



The German Longhaired Pointer Club

NEWSLETTER



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From the chairman.....

What a different spring we have had compared to last year. Then it was water everywhere and this time round we have had parched ground and, for most of us, summer temperatures which have changed around the prospects for crops and game, always intrinsically bound together, so that the chances for grouse this year seem quite good. I do hope they are, as the alternative of us chasing the same pair around for three weeks will be extremely wearing on them and no good for training young dogs, which should at least be given a chance to put it all together.



The field trial season was a bit slim for GLP's. Many seem to have been caught up in other things which prevented them from competing. Our own Eris was a proud mum at Christmas but she did not think much of confinement or looking after the brood afterwards, once the first few weeks of maternal instinct were out of the way.

I can't blame her really – no one said she would also be missing the bulk of the shooting and like all GLP's she is a hunting machine first. Everything else comes second.

The best results for a GLP last season were for Theo Gould's Wamilanghaar Elixir who resoundingly won the Bryantscroft Shield.

We started the year with no prospect of having a pointing test. A very sad state of affairs indeed as it is so important to develop young dogs in the right way, hunting correctly being paramount. At the 11th hour I had a telephone call from a well-wishing member.

“Would the G.L.P.C. like to hold a pointing test this spring?”

(Great!)

“But there is a catch. Well, two, actually”

(Ye-es?)

“You have to hold it before the end of March –

(We were already in March!)

-and it's in Scotland – near Inverness.”

(BUGGER!)

However, my thoughts were rather too presumptive and it didn't take long to move mountains.

On Sunday 22nd we had a fantastic entry of 17 dogs at our first spring pointing test to be held at Dunphail, Morayshire, by kind permission of The Honourable Mark Laing. Head Keeper Michael Skelly, proudly (and justifiably so), showed us around part of his moor, where he is doing so much to eradicate ticks. The ground was excellent with a good sprinkling of grouse to test the dogs. Only much later in the day did we have difficulty finding birds, though there is a lot more ground to go at than we were able to use, so we are already looking forward to a return visit next year.

When we got back home I had another telephone call, this time from an old shooting friend, about a pointing test for the G.L.P.C. at Balsham which is on one end of Six Mile Bottom (famous partridge country) in Cambridgeshire. It was too late for this year, but I shall be chasing it up in 2010.

What a fantastic turn of events – from nothing to two superb grounds in a matter of weeks. We are fortunate to have such friends of the G.L.P.C.

Our recent Annual General Meeting was a very pleasant affair with both excellent weather and company. After putting the business away we were able to have a barbecue and the now customary retrieving test. Everyone enjoyed it and I think several members were surprised just what their dogs could do. Perhaps we have some more Field Trial Champions in the making?

At the start of the last shooting season we were able to arrange a practical field tuition day in Norfolk. We will try to do the same again this October and if it is anything like as good as last year I know we will have a great time.

I cannot fix a date yet as there are field trials still being arranged, but it is likely to be on any Tuesday. We are in the hands of others, but I will let you know as soon as a date is agreed.

Just to remind you – these days are not at all competitive. We try to have experienced handlers there to offer advice and do not normally take more than six dogs in order to give everyone a good chance. Training is tailored to each individual dog; therefore game may or may not be shot depending on needs. However, because a number of birds will be shot and we have to pay for them, a covering charge is made to every handler who, if their dog is up to it, may expect at least two birds each. We want to train both the handler and the dog to excel in any shooting field so you may enjoy all your days out, be they competitive or just for fun. Preference is given to members

with Longhairs, though if there is enough demand it is quite possible that a second day could be arranged.

Dogs attending do not have to be of field trial standard, but should be reasonably steady, be under control and be able to retrieve game.

Over the past few years we have seen quite a number of dogs on these training days and all have shown marked improvement which has stood them well in later competitions. In order that we may gauge the demand, would those interested in attending please e-mail me on david@winser.go-plus.net so I have a better idea what we are looking for when making the arrangements.

Just to fire you all up, last season we had two field trials. Next season I am hoping to arrange at least three, possibly four. Three will be on sugar beet and another is likely to be on white grass and heather moorland. Watch this space.

Best wishes to you and your dogs,

David Winser

Volunteers needed.

Our Club is under increasing pressure to send handlers with GLP's to a variety of events that are held around the country each year. Notable among these are Discover Dogs – both at Earls Court and at Crufts – and the Game Fair. If you are prepared to give up part of a day at one of these events, please let Sarah Bond or Eileen know as we are compiling a list of potential volunteers for future use. The demands on you as individuals will be minimal and often entry; car parking; refreshments and, in some cases, a contribution towards travel costs are paid. However, please be aware that advertising anything other than the Breed Club itself is prohibited, (we recently had our knuckles rapped over this because a breeder's kennel was featured) so all display material is provided by the Club.

Report on the Grouse Pointing Test held at Dunphail, Morayshire on Sunday 22 March 2009 by kind permission of The Honourable Mark Laing.

Dogs 1 to 14 were judged by David Winser and Mick Canham. Dogs 15,16 & 17 were judged by Ann Johnson and Mick Canham. The Keeper is Mr M. Skelly

Seven junior dogs of three different breeds and nine adult dogs of three different breeds all ran on the day.

The weather was dry with a good breeze and reasonable scent at the start of the day but by the end at about 1600 hrs the wind was very strong the temperature had dropped with showers and the scenting was difficult, not helped as the grouse had become wilder in the strong wind!

We were able to grade four dogs by the end of the day some others who hunted very well could not be graded as they were unable to find birds on their beats especially on the higher ground during the afternoon.

No 1 Stubblemere Ben Armine

This young GSP dog handled by Mr Colin Franklin ran from the start of his run with determination and drive. He covered his beat with good pace, his only mistakes being to turn back the wind on a couple of occasions in his eagerness to keep an eye on his handler! His good work was rewarded with a staunch point on a pair of grouse which he flushed on command and was steady to the birds going away he was graded: **Good**

No 8 Grangewire Vermillion

This was a GWP bitch handled by Louise Janniche and running in the adult section. The dog demonstrated her greater experience with grouse over the younger dogs that had previously run and although in contact with her handler did not allow this to interfere with her ground treatment and hunting. A nice point and being very steady to flush resulted in this bitch being graded: **Very Good**

No 16 Questor Eris

A GLP bitch running in the adult section and handled by David Winser. She ran with great pace and drive throughout her run and was just in contact with her handler responding to the odd command to change direction or turn on the flanks. When she winded birds she drew up the hill almost out of sight of her handler and the judges but was soon located on a staunch point over the ridge. She drew in on command and produced her birds. She was graded: **Very Good**

No 17 Questor A'Choire Ghlais

A GSP adult bitch handled by Eileen Winser. This bitch worked hard throughout and in an area with few birds seen, drew onto scent and pointed staunchly. She started to move in on the point very soon after the find (indicating the bird was moving ahead of her) and the single cock grouse took to the air. The dog was steady to the bird going away and was awarded by being graded as: **Good**

Our thanks to all that made this grouse pointing test a success especially to our host The Honourable Mark Laing, the keeper Michael Skelly and the GLP Club for organising the event and David and Eileen Winser for the tea and hot cross buns at the end of the day!



Mick Canham

Winners Gallery



Wamilanghaar Elixir

Theo Gould was awarded a 3rd place with Wamilanghaar Elixir at the Norfolk & Suffolk HPR FT Club Novice Stake at Attleborough, 2nd place at the GSP Club All Aged Stake at Attleborough and a 4th at the Open Stake run by the GSPA at Little Dolby. (Ellie retrieving a grouse - picture by Rob Gould.)



The Bryantscroft Shield presented by Rory Major for Excellence in Field Trials goes this year to Theo Gould and Wamilanghaar Elixir.

Winners Gallery



Wamilanghaar Cara

Rob Gould was awarded a 4th place in a Novice trial run by the Norfolk & Suffolk HPR Ft Club on 15th January with Wamilanghaar Cara



Arthur V Munsterschlag mit Arany

Larry Wilks was awarded a COM at the GSPA Novice trial at Lubcloud Farm Leicestershire on 12th January 2009 with Arthur V Munsterschlag mit Arany.

For the attention of new owners and their young dogs.



We were hoping to hold a seminar in February but time over took us and before we knew it we were into March and the Spring Pointing arrangements. It has been suggested that the Seminar should be held in September and the topics to be discussed will be

1) Showing 2) Working 3) Training 4) Nutrition.

This Seminar is particularly aimed at the new owner to encourage a greater interest in the showing and working of their young dogs.

We are planning to hold our first Open show in 2011 and hope this will help to encourage a good entry from all over the country.

A notice will be posted on the web site with information as soon as arrangements are finalised.

Crufts 2009 Results



Best of Breed Arany's Baiser

*Congratulations to Larry Wilks and Brenda Moss
and the Arany Kennel*

Post Graduate Dog	1 st	Arany's Elko (Mr W L Macandrew-Uren)
	2 nd	Wamilanghaar Kinloch Rhum (Mrs S. Bond)
	3 rd	Arany's Danza Mit Hillanhi (Mesdames M.J Bates & J. Cooksey)

Open Dog	1 st	Arthur Vom Munsterschlag Mit Arany (Mr L Wilks & Ms B. Moss)
	2 nd	IR.SH CH Arany's Dargo Mit Bleyos (Mr G & Mrs T. Boyles)
	3 rd	Questor Eros At Swifthouse (Mrs E.J. Winser)
Special Working Gundog - Dog	1 st	Arany's Buchse (Mr L Wilks & Ms B. Moss)
	2 nd	Wamilanghaar Meadow Pipit (Mrs S. Bond)
	3 rd	Questor Eros At Swifthouse (Mrs E.J. Winser)
Good Citizen Dog Scheme - Dog	1 st	Bourdon V H Westervlier at Questor (Mrs E.J. Winser)
	2 nd	IR.SH CH Arany's Dargo Mit Bleyos (Mr G & Mrs T. Boyles)
Special Junior	1 st	Nancy V Auwelt Mit Arany (Mr L Wilks & Ms B. Moss)
Post Graduate Bitch	1 st	Arany's Evi (Mr L Wilks & Ms B. Moss)
	2 nd	Arany's Etta Mit Sarscottah (Ms S. S. Thomson)
	3 rd	Arany's Elfie (Miss S. Pearse & Mr P. Dearing)
	4 th	Questor Graafham (Mr R & Mrs J. Winser)
Open Bitch	1 st	Arany's Daja Mit Bleyos (Mr G. & Mrs T Boyles)
	2 nd	Arany's Dahra (Mr L Wilks & Ms B. Moss)
	3 rd	Arany's Elfie (Miss S. Pearse & Mr P. Dearing)
	4 th	Questor Eris (Mr D & Mrs E Winser)
	VHC	Questor Graafham (Mr R. & Mrs J. Winser)
Special Working Gundog - Bitch	1 st	Arany's Baiser (Mr L Wilks & Ms B. Moss)
	2 nd	Questor Eris (Mr D & Mrs E Winser)
Good Citizen Dog Scheme - Bitch	1 st	Arany's Dazz (Mr & Mrs G. Gibson)

Working Test

John Smith, the owner of Gill Mill, has invited us to hold our working test at Ducklington again this year. I hope you will give us your support as it has become one of the most popular in the country. The beautiful surroundings that have been created from this quarry is a huge achievement and we have seen it turn into a wild life paradise over the seven years that we have been privileged to go there.

The date this year is 12th July, 9am for a 9.30 start. Tea, coffee and cold drinks will be available free all day but your support for the raffle would be appreciated.

Our grateful thanks from the Club committee go to Mark Firmin who as usual has negotiated with the owners and managers of Gill Mill on our behalf.



A Schedule and entry form is enclosed with this Newsletter

All schedules and entry forms for Club events are downloadable from the web site www.german-longhaired-pointer.org.uk

The Club's annual trophy is awarded to 1st place in each class and a keepsake trophy is awarded to 1st to 3rd place in each class.

Judges this year will be

Puppy	Fiona Wensley
Novice	Paul MacDonald & Gill Pillinger
Open	Tony Russell & Jean Robertson

If necessary due to the number of entries another judge may be asked to judge the water tests so that we can finish the day with tea and cakes and we can all get home at a reasonable time.

Open & Championship Show Dates

For more information about scheduled shows check The Kennel Club's web site
Show entries can be made on line www.fossedata.co.uk

Date of Show	Show Society	
01/08/2009	** National Gundog Association	
05/08/2009	** Paignton & District Fanciers Association	01434 681825
08/08/2009	** Bournemouth Canine Associatio	
09/08/2009	* Yorkshire Gundog Club	
20/08/2009	* Hampshire Gundog Society	
23/08/2009	** Welsh Kennel Club	
29/08/2009	* North Riding Gundog Club	
30/08/2009	** Scottish Kennel Club	
06/09/2009	** City of Birmingham Canine Association	
13/09/2009	** Richmond Dog Show Society	
20/09/2009	** Darlington Dog Show Society	01926 843114
23/09/2009	* Windsor Gundog Society	02893 367659
26/09/2009	** Belfast Dog Show Society	
26/09/2009	* Cornwall Gundog Club	
27/09/2009	* Stoke-on-Trent & District Gundog Club	
02/10/2009	** Driffield Agricultural Society	01623 747006
03/10/2009	* North of England H.P. & R. Club	01915 126133
08/10/2009	** South Wales Kennel Association	
11/10/2009	* East Anglian Gundog Society	
11/10/2009	* Northern Counties Gundog Club	01625 424343
14/10/2009	** Gundog Society of Wales	01536 790159
17/10/2009	* South Western Gundof Club	01206 852373
18/10/2009	* Birmingham & Dist. Gundog & Terrier Club	01609 772861
25/10/2009	** Midland Counties Canine Society	01495 772681
08/11/2009	* Gundog Club of North Wales	
08/11/2009	* Mid Herts Gundog Club	01206 213680
14/11/2009	** Gundog Breeds Association of Scotland	
15/11/2009	* Merseyside Gundog Club	01462 637431
22/11/2009	* Leicestershire Gundog Society	02476 403453
29/11/2009	* Coventry & District Gundog Society	01792 864402
29/11/2009	* South of England Gundog Club	01622 737457
12/12/2009	** Ladies Kennel Association	01526 322081
27/12/2009	* Goyt Valley Gundog Society	01766 522785

** Championship Shows
* Open Shows

Field Trial Secretaries of Societies for H.P.R. breeds:

Bracco Italiano Society	Lori Dempster	01273 401428
Bristol & West	Christine Carpenter	01373 462963
Brittany Club	John Anderson	01600 890667
Coventry & District	Sean McGrath	01202 249154
Dukeries Gundog Club	Di Arrowsmith	01724 710265
G.W.P.Club	Allan Hender	01189 712876
G.L.P.Club	David Winser	01487 822366
G.S.P. Association	Maureen Nixon	01530 260581
G.S.P. Club	David Winser	01487 822366
Hampshire Gundog Soc	Sue Lamb	01202 240154
H.P.R. Club of Scotland	Marion Waddell	01505 685539
Hungarian Vizsla Club	Rachel Herbert	01987 240765
Hungarian Vizsla Soc.	Nigel Dear	01869 324503
Hungarian Wirehaired Vizsla Ass	M. Lovell	01254 727329
Italian Spinone Club	Alix Johnson	01264 781913
Large Munsterlander Club	Helen Evans	01223 845255
Lothian & Borders	Mr H. Shaw	01659 74456
Norfolk & Suffolk HPRFT Club	Chris Snelling	01449 781850
North of Scotland Gundog Club	Heather Mitchie	01244 733295
The Kennel Club	Ann Greeves	10485 600918
Weimaraner Association	Penny Pickstone	10482 657337
Weimaraner Club of GB	Suzi Burton	01892 861922
Worcestershire Gundog Soc.	Ray Davies	01531 890967

For details of working tests to be held this summer
have a look at Mick Philips web site www.hprftinfo.co.uk

Dates for your diary Game Fairs & County Shows

JULY 1-2 Royal Norfolk Show, Norwich
3-5 Scottish Game Fair, Scone Palace
7-10 Royal Show, Stoneleigh
14-16 Great Yorkshire Show, Harrogate
20-23 Royal Welsh Show, Llanelwedd
22 Festival of Hunting, Peterborough
24-26 CLA Game Fair, Belvoir Castle
SEPTEMBER 4-6 Chatsworth Country Fair
19-20 Midland Game Fair, Weston Park
19-20 Royal County of Berkshire Show, Newbury
26-27 Malvern Autumn Show
NOVEMBER 7-8 British Fly-fishing Fair, Trentham Gardens, Staffordshire
13 Countryside Raceday, Cheltenham
21-22 English Winter Fair, Staffordshire
30-1 December Royal Welsh Winter Fair, Llanelwedd
DECEMBER 30 Nov - 1 Dec Royal Welsh Winter Fair, Llanelwedd

Club events

GLP Cub Working Test 12th July 2009
CLA Game Fair,
Belvoir Castle, 24th to 26th July 2009
Field Trial Training Day October 2009
Discover Dogs Earls Court,
8th/9th November 2009
Field Trials
Tixover 26/10/09
Attleborough 16/11/09
Wardy Hill to be arranged
Stranrae to be arranged

Your next Newsletter will be autumn/winter 2009/10

To ensure you receive your Newsletter on time please send all materials to be included to:

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Before the end of September

Any articles received after this date will be included in the spring 2010 issue.

The editor reserves the right not to publish any articles or letters submitted

Club Shop Items

Available from Eileen (email eileen@winsor.go-plus.net)

Car Stickers	£2. 50
Grooming Video	£10.00
Club Lapel Badge	£2. 50
Notelet Cards	£2. 00
Embroidered Blazer Badge	£6. 50
Greetings Cards	£1. 00
Engraved (German Longhaired Pointer) Pens	£2. 50
Gilet with GLP Logo (terracotta made by Oxford Blue)	£35. 00
Fleece with GLP Logo (made by Oxford Blue)	£35. 00

Stock from the Dutch Club	
Dummy Bag with GLP motive	£10. 00
Umbrella with GLP motive	£10. 00
Pewter GLP Brooch	£3. 00
Pewter GLP Key Fob	£5. 00

Available from Brenda Moss (email Brenda-arany@tiscali.co.uk)
In sporting green with Deutsh Langhaar Logo

T Shirts
Sweat Shirts
Fleeces
Caps
Ties