

Field Trial Secretary's Report and Results of The Shirley Radburn National Working Tests held Saturday 12th July 2014 at Packington Hall Estate

The sun shone all day as we held the Shirley Radburn National Working Tests on the glorious Packington Hall Estate. This venue makes my Test setting duties quite easy with water, woodland, streams and rolling estate pasture, all close to hand. We are much indebted to Lord Aylesford and staff for allowing us access.

The Novice Tests in the morning and Open in the afternoon were quite similar. The water Test at the lake involved a retrieve from in the water, and one over. Test 2 was a picking up exercise where two retrieves were to be picked from woodland, over a stream. Test 3 was a blind with a distraction. The Open dogs in the afternoon had difficulty finding in the long grass as scent was not as good as in the morning, but the dogs that persevered were rewarded with their prize. Each of the two groups had a walk-up and single retrieve, ending the day proving their heel-work and steadiness. All the awards were well deserved in very tiring conditions.

Our sincere thanks go to our three Judges who helped with sensible advice throughout the day. They were Steve Ashby, Bert Stirling and Steve Newitt. I would like to pass on my thanks to my team of willing helpers, without who's help, these days would not be possible.

Terry Sparkes.
Field Trial Secretary

NOVICE; 1st Croftcloses Lucrative Boy. R. Holt.
2nd Necessares Sorrel. G.Clelland.
3rd Keveral Glololui. C.Wear.
4th Tiggersville Whoop Whoop. D.Myatt.
C.O.M. Mahinda Pumice. R.Birch.

OPEN; 1st Gowran Galahad. V.Gatter.
2nd Venetian Red at Maddistream – G. Awty
3rd Idawood Impact. K.Gatter.
4th Maddistream Indigo Jack at Casblaidd. C.Hewison.