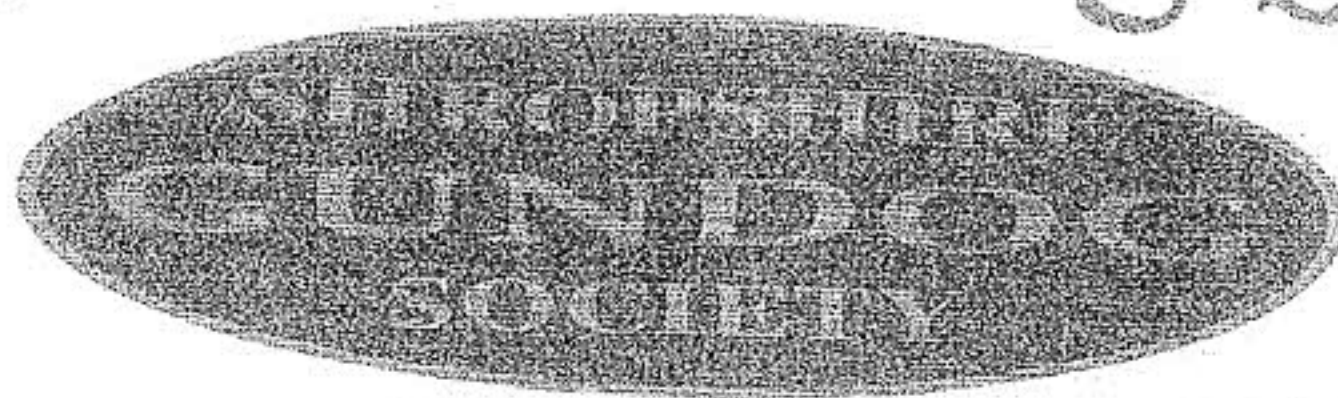


Shropshire Gundog Society



NEWSLETTER SPRING 2010

As usual the shooting season seems to have come and gone very quickly. I certainly enjoyed being out in real winter weather instead of the usual rain and gloom that we so often have.

We continue to hold monthly committee meetings in order to keep up to speed with the society's organisation. We hope that those of you who had a run in our field trials will have enjoyed themselves. Unfortunately our Novice Spaniel trial at Plas Vivod had to be cancelled due to the snow. I work my dogs just along the Llangollen valley from Vivod and at that time we had three feet of snow, Vivod is higher up the hill so I can only imagine how much snow there was up there!

Skinnners remain one of our main sponsors, and have kindly provided prizes for all our field trials. Elizabeth Woollorton, Skinnners representative for our area, remains extremely supportive to us and has attended several of our events to date. Again we offer our thanks to her and to Skinnners.

Regarding keeping our members informed, we are still experiencing technical difficulties with our website which we cannot update at present. If anyone would like to be our 'webmaster', if that is what it is called, we would be delighted to hear from you!

Keeping up with current members is always a concern; please advise us of changes of address whenever you move. We still receive membership fees from a few people for whom we have no contact details. We are very grateful to our other valued sponsors, **Balfours**, who pay the postage on our newsletter mailouts.

AGM NOTICE. 17th March 2010 at the Railway Inn, Yorton, Shrewsbury, 8 p.m.

Items for agenda or nominations for officers and committee to be received no later than Tuesday 2nd March.

We currently have vacancies on our committee and would love to welcome some new faces. Agendas, minutes from 09, rules and /or accounts will be available at the meeting or a copy can be posted on receipt of S.A.E. to the Secretary, address on the nomination form overleaf.

Please contact either, Grace, Chris or myself (Jane), if you feel that you need any further information.

Grace or Chris Brown 01939 290252 Jane Holmes 01939 290552

Field Trial Results

Retrievers AV Novice 16th September 2009, Fair oak Grange Estate, Loggerheads, Staffs.

1st. Hamfordwig Lab D. Ovner / Handler D. Brown.

2nd. Chemsell Harvest Joy Lab. B. Owner / Handler D. Kirby.

3rd. Stormsmoor Moondance of Knellegate. Lab. D. Owner / Handler C. Simonetti.

AV Open 24th October 2009 Acton Round Hall, Nr. Bridgnorth, Shrops

1st. Emmanygan Ramble of Chatsworth. Lab D. Owner The Duchess of Devonshire, Handler J. Halstead.

2nd. Frostfield Bramble. Lab. B. Owner / Handler K. Carty.

3rd. Kenmillto Remus. Lab. D. Owner / Handler L. Jackson.

COM Glasnevin Just William. Owner / Handler L. Mitchell. Creazanbre Gypsy. Owner / Handler P. Bills.

Levenghyll Silvercloud of Drakeshead Owner / Handler S. Halstead. Staffly Indianna. Owner / Handler S. Suzuki.

Spaniels Open 9th November 2009 Glasfryn Estate, Gwynedd.

1st. Rosebay Blossom, Ess. B. Owner J. Potter. Handler I Openshaw..

2nd. Helsway Halo. Ess. B. Owner / Handler. I English.

3rd. Claniker Mick Ess.D. Owner M. Ashman. Handler I. Openshaw.

4th. Edwardiana Brandy. Ess. D. Owner / Handler J. Edwards.

COM Keskerlees Phantom. Owner / Handler. D. Anderson. Ivangar Willow. Ess. D. Owner / Handler G. Smith.

AV Novice. Jan 2010 Plas Vivod Estate, had received an excellent entry but was sadly cancelled due to the poor weather conditions. We hope for your continued support and better luck with the weather for next year.

Subscriptions £10 single, £15 joint membership. These were due to be renewed on Jan 1st. 2010.

Many thanks to all those who renew by bankers order and if you pay by cheque please forward your subs to the Treasurer, Chris Brown, Rangatira, Baschurch Road, Myddle, Shrewsbury, SY4 3RX.

SHROPSHIRE GUNDOG SOCIETY EVENTS FOR 2010

AGM Wednesday 17th March, 8 p.m. The Railway Inn, Yorton, Shrewsbury.

Please see nomination forms enclosed. Everyone welcome. Items for agenda or nominations for officers and committee to be received no later than Tuesday 2nd March.

Open Show

Sunday May 30th 2010. Whitchurch Civic Centre, Whitchurch. The first classes start at 10 a.m. and we have classes for all breeds of Gundogs. Schedules will be sent out in due course.

Contact: Grace Brown, Show Secretary 01939 290252

Spaniel and Retriever Training classes

Classes will probably be around 1 to 2 hours duration once each week. All welcome from your new puppy to the more experienced dog wanting a refresher. Cost £5.00 per session. All participants must join SGS for insurance purposes. Watch out for further details, in early April, in the "Gundog" classified section of the Shropshire Star or contact the trainers below.

Spaniels

Contact: The Trainer MARTYN ZIELINSKI 07855 963082 for dates and times.

Classes will take place in Holly Coppice, Haughmond Hill, Shrewsbury.

Starting mid-April. with registration and 'sorting out the dogs'.

Ending July.

Retrievers

Contact: The Trainer WARREN JONES 01952 591158 for dates and times.

Classes will take place at Beck's Bird Barn, Ellerdine Heath, Shawbury, Shrewsbury.

Starting mid-April with registration and 'sorting out the dogs'.

Ending July.

Field Trials

We will be holding a full programme of field trials for the 2010/11 season.

Spaniel open and novice. Retriever open and novice. Details will be sent out in our summer newsletter.

Working Tests

At present we do not have any tests planned, if you are a keen organiser or have suitable ground and can help with running tests please contact the General Secretary or the Treasurer.