## **WVRC 16 Dog Novice Field Trial – Dunclent**

We held our 16 dog novice field trial on Friday 8th November 2024 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 Dave Field, Clare Wood, Clare Gould and Shane Gilliver, and all the others who worked so hard to make the trial run so smoothly - Chief Steward Iris Wright, judges' stewards Julia Redpath and Jennie Dimmock, game carriers Sean McGrath and Callam Sale, Red Flag Dale Pointer, markers Paul Egginton, Steve Lax and Tia Darby, Official picker up Nicola Pointer.

Catering was provided by Sarah Akehurst and Jean Tidmarsh – absolutely delicious food at the end of a very long day! Thank you to the guns and to the 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: Withyrose Islay of Llangynidr, handled by Nigel Probert

## COMs:

Sorrelcott Superior, handled by George Davies Movenne Acorn at Peterspond, handled by Karen Handley Cornwood Glorification, handled by Keith Broomfield **Guns' Choice**: Movenne Acorn at Peterspond, handled by Karen Handley

John Jones Memorial Trophy for the best retrieve: Arcklebear First Blood, handled by Clare Baker

The standard of the dogs was very high and it was difficult to separate them at the end, resulting in the photo of the award winners being taken in the dark!

