.

Very nice to watch, you will qualify soon, well done.

Both dogs worked very well, you need to change the stay rules. You both were worth your qualification under the new rules.

U.D. STAKE.

1st Judith Owens FIRCROFT DAL-WINNIE BC 189.5 pts Q ex. Best Track

Watch this little dog go, she will be a champion. Well done.

2nd Miranda Moriarty HIGHFIELD CLYTEM NESTRA GSD 177 Q ex.

Brilliant control round, just needs experience on the track. Good Luck.

W.D. STAKE.

1st Diana Collie COLLIEWOOD BROWN EYES BLUE BC 184 NQ. Best Track

Pity about the Down. Good luck in future.

2nd Bernadette Digges BAYLEY WSD 175 pts. NQ

3rd Caroline Woods XANDOA'S DARGO CDex UDex WSD 165.5 pts. NQ.

4th Caroline Woods PARAVEL GABRIELLA CDex UDex GSD 144 pts. NQ.

All dogs qualified in the tracking, with above 80 marks, just need to sort control out. I am sure you will all qualify soon.

T.D. STAKE.

1st & Green Star Judith Owens W.T. Ch. FIRCROFT DOON CDex-TDex BC 201 pts. Qex. Best Track Made the track look simple 96/100. Well done, you had to be at your best today.

2nd & Res. Green Star Anne Collen TESSA OF TANTRUM CROSS CDex-TDex GWP 200.5 pts. Qex Half marks for last article was the difference. Well done. Had me worried on the sendaway.

3rd Miriam Lyons W.T.Ch. KALIYON SHEEFRA CDex-TDex WSD 199.5 pts. Qex. Brilliant little dog to watch, well done.

4th Miriam Lyons TAMERRYE MARANELLO CDex-WDex BC 196 pts. Qex. Best control round. Well done.

Also TDex - Jeff Poole MANPOL ROBYN CDex-WDex GSD 190.5 pts. Qex.

Qual. TD - Steve Fearon FIRCROFT IDAHO CDex-WDex GSD 175.5 pts.

Finally I would like to wish you all a very Happy New Year and good luck with your dogs.

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YORKSHIRE W T S
CHAMPIONSHIP TRIAL

December 25th - 30th 2005
Skipsea

TRIALS MANAGER REPORT

This year was different from all others in that the Trials Manager (me), having done all the preparation had to go into hospital and stay there whilst the trial was on.

Can I take this opportunity to thank all the well wishers for their cards and phone calls, I am well on the way to recovery.

The episode does highlight the fact that you

need people you can rely on and I would like to thank all the judges and tracklayers and helpers for running and completing a good trial at Christmas at Skipsea.

I would especially like to thank Lol Campbell who came to judge at very short notice to get us out of a hole.

As is the case at Skipsea we have a good farmer who says help yourself and the base at the granary also contains a caravan site and smashing control field. What more can we ask.

Happy New Year everybody.

MICK CAMMIDGE

C.D. STAKE

Judge. MISS JUDITH OWENS
Steward Mrs. Julie Skipp

Thank you to Y.W.T.S. for the invitation to judge. Mick Cammidge was unable to attend the trial due to ill-health, I hope you are feeling much better now Mick. Well done to Jan Darby who stepped in as Assistant Trial Manager and did a great job and Glenys Page, Secretary, you both worked hard in the base to make sure everything ran very smoothly.

A big thank you to my steward Julie Skipp who was great company and absolutely brilliant with all the competitors it made my job an easy one.

We had a very cold day with snow on the ground, weather and road conditions for those travelling to the trial were a bit difficult, thank you to those who managed to get to the trial to allow me to judge your dogs. We had 20 entries, 11 ran, 6 qualified.

There were quite a few newcomers taking part alongside more experienced handlers, well done all of you I felt the standard of all the dogs was very high and if you did not qualify this time it won't be long before you do. Keep up the good work.

1st D. & J. Olley STARDELLALULA BC 94.5 pts.

Handled by Dave. What a lovely team to judge, very tidy in all exercises. One to watch for the future, Well done.

2nd Pat Parkinson CARISHILL HYACINTH GRET 93 pts.

Another lovely round, Pat's experience and Poppy's enthusiasm resulted in a very good qualifier.

3rd Judith Stamp SPROLLIE DOLLIE X Breed 90 pts. Well done, a really good round.

4th Sue Stewart SELDOMSEEN LIBBY BC 87 pts.

One of the newcomers. Your nerves didn't cause too much of a problem, well done and good luck for the future.

Also CDex

M. Bricknell HARTWOODHILL EMBLEM LAB 85.5 pts.

R. Banfather STARCO MY GUY OF BANNERSWAY GSD 80 pts.

U. D. STAKE

Judge: LOL CAMPBELL

Tracklayers: - Ann Bedford and Dave Skipp.

Control and Square Steward: Julie Skipp

You all did a brilliant job for me Thankyou.

Thanks to the society for the appointment to judge U. D. It is always a pleasure to judge young dogs. Due to the weather conditions only four dogs worked.

Thanks to Jan Darby – Assistant Trials Manager for all her help. Thanks also to my helpers ;

1st Miss Roseanne Leatham (JUSTY GUS) WSD Handled brilliantly by a youngster. Well done. (170 Q EX)

2nd Mrs Janette Sayer (VILLAGE KING) GSP Made the test look so simple on tracking field . Well done. (162 Q EX)

3rd Miss Angie Smith (MATTIS BELLARINA) GSD Snow storm was the problem today. You will qualify soon. (87 N/QUAL)

STAKE: TRACKING DOG

Judge: JEFFREY J. POOLE

Tracklayers: Tom Darby and Andrea Lynd

Search Stewards: Judith Owens (Mon. - Weds.), Ann Bedford (Thurs.)

Control and Agility Steward: Judith Owens.

Stay Stewards: Sheila Margreaves, Roseanne Leatham.

Thanks to the committee of Y.W.T.S. for the invitation to judge at this trial. It certainly was a trial of changes, initially I had been invited to judge the W.D. stake, but due to Pete Carroll's ill health I was asked to step up to the T.D. stake. (Hope you are on the mend now Pete). This meant a change of W.D. judge to Graham Reaney, thanks for taking over my slot. Then the U.D. judge dropped out, and Lol Campbell stepped in at the eleventh hour. That, you would think, was enough for trials secretary Glenys Page to cope with, but then due to ill health trials manger Mick Cammidge was unable to attend. (Our thoughts are with you and your family). Thankfully, Jan Darby took over the role as trials manager, and did a sterling job, on top of being base steward, scorer, etc.etc.etc. Thanks a million Jan, I don't know how we would have done it without you.

I had a great team of helpers (see above), thanks to all of you for your help in some very extreme weather conditions. The weather varied throughout the week, Monday was dry and windy, Tuesday was showery and windy, then

overnight we had snow, which continued into Wednesday, Thursday was dry but very cold (minus 6), then Friday (C. & A.) we had blizzard conditions.

Every competitor was given the very best chance to do well, and all the dogs gave of their best, I think it was only the combination of the varying weather conditions that affected how well they actually did.

There were 41 entries, 32 worked. 18 qualified the nosework, 3 completed the track with only 1 article, and 9 failed the track. 2 only recovered 1 article from the square. 3 qualifiers were lost in the stays (the first exercise of the day). So we ended up with 12 Excellent qualifiers and 1 T.D. only. 2 nosework qualifiers did not undertake the C. & A. one had given apologies the other did not bother. Those that did work did a brilliant job, all the dogs giving maximum effort in extreme conditions, you should all be proud of what they achieved.

1st and C.C. Sheila Tannert with W.T.Ch. STYPERSON BRIAR. 213.

A good all round performance.

2nd and Res.C.C. Gary Atkins with CAF-COLL RON. 210.

On the same nosework marks as the winner. Only the odd mark here and there cost it on the day. I am sure the second ticket won't be long in coming.

3rd Margaret Robinson with W.T.Ch. TYTRI LACE OF TRENTVALLEY. 201.

4th Pat Herbert with W.T.Ch. JOLLY JILL. 197.5.

Also qualifying TDex (in catalogue order):

Graham Brumpton with W,T,Ch. JUST WILLIAM 194.5

Anne Clarke with TARNEDGE SOLAR 195.

Barry Gilbert with W.T.Ch. LAETARE DAY JAVU 193.

Nigel Hines with TYTRI KES OF BRYNSWOOD 192.

Dave Marchant with W.T.Ch. WAGGER-LAND MISTER JAKE 187.5.

Rod Roberts with W.T.Ch. LITTLE BART 191.5.

Julie Skipp with SKIPAWAY ZORRO 183.

John Wykes with FLYNNTASTIC RED JAFF OF TARNFORCE 185 .5

Qualifying T.D.

Pat Williams with SUNSHINE JED 175.

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on:

Saturday 15th and Sunday 16th April 2006
(if large entry will start Friday 14th April)

at:

Hinton in the Hedges, Brackley, Northants

Judges:	T.D. Nosework	Mrs Judy Meekings
	U.D. Nosework	Mr. Raymond Lea
	TD/UD C & A	Mr. Richard Cornwell
	C.D. Stake	Mrs. Deb Williams

Entry Fees: UD/TD: £ 15.00 (Members £13) CD: £12.00 (Members £10)

ENTRIES TO BE RECEIVED BY WEDNESDAY 15TH MARCH 2006

Schedules from: www.workingtrials.co.uk or write to Carla Nieuwenhuizen, Ryelands House, Aynho, Banbury, Oxon, OX17 3AT (S.A.E. PLEASE). For any other information phone: 01869-810646.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG ASSOCIATION
OPEN WORKING TRIAL**

28th - 30th April 2006

Venue: Pond Farm, Walesby, Notts.

Judges:	PD Stake	Mick Tustain
	WD Nosework	Liz De Unger
	UD Nosework	Stevi Boyall
	CD + UD/WD C&A	Maeve Weselby

Entry Fees: PD/WD/UD Stakes £15.00 CD Stake £12.00
(£2 reduction for paid up members)

ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY MONDAY 27TH MARCH 2006

Schedules from: Wendy Magyar, 28 Mickledale Close, Bilsthorpe, Newark, Notts NG22 8QN
Entries to: Garry Talbot, 31 Manor Road, Mansfield Woodhouse, Mansfield, Notts. NG19 8DL
Please send SAE

**BRITISH ASSOCIATION FOR GERMAN SHEPHERD DOGS
CHAMPIONSHIP WORKING TRIAL**

On : 13th - 16th April 2006

At : Flintham, Notts

Judges :	PD :	Charlie Taylor
	WD :	John West
	CD :	Joan Snowden

(WD Stake all work in one day)

Entry Fees : PD / WD - £16.00; CD - £12.50
(£2.00 reduction to paid-up BAGSD Members - Membership number must be quoted on entry)

(Cheques should be made payable to B.A.G.S.D. Working Trials)

ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY SATURDAY, 4th MARCH 2006

Schedules from / Entries with fees to the Trial Manager :
Mrs. Sheila Tannert, 31 Queensway, Kirkby-In-Ashfield, Notts. NG17 7GG
(Please enclose S.A.E.)

**SCOTTISH WORKING TRIALS SOCIETY
CHAMPIONSHIP TRIAL**

Lauder, Berwickshire,
Wednesday 17th May To Sunday 21st May 2006

Judges:	PD Stake	Eric Roberts,
	WD Stake	Anne Collen
	UD Stake	Ann Timlin
	CD Stake/Veteran	Gwen Matear

ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY TUESDAY 18TH APRIL 2006

TRIALS MANAGER.

David McPhillips 01875 825401

Entry Fees:	Tracking Stakes	£13.00 (Members)	£15.00 (Non Members)
	CD Stake	£10.00 (Members)	£12.00 (Non Members)

Entries for the above trials, schedules and information (please send SAE) from the Trials Secretary: Mrs. Lorna Cottier, 5 Hillside Gardens, Dolphinton, West Linton. Peeblesshire EH46 7AE Telephone number 01968 682218 / 07855039787

**YORKSHIRE WORKING TRIALS SOCIETY
OPEN WORKING TRIAL**

On: 8th/9th April 2006 (Previous Days If Required)
At: West Bretton Village Hall, West Bretton, Wakefield

Judges	UD Nosework:	Pete Morley
	WD Nosework:	Cathrine Chadwick
	TD Nosework:	Ron Jaques
	TD/WD/UD C & A & CD:	Suzanne Plumb
	PD Stake:	Nelson Smith

ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY WEDNESDAY 23RD MARCH 2006

Entry fees: Tracking Stake £15 CD Stake £11, paid up members £2.00 reduction
Cheques made payable to Y.W.T.S

Schedules from / Entries to: Mrs S Margreaves Barnstable House, 38 High Street,
Crigglestone, Wakefield WF4 3EB TEL: 01924 259144,
Please enclose S.A.E.

**WEST HERTS WORKING TRIALS SOCIETY
OPEN WORKING TRIAL**

31st March - 2nd April 2006
at: Wood Farm, Piccotts End, Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire

Judges: TD Stake Joan Snowdon
WD Stake Dave Clark
UD Stake Belinda Frakes
C&A Angela Porter
All stakes will be completed in one day

Entry fees are: £15.00 (£1.00 reduction for members)

ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY MONDAY 14TH MARCH 2006

Schedules from/entries with fees to the Trials Manager;
Jan Vallack, 2 Heath Lane, Hemel Hempstead, Herts HP1 1TT
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**SURREY DOG TRAINING SOCIETY
CHAMPIONSHIP WORKING TRIAL**



at: Okewood Village Hall, Nr,Ockley, Surrey.
on: 18th - 22nd April 2006

Judges: TD Stake Roger Shrimpton
UD Stake Lauren Marlow
CD Stake Penny Bellis
(CD Stake 22nd-23rd; UD Stake all work completed in one day)

Entry Fees: Tracking Stakes£17.00 (Members £15.00)
CD Stake £10.00 Senior Citizens £1.00 reduction

ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY MONDAY 13TH MARCH 2006

Schedules from/entries with fees to: Mrs Christine Brooks, Cobleigh, Sheets Heath,
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ASPADS AGM - SUNDAY 23RD APRIL 2006 AT GAYTON VILLAGE HALL, GAYTON, NORTHANTS

THE AGM WILL BE PRECEDED BY A SPECIAL EVENT, OPEN TO ALL.

Programme of events	9.30am 10.00am-12.30pm 1.00pm 2.00pm	Arrive / Coffee A presentation by Anne Bussey "Clicker training as applied to Working Trials" Lunch AGM - members only
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Event, including lunch, FREE to ASPADS members, non-members £5, payable on the day.

All places, free and charged, must be booked with Barry Harvey by Friday April 7th.

Book in writing to:- 2 Yew Tree Cottage, Hogbens Hill, Selling, Faversham, Kent, ME13 9QU,
by e-mail to:- barry.harvey@m-real.com , or by phone to:- 01227 752392 .

**SCARBOROUGH OPEN TRIAL TD WD UD CD.
ENDING SUNDAY 19TH MAY 2006
All work in one day**

TD	Barry Gilbert	WD	Ann Bedford
UD	Linda Newbold	CD	Dave Craven
C & A Dave Marchant			

Trials Manager & Entries to: Mrs P Hodgkins, 7 Mere View Gardens, Scarborough, N Yorks, YO12 4DF
CLOSING DATE: 12TH APRIL 2006

**STAMFORD CHAMPIONSHIP TRIAL PD WD UD CD.
ENDING SUNDAY 23RD JULY 2006
PD Patrol Sun, all CD, UD and WD work in one day**

PD	Graham Reaney	WD	Vana Moody
UD	Ann Timlin	CD	Bill Hardaway

Trials Manager & Entries to: Mrs Jean Morley, 6 Main Street, Upton, Gainsborough, Lincs, DN21 5NU
**PLEASE NOTE NEW TRIALS MANAGER
CLOSING DATE: 14TH JUNE 2006**

SCHEDULES & INFORMATION

Trials Manager or Trials & Membership Secretary

Judy Meekings, 189 Guildford Road, Lightwater, Surrey GU18 5RB. Tel: 01276 475225

(S.A.E. Please)

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	C.D Stake	Members £12.00	Non Members £14.00

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