

Novice Cocker Trial Report
Held at Aford Shoot
By Kind Permission
Of
Edward & Elizabeth Thring
13/10/18

With a rather wet & blowy evening before the trial we were very lucky to have a dry day.
Our Judges were Dave Rayner and Anita Jones, Guns were Andy Fisher, Simon Jones, Colin Selwood and Paddy Williams.

With the welcomes and introductions out the way we started the trial at 9:30 and proceeded to the wood, Alford ground consists of woodland, bramble and rushes which is perfect spaniel ground.

Paul Smith the keeper and his merry team of stops worked tremendously hard in making sure the birds were held in the areas and each competitor had every opportunity for flush and retrieve, some had hot spots where a lot of birds were getting up which certainly tested there steadiness. There was a run off for first and second place, ten dogs finished the trial which came to a end at 12:20.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our hosts, Edward & Elizabeth for allowing us to hold the trial on there fantastic grounds, a huge thank you also goes to our sponsors Skinners who continually supports our trials. Thank you Paul Smith and his stops, the stewards, game carriers, your help is so appreciated and trials don't happen without you.

Results

1st Trochry Eau Rouge of Poolgreen handled by Will Clulee
Awarded the Nancarrow Dutch Silver Salver

2nd Glencambus Nightwatch Man handled by David Thomson

3rd Heolybwlc Kerza handled by Nick Davies

Best Hunting Spaniel; Charlie Brave Boy handled by Jon West
Award the Centrewalk Trophy

Guns Choice; Heolybwlc Elinor handled by David Gregory
Award the BASC Shield



Winner: Will Clulee with
Trochry Eau Rouge of Poolgreen.



L-R Anita Jones, David Thomson, Dave Rayner,
Nick Davies, David Gregory & Jon West.