



MIDLAND GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB

NEWSLETTER AUTUMN 2016

Interclub 2016



Congratulations to our winning team!

Midland Golden Retriever Club

(left to right)

Kirsty Cousins	Open	Gortons Bannatyne Boy
Denise Smith	Novice	Karnoosty In the Rough
Jill Gardner	Novice	Copleybent Ballistic of Foxcote
Mary Jarrod	Open	Chishillhyde Lewis

(see report on page 4 & 5)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sunday, 4th December 2016

Championship Show

at

KC Buildings, Stoneleigh

Judges:

Dogs: Mr G. Talbot

Bitches: Mrs A. Orzel

Referee: Miss P. Gowland

Entries can be made online

with Fosse Data

PLEASE NOTE

29th January 2017

AGM

at

Baginton Village Hall,

Ryton, near Coventry

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REMINDER

You are reminded that Members' subscriptions are due from 31st October 2016 for year to 1st November 2017

WEBSITE

Members will be delighted to discover that the new look club website is up and running and can be found at midlandgrc.co.uk, as previously

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• WORKING NEWS •



Where has the summer gone? It seems like only yesterday when I was getting ready for our first test on the Bank Holiday Sunday at the beginning of May, where we were invited back to the beautiful grounds of Owlpen Manor for our Special Puppy, NDNH, Intermediate & Veteran Tests. Although a little on the chilly side, as you can see from the photos it was a day for a warm coat & hot soup for lunch. With just over 50 entries, the day ran smoothly and we were delighted that our host Sir Nicholas Mander could join us to present the awards, both in the morning and in the afternoon.

The following month the Golden Retriever Interclub was held in North Yorkshire and was, for me, the highlight of the summer when I went along with the Midland Team to watch them compete. It was a brilliant day and at the end a perfect result with our team winning by 15 points! Many congratulations girls, and thank you for a wonderful weekend.

Our Novice and Open Test was held on the last weekend in August, somewhat later than in other years and it proved to be very successful with a very good entry of 34 Novice and 23 Open dogs. We were invited to a lovely new ground at Twynning Ash, Coaley, although writing directions was a bit of a nightmare as there are so many narrow single track lanes leading to the village, although sat nav, if in a somewhat roundabout route, got everyone there.

Our host Mr and Mrs Richard Carter joined us for the presentation in the morning and stayed to watch the Open dogs in action and present their awards. Many congratulations to Ken Spratling who had a really good day winning not only the Novice but also the Open in the afternoon.

A special thank you to Simon Pullin and Mary Jarrod for all their help and support in putting on these two days. I am also very pleased to welcome Mary, who has recently been co-opted and is now joining me on the MGRC Committee.

The Cranham Training Group has continued on Tuesday Evenings and Thursday Mornings and my thanks to Denise Smith for training and organising the Tuesday Group. We were very pleased to welcome Mervyn when he came back to see us in June and trained with us in the morning before we all went to the pub for lunch! Thursday mornings will continue to meet at the scout headquarters through the winter, weather permitting!

Lastly I would like to say a very big thank you to our hosts for so generously allowing us to use their land, and to our judges, stewards and dummy throwers for giving up their valuable time, without them we would not be able to put on these events; Also to Skinners Pet Foods who so generously sponsored us once again. I would also like to congratulate everyone in the awards and to thank all the competitors for supporting us.

Finally I wish you all a very enjoyable shooting season whether trialling or picking up.

Mary Valentine

WORKING TEST RESULTS 2016

I. Special Puppy, NDND, Intermediate & Veteran

Our first test was held on Sunday 1st May at Owlpen Manor, by kind invitation of Sir Nicholas & Lady Mander. Our Judges for the day were Mrs Mary Jarrod, Mrs Debbie Polley, Mrs Denise Smith and Mr Simon Pullin.

Special Puppy Results

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|----|--------------------------|-------|----------------|
| 1. | Kestrelway Bertie | Lab D | Mrs L Pittaway |
| 2. | Arcklebear's Crested Ten | Lab B | Miss C Baker |
| 3. | Tiledown Lottie | Lab B | Mr K Spratling |
| 4. | Swiftlands Dora | Lab B | Mrs E Nunneley |



Novice Dog, Novice Handler

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|----|----------------------------|-------|----------------|
| 1. | Ballyliffin Archie | Lab D | Mr J Holder |
| 2. | Under And Over | Lab D | Mr A Murdin |
| 3. | Kendeci Could It Be Magic | Lab D | Mr P Alabaster |
| 4. | Mundyzy Joker at Bardantop | Lab D | Mrs C Guest |

**Intermediate Results**

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|-----|-------------------------------|-------|----------------|
| 1. | Kentredicim Sunset Dream | Lab D | Miss D Long |
| 2. | Bittenam Persimon | Lab D | Mrs J McHugh |
| 3. | Kaliture Cuinn By Ashmhorgold | GR D | Mrs K McCarthy |
| 4. | Ardyle Cotillion | GR D | Mrs P Adams |
| COM | Olivertash Perri | Lab B | Mrs S Basford |

Veteran Results

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|----|--------------------------------|-------|--------------|
| 1. | Shuttfield Juge At Sollershope | Lab D | Mrs V Harris |
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**2. Novice & Open**

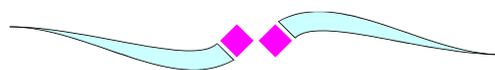
Our second day was held on Sunday 28th August at Twyning Ash, Coaley, by kind invitation of Mr & Mrs Richard Carter. Our Judges were Mrs Lisa Harris, Mrs Hilary Smith, Mr Robert Fisher and Mr Tim Davies.

Novice Results

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|-----|-----------------------|-------|----------------|
| 1. | Tiledown Lottie | Lab B | Mr K Spratling |
| 2. | Morgies Missy | Lab B | Mr D Thomas |
| 3. | Pegmore Echo | Lab B | Mr M Justice |
| 4. | Karnoosty Hole In One | GR B | Miss C Iles |
| COM | December Bliss | Lab B | Mrs K Twyning |
| COM | Roxhart Aquene | Lab B | Mr J Cornfor |

**Open Results**

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|-----|---------------------------|-------|----------------|
| 1. | Hemingtons Noggin | Lab D | Mr K Spratling |
| 2. | Kilpen Bertie | Lab D | Mrs K Pennell |
| 3. | Gillhays Sage | Lab D | Mrs D Polley |
| 4. | Echobrook Fergus Mhor | GR D | Mrs K McCarthy |
| COM | Hassycott Whistlefish Fin | Lab B | Mr M Redpath |

***A warm welcome to the following new members:***

Miss E Bambrook & Miss A Gardiner, Mrs L Bown, Mr A Doyle, Mrs S Goode, Mr M & Mrs J Justice, Mr A & Mrs V Macdonald, Mrs D. Polley, Mr N & Mrs S Siviter, Mrs S Thornell, Mr G. Woolridge, Mrs S. Zubair, Mr J & Mrs S Slatter, Mrs E Davis

We would be grateful if all members could forward their email addresses to:

members.mgrc@yahoo.co.uk

INTERCLUB 2016 REPORT



Winning Team & Judges

This year's hosts were the Golden Retriever Club of Northumbria with the venue being the beautiful setting of Aske Hall Estate, North Yorkshire. Twelve of the thirteen Golden Retriever Clubs competed, with each team comprising two novice and two open dogs.

To be there in good time and with refreshed dogs, we travelled up the previous afternoon and stayed at a welcoming working farm B&B only ten minutes from the estate. A 9.00am Saturday morning start beckoned in the lovely park grounds by the lake for bacon butties, tea and coffee.

The day consisted of six tests, the first four of ours being in the woods. Two tests involved all four members of the team together in line, and two further tests had a novice dog and an open dog under the watchful eye of the judge. The novices were certainly tested for their steadiness. We then completed a walk-up in the park and finished with a water test on the lake.

A wonderful spread of refreshments was provided by our hosts and the all important results were given and it was big smiles from us when we were awarded first place!

The day was very well organised and we would like to thank the Golden Retriever Club of Northumbria for all their hard work in running a very enjoyable day.

Mary Jarrod

Results

- 1st Midland GRC
- 2nd South Western GRC
- 3rd Eastern Counties GRC
- 4th GRC of Northumbria

Top Open Dog & Top Overall Dog – Lochnabo Glorious Golden handled by Andrew Ward Smith
 Top Novice Dog – Abbotshall Scotch handled by Jacqui Crew

INTERCLUB 2016 REPORT



The Days Briefing



Team Work



Taking Rest



Love You



We've Finished!

SEMINAR DAY 2016



We held our seminar in May this year at the well appointed Kennel Club Buildings. We ran 2 of the 4 Kennel Club mandatory seminars which aspiring judges need to progress their judging career.

KC points Of The Dog and KC Requirements Of A Dog Show Judge.

Both of the seminars were led by KC Accredited Trainer Dr Ruth Barbour who has an excellent delivery bringing knowledge and some humour into a serious day.

From advertising, both seminars were oversubscribed which we were more than pleased knowing some clubs have cancelled seminars due to a poor response, we had a "wait list" in case people who had booked on found their circumstances had changed and they could not attend on the day.

The pass rate was excellent with only a few people whose nerves got the better of them on the day.

We thank Dr Barbour for her input and look forward to planning our next seminar day.

If anyone has anything they would like us to run, please contact me or any other committee member and we will try our best to assist.

Hazel Gripton

• RESCUE REPORT •

It is always difficult when we are asked to re home a group of dogs coming from one family. This was the case in June when I was asked to find a home for Hamish who was 12 years old and Kerry who is 10 years old and the little female cross

breed Tanya sitting at the back in the picture. Their owner had passed away and his wife was very poorly in a nursing home. So they had been in foster care for a few weeks.

The blond boy on the left was going to stay with the foster carer. So three dogs to home and Tanya the cross breed didn't like men, but all lovely natured dogs without any issues. I get a lot of requests for the goldens we have in, but not many people want to take on three, or even two for that matter. I keep a list of all requests coming in for the dogs and it's a case of wading through these to hopefully find the right home. I thought I would try Olive and her hubby who have had an older dog from me before and recently lost him. They hadn't ever considered taking two dogs but said they would have Hamish and Kerry and try them for two weeks, to see if they could cope. If not we would fetch them back. Well, of course they behaved beautifully

and there was no mention of them not staying. But that left little Tanya. A couple of weeks before I had had a

phone call from a lady living on her own (no man in the house)! and she had a 10 year old Golden Retriever bitch and had lost an oldie and the dog was pining for company. Christine went to see Tanya and the dogs got on straight away, so a happy ending for her also.

Ingrid Pinfield
Rescue Officer



OPEN SHOW 2016

Our Open Show this year had a few changes for us, one of these changes we were unsure of how members and our entrants would respond to our new venue, the other 2 were we have a new Chairperson Penny Gowland and a new Show Secretary Lillah Rea both which the club are fortunate to have.

Our new venue was at Tomlinson's Canine Centre, which is well appointed for all motorways and major roads. We had hoped to be outside and make use of the excellent lawned area but the weather wasn't kind to us and due to safety had to remain inside. Due to it being a new venue, I and other committee members endeavoured to speak to everyone there, and I believe we got most people to give their views on the venue, we need not have worried, everyone spoken to said they loved it, we have a few things need tweaking but that's fine. Thank you everyone for your feedback.

Now to the Judging, our judge for the day was Mrs Di Arrowsmith (Fleetapple) who needs no introduction and drew an entry of 87 dogs making 138 entries.

Mrs Arrowsmith's Best Dog was Lynn and Gordon Kipps R Diamond At Wheatcroft Golden Angels Of Oberach (IMP DEU) from Open Dog who went on to win Best in Show.

Reserve Best Dog was Dawn Rose with Dunehills Overseas Linc Avec Gaytonwood (IMP BEL) who came from Puppy and went Best

Puppy Dog who went on to take Reserve Best Puppy in Show.

Best Bitch and Reserve Best in Show was Mrs Cricks Goldlyn Give And Take coming from Post Graduate.

Reserve Best Bitch was found in Graduate and was Pat Tucks Richana Harvest Gold For Tamsbrook JW.

Puppy Bitch was Debbie and Grace Vernon's Graceleigh Snapshot who won Puppy and went on to win Best Puppy in Show.

Mrs Arrowsmith found Best Veteran in Show in the Veteran Bitch class, Monchique Golden Dreams JW owned by Mr and Mrs Broadhead.

Special Working was Penny Gaylers Carolake Love And Kisses JW ShCM.

Brace was won by Mrs Evans.

We thank our Judge for the day Mrs Arrowsmith, all our exhibitors, and visitors, for making the show a happy friendly enjoyable day for all.

Note our Championship Show will remain at Kennel Club Buildings, we look forward to seeing you there on Sunday 4th December.

Hazel Gripton



Best in Show line up



Dogs line up



Best in Show Committee



Bitches line up



Brace - Mrs S. Evans - Lestorm Princess Aurora & Lestorm Sapphire Blue

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Members, if you have an interesting story or poem that you would like to share in the Newsletter, please send your article to Sandra Birkin-Green.