

Dunclent W T 06/6/21

Wye Valley Retriever Club held their Special Puppy, Junior Handler, Novice Dog/Novice Handler & Novice Working Test at Dunclent Farm, Stone, Worcs yesterday, Sunday 6th June 2021. We are so grateful to our lovely hosts Mr & Mrs Michael Gough for allowing us to use their wonderful grounds. It was a day of contrasts, we had morning cloud cover and fine rain capable of reducing clothing to a soggy state which cleared by midday into glorious hot sunshine overheating competitors, judges & helpers for the Novice Test ! There was a general atmosphere of cheerful enjoyment and great camaraderie with wonderfully supportive and patient judges who enabled the many first timers to have a fabulous days competition. Everyone seemed to enjoy the tests and appreciated the rules for disqualification being made crystal clear at the start of the day in the briefing. Speaking for myself, the zero's were totally understood and didn't undermine the value of gaining experience of competing under test conditions. When it went right it was a joyful experience. Thank you so much to our wonderful judges - Jayne Coley, Nicola Rudgard, Claire Raymond and Karen Handley for giving up your time and setting great tests. I am so grateful to all my helpers who did an amazing job. My special mention goes to Anna Crampton for having my back on the scores and producing the end results without fuss or fanfare, I truly would have been lost and in a total pickle without her. Thanks to Skinners for their sponsorship too.

Many congratulations to all the winners who were as follows:-

SPECIAL PUPPY:

- 1st Tim Brain with Cornstraw Drake of Flypatch
- 2nd Tim Brain with High Roost Beech of Flypatch
- 3rd Tucker Munday with Merakibea First Hope
- 4th Sid Davis with Tweedshot Firecracker
- COM Veronica Harris with Ashport Kendra
- COM Ruth Warner with Cornstraw Snipe
- COM Simon Pullen with Frizelwood Sharpes Express





JUNIOR HANDLER:

1st Nathalie Doyle and Macmillaine Luna Lady with a great score ! (Wonderful work Nathalie)



NOVICE DOG/NOVICE HANDLER:

1st Cherry Smith with Breckmarsh Emeric

2nd Helen Stevenson with Zandawn Fire

3rd Janet Blair with Turpingreen Ellis

4th Simone Barratt with Vilendal Captain Farrell

COM Mark Anthony with Walford Princess Amanda

COM Steve Lax with Hanans Gloden Boy on the Hill

COM Stephen Meadham with Ffynongain Jacob



NOVICE DOG:

- 1st Tim Brain with Diglake Mullins of Flypatch
- 2nd Victoria Ash with Naughtland Clover
- 3rd Mark Stevens with Ffynongain Judge
- 4th Tony Orchard with College Robbie of Tadmarton
- COM Cherry Smith with Breckmarsh Emeric
- COM Lisa Harris with Hawksthorn Explorer

