

BWWGS HPR FIELD TRIAL OPEN STAKE 23RD OCTOBER

BY KIND PERMISSION OF MR AND MRS NORMAN ONENS

NORTON SHOOT EVESHAM , ON THE HONEYBOURNE BEAT

JUDGES MRS IRMGARD ALCOCK MR LEE LOVERIDGE

GENERAL

The trial took place mostly on open ground with white grasses and young saplings the weather was overcast but very mild for this time of year , a light breeze remained constant throughout the day , steward of the beat clive guided us around the ground , birds came at a steady pace with all dogs having opportunity to locate game , being mainly pheasant and partridge , scenting conditions appeared good , overall the standard of dog work was poor .

RESULTS

1ST NOT AWARDED

2ND NOT AWARDED

3RD LADYHAWKE PERDITA, B

4TH DEEPTHATCH POCONA B

Ladyhawke perdita

running a backwind with good pace , was at times a little over handled , given a bit more freedom this dog may have made better use of ground available , no game located on this beat .

2nd run, running a cheek wind in slightly heavier cover , a loose bird was shot on the flank , given a mark the partnership made a fair job of the retrieve , but otherwise a blank run .

3rd run into a head wind dog making good use of its beat , with birds running on in front the dog took a line on a bird eventually drawing in and holding the point , steady on the flush , retrieve was returned tenderly to hand , water work was good .

Deeathatch pocona

running a back wind , dog making good use of ground available , initially pointing residual scent the dog was moved on by the handler and located a brace of partridge not too far from its original point , produced the birds which fell to the shot 25 meters away , what should have been a simple marked retrieve turned into a handling exercise , once found the bird was delivered safely back to hand , the rest of the run no birds were located .

2nd run this time in thicker cover again at a steady pace the dog soon located a pheasant that had sat tight in a patch of bramble , once flushed and shot the retrieve came to hand , water was good

On behalf of irmgard and i, we would like to thank the bristol and west working gundog society for the invitation to judge