

WVRC Novice Field Trial held at Dunclent Farm on 10th November 2023

We held our 16 dog Novice Field Trial on Friday, 10th November 2023 at Dunclent Farm, Kidderminster, by the kind invitation of Michael and Jane Gough. We are extremely grateful to them and their family for their very generous hospitality and support, and for all the hard work that they, and their daughter Helen and son in law Mark, contribute to the successful running of the trial.

Thank you to our judges John Yarwood, Judith White, Phil Goulden and Charlotte Wilkinson, and all the others who worked so hard to make the trial run so smoothly – Chief Steward Iris Wright, judges' stewards Julia Redpath and Claire Raymond, game carriers Steve Lax and Rachel Massey, Red Flag Dale Pointer, markers Terry Dukes, Sue Goring and Dan Seabright, Official Pickers up Nicola Pointer and Veronica Harris.

Catering was provided by Sarah Akehurst. She did an amazing job with her "field kitchen" again, with competitors and helpers all grateful for the refreshment she provided.

Thank you to the guns and to steward of the beat, Mark Nicholls, whose team presented the birds excellently and were very patient between the drives.

Thank you too to our sponsors Skinners.

Results:

Winner - Lovehayne Dixie, handled by Richard Edwards

2nd Place - Brooke Sunrise of Windriver, handled by Christopher Bennett

Guns' Choice - Sorrelcott Superior, handled by George Davies

Our winner also took home the John Jones Memorial Trophy for the best retrieve. It was Richard's 70th Birthday. So definitely a special day for him!

