of the Northern Golden Retriever Association



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## **NOTICE OF TRAINING CLASS**

There will be a training class on Sunday the 26th February 2017 at Westhoughton. Puppy, Novice, and Open all meet for a 12 noon start. See Direction to Venues sheet. This will be followed by the PTA AGM.

## **NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The Annual General Meeting for all PTA members will commence at 3pm on Sunday the 26th of February 2016 at Little Hulton Cricket & Bowling Club, Old Vicarage Ground, Manchester Road West, Little Hulton, Manchester, M38 9UW.

There will be a buffet available before the AGM commences, and the bar will also be open. Members who attend training before the AGM please note – NO muddy boots allowed.

The Chairman retires annually. Mr T Richards is seeking re-election and offers himself for re-election.

Three members of the committee Mr J Benyon, Mr K Jackson and Mr A Illingworth are due to retire. Mr Benyon and Mr Jackson both offer themselves up for re-election, but Mr Illingworth is not standing. Mrs P Illingworth has decided to retire from the committee.

The offices of Secretary and Treasurer are Committee appointments. Mrs K Parkinson is willing to continue as Secretary and Mr J Benyon is willing to continue as Treasurer.

Nominations for the Committee and/or Chairman, accompanied by a proposer and seconder, together with written consent of the person proposed, must reach the Secretary by Sunday the 29th January 2017.

Any member may nominate anyone else who has been a member for at least 1 year. If necessary there will be a ballot. Only fully paid up members of the PTA and NGRA will be allowed to vote. A nominations form is attached.

Any proposals for consideration at the AGM should be sent to the Secretary in writing or by email by Sunday the 29th January 2017.

### **TROPHIES**

At the conclusion of business The Pennine Trophy, Castleshaw Trophy, Sybil Buckley Memorial Trophy, and the Warpersmoss Shield will be presented. Please send details of your awards on the form provided along with your claim for any or all trophies to the Secretary by Sunday the 29th January 2017. (see points system enclosed). AWARDED ANNUALLY TO PTA MEMBERS. IF YOU ARE ELIGIBLE - PLEASE SUBMIT AN APPLICATION. IT'S FREE AND THE TROPHIES ARE THERE TO BE AWARDED. DON'T BE SHY.

The Castleshaw Trophy is for the most points in field trials and is available to all PTA members but to qualify for The Pennine Trophy (for the most points in field trials) the member must have attended a minimum of 4 training classes during the previous 12 months (i.e. since the last AGM).

The Sybil Buckley Memorial Trophy will be presented to the dog scoring the most points in tests and trials. There must be at least one working test award and one field trial award to qualify. Handlers must have attended a minimum of three training classes since the last AGM.

The Sobaka Cup will also be presented and this will go to the handler scoring most points in working test and matches under the auspices of the PTA. No claims are necessary as the Secretary has the details.

The Warpersmoss Shield has been kindly donated by Mr and Mrs D Robertson and is awarded by the Committee

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for the most deserving dog/handler attending training classes.

## **POINTS SCORING FOR PTA ANNUAL AWARDS**

All points are awarded for Field trials Awards only, for 1 named dog.

Novice	1 <sup>st</sup> 8	2 <sup>nd</sup> 6	3 <sup>rd</sup> 4	4 <sup>th</sup> 2	COM 1
All Aged	12	8	6	4	2
1 Day Open	16	13	10	6	3
2 Day Open	20	16	12	8	4
Championship	30	25	20	15	10

In respect of the Sybil Buckley Memorial Trophy, Field Trials and Working Tests will count. Both will score the same as shown:-1<sup>st</sup>=5 points, 2<sup>nd</sup>=4 points, 3<sup>rd</sup>=3 points, 4<sup>th</sup>=2 points, COM=1 point.

#### **2017 PTA ANNUAL AWARDS NOMINATION FORM**

Please fill in details of awards gained (photocopy if more than one dog)

#### **The Castleshaw Trophy**

Name of Dog

<u>Field Trial Society</u> <u>Stake</u> <u>Award</u> <u>Points (see table above)</u>

#### **The Pennine Trophy**

Name of Dog

Field Trial Society Stake Award Points (see table above)

#### **The Sybil Buckley Memorial Trophy**

Name of Dog

<u>Field Trial Society</u> <u>Stake/Test</u> <u>FT/WT Award</u> <u>Points (see table above)</u>

Name:

Address

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This form must be received by the Secretary by Sunday the 29th January 2017.

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## NOMINATION FOR THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE

Nominee's Name
Nomination for: Chairman*/Committee Member* (*Please delete as appropriate)
Proposed by
Seconded by
I agree to my nomination above
Signature of Nominee
The nomination form together with signed consent of the nominee and a brief CV from the nominee must reach the Secretary by Sunday the 29 <sup>th</sup> January 2017
<b>*</b>

#### **2017 PTA ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE NOW DUE**

#### Pennine Training Area - Annual Membership Fee

Adults: £5.00 per person, Junior members (under 16): £1.00. The annual subscription is payable on or before the 1st of January in any one year. Cheques should be made payable to: "Pennine Training Area". In order to save on postage costs no receipt will be issued unless requested.

Please complete the enclosed PTA membership application form (<u>please print clearly</u>) and send it with your payment (cheque only) to the Club Secretary:

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Members who have applied for or renewed their membership after the 1st of October in any year will qualify for membership up to the 31st of December of the following year. If the PTA subscription is not renewed by the 1st of March each year membership will lapse and the member's name will be erased from the Club register. Any member who allows their membership to lapse will need to re-join. There will however be no re-joining fee.

A note from the NGRA Secretary: <u>Existing NGRA members</u> who wish to renew their membership should complete an NGRA membership application form and send it, along with your annual subscription (£10.00 single or £12.00 joint - cheque only please) direct to:

Mr J Newsham, 1 Brazenhill Lane, Haughton, Stafford, Staffs, ST18 9HS

If the NGRA subscription is not renewed by the 1st of March each year membership will lapse and the member's name will be erased from the Club register. Any member who allows their membership to lapse will need to re-join. There will however be no re-joining fee.