

OPEN FIELD TRIAL - STOW BARDOLF, NORFOLK

Judges: Steve Kimberley & Dave Pilkington

By Kind Permission Of Lady Rose Hare Of The Stow Estate Trust. Sponsored by Roger Skinner Ltd, Dog Food.

Date:

27th January 2015.

Game:

Pheasant, Partridge, Woodcock & Hare.

Ground:

White Grass Fields, Plantations, Ditchlines, Brambles, Cut Woodland & Fields Of Sugar Beet.

Scenting:

Fair To Good

Results:

1 st	FT Ch Aytee Isadora	GSP (b)	Lucie Hustler (subject to KC approval)
2 nd	Trubon Delta Truffe	Wei (b)	Suzi Burton
3 rd	Not Awarded		
4 th	Madcap Red Cardinal	GSP (d)	Fred Alcock
CoM	Tyspylaird Glencoe	GSP (d)	Lee Loveridge
	Questor Fleurie	GSP (b)	Eileen Winser
	Greenwire Lenci	HV (b)	Jean Robertson

Best Water Retrieve and Guns' Award, **Aytee Isadora**

Judges Critique:

Aytee Isadora

On her first run she started to work a field of white grass and reeds to a cheek wind, this she did with perfection and minimal help from the handler. She turned into a head wind and worked on to indicate on residual scent, no game was produced. The second run started on a field of sugar beet to a back wind, she worked the ground with good pace and purpose. Two points were gained, she was steady to both flush and shot with retrieves made tenderly to hand. Her last run, once again in sugar beet to a backwind, the run started with a pheasant lifting from ground which was not yet worked close to the dog, she remained steady to flush, shot and fall. Another dog was brought forward for this retrieve. Both the dog and handler worked together with perfection. A blind retrieve from across water completed the day.

Trubon Delta Truffe

On her first run she started in a field on white grass with small areas of reeds working to a cheek wind. After investigating some residual scent she started to work with good pace. It was not long before she came on point, she held it well allowing the guns to come forward. She was steady to flush, unfortunately the pheasant was not shot. The second run was inside an area of woodland to a cheek wind, towards the edge of the wood she had an excellent point which produced a nice retrieve on a pheasant. The last run was in the sugar beet working a backwind, she worked the ground with good purpose in search of game. Throughout the day she was handled quietly and was very responsive. Unfortunately, no game was found. A blind retrieve across water completed the day.

Madcap Red Cardinal

His first run was in white grass and reeds to a head wind. Moving with style and pace he covered the ground nicely. He pointed then moved on in pursuit of a pheasant which was shot and retrieved with some help from the handler. The second run was within a block of woodland working to a head wind. A good point was held followed by a flush and a retrieve to hand. The last run was in sugar beet to a backwind, he came round sideways into a pheasant which lifted but was not shot. Moving on another point was gained on another pheasant. On this last run he did well as the wind had changed and came from all directions throughout. A blind retrieve across water completed the day.

Tyspylaird Glencoe

On his first run he worked a track with gorse bushes to the right hand flank, this was to a side wind. After a hundred yards the dog and handler swung left and started to work a head wind. Before long he had an excellent point on a covey of partridge which were moving on. The dog tracked forward, unfortunately the covey lifted before they could be held by the dog. Working on he had another point on a pheasant which lifted and was not shot. The second run was in a field of sugar beet working to a cheek wind, within a short distance he had a point which proved to be non productive. Hunting on he covered his ground nicely and with purpose. On the left hand side of the field he held a good point which produced a hare that was shot and retrieved to hand. The dog was brought forward for a third run once again in sugar beet to a back wind, he ran well but the run was a blank one. Lastly, he was brought forward during another dogs run to retrieve a pheasant to hand. A blind retrieve across water completed the day.

Questor Fleurie

Her first run started in a field of white grass working towards a tree lined ditch to a head wind. She worked with great pace, using the wind. On approaching the ditch she had an excellent point which, on command, produced a pheasant that was shot and retrieved to hand. The second run she worked to a cheek wind in sugar beet, she covered the ground with good pace. A hare got up from its form and was shot some 40 yards from the dog, she remained steady to the shot then she retrieved to hand tenderly. Her final run was also in sugar beet to a back wind, no game was found. A blind retrieve across water completed the day.

Greenwire Lenci

On her first run she worked the corner of a field of white grass to a cross wind. She moved with good pace in search of game, swinging left to work away from the corner she took a backwind and started to open her bites on the ground. Before long she had an excellent point in a patch of reeds. On command, she produced a pheasant, which was shot and retrieved to hand. Her second run was to a back wind in a field of sugar beet, she covered her ground nicely, unfortunately 3 pheasant flushed outside of her beat. A blind retrieve across water completed the day.

We would like to thank the German Shorthaired Pointer Club for asking us both to make judgement on the day, to Lady Rose Hare & the Stow Estate Trust, to Nigel our Keeper of the beat and Head Keeper for the Estate, our tractor driver & picking up dog. Our guns for the day, who provided the retrieves for the dogs and finally Janice Hawkes (FT Secretary) for her tireless efforts on behalf of the Club.

As always the day was made enjoyable by the good spirit of all of the competitors and all involved.

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