

Weimaraners in Field Trials: Season Summary 2017/18:

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 12th August to 1st February following, inclusive. These dates which are aligned to the UK 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 of awards, to the writer. There are other, ad hoc sources, but no publicly available central repository of field trial runners and handlers. 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 2017/18:

Thirteen handlers ran 15 dogs, with 4 dogs featuring in the awards to 3 handlers. In total 11 awards were made which is fewer than the tally of 17 awards from five dogs and three handlers in the 2016/17 season.

The breed highlight of the 2017/18 season was the outstanding performance of Trubon Flysse Trevive (b) (b 11/04/2011) handled by breeder-owner Suzi Burton. Flysse was placed 1st in the NoSGA Open field trial at the Altyre Estate, Forres, Scotland on 06/11/2017 by judges Fred Alcock, and Mrs Irmgard Alcock.

That first place in Open gave her “a leg up” to becoming a field trial champion, which could be secured by attaining a second 1st place in Open.

Trubon Flysse Trevive:

In the weeks preceding her 1st place in Open, Flysse had taken a 4th place in the N&SHPRFTC Open at Great Bentley on 25/10/2017 under judges Phil Pearson and Penny Pickstone. Then on 30/10/2017 Flysse earned a 2nd place at the HVS Open trial at Apley Park, Shropshire under judges Peter Bakewell and Annie Jones. This 2nd place qualified Flysse for the HPR Championship to be held in November 2017. Her fourth award was a 3rd place at the HVC Open trial at Hawkhurst, Kent, on 28/11/2017, under judges Eddie Hales and Larry Wilks. Her fifth and final field trial award of the season was a 4th place at the HVS Open trial at Kingham, Oxfordshire, on 16/01/2018, under judges Steve Kimberley and Mrs Irmgard Alcock.

Trubon Flysse Trevive gained her first ever field trial award with a Certificate of Merit at a Weimaraner Association Novice stake at Flitwick, Bedfordshire under judges Rita Dockwray and Annie Jones on 26/10/2012. Winning a further two awards in that season.

There were 7 awards earned in 2013/14, including a Novice 1st place at a Dukeries (Notts) trial at Blenheim Estate on 13/12/2013 judged by Tony Russell and Paul Smith. The following season Flysse secured a 4th at a WCGB All Aged stake at Glassenbury under judges Rita Dockwray and Steve Robson.

Flysse secured three awards in the 2015/16 season with her highest award being a 4th place in the WCGB All Aged stake at Wispington under judges Graham Nixon and Larry Wilks. Flysse won 7 awards in the 2016/17 season, with four in All Aged, including a 1st and a 2nd, and three in Open (a 4th and two CoMs).

With her performance in the 2017/18 season, Flysse won recognition as the Hunting Weimaraner of the Year. A feat she also accomplished in 2016/17, 2015/16 and 2013/14. Flysse is also positioned as the second highest ranking Weimaraner in the All Time Field Awards table, and breeder/owner/handler Suzi Burton's most accomplished Weimaraner in her sporting kennel.

Trubon Flysse Trevive's career tally to date is 26 awards, and this bitch has become the most awarded Weimaraner in UK field trialling history, surpassing the previous title holder, FT Ch Wobrooke of Fleetapple (d) (b 17/11/1979) which had achieved 23 field trial awards. Flysse has 10 awards in Open, against 9 for FT Ch Wobrooke of Fleetapple.

Field Trial Season 2017/18 Awards:

Although the field trial season gets underway on grouse from the 12th August, it only begins to gather momentum from 1st October which marks the start of the pheasant shooting season. There will be some early trials on partridge in September, but the volume of trials only begins to quicken when pheasant shooting grounds become available in October.

The season's first award to a Weimaraner went to Burton's Trubon Grafyte Treve (d) (b 13/09/2014) when he secured a CoM at the LMC Novice trial at Evesham from judges J Field and L Wilks on 11/10/2017. Graf soon earned another award, again a CoM, a week later at the WA Novice trial at Little Pix Hall, Kent on 17/10/2017 under judges Mrs I Alcock and A Morgan.

In October, Burton's Trubon Flysse Trevive was placed 4th and then 2nd in Open trials as discussed above.

Then on 31/10/2017 Burton's Trubon Grafyte Treve earned a Novice 4th place in the HGS trial at Cornhill on Tweed under judges F Alcock and G Saint, making it 5 awards to Trubon dogs during October 2017.

The Trubon award sequence was interrupted in November 2017 when Parhelis Irulan (b) (b 07/06/2015) earned a Novice 1st place on 03/11/2017 at the GSPC trial at Ford, Northumberland under judges S Allerton and S Robson.

Just a few days later the Trubon sequence restarted with Flysse's 1st place in the NoSGA Open trial at Altyre Estate, Forres on 06/11/2017 under judges F and I

Alcock. Following up on the 28th with the Open 3rd place for Flysse at the HVC trial at Hawkhurst under judges E Hales and L Wilks.

Trubon Grafyte Treve brought home the 8th trial award of the season to the Trubon kennel on 08/01/2018 with a 3rd place in the B&WWGS Novice trial at Ammerdown under judges F Alcock and R Davies.

Then on 16/01/2018 Trubon Flysse Treve secured her 5th Open trial award of the season with a 4th place at the HVS trial at Kingham, Oxfordshire under judges S Kimberley and Mrs I Alcock.

Bakker's Ostara Van De Tuindershof (b) (b 23/09/2008) won a 1st place at the HVC All Aged trial at Over Worton on 01/02/2018 under judges M Nixon and G Pillinger.

By season's end 15 dogs had competed under 13 handlers, with 4 dogs under 3 handlers earning 11 awards. Each of these three dogs winning a first place in a trial.

Trubon Flysse Treve was confirmed by the records as the "FT Hunting Weimaraner" of the 2017/18 season, and her handler, Suzi Burton as "FT Hunting Weimaraner Handler". This pairing was the same as in the previous season.

The 2017/18 awards can be summarized as follows:

Stake	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	CoMs	Total
Novice	1	-	1	1	2	5
All-Aged	1	-	-	-	-	1
Open	1	1	1	2	-	5

In 2016/17 3 Handlers running 5 dogs secured 17 awards.

Weimaraner All-Time Field Awards Tables:

Dogs:

The 136 points earned over the 2017/18 season by Trubon Flysse Treve consolidated her position at 2nd in the WATFA table for dog on 512 points. With a career tally of 26 awards to date, she became the most awarded Weimaraner in UK field trialling history, surpassing the previous title holder, FT Ch Wobrooke of Fleetapple which had achieved 23 field trial awards.

The 48 points earned in the season by Trubon Grafyte Treve elevated the dog into the top 20 at 19th place from 33rd in the WATFA table for dogs.

The All Aged FT win by Ostara Van De Tuindershof earned her 40 points and places the dog at 7th in the 2nd tier of the WATFA table for dogs on a total of 85 points.

The 25 points from the Novice field trial win puts Parhelis Irlan (b) at 65th position in the WATFA table for dogs, and 5th in the 4th tier.

Graf's elevation into the top 20 of the WATFA table for dogs caused two dogs who were joint 20th before the start of the season to be displaced into the 2nd tier. They were Mrs J Turner's Czolkins Platinum Cirrus (d), and Mrs D Shall's Wyndlee Silver Candy (b) who remain on 95 points each.

Czolkins Platinum Cirrus was Hunting Weimaraner of the Year for the 1982/83 season per our records, and runner-up the preceding season. The dog won two firsts in

Novice trials before the rule change which previously required two Novice firsts to win out into Open. The dog was also placed 2nd, and 3rd in Novice trials and also earned a CoM.

Wyndlee Silver Candy won 7 field trial awards with a 2nd, three 3rd places, and three CoMs between 1988 and 1995.

Handlers:

The 184 points earned by handler Suzi Burton's two dogs strengthened her leadership of the WATFA table for handlers with a lifetime to date tally of 1,552 points.

Ostara Van De Tuindershof's 40 points from her All Aged win elevated handler Kimm Bakker to 22nd in the handlers table, from 32nd place previously.

Handler Adrian Morgan's Novice 1st win with Parhelis Irulan puts Adrian at 27th in the WATFA table for handlers.

FT Season	Owner/Handler	Dog	Novice Total	All Aged Total	Open Total	Grand Total
2018	Ms S Burton	Trubon Flysse Trevive (b)			136	136
	Ms S Burton	Trubon Grafyte Treve (d)	48			48
	Ms K Bakker	Ostara Van De Tuindershof (b)		40		40
	A Morgan	Parhelis Irulan (b)	25			25
2018 Total			73	40	136	249

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 (2)	Trubon Flysse Trevive (b)	Ms S Burton	108	184	220	512
3 (3)	Trubon Arade Tribute (b)	Ms S Burton	234	96		330
4 (4)	Tasaigid Talked About (d)	S Chant	30	180	68	278
5 (5)	Enryb House Party At Clannliath (d)	P Ross	192	72		264
6 (6)	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 (11)	Trubon Delta Truffe (b)	Ms S Burton	65	68	48	181
12 (12)	Heronshaw Silver (b)	C Wilkinson	50	64	56	170
13 (13)	Silvershot's Semper Fi for Kasmegs (d)	M Ede	78	40	40	158
14 (14)	Waldemar Titus (d)	T Horsefield	75		64	139
15 (15)	Aschfahl Liberty Belle (b)	Mrs CA Carpenter	38	88		126
16 (16)	Fossana Blue John (d)	R Jupp	80	16	16	112
17 (17)	Fossana Algenon (d)	R Jupp	75		32	107
18 (18)	Bastillian Lady Kasshilde (b)	NR Wroe	86	20		106
19 (33)	Trubon Grafyte Treve (d)	Ms S Burton	88	16		104
20 (19)	Lurgashell Silver Lancer (d)	R Squire	70	32		102

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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
	Ms S Burton	Trubon Flysse Trevice (b)	108	184	220	512
		Trubon Arade Tribute (b)	234	96		330
		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)	88	16		104
		Silberstern Moonlight Von Trubon (b)	23			23
		Trubon Eissmann Trevan (d)	10			10
1 (1)	Ms S Burton Total		732	484	336	1552
	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 (5)	P Ross Total		192	72		264
	D Pilkington	FT Ch Quadet Caterin (b)	83	32	148	263
6 (6)	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 (7)	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 (8)	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 (9)	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
	M Ede	Silvershot's Semper Fi for Kasmegs (d)	78	40	40	158
11 (11)	M Ede Total		78	40	40	158

Pos (P/Y)	Owner/Handler	Dog	Novice Total	All Aged Total	Open Total	Grand Total
	NR Wroe	Bastillian Lady Kasshilde (b)	86	20		106
		Blenweim Sweet Lady Of Bastillian (b)	40			40
12 (12)	NR Wroe Total		126	20		146
	R Squire	Lurgashell Silver Lancer (d)	70	32		102
		Brakabreeze Lancer (d)	13			13
13 (13)	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
14 (14)	BI Dwingelo-Lutten Total		113			113
	Lt. Col. HD Tucker	Lotti Go-Lightly (b)	70	24		94
		Katie Go-Lightly (b)			16	16
15 (15)	Lt. Col. HD Tucker Total		70	24	16	110
	E Hardman	Bredebeck Sophie (b)	60	16		76
		Bredebeck Jutta (d)	20			20
16 (16)	E Hardman Total		80	16		96
	Mrs J Turner	Czolkins Platinum Cirrus (d)	95			95
17 (17)	Mrs J Turner Total		95			95
	Mrs D Shall	Wyndlee Silver Candy (b)	95			95
17 (17)	Mrs D Shall Total		95			95
	ND Elder	Aucassin of Llangynog (d)	75			75
		Aucassin Abelard (d)	20			20
17 (17)	ND Elder Total		95			95
	C Spree	Brakabreeze Goshawk (d)	55			55
		Gunalt Crystal Tipple (b)	20			20
		Brakabreeze Hawke (d)	20			20
17 (17)	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 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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