



THE WYE VALLEY RETRIEVER CLUB

ID No 2045

24 DOG ALL-AGED WALKED UP WORKING TEST **FOR A/V RETRIEVERS ON FIELD TRIAL LINES** **(UNCLASSIFIED)**

WITH JUDGE TRAINING DAY

SATURDAY 22ND AUGUST 2026

Wootton Devereux, Norton Canon, Herefordshire HR4 8QN

By kind permission of Mr Patrick Wrixon

**JUDGES: Phil Bruton [A2817] Steve Richardson [A2849]
Jackie Martin [NP] Shayne Price [NP]**

JUDGE EDUCATION: Dave Field [A2257] Sean McGrath [A3010]

Meet 9am, for a 9.30am start

Directions will be sent with the draw. Club signs will be out.

Entries: £20 Members, £30 Non-members, £10 Judge Training

Online entries for dogs via FTMS preferred. Paper entries to the Working Test Secretary

Judge Education – please email the Working Test Secretary to book

Closing Date of Entries: Saturday 8th August 2026

Draw: Sunday 9th August 2026

(The Draw will be automatically performed by FTMS at 6pm.)

Payment must accompany all paper entries. If you are successful in the draw, online entries must make payment by 14th August 2026 or you will be taken out of the draw. No reminders will be sent.

Stamped Addressed Envelope or email address for result of the draw

Preference in the draw will be given per Condition 5 of the Wye Valley Retriever Club Conditions of Entry for All-Aged Walked-Up Working Tests. Handlers will not be permitted to run more than one dog.

Conditions of Entry & Definitions of Classes: See overleaf - please ensure you read them

Please note: Eliminating faults will apply

Working Test Secretary: Mrs Anna Crampton

Oakdale, Preston Wynne, Hereford HR1 3PE, Mobile 07976 842245, Email anna@cleirwy.co.uk
(no calls after 9pm please except on the night before the test!)

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Conditions of Entry for All-Aged Walked Up Working Tests

All working tests will be conducted in accordance with the Royal Kennel Club Limited Field Trial Regulations (section J) together with these Conditions and the Rules of the Wye Valley Retriever Club. All participants should be fully conversant with the Royal Kennel Club Limited Field Trial Regulations.

1. Dogs entered at Royal Kennel Club Licensed Working Tests must be registered at The Royal Kennel Club in accordance with Royal Kennel Club Regulations for Classification and Registration B.
2. Wye Valley Retriever Club (“the Society” / “the Club”) reserves the right to refuse any entry.
3. Substitution of dogs will not be permitted.
4. All dogs resident outside the UK must be issued with a Royal Kennel Club Authority to Compete number before entry to the event can be made. All overseas entries without an Authority to Compete number will be returned to the exhibitor/competitor.
5. If entries exceed the number of permitted runners for a class, the right to compete in that class of the working test shall be decided by ballot. Preference in the ballot will be given to dogs with qualifications in the following order: (1) Member’s dog with any award (including COM) in a Field Trial or an award in novice, intermediate or open at RKC affiliated GWT, (2) Member’s non-qualified dog, (3) Non-Member’s dog with any award in a Field Trial or an award in novice, intermediate or open at RKC affiliated GWT, (4) Non-Member’s non-qualified dog.
6. Should circumstances so dictate the Society, in consultation with the judges, may alter arrangements as necessary.
7. Judges at a working test are prohibited from entering a dog which is recorded in their ownership or part ownership.
8. Videography and photography will only be permitted with the express permission of the Chief Steward and the host.
9. Welfare of Dogs: An exhibitor (or competitor) whose dog is entered at Royal Kennel Club licensed events should take all reasonable steps to ensure the needs of their dog(s) are met, and should not knowingly put their dogs’ health and welfare at risk by any action, default, omission or otherwise. A breach of this Regulation may be referred to the General Committee for disciplinary action under Royal Kennel Club Rules and Regulations. The use of pinch collars, electronic shock collars, or prong collars, is not permitted at any working test licensed by the Royal Kennel Club. This shall apply at the venue or within the precincts of the working test.
10. Dogs in cars on hot days: Your dog is vulnerable and AT RISK if left in a vehicle in high temperatures and even on days considered as slightly warm. Please take care of your dog. If your dog is found to be at risk forcible entry to your vehicle may be necessary without liability for any damage caused.
11. **If a competitor, or anyone in their household, has Covid-19 related symptoms or has tested positive for Covid-19 they must not attend the event and should self-isolate in line with government advice. www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-and-treatment/when-to-self-isolate-and-what-to-do/**
12. The Royal Kennel Club’s Codes of Conduct specify the sort of behaviour expected of those who take part in competitive gundog work. Participants should never publicly impugn decisions of the Judge or Judges. Neither should they criticise the host, ground or guns.
13. All persons attending the working test must consider themselves under the control of the Judges and Chief Steward of the Club. They must be dressed appropriately and conduct themselves according to shooting field practices and traditions.
14. Any existing member whose subscription has not been paid in full by 31st March in the current season will be treated as a non-member in the ballot (i.e. currently 31st March 2026).
15. The order of running is the order of the draw. All dogs and handlers must be present at the commencement of the working test, as announced by the Chief Steward. Those who are not present will forfeit their run.
16. Any withdrawals need to be confirmed with the Working Test Secretary via telephone or text only (emails are unreliable) as soon as it is evident that the run cannot be accepted, and must be in line with Royal Kennel Club rules.
17. An applicant, having accepted a run and subsequently withdrawing, may forfeit their entry fee unless certain conditions are met – see KC Field Trial Regulation J6f.
18. Only the handler whose name appears on the official entry form may handle the dog on the day.

19. The date of the draw will be as published in the Working Test Schedule. Any fully paid-up Club member is welcome to attend the draw by contacting the Working Test Secretary by telephone a minimum of 24 hours in advance.
20. Any dog suffering from any infectious or contagious disease must not be brought to the working test ground (as required by entry declaration). Wye Valley Retriever Club recommends that competing dogs are fully vaccinated.
21. Bitches in season must not be brought to the working test ground.
22. A cheque for the entry fee must accompany the entry form where a paper entry is submitted. A stamped addressed envelope or email address is required for the results of the draw. Cheques for those not successful in the draw will be shredded.
23. All trophies are held until the 1st March following the working test and it is the recipient's responsibility to ensure the safe return to the Working Test Secretary, at the recipient's cost. The recipient is responsible for any engraving required and must return the trophy in the condition it was received, together with the box it was supplied in. Trophies must not be taken out of the UK.
24. Once the working test is deemed to have commenced (as announced by the Chief Steward) all mobile phones must remain switched off until the end of the test.
25. Failure to return arm bands will incur a fine of £20.00.
26. The Club accepts no responsibility for injury, loss or damage to person or property however occasioned.

Please be respectful to our host and show good sportsmanship by staying to the presentation at the end of the working test, regardless of what has happened to you, to congratulate the winner and those in the awards and to thank those who have given their time to allow the test to take place.

