FIELD TRIAL RESULT

3rd November 2016.14 dog All-aged stake for AV Retriever at Hy-Fly Game Farm, Preesall, Lancashire by kind invitation of Mr G Holden and NGRA team of guns.

Judges: Mrs Judy Rainey, Miss Judith Evans, Mr Paul Birkbeck and Mr John Yarwood.

2nd & The Eastdale Trophy for the Guns’ Choice : Dr Shamanthi Shankar’s Labrador dog FENHART OPAL OF BARONSBRIDGE’.

No other awards

This was a walked up trial in roots, with a very good show of birds produced by Steward of the Beat Kevin Hughes. Trefor Richards’ team of guns shot exceedingly well. 12 Labradors and 2 Golden Retrievers competed. Judy Rainey and Paul Birkbeck judged on the right, with Judith Evans and John Yarwood on the left. Work was good initially but then some dogs faltered. Three were then eyewiped by the judges. Only three were left for the third round, soon reduced to two. Last year’s winner Scott Marland was in contention until his dog failed on the only runner of the day. This left Shamanthi Shankar’s yellow dog as the only competitor to complete five retrieves and be awarded 2nd place and gun’s choice.