MONTHLY CLUB TRAINING DAYS

From general obedience and basic training through to specific gundog related training WBGC provides support and guidance to owners wanting to improve their dog's skills whilst outdoors.

Individual members can work towards Tiered Tests or There are four different classes in the main session which are made up of the following:-

Puppy, Beginners, Intermediate and Advanced.

Main Monthly Sessions - 10am until 12pm

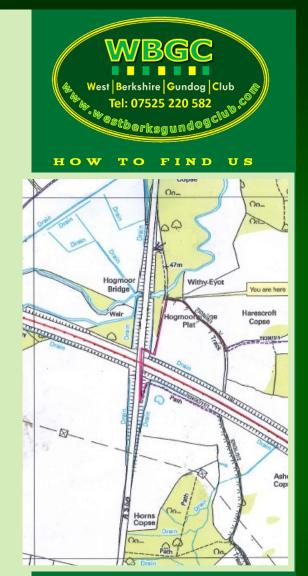
Puppy Sessions - 12.30pm until 1.30pm

Members receive a discount on each monthly session and all other events.

Please Note: All puppies attending must be fully inoculated prior to attending the classes



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The Club is conveniently situated close to Theale near Reading, 2 miles from junction 12 off the M4, on the A340 towards Pangbourne, full details and a map can be found on the web site

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Tired Training Level Four Course

President: Mr. Allan Hender

Control Requirements

All exercise are off lead. The use of the Stop, Recall & Turn whistle is required.

All retrieves are on wing covered dummies and rabbit skin dummies.

All retrieves are to hand. A starting pistol will be used.

STEADINESS:

All dogs are lined up, off lead and sitting next to the handler with space between each dog as though ready for picking up. A dummy will be thrown for each dog at a distance of 9m and a shot fired. Dogs will be expected to retrieve individually one dummy to hand whilst the other dogs must remain steady and seated next to their handler.

(Points will be lost for repeated commands, uncontrollable behaviour of the dog etc.)

MEMORY/ GO BACK :

The handler heels the dog off lead to a 40m marker, sits the dog and throws a dummy into light cover. The handler collects the dog and returns to the 20m marker. The dog is instructed to sit while the handler returns to the start. The judge will instruct the handler to recall the dog and then stop the dog at the 10m marker. The dog is instructed by the handler to 'go back' and fetch the retrieve. Delivery to hand is essential.

Retrieving Requirements

SEEN WITH DISTRACTION :

The dog will be required to sit off lead next to the handler. A shot will be fired and a dummy thrown 9m away (a seen retrieve). The dog is sent for the retrieve and upon returning with the retrieve, another dummy is thrown as a distraction. The dog must ignore the distraction and continue returning to the handler with the original retrieve.

SPLIT RETRIEVE :

One dummy is put out unseen by the dog at 9m. A shot is fired and a second dummy is thrown out at a distance of 9m in the opposite direction to the first retrieve. The dog is expected to retrieve the unseen dummy first and ignore the seen retrieve until the blind has been safely retrieved to hand. Only then will the dog be sent for the seen retrieve.

BLIND RETRIEVE ACROSS WATER :

A dummy is placed on the opposite side of the stream on the bank without the dog seeing. The dog is then sent across the water for the retrieve. A direct entry into the water and a clean retrieve without deviation is required. Delivery to hand is essential.



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Hunting Requirements

HPRs & SPANIELS :

The dog is expected to cover it's beat using a good pattern and turn when requested by the handler and a dummy will be fired remotely whilst the dog is hunting. The dog will need to be steady to shot and fall. The dog will then be asked to make the retrieve. Once the dog has delivered the retrieve to hand he will be asked to work on until asked to sit on the stop whistle at a good distance. The handler must then recall the dog.

(This test is to determine whether you can switch the dog from hunting to retrieving and back to hunting.)

RETRIEVERS:

A dummy is placed unseen by the dog on the ground. The dog is walked to heel 9m. A remote dummy is launched and the dog must sit to the sound of shot and be steady to the fall of the dummy. The dog is sent for the blind retrieve first, followed by the seen retrieve.

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