

NOVICE FIELD TRIAL - FORD, NORTHUMBERLAND

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Date:

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Weather conditions:

Dry, good wind

Results:

1 st	Stubblemere Dunnottar	GSP (d)	Janice Hawkes
2 nd	Ceannacroc Peel of Riffmuir	GSP (d)	Ally Learmouth
3 rd	Sigourney Celeste	GSP (b)	Godfrey Card
4 th	Sunbeam Seeker	GSP (b)	Michael Carre
CoM	Fly to Tournesol	Brit (b)	Mark Hirst
	Kinlochmore Lovat Luck	GSP (b)	Stewart Symmers

Judges Critique

Stubblemere Dunnottar:

This dog ran with purpose and vigour and indicated game on his first run. Unfortunately, the bird got up before the guns could get into position. He ran well on his second run but there was no game on his beat. His third run was in a game crop with an abundance of game running in front. The dog pointed and a bird was flushed on command. The bird was shot and retrieved to hand on command. During the retrieve birds were flushing around the dog but he stuck to the task in hand. To finish was a good water retrieve.

This dog was very quietly handled. He ran with great vigour and was very polished on the day.

Ceannocroc Peel of Riffmuir:

This dog ran well through sparse silver birch and bracken. He pointed a cock pheasant which was shot and retrieved on command. His second run was in game crop with lots of birds running on. He pointed and flushed a bird which was shot but was distracted on the retrieve by other birds which hampered the retrieve. To finish was a good water retrieve.

This dog lacked a little control when there were other birds and scent in the same place.

Sigourney Celeste: This dog ran well on its first run with good ground cover and treatment. A pheasant lifted away from the dog but too far away for the gun to shoot. The second run was in gamecrop with birds running on. The dog pointed, flushed on command and the bird was shot. When out for the retrieve the dog pointed another bird which was flushed on command but not shot. The dog then had a bit of trouble finding the original retrieve but managed it in the end. To finish was a good water retrieve.

This dog was similar to the 2nd placed dog in that it lacked a little control when there were other birds and scent in the same place.

Sunbeam Seeker: This dog ran very well on its first run covering the ground with style and drive. He pointed and flushed a bird which was shot. When on the retrieve another bird flushed but the dog stuck to the task in hand. On his second and third runs no game was found. To finish was a good water retrieve.

This was a very stylish dog.

Our thanks go to Lord Joicey and to the guns who shot very well.