Report of the Northern Golden Retriever Association Open Field Trial

10-11 October 2022

The Association held its first field trial of the season, a 2 day trial for Golden Retrievers on 10/11 October at Hy Fly shoot in Lancashire. By kind invitation of the NGRA team of guns. The judges were Jim Gale, Glynis Hillier and Karen McCarthy. A full card of 24 Goldens spent the first day walking up in roots. A bright but breezy day after overnight rain provided challenging conditions for guns and handlers and we took 9 dogs through to the second day.
Day 2 was calmer weather with drizzle occasionally. We began by walking roots again and finished the day with ducks driven to land in root crop.
The awards were as follows
1st being awarded the Westhyde Challenge Bowl for the winner and the Ft Ch Tillwood Theseus of Holywear trophy to the best marking dog
Ft Ch Think Twice Zero to Hero. Kaliture Finn ex Int Ft Ch Think Twice Go Get It
Owned and handled by Nathan Laffey
2nd being awarded the Culzean Cup for runner up and the Castleshaw Trophy for guns choice
Think Twice One Man Show.
Kessgpld Shetland of Staverton ex Int Ft Ch Think Twice Go Get It. Owned and handled by Pieter Vivijs.
Certificates of Merit to Loveloch Valentino. Dunmar Lyon ex Rueberry Funny Girl of Loveloch. Owned and handled by Kelly Rogers- Davison and
Catcombe Cygnet. Souter Romulus at Millgreen ex Pepsanner Clever Chance.owned and handled by Lesley Crompton.
The Tim Broad Trophy to the best looking dog or bitch awarded to Askill Loganberry. Tallygold Mulberry ex Morgael Posie owned and handled by Judith Evans
The HMS Cambrian Tropy to best opposite sex awarded to Pollihale Hot Tikka of Foxcote. Holway Flint of Foxcote ex Chishillhyde Lisa, owned and handled by Jill Gardner.
Grateful thanks go to all the members, committee members and friends who shot, helped, judged and ran their dogs, all helping to make an enjoyable and successful 2 days trialling.

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