

ISLE OF WIGHT GUNDOG CLUB

JUNE 2016

A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

The last year seems to have flown by and we have had many good events. I am reporting on April 2015 to March 2016.

Throughout the year the committees and many members has given their time and expertise freely taking no expenses to put on the shows, training, working test and field trials.

The shows have been held at Havenstreet which was a lovely outdoor venue sadly no longer available for rent and Medina Leisure Center a great large hall. Jan and Ken Andrews donated money to the shows which really helped to make them viable my very grateful thanks to you both.

Margaret, Dave and the show committee organised both of the shows which were well supported we had some very good judges who spoke well of the club. There is a huge amount of work both before during and after the shows. My very grateful thanks to the show committee Dave, Margaret, Lin, Belinda, Neil, Jan Andrews and Jan Drake for putting on such splendid and enjoyable days and thanks to everyone who helped.

If any of you have any ideas on possible sponsorship for the shows in the future please let the committee know.

Show training attendance has been up and down, the trainers are very good at passing on their experience and expertise to all who attend my thanks go to them all and to the members who help set up and put away on these evenings your help is much appreciated.

Last summer we were very lucky to have outdoor training at Terri Moore's which was really enjoyed by all. Thank you Terri.

The monthly matches are always good events the MOTY was judged by an exceptional lady Julia Iles-Hebbert she made the day a joy spending lots of time with all and especially the young members. Then she sent thank you cards. She was inspirational.

Dave Smith our Vice Chairman is for the first time ever is not here for the AGM. On behalf of us all I thank Dave for all he has done for the car he works tirelessly for the club for which I know we are all very grateful.

The working committee of Wendy, Terry, Steve, Carole, Corinne and myself have once again put on wonderful working tests. Hosted at Rowlands Farm, Westcourt and Newnham Farm. Very grateful thanks to our generous landowners Alan Aylett, The Russell

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family and Mr & Mrs John Cleaver for allow the club to use their land. Thanks also to the judges who did an excellent job and thanks to all the helpers who give their time to make the days successful.

Both the Open and Novice Field Trials we held at Newarn/Ashengrove our thanks to the keeper Steve Dorman and to the super team of guns headed by Tim Lester who purchased the days in order that the club to hold these very important days. Thanks also to the judges who travelled over to make these days possible and to the anonymous person who donated money to help support the expense of the trials this was most welcome.

Working training is held fortnightly with Terry, Carole and myself taking the classes. Throughout the year they have been well attended and we have a good mixture on breeds to challenge us. My thanks to all the landowners for allowing us to use their ground and to Carole & Terry.

The working side have undertaken several working demonstrations during last summer which have been well received.

I thank the working committee for their tireless support and enthusiasm for all the events we are a great team.

The fun day a new venture was held at Coppidhall by kind permission of Harold and Andrea George. Pulled together on the day and with the sun shining it turned into a lovely day of fun, food and

rivalry. It is hoped we will repeat this event this summer on 14th August.

This year the Agricultural Show will see the club in the main ring with a parade of breeds which is being organised by Dave on Sunday 26th June.

The club Christmas dinner was held at the college organised by Neil & Pat lovely food and company. Thanks you both for organising this enjoyable evening.

As you will all know we had thought to open up the club training to non-gundogs. Having run it past all the committees we sadly came to the conclusion that welcoming all breeds would be disrupted so with hindsight the exec decided against this idea.

As you have heard the finances of the club are in a very sound position Ann and Nick put in hours work into the figures which end up summarised on a few sheets of paper. Thank you both for all you do.

Corinne as part of her accountancy training has undertaken a project on the clubs finances; we may in time implement some of her procedures into our day to day finance to safeguard both the members and treasurer who handle club funds. I wish Corinne success with her qualification. Your Executive committee of Dave, Margaret, Carole, Jayne, Wendy Perera, Wendy Snow, Corinne, Jan and myself all work hard for the club. We all try our very best to put the club first and give so much towards the club success whilst looking towards the

future. It is not always an easy task and I thank everyone of them for all they do for the membership I am eternally grateful to you all.

Obviously our next year is well on the way, we have two vacancies on the Executive as Jan Andrews has resigned. I take this opportunity to thank Jan for all she has done in every way for the club my thanks must also include Ken as Jan and Ken do so much together. Thank you both.

Today is the day that Margaret retires from the Executive Committee after more years than we can remember. Her support and enthusiasm for the club has just been incredible. She has been show sec for ten years which she would be the first to admit is not her forte; that said the shows have been successful under her tenure. She has given her time, expertise and knowledge willingly and freely. Over the years she has also achieved so much with her Labradors and her Chesapeake Bay's covering thousands of miles promoting the two breeds. Margaret was amongst the first to join the club all those years ago her contribution cannot be measured. Thankfully she has said she will remain on the show committee until a new show sec has been appointed. On behalf of the club I sincerely thank you for all you have done please accept this gift and we all wish you well in retirement.

To all of you I wish you fun, enjoyment and success with your dogs and hope to see you at the next events.

Gill Cavaciuti
Chairman, IWGDC

AGM AWARDS

At the AGM there are a series of annual trophies presented. This year the Chairman and the Working and Show Sub-Committee's awarded the trophies as follows:

THE GUNVALE TROPHY ~ To the top working dog ~ **Carole Montague, Faybourne Oasis**

MAYDENE MAX TROPHY ~ To the top Island Show Dog ~ **Jan Drake & Diana Preece with Clamerkin Bohemain Queen**

THE HULVERSTONE TROPHY ~ Awarded by the Show Committee to the **Best Newcomer to Showing** ~ **Sue Legg**

THE FERGUS TROPHY ~ Awarded by the Show Committee to the club's most promising Young Showing Handler ~ **Albert Northard**

THE HOLBROOK TROPHY ~ Awarded to the dog with the most points attained at the monthly matches ~ **Dyan Northard's Valentisimo Lugo**

PUPPY TROPHY ~ Awarded to the young dog with the most points at monthly matches ~ **Wightroche Franklinite owned by Cheryl Blackley and Ian Salero**

CHAIRMAN'S CRYSTAL ~ This is awarded for attendance at training

The Show award goes to ~ **Lynda Smith**

The Working award goes to ~ **Angela Slaughter**

HANDLER OF THE YEAR This is awarded to the person that the working committee want to encourage; to someone who they feel has listened, practiced and tries really hard. It was Gill's very great pleasure to award this to **Steve Tanner**

THE FIELD.

I am not quite sure where last year went – I seem to have a list of things that I wanted to do, but did not get around to many of them, hindered with a slight hiccup in the health of my young IWS. But fingers crossed everything is now back on track and I have much more planned for 2016 (although that appears to be disappearing fast as well!)

As a club we have been lucky over the last year to find some really good new venues to use for tests. We had Rowlands at Havenstreet, and Moor Farm at Godshill for working tests and Newbarn at Calbourne for out Field Trials. As ever we are always grateful to our very supportive landowners and it is important to us as a club that we make sure venues are left clean and tidy and that we are courteous to landowners.

Sadly, I read that this is not always the case. Landowners do not have to allow us to use their land and the least we can do is to be polite and ensure that we do not leave any mess behind us.

It never fails to amaze me the amount of support that we manage to rustle up to help at tests, and as FT Secretary I am eternally grateful that people will come along and help out as they are the foundation of a good event, without them we are not going anywhere. I know that this is not always the case, and clubs do struggle to get helpers, which is a shame, because at some point as competitors we have all benefitted from being able to compete, because of those unsung band of people who have turned up and helped out. We should remember that and make a point of giving something back to clubs every year, not simply paying our membership and expecting everything to be provided for us. Remember we are all volunteers and would welcome support with open arms!

On a more positive note, the club has decided to not only make use of FTMS for its trials, but for 2016 has added all of its working tests to the system as well. We would

encourage you to make use of the system if you can, but will of course still take paper entries.

We look forward to seeing you all and to meeting new members and friends throughout 2016.



Wendy

Field Trial Secretary

SUNDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER PUPPY AND NOVICE WORKING TESTS, ROWLANDS FARM, HAVENSTREET

We finished our 2015 GTW season with a new stunning venue and lovely weather. A good field of approximately 50 dogs, with some lovely retrieves in 4 good tests.

A huge thank you to the judges of Wendy Neville, Di Paterson, Gillian Yates and Paula Pitman and the helpers for the club who turned out en masse (22 in total) to set what we hope everyone found to be a good day. The ground was lovely, grassland and wood, undulating slightly, giving the dogs runs to think about and the ground scented well. In the puppy there was a run off for 2nd-3rd placings and in the Novice a run-off for 1st and 2nd place.

Puppy:

1st Mike Crutchley - Mitforten Neon

2nd James Walsh - Leadburn Vanessa (highest placed IW Puppy)

3rd Sue Jordan - Tullysedge My Belle Nell

4th Sarah Lowman - Laverton Meadow Cowslip

Novice:

1st Moira Robertson - Cynhinfa Nesta of Downfarm

2nd Jackie Davis - Fordcopse Baillie

3rd Andy Webb - Greenbriar Glenmorangie (highest placed IW Novice)

4th Lianne Bird - Helnorall Colombo of Birdsmill

MONDAY 23RD NOVEMBER OPEN FIELD TRIAL, NEWBARN FARM

This was new ground for the club and we were met with a lovely bright and frosty start for new ground. A huge thank you to the keeper and the beaters who produced some fantastic birds over the team of guns that was organised by Tim Lester, who once again provided a team of guns that shot well for the trial.

Two busy drives, through the valley at Newbarn provided enough game on the ground for the trial, with 5 rounds before awards were given. Dogs were worked in the valley and in the wooded cover at the back of the valley.

The judges Mr Shipp, Sue Hutton, Dave England and Ken Green had their work cut out to judge dogs that were all performing well and a full set of awards were given.

The only downside to working in the valley was that there were issues with radio reception and the stewards and chief



steward had to be contortionists to get into a position whereby they could talk to one another! If we use the same

drives for 2016, which we very much hope to do we have been practising smoke signals as a new means of communication!

- 1st Frank Fitheridge - Hanrebor Blackberry (Lab) and congratulations to Frank for making his dog up on the day.
- 2nd Mell Brooks - Tayfordwoods Rosebank of Annington Bay (Lab)
- 3rd Mike Rollinson - Wheatash Anser (Lab)
- 4th Julia Smith - Laborie Cirrus (Lab)
- COM Jane Tydeman - Roundcopse Finch (Lab)
- Guns Choice - Sharon Dingle - Aquacadian's Moses of Bellspaddle (Lab)

MONDAY 21ST DECEMBER NOVICE FIELD TRIAL, NEWBARN FARM

Our Novice trial was also held at Newbarn and Ashengrove, Calbourne, IW and a different set of drives were used than had been used in the Open Trial. It was good ground and the keeper Steve Dorman produced some lovely high birds on the first drive with some good cover for the dogs to work in on the second drive. We were not lucky with the weather, it was threatening wet, but we finished before the worse of the weather hit.

Thanks to our judges Tony Casserly, Len Herbert, Diana Stevens, and Reuben Corbett for their support in judging for the club. The Team of guns headed by Tim Lester shot well for the trial and the club are grateful to them for shooting for the trial.

- 1st Tayfordwoods Dailuaine, Christine Baldwin (lab)
- 2nd Autumn Willow Tag, Ken Green, (lab)
- 3rd Leaworthy Samuel of Gospelash, Nick Coates, (lab)
- COM Winston via Rhylstone, Tony Sweatman, (lab)
- Guns Choice, Loisaba Rhearn, June Bearman, (lab)

Congratulations to all in the awards and thank you all for continuing to support the club.

SUNDAY 21ST FEBRUARY NOVICE AND OPEN WORKING TESTS

The Isle of Wight Gundog Club Novice and Open GWTS were held at Newnham Farm, Binstead, IW by kind permission of Mr J Cleaver. This ground had been double booked for 2015 so had not been used, but we were determined not to lose out using this ground in 2016. It was lovely ground, with undulating grassland, woodland and cover crop to use.

We had a good strong entry for the event, and a lovely large undercover area for the start and finish of the day. We ran 4 tests, as being February we wanted to give competitors the opportunity to get home at a reasonable time, as we are conscious that people travel to our events from some distance away – not to mention across water!

The weather was kinder to us this year, and many thanks to our judges Liz Barnes; John Barnes; Lindsey Warren and Terry Souter.

Test 1 was a double for both the novice and open, the first dummy being a mark with shot and the second unseen over undulating grassland. The distances varied for novice and open.

Test 2 was a picking exercise to test handling skills.

Test 4 was a mark for the novice with the open needing direction for their retrieves. This took place in the woodland, and was a lovely sheltered spot.



Test 4 was out in a field with cover crop and was a steading

test with marks for both novice and open dogs.

Novice:

- 1st Fryernshot Nimrod of Copsehollow, Pru Perkins
- 2nd Leadburn Vanessa, James Walsh (also highest placed puppy in novice and highest placed IW competitor in Novice)
- 3rd Skye of Ebony, Judith Curtis
- COM: Autumn Willow Briar, Ken Green; Mitforton Nutmeg, Mike Fleming

Open:

- 1st Lubbecke Royal Sapphire, Gillian Yates
- 2nd Tayfordwoods Bella Colora Sue Chapman
- 3rd Lubbecke Simone Gillian Yates
- COM: Tuscanni Viking and Helnorall Magnum Rob Smallman

SUNDAY 15TH MAY NOVICE AND OPEN WORKING TESTS

The IWGDC Novice and Open working tests were held at Moor Farm, Godshill, on Sunday 15th May 2016. After a cloudy and somewhat chilly start to the day, which I have to say most of the competitors commented on as they arrived(!), the sun finally emerged to bath the merry band of competitors that took part in the tests in warmth and sunshine. We had an unfortunate clash with tests also being run by Guildford, but a hardy and top quality card of competitors were present for the day.

This was new ground for the club, and was a lovely venue for the 5 tests that were run. The ground was varied, with reeds, open grassland and some wooded areas, which made for variety for the dogs on the day.

Test 1 was a blind out across the reeds, with a shot for the novice, and at a slightly shorter distance and different angle to the open test. This open test proved a challenge for the open dogs, with the wind and the reeds proving more of a barrier than looked likely at first glance. It was a long unseen, without shot, and was a real test, but was achievable.

Test 2 was a mark and memory across a field for the novice and through reeds for the open.

Test 3 was a double blind for both the novice and open, with shot for the novice, in a nice sheltered field and the test ran through well.

Test 4 was the walk-up. 3 dogs ran in the novice at a shorter distance than the open, who ran in pairs. The open was approx. 180 yds, and again proved testing. The longer grass proved difficult for scenting for both novice and open dogs.

Test 5 was a rabbit distraction with an unseen at different distances up a short track for both the novice and open.

Thank you to our lovely group of judges of Kieran Smith, Keith Broomfield, Robert Worrall, Sue Searle and Lindy Higham, for their very fair judging, and for coming over to the Island to judge for us. Well done to all in the awards.



Novice:

- 1st Fenway Damson, Lesley Collins
- 2nd Ranwolf Andvari, Derek Widgery (highest placed IW Novice)
- 3rd Opataz Lancelot, Sheila Rapley
- COM Ranwolf Arvak, Terry Souter and Sugarsnap Susie, Lucy Collis

Open:

- 1st Winston via Rhylstone, Tony Sweatman (highest placed IW Open)

There were no other awards for the open test.

ROLL CALL OF HONOUR FOR IWGDC WT/FT TEAM

As is the case for all clubs, it is impossible to run working tests and field trials without not only very generous landowners who provide venues, but a group of supporters who tirelessly turn up, invariably stand on their own for large parts of the day, and throw or place dummies, or those that steward around groups of people, which at times can be a lot like herding cats!

We are very grateful to our band of helpers who give up time to help run events. The working sub- committee may

do the organising, but nothing would run well without those individuals who come along and help. The band of helpers that have turned out during 2015/16 are:

- Ann Baird
- Emily Thearle
- Helen Ryall
- Jane Cross
- Tony Sweatman
- Tim Perera
- Malc Clayton
- Hayley Clayton
- Mick Cass
- David Richardson
- Alex Snow
- Wendy Snow
- Christina Finnerty
- Andy Webb
- Tim Pressey
- Lewis Bellamy
- Sheila Lovegrove
- Fran Robbins
- Jenni Phillips
- David Tanner
- Martin Tanner

Also thanks to Brian Robbins for helping with dummy throwing at training and of course to Ann and Nick for their expertise on the refreshments front.

2016/2017 DIARY DATES

- Saturday 17th September - Open Show
- Sunday 18th September – Puppy/Novice Working Tests
- 7th November – Open FT, Newbarn Farm
- tbc – Novice FT, Newbarn Farm

SUMMER FUN

The club held a “fabulous summer fun day and picnic” on 9th August. The weather was lovely, the ground fantastic and the company was great!

The event was held at Coppidhall Farm in Havenstreet, by the kind permission of Harold and Andrea George, who also came along to join in the fun. It was an opportunity to get together, have fun with our dogs, and a good excuse to



socialise and eat the wonderful scones, jam and cream provided by Carole Montague.

Fetch the sausage was by far and away the favourite event for the dogs – there was not surprisingly quite a lot of misunderstanding on the part of our four legged partners with many interpreting “fetch” as EAT!!!!!!!!!!!!

The fastest recall was accompanied by a great deal of vocal encouragement from owners in an effort to encourage a return at the speed of light. Needless to say some of the encouragement was rewarded by a recall akin to a speeding bullet.

The most hotly contested event was the ladies dummy throwing – yes you read right the LADIES dummy throwing. It was clear that some ladies had been hiding their dummy



throwing skills under a bushel and it was a close run competition, with Emily Thearle just pipping Helen Ryall in the last throw. The men were a bit more shy, hanging back and acting nonchalant (I suspect some of them were put off by the outstanding achievements of the ladies).

A huge thank you to all who turned up and took part and we hope that you had a fun day. The winners of the fun events were:

- Fetch the sausage - Jenny Phillips - Mina
- Statues - Lucy Collis - Olive
- Fastest Recall - Lucy Collis – Olive
- Ladies dummy throwing – Emily Thearle
- Mens dummy throwing – Robert Lovegrove
- Top pair – Lucy Collis and Olive
- Top Handler – Caroline Jennings
- Top Dog – Eric
- Sub-committee Rosette – Margaret Medland

Fabulous Summer Fun Day and Picnic 2016
Sunday 14th August
10:00am at Coppidhall Farm, Havenstreet.
Cost: £5.00 per dog.

A fun day for all, owners and dogs alike.

FTMS

What is the Field Trial Management System©?

To put it simply FTMS© is an on-line management system that guides a Field Trial Secretary through the process of setting up a Trial or Working Test and steers an Owner through the process of entering the Trial or Working Test.

The benefits are as follows:

✓Members. A person need only be on the system once thus preventing duplication across all Clubs. So if a person's details change, then that information is available across the system.

✓Dogs. The system contains an extensive database of dogs and parentage, qualifications and prefixes. This means that when entering a dog into a Trial, the details of that dog are immediately and permanently accessible.

✓Clubs. Clubs and Officers of the Club contact details are always available, in one place.

✓Judges. A list of Judges is always available.

✓Owners. Details are entered once and once only.

✓'One stop shopping' No need to trawl through 120+ web sites – Trials are all displayed in one place.

✓Enter a Trial or Working Test on-line – no paper, no postage, no emails.

✓Automated collection of fees.

ACCOUNTS

INCOME & EXPENDITURE (SHOW) - 1 APRIL 2015 TO 31 MARCH 2016 (2014 to 2015 in brackets)

Income	£	£
Show Entries	1720.40	(2026.73)
Show Raffle	450.00	(5.50.0)
Show Donations	495.70	(233.65)
Show Catalogues	259.25	(83.00)
Cup Insurance	47.50	(80.00)
Scurry	32.00	(0.00)
Match of the Year	110.50	(0.00)
Match Entries	347.00	(482.00)
Match Raffle	237.00	(361.00)
Match Refreshments	189.90	(284.10)
Donations	24.00	(0.00)
Xmas Party	30.00	(0.00)
Training	477.95	(558.70)
AGM	46.16	(25.60)
Seminar	0.00	(469.00)
Sale of Stock	1.00	(2.00)
Fund Raising	140.00	(0.00)
Membership Fees	419.00	(474.00)
Building Society Interest	2.84	(2.84)
Total	5030.20	(5,052.67)
Expenditure	£	£
Kennel Club General	99.00	(9.00)
General Expenditure	191.80	(432.0)
Stationery	42.13	(26.27)
Show Venue	544.40	(250.00)
Show	1985.56	(1301.20)
Match of the Year	45.54	(21.25)
Match	390.94	(418.48)
Training	457.50	(525.62)
AGM	80.13	(46.39)
Seminar	0.00	(240.51)
Membership Fees	13.00	(0.00)
Total	3858.00	(3271.12)

INCOME & EXPENDITURE (WORK) - 1 APRIL 2015 TO 31
MARCH 2016 (2014 to 2015 in brackets)

Income	£	£
Adverts	0.00	(20.00)
Field Trial Entries	780.00	(840.00)
Field Trial Deposit	3200.00	(0.00)
Field Trial Donations	400.00	(207.92)
Working Test Entries	747.00	(836.00)
Working Test Raffle	278.00	(280.00)
Working Test Refreshments	0.00	(183.55)
Training	685.00	(924.30)
Donations	59.39	(100.00)
Team Event	0.00	(36.00)
I of W Challenge Entries	0.00	(85.00)
I of W Challenge Raffle	0.00	(56.90)
Fun Day	204.00	(0.00)
AGM	0.00	(25.60)
General	12.00	(0.00)
Sale of Stock	285.51	(274.90)
Membership Fees	1350.00	(1384.00)
Building Society Interest	2.84	(2.84)
Total	8171.54	(5257.01)

Expenditure	£	£
Field Trial	4960.06	(947.52)
FT Consumables	31.99	(0.00)
Working Test	532.61	(727.80)
WT Consumables	131.79	(0.00)
Working Test Food	135.91	(126.14)
Team Event	0.00	(265.48)
I of W Challenge	0.00	(65.60)
Fun Day	8.64	(0.00)
AGM	135.89	(108.72)
Purchase of Stock	254.61	(350.37)
Membership Fees	9.00	(32.00)
Stationery	64.44	(41.96)
Consumables	198.00	(447.25)
Kennel Club General	86.00	(86.00)
General Expenditure	589.20	(575.60)
Total	7138.14	(3774.44)

OPEN SHOW SEPTEMBER 2016

95 classes

Medina Leisure Centre, Newport, Isle of Wight

Sat 17th September

Breed judges are:

Martin Rees - Retrievers .

Lisa Baker - HPRs .

Sue Clifford - Setters & Pointers.

Fiona Watson - Spaniels.

Best in Show Judge: Carole Carter

Schedules are being posted out and entries can be made
online using Fosse Data

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on-line.