



Welcome to your latest NEWS SHEET.

### <u>AGM</u>



Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2019 8 pm at St George's Hall, Wrotham TN15 7AB

Please come along and support the official business of the SGRS. This year we will also be having a short talk by Doug Brown who has become a official fund raiser for Medical Detection Dogs followed by the usual splendid refreshments.

AGM documents will be on the SGRS website at the beginning of March.



### **AGM CUPS & TROPHIES**

A timely reminder that the SGRS awards a variety of Cups and Trophies at the AGM for achievement in various events and disciplines. Some awards have to be applied for by owners, so please read what you might be able to claim and how to do that. Deadline for claims is the end of February. <u>http://www.southerngoldenretriever.com/members/ANNUALTROPHESA</u> <u>WARDEDATTHEAGM.pdf</u>

Many of you will know that the Society has a Face Book page <a href="https://www.facebook.com/SouthernGoldenRetrieverSociety">https://www.facebook.com/SouthernGoldenRetrieverSociety</a>

We would love to have members celebrate major or interesting successes with their dogs.

Please contact Sue Ashley <u>ashley258@btinternet.com</u> or Lisa Baker <u>lisa.baker177@btinternet.com</u> if you have any interesting news and photos to share.



Pease browse the SGRS website to keep up to date with all club events.

http://www.southerngoldenretriever.com/show1.html#event

### SUPPORTED ENTRY BREED CLASSES AT GROUP OPEN SHOWS

The new Judges Competency Framework process requires that Breed clubs support breed classes at general and group Open Shows every year by nominating judges and encouraging entries so that the judge gets a good entry.

Please put the following shows in your diaries for a supported entry.

Hampshire Gundog Closes 18 <sup>th</sup> February	17 <sup>th</sup> March	Whitchurch	Dorne Warrington
Windsor Gundog Closes 18 <sup>th</sup> February	3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Kempton Park	Jan Gannaway-Jones
South of England Gundog	26 <sup>th</sup> May	Maidstone	Trevor Wilmott
Guildford DCS	8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Ardingly	Ian Briggs

#### **RAFFLE PRIZES**

Do you have any unwanted gifts/items that would be suitable for a Raffle prize? The SGRS are always happy to accept items for prizes at events. Either bring them along to any of the SGRS events, such as the Open Show or training classes. or contact a local Committee Member.



### **CRUFTS FRIENDS FOR LIFE**

If you haven't already noticed, there is a Golden Retriever nominated in this year's Crufts Friends for Life.

**GET VOTING** so that the family wins!!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?fbclid=IwAR1jAYzTqaGgULCpxSDdjAp2P36yZrc55TurnDhRc1zkIQrJ3SL9bdsuJc&v=F5wwfKfOg-4

#### **Derek Price-Harding (Deremar)**

Our more senior members will be sad to learn of the death of Mr Derek Price-Harding . He died peacefully in Charing court residential home earlier this month. If anyone would like to attend the service it is at Charing Crematorium at 4pm on Thursday 21at Feb and afterwards at the Wagon and Horses pub Charing. Please no flowers donations to Macmillans nurses.

#### STEWARDING AT BREED SHOWS

The SGRS are always willing to have novice Stewards at any of our Breed Shows, especially now that it is an early requirement for progression as an aspiring Judge under the new JCF requirements. If you would like to volunteer for our CH Show on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March, then please contact Jan Wilton: <u>vallhund@btopenworld.com</u>



#### OBEDIENCE SHOW – SUNDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> APRIL Farningham Cricket Club, Kent. Limited to Golden Retrievers

Introductory, Pre-beginner and Beginner classes will commence at 10. a.m. with a.m. stays. Registration for Novice and A will be at 12.30 with stays not before 1.30.

Schedule and Entry Forms will be on the Website shortly, we are just confirming Judges.

This is a new venue at a new time of year so please support the show. If it proves to be a success, we may be able to re-introduce B and C classes in the future.

#### WORKING TESTS

Special Beginner Training Day and Working Test Sunday 28th April 2019

ND/NH (unclassified) and Novice Working Tests (Classified) Sunday 19th May 2019 Goldens and Flatcoats hosted by SGRS

S/Puppy, Veteran, Novice & Open Working Test Sunday 28th July

Schedules and entry forms can now be downloaded from:

http://www.southerngoldenretriever.com/show1.html#working

or contact Ray Gait for details ray.gait@hotmail.com

#### SGRS JUDGING LISTS

The system for educating judges in the UK is changing from 1 January 2020. The new system is called the **Judges Competency Framework** (JCF).

In the present judging system we have C, B, A3, A2 and A1 judging lists and these will be replaced by Levels 1, 2, 3 and 4 listings. More details can be found at <u>www.thekennelclub.org.uk/jcf</u>.

Some of the new judging systems and processes are either now in place to support the JCF (including the role of the BER) or will be coming into place between now and 31 December 2021. This **'transition period**' is where the Kennel Club and Breed Clubs start the process of changing over the way they carry out Judges' education: the present education system will end on 31 December 2021 and the JCF will fully replace it on 1 January 2022.

#### What this might mean to you as a judge

If you wish to carry on judging when the new system starts, you will need to have a Judges license as part of the JCF system. This will cost £26 per year (£10 per year for Judges who currently award CCs to one breed only; and do not wish to judge any other breeds at any level).

There is also a period from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019 to 31 December 2021 whereby if you only wish to give CC's in one breed and not judge at other breeds it will be free but only if you register with the KC during that period.

This license fee will also give you access to the KC Academy so that throughout your judging career you can keep up to date with any judging information and also complete many of the free and valuable online judges' education courses available. The 'Requirements of a Dog Show Judge' multiple-choice exam will also be made available online through the Academy; and this will need to be completed by all Judges every 5 years.

Your own personal information, will be input by the KC in the first instance if you are already a Judge who awards CCs (Level 4); and then by you for any other breeds you wish to judge. This online system will be available to you during the second half of 2019. Information about a person's judging levels will feed into the **'Find a Judge'** website which will make it easier for societies to be able to choose a wide variety of judges for their shows at all levels.

If anyone wishes to start the mentoring process or has any questions about what they should be doing during the transition period then please let me, Hilary Male, know.

It could be that you are close to meeting the A3 list criteria. If this is the case , the A2 process may be better for you.

Details of the A2 process can be found at: <u>www.thekennelclub.org.uk/media/577402/jd31 a2 judges list procedur</u> <u>e 4.pdf</u>

#### Where can I find out more information about the JCF?

You can find out more about this and much more by visiting <u>www.thekennelclub.org.uk/jcf</u>, or by speaking to myself, Hilary Male, as BER.

The Breed Education Co-ordinator, who has to liaise with the Kennel Club and do all the official admin, is Christine Morrell. However, because there are so may GR breed clubs, the Kennel Club have allowed a pyramid arrangement with each club having their own Breed Education Representative who handles the day-today education and progression organisation at local level.

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