

# **FORTH & CLYDE WORKING GUNDOG ASSOCIATION**

## **K.C. I.D. 120**



### **SPANIEL TRIAL SCHEDULE 2023/24**

#### **103<sup>rd</sup> Spaniel Trial**

(To be held under Kennel Club Rules & Field Trial Regulations)

Open Qualifying Stake for A.V. Spaniel (except Cocker) for 16 dogs

Date: Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2023  
Venue: Tollishill, By Lauder  
By kind permission of His Grace The Duke of Northumberland  
Steward of the beat: Mr C. Dickman  
Judges: Mr Aled Jones (A3412) and Mr David Wilson (A3230)  
Closing Date: Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2023  
Draw: Sat 4<sup>th</sup> November 2023  
Conducted by Northgate Systems  
Spaniel Secretary's address – 19:00, please notify if wishing to attend  
Meet: Will be notified with results of the draw  
Entry Fee: £25 Members; £50 Non-members  
Prize Money: 1<sup>st</sup> - £20      2<sup>nd</sup> - £15      3<sup>rd</sup> - £10      4<sup>th</sup> - £5

#### **104<sup>th</sup> Spaniel Trial**

(To be held under Kennel Club Rules & Field Trial Regulations)

Novice A.V. Spaniel Stake for 16 dogs

Date: Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2023  
Venue: Moniaive (Corsock), Thornhill, Dumfries  
By kind permission of Mr Neil Gourlay  
Steward of the beat: Head Keeper Mr Hans McKenzie Wilson  
Judges: Mr John Semmens (A2703) and Mr Douglas Stewart (NP)  
Closing Date: Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2023  
Draw: Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2023  
Conducted by Northgate Systems  
Spaniel Secretary's address – 19:00, please notify if wishing to attend  
Meet: Will be notified with results of the draw  
Entry Fee: £25 Members; £50 Non-members  
Prize Money: 1<sup>st</sup> - £20      2<sup>nd</sup> - £15      3<sup>rd</sup> - £10      4<sup>th</sup> - £5

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## **105<sup>th</sup> Spaniel Trial**

(To be held under Kennel Club Rules & Field Trial Regulations)

### **Novice A.V. Spaniel Stake for 16 dogs**

Date: Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2024  
Venue: Byreclough Estate, Longformacus, Borders  
By kind permission of His Grace The Duke of Roxburghe  
Steward of the beat: Mr D. Ainslie  
Judges: Mr Jack Iliffe (A2497), Mr Andrew Cunningham (A2660), Mr Jim Gold (NP) and Mr Kenny McMillan (NP)  
Closing Date: Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2024  
Draw: Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2024  
Conducted by Northgate Systems  
Spaniel Secretary's address – 19:00, please notify if wishing to attend  
Meet: Will be notified with results of the draw  
Entry Fee: £25 Members; £50 Non-members  
Prize Money: 1<sup>st</sup> - £20      2<sup>nd</sup> - £15      3<sup>rd</sup> - £10      4<sup>th</sup> - £5

Please note KC Rule J7h will be implemented for the two Novice AV trials

**Entries should preferably be submitted via the club's website:**

**[www.forthandclydewga.com](http://www.forthandclydewga.com)**

If submitting via post or email, please send to:

W.G.Drummond

E: [wgd@btinternet.com](mailto:wgd@btinternet.com)

M: 07793 839188

Postal address: Sunnyoaks, Ballikinrain, Balfon, G63 0LL

Entry fees: cash payable on the day

### **GENERAL INFORMATION – PLEASE READ CAREFULLY**

1. Dogs entered at Kennel Club Licensed Field Trials must be registered at the Kennel Club in accordance with Kennel Club Regulations for Classification and Registration
2. The club has the right to refuse an entry on grounds the committee see fit.
3. Cheques payable to Forth & Clyde Working Gundog Association
4. If entries or nominations exceed the number of permitted runners, the right to compete in a Trial shall be decided by ballot.
5. All dogs' resident outside the UK must be issued with a Kennel Club Authority to Compete number before entry to a trial can be made. All overseas entries without an Authority to Compete number will be returned to the competitor.
6. For results of draw and trial meet information, a stamped addressed envelope is required or email address.
7. Competitors and reserves are to inform the Field Trial Secretary immediately on receipt of draw if they do not wish to take up the offer of a run in a trial.
8. Any competitor accepting a run and not taking up the offer may forfeit the whole entry fee.
9. Exceptions to No. (8) Novice stake competitors who have qualified out of Novice Stakes after entries close. Open Stake winners who have qualified for the Championship.
10. Should circumstances dictate, the Society in consultation with the Judges, may alter arrangements as necessary. Such changes and the circumstances surrounding them must be reported to the Kennel Club at the earliest opportunity. No modifications will be made to the Schedule except by permission of the Kennel Club, followed by advertisement in the appropriate Journals, if time permits, before the closing of the entries.
11. Substitution of dogs from the reserve list will be accepted. Substitutions will only be allowed up to 7 days prior to the trial.
12. All competitors and spectators must refrain from assisting handlers when they are running their dogs. This includes the use of binoculars and radios as well as hand signals.
13. Joint ownership. If a dog is jointly owned all owners must be a member of the Club.
14. When completing trial entry form, where applicable, please use stud book number.
15. No modification may be made to the schedule after publication except by permission of the Kennel Club, followed by advertisement in appropriate journals if time permits before the closing of entries.

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16. Trophies are held for one year and it is the responsibility of the winners to ensure that they are returned to the secretary in time for the trial, in a presentable condition.
17. It is not acceptable for an owner/handler to compete in one trial whilst still holding an accepted run in a second, overlapping trial. The Club reserves the right, in such cases to reject entries to future events.
18. Judges at a Trial are prohibited from entering a dog which is recorded in their ownership or part ownership.
19. Videography and photography will only be permitted with the express permission of the Chief Steward and the host.

#### DOGS IN CARS ON HOT DAYS

Your dog is vulnerable and AT RISK if left in a vehicle in high temperatures and even on days considered as slightly warm. Please take care of your dog. If your dog is found to be at risk, forcible entry to your vehicle may be necessary without liability for any damage caused.

#### WELFARE OF DOGS

Competitors whose dogs are entered at a Kennel Club licensed event should take all reasonable steps to ensure that the needs of their dogs are met and should not knowingly put their dogs' health and welfare at risk by any action, default, omission or otherwise. A breach of this Regulation may be referred to the General Committee for disciplinary action under Kennel Club Ltd Rules and Regulations.

The use of pinch collars, electronic shock collars, or prong collars, is not permitted at any field trial licensed by the Kennel Club. This shall apply at the venue or within the precincts of the trial.

#### **Trophies are held for one year. It is the responsibility of the winners to ensure that they are returned to the secretary the following year.**

Please note that the following targets are voluntary and self-administered, and something novice handlers can strive to achieve before entering a field trial.

The purpose of these targets is to get novice handlers to read the J Regulations to gain a basic understanding of the rules of the competition they propose to enter. This will also encourage handlers to take a dog out on a proper shooting day instead of just relying on a few training days, which may give a false impression of their dog's ability and suitability for field trials.

##### **The handler:**

- Attends a Kennel Club seminar on J Regulations
- Helps at a Kennel Club licensed field trial on three separate occasions.
- Helps on an organised shoot as a picker up for a minimum of one season.

##### **The dog:**

- Has worked on an organised shoot as a picking up dog for a minimum of one season before being entered in a field trial  
(training days do **not** qualify)
- Has no recurring eliminating faults and has had sufficient experience on live game before being entered into a field trial.

The Kennel Club recommends that these targets are achieved before entering a licensed field trial.

#### **FORTH & CLYDE W.G.A. SPANIEL TRIALS ARE KINDLY SUPPORTED BY:**

