

Weimaraners in Field Trials: Season Summary 2014/15

The prospects for Weimaraners for the 2014/15 trialling season augured well following the achievements of the breed in the previous season which saw 8 handlers win 17 awards with 9 dogs. The season just ended was on the face of it not quite as spectacular as the mini-resurgence which preceded it, but when delving into the detail, there is still a great deal to be satisfied about.

By the end of November 2014, with only two further months of trialling available, the breed had notched up just two awards with two dogs. On 11/11/2014 Phil Ross's Enryb House Party At Clannliath (d) "Chester" picked up a COM in the NoSGA Novice trial at Castle Grant. Two weeks later, Nigel Wroe's Bastillian Lady Kasshilde (b) won a 2nd place in a N&SHPRFTC Novice trial at the Glassenbury Estate, Kent.

Some of the reasons for this meagre mid-season tally had more to do with injuries to leading dogs, or bitches whelping litters, than indifferent performances. Although some of the previous season award winners did not run at all, some of those which did missed out this time round.

December brought a change in fortune and three further awards were secured for the breed. Chester picked up a 4th and then a 3rd place in two GSPC Novice trials, and then Suzi Burton's Trubon Flysse Trevive (b) won a 4th place at a WCGB All-Aged trial at Glassenbury.

Then, with less than two weeks remaining of the shooting season something remarkable took place at a BWWGS Novice trial at Ammerdown Park. It was a rare but not unheard of outcome where all the dogs to water were Weimaraners. When the water tests were completed, Kimm Bakker's Dutch bred bitch, Ostara Van De Tuindershof, "Tara", in her second ever field trial had secured a 1st place (and Guns Award), followed by Nigel Wroe's Bastillian Lady Kasshilde at 4th (her second award of the season), and Christine Carpenter's Sh Ch Aschfahl Isen (b) with a COM. Isen now drops the Sh to become a Full Champion.

Less than a week later Tara secured a 4th place in a GSPA All-Aged trial at Over Worton.

Then just 4 days from the end of the season, and in the second to last field trial, Suzi Burton's Trubon Delta Truffe (b) came 2nd in a GSPC Open trial at Stow Bardolph. This placing qualified Delta to be the first Weimaraner able to represent the breed in the HPR Championship since Tsairgid Talked About (d) in 1990.[±] This will take place in November 2015.

The 2014/15 awards can be summarized as follows:

Stake	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	CoMs	Total
Novice	1	1	1	2	2	7
All-Aged	-	-	-	2	-	2
Open	-	1	-	-	-	1

In 2014/15 5 Handlers running 6 dogs secured 10 awards. In total 15 handlers ran 17 dogs, which had 66 runs, that is drawn to participate in the trial.

In 2013/14 10 of the awards were COMs and 7 were places. In 2014/15 8 of the 10 awards were for places and this is the best performance for places since the 11 places secured in 1995/96.

Weimaraner All-Time Field Awards Tables:

Phil Ross, Suzi Burton, and Christine Carpenter were already featured in the top 20 of the **WATFA Table for Handlers** as the season got under way. Nigel Wroe's 33 points earned in the season with Bastillian Lady Kasshilde (b) were sufficient to elevate him to 14th in the top 20 handlers table, from 22nd position previously.

Suzi's 2 awards in the 2014/15 season earned her an additional 52 handler points, to bring her All-Time tally to 1,084 points, and strengthens her position at first place in the table.

Phil's season tally was 38 points to bring his All-Time score to 264, all with the same dog, Enryb House Party At Clannliath (d). Phil improved on his handler's placing by moving from 7th to 5th place, leapfrogging Field Trial Champion handler Dave Pilkington, and also Costas Wilkinson. Phil's dog, Chester, moved from 5th to 4th place in the WATFA Table for Dogs.

Christine's Ch Aschfahl Isen's (b) 10 points allowed her to displace Trevor Horsefield (of Waldemar Titus (d) fame), by moving into 8th place in the handlers table.

Suzi's Trubon Delta Truffe's (b) 2nd place in her Open trial earned 32 points to lift her to 11th, with 165 points, a point ahead of kennel mate, Trubon Flysse Trevive (b) at 12th in the **WATFA Table for Dogs**. Delta is Suzi's second dog to be placed in Open, joining Trubon Chyna Treasa (b) with that distinction.

There was no other upward movement in the WATFA Top 20 tables for handler or dog. However, Nigel Wroe's entry into the top 20 handlers table caused M Berry (Lujarger The Limit (b), Heros Neptune (d)) to drop out of the handlers table.

The top performing dog in terms of award points was Kimm Bakker's Ostara Van De Tuindershof (b) "Tara". Kimm enters the handlers table at 31st place with 45 points. Tara tops Tier 3 of the **WATFA Table for Dogs** from a previous status of "unrecorded".

Nigel Wroe
(05/02/2015)

± FT Ch Quadet Caterin (b) would have been eligible under present day qualifying rules to participate in an HPR Championship, having won a 1st place in an Open field trial in the 2004/05 season, but at that time the HPR Championship had been suspended by the Kennel Club.

Table 1: Weimaraner All-Time Field Awards – Season 2014/15 Points Tally

FT Season	Owner/Handler	Dog	Novice Total	All Aged Total	Open Total	Grand Total
2015	Ms S Burton	Trubon Delta Truffe (b)			32	32
		Trubon Flysse Trevive (b)		20		20
	Ms S Burton Total			20	32	52
	Ms K Bakker	Ostara Van De Tuindershof (b)	25	20		45
	P Ross	Enryb House Party At Clannliath (d)	38			38
	NR Wroe	Bastillian Lady Kasshilde (b)	33			33
	Mrs CA Carpenter	Ch Aschfahl Isen JW (b)	10			10
2015 Total			106	40	32	178

Table 2: Weimaraner All-Time Field Awards: Top 20 Dogs+

Pos	Dog	Owner/Handler	Novice	All Aged	Open	Grand Total
1	FT Ch Wobrooke of Fleetapple (d)	Mrs D Arrowsmith	120	184	256	560
2	Trubon Arade Tribute (b)	Ms S Burton	234	96		330
3	Tasaigrid Talked About (d)	S Chant	30	180	68	278
4	Enryb House Party At Clannliath (d)	P Ross	192	72		264
5	FT Ch Quadet Caterin (b)	D Pilkington	83	32	148	263
6	Emmacian Escort (d)	Mrs LA Brown	85	128		213
7	Belvoirvale Bracken (b)	Mrs LA Brown	45	132	24	201
8	Trubon Bibe Tres (b)	Ms S Burton	181	16		197
9	Trubon Chyna Treasa (Re-Imp) (b)	Ms S Burton	23	104	68	195
10	Heronshaw Silver (b)	C Wilkinson	50	64	56	170
11	Trubon Delta Truffe (b)	Ms S Burton	65	68	32	165
12	Trubon Flysse Trevive (b)	Ms S Burton	108	56		164
13	Waldemar Titus (d)	T Horsefield	75		64	139
14	Aschfahl Liberty Belle (b)	Mrs CA Carpenter	38	88		126
15	Fossana Blue John (d)	R Jupp	80	16	16	112
16	Fossana Algenon (d)	R Jupp	75		32	107
17	Lurgashell Silver Lancer (d)	R Squire	70	32		102
18	Czolkins Platinum Cirrus (d)	Mrs J Turner	95			95
18	Wyndlee Silver Candy (b)	Mrs D Shall	95			95
20	Lotti Go-Lightly (b)	Lt. Col. HD Tucker	70	24		94

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**Table 3: Weimaraner All-Time Field Awards:
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		Trubon Flysse Trevive (b)	108	56		164
		Silberstern Moonlight Von Trubon (b)	23			23
		Trubon Eissmann Trevan (d)	10			10
1 (1)	Ms S Burton Total		644	340	100	1084
	Mrs LA Brown	Emmaclan Escort (d)	85	128		213
		Belvoirvale Bracken (b)	45	132	24	201
		Clippers Escort (b)	56	32		88
		Brakabreeze Bravado (b)	53	32		85
		Brakabreeze Bravehawk (d)	40	16		56
		Brakabreeze Elverden (b)	13			13
2 (2)	Mrs LA Brown Total		292	340	24	656
	Mrs D Arrowsmith	FT Ch Wobrooke of Fleetapple (d)	120	184	256	560
3 (3)	Mrs D Arrowsmith Total		120	184	256	560
	S Chant	Tasaigid Talked About (d)	30	180	68	278
		Quadet Asta (b)	25			25
4 (4)	S Chant Total		55	180	68	303
	P Ross	Enryb House Party At Clannliath (d)	192	72		264
5 (7)	P Ross Total		192	72		264
	D Pilkington	FT Ch Quadet Caterin (b)	83	32	148	263
6 (5)	D Pilkington Total		83	32	148	263
	C Wilkinson	Heronshaw Silver (b)	50	64	56	170
		Vanwilkie Nearly Napoleon (d)	35	40	16	91
7 (6)	C Wilkinson Total		85	104	72	261
	Mrs CA Carpenter	Aschfahl Liberty Belle (b)	38	88		126
		Aschfahl Chrystabelle (b)	35	16		51
		Aschfahl Grey Ghillie (b)	20			20
		Aschfahl Foresters Fancy (b)	13			13
		Aschfahl Isen JW (b)	10			10
		Aschfahl Golby Gamefinder (d)	10			10
8 (9)	Mrs CA Carpenter Total		126	104		230
	T Horsefield	Waldemar Titus (d)	75		64	139
		Fineshade Quail Run (b)	45			45
		Hillbrow Quest (b)	25		16	41
9 (8)	T Horsefield Total		145		80	225
	R Jupp	Fossana Blue John (d)	80	16	16	112
		Fossana Algenon (d)	75		32	107
10 (10)	R Jupp Total		155	16	48	219

Table 3: Weimaraner All-Time Field Awards: Top 20 Owner-Handlers+						
Pos (P/Y)	Owner/Handler	Dog	Novice Total	All Aged Total	Open Total	Grand Total
	R Squire	Lurgashell Silver Lancer (d)	70	32		102
		Brakabreeze Lancer (d)	13			13
11 (11)	R Squire Total		83	32		115
	BI Dwingelo-Lutten	Haselunne Heidi (b)	40			40
		Haselunne Heidelbeere (b)	20			20
		Carl August Von Haselunne (d)	20			20
		Silvershadow Eowyn Von Haselunne (b)	20			20
		Silvershadow Champion Von Haselunne (d)	13			13
12 (12)	BI Dwingelo-Lutten Total		113			113
	Lt. Col. HD Tucker	Lotti Go-Lightly (b)	70	24		94
		Katie Go-Lightly (b)			16	16
13 (13)	Lt. Col. HD Tucker Total		70	24	16	110
	NR Wroe	Bastillian Lady Kasshilde (b)	63			63
		Blenweim Sweet Lady Of Bastillian (b)	40			40
14 (22)	NR Wroe Total		103			103
	E Hardman	Bredebeck Sophie (b)	60	16		76
		Bredebeck Jutta (d)	20			20
15 (14)	E Hardman Total		80	16		96
	Mrs J Turner	Czolkins Platinum Cirrus (d)	95			95
16 (15)	Mrs J Turner Total		95			95
	Mrs D Shall	Wyndlee Silver Candy (b)	95			95
16 (15)	Mrs D Shall Total		95			95
	ND Elder	Aucassin of Llangynog (d)	75			75
		Aucassin Abelard (d)	20			20
16 (15)	ND Elder Total		95			95
	C Spree	Brakabreeze Goshawk (d)	55			55
		Gunalt Crystal Tipple (b)	20			20
		Brakabreeze Hawke (d)	20			20
16 (15)	C Spree Total		95			95
	Ms J Hall	Yaxi Von Stern Weiss (d)	91			91
20 (19)	Ms J Hall Total		91			91

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Notes:

1 This article refers variously to **Weimaraner All Time Field Awards** (“WATFA”) tables. These have been compiled by and are copyright of the author, and not to be reproduced without written permission. Various tables, for dogs, for owner-handlers etc. have been generated by ascribing points to the various stakes related award places and aggregating them, ranking dog or owner-handler accordingly. The points system is loosely based on the WCGB annual awards points system. The principal focus in the narrative has been to focus on the top twenty dogs and their owner-handlers.

2 In UK field trials an award is any place in a Stake decided by the Judges, which may be a 1st through to 4th. No joint placing is permitted and it is possible for the best dog to be awarded less than a first. A certificate of merit (“CoM”) may, at the discretion of the Judges, be conferred to any number of dogs. Technically a CoM is not an “award”, it is a certificate per the Kennel Club J-Regulations. Throughout this article CoM’s have been referred to and evaluated as awards, and in the WATFA points tables do carry award points dependent on the stake.

3 Reference is made to “owner-handler” throughout the narrative. Generally the handler will be the owner of the dog, but on occasion, the dog may have been handled other than by the owner. No distinction is made in the originating records of such occurrences, and accordingly none can be made in this narrative.

4. The names and titles of dogs featured in this analysis are as per the original records. Many dogs would go on to win other titles (eg CDEX, UDEX), or have the show “Sh” prefix removed by virtue of winning a Qualifying Certificate, or mainstream field (FT) award. These later name adjustments are generally not updated by subsequent achievements, unless for example the “FT Ch” prefix is added.

5. Owner-handler names may have changed over the years due to marriage etc. I have tried to allow for this and identify a person by their later name where possible, simply so that a long record of achievement can be aggregated under the later name.

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