## Weimaraners in Field Trials: Season Summary 2016/17:

# **Hunting Weimaraner Introduction:**

The Hunting Weimaraner maintains a database of UK Field Trial Awards for Weimaraners and their handlers, originally compiled in 2012 from a variety of historical sources, and updated each field trial season since then from ongoing field trial results.

Season and all-time rankings are then calculated for dogs and handlers based on a weighted points allocation determined by the place in the awards and the stake at which the awards were earned. These tables are known as the WATFA tables, (Weimaraner All-Time Field Award tables).

The WATFA tables, and the database from which they are derived make it possible to compare the relative achievements of Weimaraners and their handlers in field trials, over the years, and each season. Other field awards, such as those earned at Gundog Working Tests and Pointing Tests do not feature in the Hunting Weimaraner database, although the various Weimaraner breed clubs will make annual awards based on results in all three field disciplines.

HPR Field trials can be held on game in the UK from the 12<sup>th</sup> August to 1<sup>st</sup> February following, inclusive, and is aligned to the shooting season. The collection of data concerning Weimaraners running in field trials in any season relies on the goodwill of owner/handlers and other HPR enthusiasts sending notice of the participation of Weimaraners, and hopefully of awards, to the writer. There are other, ad hoc sources, but sadly no publicly available central repository of field trial runners and handlers. So errors and omissions are possible and the writer would be pleased to receive notices of such to allow any corrections to be made.

## Field Trial Season 2016/17\*:

Twelve handlers ran 16 dogs, with 5 dogs featuring in the awards to 3 handlers. In total 17 awards were made which is a significant improvement on the tally of 6 awards from two dogs and two handlers in the 2015/16 season.

The breed highlight of the season was the outstanding performance of Silvershot's Semper Fi For Kasmegs (d) (b 18/04/2008) imported and handled by Mike Ede from United States breeders Judy Balog, Gerald & Teresa Gertiser.

Fi's first ever FT award was a second place in a WCGB Novice trial at Cranbourne, Dorset attained at the age of 4 ¾ years on 07/01/2013 under judges F Wensley and S Kimberley. Followed up just over a year later by a 4<sup>th</sup> place in Novice under judges S Kimberley and R Davies at a WGS Novice trial at Woolhope, Herefordshire. The dog was not extensively trialled again until the current (2016/17) season under review. That is not to say that the dog was not worked however and his training continued unabated.

This paid off with a 2<sup>nd</sup> place in a WCB Novice trial under judges S Burton and N Wroe at Titsey in Kent on 20/10/2016. A month later on 25/11/2017 Fi secured a 1<sup>st</sup> place in a Novice trial with the BWWGS at Evesham under judges S Chant and S Kirby. Having won out of Novice with this 1<sup>st</sup> place, Fi was entered in a WCGB All Aged trial at Little Pix Hall, Hawkhurst, Kent on 20/12/2017 and was rewarded with a 1<sup>st</sup> place by judges C Wilkinson and A Jones. The author, also competing at this trial, was heard to suggest in all seriousness to Mike that he should now go on to win a first

in an Open trial at the next opportunity, and lo, this came to pass three weeks later on 05/01/2017 at a HGS Open trial at Calbourne on the Isle of Wight, under judges S Kimberley and M Spearing. That first place qualified Fi for the HPR Championship in November 2017, and in UK field trialling parlance, also gave Fi "a leg up" to becoming a field trial champion, which would be secured by attaining a second 1<sup>st</sup> place in Open, or even an outright win at the 2017 Championship.

The season's first award went to Trubon Flysse Trevive (b) (b 11/04/2011) bred, owned and handled by Suzi Burton. This was a 4<sup>th</sup> place in an HVC All Aged stake at Little Pix Hall, Kent on 11/10/2016 under judges R Howard and L Brown.

Within the fortnight, Suzi had travelled to Burncastle, Berwickshire for a GSPC Open trial on 22/10/2016, securing a 4<sup>th</sup> place under judges M Nixon and P Pickstone. During November Flysse picked up two Open CoMs. The first at a WCGB trial on 05/11/2016 at Langholm, Dumfriesshire, under judges P Pearson and S Pleasance. That trial going down in HPR trialling history as all 12 dogs went home with awards. The second CoM came at a GLPC trial at Elveden Estate on 24/11/2016 under judges S Kuban and M Firmin.

January 2017 saw Flysse pick up 3 awards in All Aged trials. Starting with a 2<sup>nd</sup> place at a GSPA trial at Little Pix Hall on 17/01/2017 under judges C Snelling and C Carpenter. Then a CoM on 20/01/2017 at a BWWGS trial at Upton Pyne, Exeter under judges R Howard and T Bennett. Flysse then crowned the season on 24/01/2017 at a WCGB All Aged trial at Conghurst, Kent. Judges R Howard and L Brown awarding a 1<sup>st</sup> place. The season tally of 7 awards to Trubon Flysse Trevive brought her lifetime to date total of 21 awards, with 8 being in Novice, 8 in All Aged, and 5 in Open.

Semper Fi For Kasmegs and Trubon Flysse Trevive accounted for 11 of the 17 awards made to Weimaraners in the 2016/17 season.

Ignaheims Bolt to Parhelis (Imp Nor) (d) (b 09/05/2012) owned by Sally Morgan and handled by husband Adrian secured the first 1<sup>st</sup> place of the season at a L&BGA Novice trial at Dumfries House on 22/10/2016 under judges G card and K Hamilton.

In addition to the 7 awards from Trubon Flysse Trevive, handler Suzi Burton secured a further 5 awards with two other home bred dogs. Trubon Delta Truffe (b) (b 05/05/2008) won an Open CoM at the WCGB trial on 05/11/2016 judged by P Pearson and S Pleasance at which all 12 dogs were rewarded. Delta had also competed in the 2016 HPR Championship in November.

Trubon Grafyte Treve (d) (b 13/09/2014) out of Semper Fi For Kasmegs and Trubon Delta Truffe, picked up his first ever field trial award, a CoM, on 17/12/2016 at a HWVA Novice stake at Ammerdown, Somerset under judges S Kimberley and M Spearing. Graf was to pick up a further two awards at this venue. Judges S Kuban and A Parr awarded a Novice 2<sup>nd</sup> place on 29/12/2016, and on 09/01/2017 judges A Hender and B Pearson awarded a CoM at a BWWGS Novice trial.

On 17/01/2017 at the same GSPA All Aged trial at Little Pix Hall at which judges C Snelling and C Carpenter awarded Trubon Flysse Trevive a 2<sup>nd</sup> place, Graf picked up another CoM.

By season's end 16 dogs had competed under 12 handlers over 59 runs, with 4 dogs under 3 handlers picking up 17 awards. In the preceding season 13 dogs had competed under 9 handlers over 56 runs, with 2 dogs under 2 handlers picking up 6 awards.

Trubon Flysse Trevive was confirmed by the records as the "FT Hunting Weimaraner", and her handler, Suzi Burton as "FT Hunting Weimaraner Handler" of the 2016/17 season. This pairing the same as in the previous season.

The 2016/17 awards can be summarized as follows:

Stake	1st	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3rd	4th	CoMs	Total
Novice	2	2	-	-	2	6
All-Aged	2	1	-	1	2	6
Open	1	-	-	1	3	5

In 2015/16 2 Handlers running 2 dogs secured 6 awards.

### **Weimaraner All-Time Field Awards Tables:**

The 160 points earned over the 2016/17 season by Trubon Flysse Trevive (b) elevated her from 6<sup>th</sup> position to 2<sup>nd</sup> in the WATFA table for dogs, leapfrogging kennel mate Trubon Arade Tribute (b) previously positioned at 2<sup>nd</sup>.

The 125 points earned over the 2016/17 season by Silvershot's Semper Fi for Kasmegs (d) elevated the dog from 52<sup>nd</sup> place in the WATFA table for dogs to 13<sup>th</sup> place.

The 56 points earned in the season by Trubon Grafyte Treve (d) placed the dog 33<sup>rd</sup> in the WATFA table for dogs.

The Novice FT win by Ignaheims Bolt to Parhelis (Imp Nor) (d) earned him 25 points and places the dog at 19<sup>th</sup> in the 3<sup>rd</sup> tier of the WATFA table for dogs.

The 16 points earned over the season by Trubon Delta Truffe (b) allows her to move up one place to 11<sup>th</sup> in the WATFA table for dogs.

The 232 points earned by handler Suzi Burton's strengthened her leadership of the WATFA table for handlers. Silvershot's Semper Fi for Kasmegs' 125 points over the season elevated handler Mike Ede to 11<sup>th</sup> in the handlers table, from 39<sup>th</sup> place previously. Handler Adrian Morgan's Novice 1<sup>st</sup> place with Ignaheims Bolt to Parhelis (Imp Nor) adds to the Novice CoM won by Parhelis Duke Leto, and Adrian now stands at 18<sup>th</sup> in the 2<sup>nd</sup> tier of the WATFA table for handlers.

Table 1: Weimaraner All-Time Field Awards – Season 2016/17 Points Tally								
FT Season	Owner/Handler	Dog	Novice Total	All Aged Total	Open Total	Grand Total		
2016/17	Ms S Burton	Trubon Flysse Trevive (b)		108	52	160		
	M Ede	Silvershot's Semper Fi for Kasmegs (d)	45	40	40	125		
	Ms S Burton	Trubon Grafyte Treve (d)	40	16		56		
	A Morgan	Ignaheims Bolt to Parhelis (Imp Nor) (d)	25			25		
	Ms S Burton	Trubon Delta Truffe (b)			16	16		
<b>2016/17 Total</b>			110	164	108	382		

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

Pos (P/Y)	Dog	Owner/Handler	Novice	All Aged	Open	Grand Total
1(1)	FT Ch Wobrooke of Fleetapple (d)	Mrs D Arrowsmith	120	184	256	560
2 (6)	Trubon Flysse Trevive (b)	Ms S Burton	108	184	84	376
3 (2)	Trubon Arade Tribute (b)	Ms S Burton	234	96		330
4 (3)	Tasairgid Talked About (d)	S Chant	30	180	68	278
5 (4)	Enryb House Party At Clannliath (d)	P Ross	192	72		264
6 (5)	FT Ch Quadet Caterin (b)	D Pilkington	83	32	148	263
7 (7)	Emmaclan Escort (d)	Mrs LA Brown	85	128		213
8 (8)	Belvoirvale Bracken (b)	Mrs LA Brown	45	132	24	201
9 (9)	Trubon Bibe Tres (b)	Ms S Burton	181	16		197
10 (10)	Trubon Chyna Treasa (Re-Imp) (b)	Ms S Burton	23	104	68	195
11 (12)	Trubon Delta Truffe (b)	Ms S Burton	65	68	48	181
12 (11)	Heronshaw Silver (b)	C Wilkinson	50	64	56	170
13 (52)	Silvershot's Semper Fi for Kasmegs (d)	M Ede	78	40	40	158
14 (13)	Waldemar Titus (d)	T Horsefield	75		64	139
15 (14)	Aschfahl Liberty Belle (b)	Mrs CA Carpenter	38	88		126
16 (15)	Fossana Blue John (d)	R Jupp	80	16	16	112
17 (16)	Fossana Algenon (d)	R Jupp	75		32	107
18 (17)	Bastillian Lady Kasshilde (b)	NR Wroe	86	20		106
19 (18)	Lurgashell Silver Lancer (d)	R Squire	70	32		102
20 (19)	Czolkins Platinum Cirrus (d)	Mrs J Turner	95			95
20 (19)	Wyndlee Silver Candy (b)	Mrs D Shall	95			95

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Table 3: Weimaraner All-Time Field Awards: Top 20 Owner- Handlers+

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		Trubon Bibe Tres (b)	181	16		197
		Trubon Chyna Treasa (Re-Imp) (b)	23	104	68	195
		Trubon Delta Truffe (b)	65	68	48	181
		Trubon Grafyte Treve (d)	40	16		56
		Silberstern Moonlight Von Trubon (b)	23			23
		Trubon Eissmann Trevan (d)	10			10
1(1)	Ms S Burton Total		684	484	200	1368
	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 Tot	al	120	184	256	560

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(P/Y)	Owner/Handler	Dog	Total	Total	Total	Total
	S Chant	Tasairgid Talked About (d)	30 25	180	68	278
4 (4)	S Chant Total	Quadet Asta (b)		100	68	303
4 (4)	P Ross	Enryb House Party At Clannliath (d)	55 192	180 72	08	264
5 (5)	P Ross Total	Emyo House Party At Claimhath (d)	192	72		264
3(3)	D Pilkington	FT Ch Quadet Caterin (b)	83	32	148	263
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0 (0)	C Wilkinson	Heronshaw Silver (b)	50	64	56	170
	C WIRIISON	Vanwilkie Nearly Napoleon (d)	35	40	16	91
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7 (1)	Mrs CA Carpenter	Aschfahl Liberty Belle (b)	38	88	12	126
	Wits Cit Carpenter	Aschfahl Chrystabelle (b)	35	16		51
		Aschfahl Grey Ghillie (b)	20	10		20
		Aschfahl Foresters Fancy (b)	13			13
		Aschfahl Isen JW (b)	10			10
		Aschfahl Golby Gamefinder (d)	10			10
8 (8)	Mrs CA Carpenter To		126	104		230
0 (0)	T Horsefield	Waldemar Titus (d)	75	104	64	139
	1 Horscheid	Fineshade Quail Run (b)	45		04	45
		Hillbrow Quest (b)	25		16	41
9 (9)	T Horsefield Total	Timble Quest (b)	145		80	225
9 (9)	R Jupp	Fossana Blue John (d)	80	16	16	112
	Кзирр	Fossana Algenon (d)	75	10	32	107
10 (10)	R Jupp Total	Possana Aigenon (u)	155	16	48	219
10 (10)	M Ede	Silvershot's Semper Fi for Kasmegs (d)	78	40	40	158
11 (39)	M Ede Total	Silvershot's Semper 11 for Rusniegs (u)	78	40	40	158
11 (37)	NR Wroe	Bastillian Lady Kasshilde (b)	86	20	70	106
	TVIC WIGC	Blenweim Sweet Lady Of Bastillian (b)	40	20		40
12 (11)	NR Wroe Total	Bienwein Sweet Lady Of Bastiman (b)	126	20		146
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	it squite	Brakabreeze Lancer (d)	13	32		13
13 (12)	R Squire Total	Brandorouze Editori (d)	83	32		115
13 (12)	BI Dwingelo-Lutten	Haselunne Heidi (b)	40	32		40
	DID Wingers Zumen	Haselunne Heidelbeere (b)	20			20
		Carl August Von Haselunne (d)	20			20
		Silvershadow Eowyn Von Haselunne (b)	20			20
		Silvershadow Campion Von Haselunne (d)	13			13
14 (13)	BI Dwingelo-Lutten T	otal	113			113
	Lt. Col. HD Tucker	Lotti Go-Lightly (b)	70	24		94
		Katie Go-Lightly (b)			16	16
15 (14)	Lt. Col. HD Tucker To		70	24	16	110
	E Hardman	Bredebeck Sophie (b)	60	16		76
		Bredebeck Jutta (d)	20			20
16 (15)	E Hardman Total		80	16		96
	Mrs J Turner	Czolkins Platinum Cirrus (d)	95			95
17 (16)	Mrs J Turner Total		95			95

Pos (P/Y)	Owner/Handler	Dog	Novice Total	All Aged Total	Open Total	Grand Total
	Mrs D Shall	Wyndlee Silver Candy (b)	95			95
17 (16)	Mrs D Shall Total		95			95
	ND Elder	Aucassin of Llangynog (d)	75			75
		Aucassin Abelard (d)	20			20
17 (16)	ND Elder Total		95			95
	C Spree	Brakabreeze Goshawk (d)	55			55
		Gunalt Crystal Tipple (b)	20			20
		Brakabreeze Hawke (d)	20			20
17 (16)	C Spree Total		95			95

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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 1<sup>st</sup> through to 4<sup>th</sup>. 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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