

Pennine Training Area

of the Northern Golden Retriever Association



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NOTICE OF TRAINING CLASS

There will be a training class on Sunday the 6th of March 2016 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 6th of March 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 (suggested donation £2.00 per person), 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.

Four members of the committee Mr S Burns, Mrs C Hewison, Mrs P Illingworth, and Mr G Collier are due to retire. All offer themselves for re-election.

The offices of Secretary and Treasurer are Committee appointments. Mr P Gilmore 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 21st of February 2016**.

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 21st of February 2016**.

TROPHIES

At the conclusion of business The Pennine Trophy, Castleshaw Trophy, Sybil Buckley Memorial Trophy, and the Warkersmoss 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 21st of February 2016** (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 Warkersmoss Shield has been kindly donated by Mr and Mrs D Robertson and is awarded by the Committee for the most deserving dog/handler attending training classes.

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POINTS SCORING FOR PTA ANNUAL AWARDS

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

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	COM
Novice	8	6	4	2	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:-1st=5 points, 2nd=4 points, 3rd=3 points, 4th=2 points, COM=1 point.

2016 PTA ANNUAL AWARDS NOMINATION FORM

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

The Castleshaw Trophy

Name of Dog

Field Trial Society Stake Award Points (see table above)

The Pennine Trophy

Name of Dog

Field Trial Society Stake Award Points (see table above)

The Sybil Buckley Memorial Trophy

Name of Dog

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

Name:

Address

This form must be received by the Secretary by Sunday the 21st of February 2016.

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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 21st of February 2016

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2016 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 (please print clearly) 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: Existing NGRA members 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.