

# *Dove Valley Working Gundog Club*

## *Retriever Working Tests 2024*

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**Very important notice.** The number of entries into tests in 2023 was very high. This is very good for our sport and very much encouraged by the Dove Valley committee. Getting sufficient helpers, in addition to the committee members, to run the events is essential as no doubt you are aware. However, getting help is very difficult and the events are run by the committee and a very small group of loyal, hardworking people who are generous with their time, some of which don't even run in competitions.

We therefore need to make two key points:

1. Please try to volunteer to help at one of our tests. If you run in the open class, please try and assist at a novice event and vice versa.
2. If we cannot get sufficient people to assist in the running of a test, we reserve the right to limit the entry numbers so that the test runs well and you all have an enjoyable and worthwhile day.

Thank you in advance

**The Dove Valley Committee**

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#### **Definitions for Retriever Working Tests. J(G)2.**

##### **Novice Dog/Novice Handler.**

Dogs and handlers that have NOT placed in any test or trial inc. COM.

##### **Novice.**

Dogs which have NOT won a Novice Test, or gained a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> in an Open Test or ANY Field Trial award, incl. COM.

##### **Puppy.**

Confined to dogs NOT older than 18 months on the day of Test.

##### **Open.**

Open to ANY Dog, with or without awards.

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#### **Entries & Directions**

1. Entries via the Dove Valley website only please
2. Entries after the closing dates cannot be accepted
3. Directions and What Three Word codes will be issued to entrants well in advance of the tests

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**Sunday April 14<sup>th</sup>**

**Open**

The Grange, Ashmore Dairy Farm  
Cross in hand lane, Litchfield, WS13 8DY

Meet 9.00 for 9.30 start.

Judges: Geoff Dobb (B2244) Peter Goddard, Steve Le-Voi  
Godfrey Lowe (A2696) Gary Rogers.

Closing date for entries – April 4<sup>th</sup>

**Saturday May 4<sup>th</sup>**

**Novice**

**Novice Handler/Novice Dog  
Puppy**

Yoxall Lodge, Yoxall, Staffs. DE13 8RL.  
by kind permission of Mr and Mrs M Chappell.

Meet 9:00 for 9.30 start.

Judges: Jackie Martin, Reuben Mort (B2977) Jane Sizer,  
Kate Smith (B3097) & Charlotte Wilkinson

Closing date for entries – April 25<sup>th</sup>

Directions. In Newchurch on the A515 between Sudbury and Yoxall, turn into Scotch Hills.  
After approx  $\frac{3}{4}$  mile, venue is on the RIGHT. Follow Club signs. Postcode DE13 8RL.

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**Saturday June 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Novice**

**Novice Handler/Novice Dog**

Bradley Old Parks, Brailsford.  
by kind permission of Mr M Samworth

Meet 9:00 for 9.30 start.

Judges: Chris Aston (B3546) Lesley Cooper-Shaw, Ian Glover,  
Sophie Harris & Carol Probert

Closing date for entries – June 5<sup>th</sup>

**Sunday July 14<sup>th</sup>**

**Open walked up (Restricted to 30 Dogs)**

Parkside Farm, Gayton, Stafford ST18 0HQ  
by Kind permission of JW & BK Sargent

Meet 9:00 for 9.30 start.

Judges: John Yarwood (A3484) Phil Smithies (B2367)  
Louise Adsboel & Tucker Munday

Closing date for entries – July 4<sup>th</sup>

This Test will be walked up in Beet on Field Trial lines and the J regs applied from the first  
round.

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