

OPEN FIELD TRIAL – STOW BARDOLF

Judges: Jean Robertson and Lee Loveridge

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Date:

Tuesday 28th January 2020

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Weather Conditions:

Cold, Light Winds and some sunshine

Scenting Conditions:

Appeared poor with no solid points achieved in the open ground.

Type of ground, quantity and species of game:

The trial was run in the morning on large areas of white grass, perfect for our group, edged with ditches. After the first round we moved to meadows with areas of bramble and ditches and game cover strips. Game was plentiful giving every dog opportunity including Pheasants, Woodcock, and Hare.

Results:

1st Not Awarded
2nd Not Awarded
3rd Not Awarded
4th Not Awarded
CoM **Ellapas New Moon**
DeePTHatch Rocket

GWP (b)
GSP (d)

Owned and handled by C. Grewcock
Owned by Mr & Mrs S Webster, handled by Ruth Webster

Judges Critique:

Ellapas New Moon

Dogs first run was in white grass with a back/cheek wind. Hunted nicely albeit hampered by its handler not letting the dog use the whole of its beat. Second run was brought up for a blind retrieve of a cock pheasant which was completed very well. Hunted on she covered two banks of bramble on her left and right. Continuing on to a bank she came on point into a large area of bramble. Asked to flush she ran around to the side and the pheasant eventually flushed and was shot blind to the dog. Making hard work of the retrieve she picked it and brought tenderly to hand. Completed the water retrieve.

DeePTHatch Rocket

Dogs first run was in white grass working into wind towards a ditch, the dog entered the ditch and came on point towards the end, flushing on command he produced a cock pheasant, remaining on point flushing again produced a hen pheasant. The cock was shot which landed over the field and over a ditch blind to the handler. With some delay for the handler to get out of ditch the dog was not successful in finding the bird neither was the next dog in line. We walked forward and could not find it in the area so the picking up dog was put on this bird. With some loose birds being shot on the second round this dog was brought up for a blind retrieve. Completing this well she was sent back in line whilst the previous dog completed its run. Brought up for its second run the dog hunted a bank with patches of bramble on either side hampered by its handler it wasn't allowed to hunt freely. Completed the water retrieve.

Our thanks for the success and enjoyment of this trial are due to all those who helped organise it and in particular to our hosts Lady Rose Hare and The Stow Estate Trust. Nigel the ever helpful Keeper who year after year provides the ground and game necessary to the HPR breeds. The Guns David, Bambos and Andy. Thanks, must go to Janice the clubs hardworking Field Trial Secretary who Stewarded the trial so efficiently.

My thanks to the GSP club for inviting us to judge this trial and the competitors who gave us the opportunity to watch and judge their dogs.

Certified that there was sufficient game to test all dogs.