PROGRAMME OF

WORKING TRIALS

AT .

THE RACECOURSE, AYR

ON

Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, 21st, 22nd and 23rd September, 1961

Commencing each day at 9 a.m.

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MEALS AND REFRESHMENTS ON THE GROUND PROGRAMME: TWO SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE

SHEEP DOG TRIALS

To help you to appreciate some of the finer points of the Trials, and to make them more interesting for you, the following article from *Take Note* (Scottish Tourist Board monthly) is reprinted amended to suit the circumstances at Ayr.

The first Trials were held at Gullane in Scotland in 1906 and, except in the war years have continued annually since. In recent years there has been a 'National' Trial held in each of the three countries, England, Scotland and Wales, in which the competitors of those countries compete, but in 1961, a new departure has been made and a National Trial has also been held in Northern Ireland, and those competitors from this Trial will be competing in the Qualifying Trial.

To be eligible to enter a National the dog must be entered in the Society's Stud Book and have won, at least, two first prizes in open classes at approved local Trials. The twelve highest pointed dogs in the England, Scottish and Wales National and the three highest pointed dogs in the Northern Ireland National are automatically the team for the 'International' which visits Scotland, England and Wales in turn. These dogs competing in the International are much sought after wherever sheep are to be found, and their progeny are shipped all over the world. It is interesting to mention that money cannot buy an entry into the International—the honour must be won at a National.

As far as possible, the conditions and work to be encountered in everyday shepherding on the hills and farms are followed in these Trials. As this event is being held on the Racecourse the hill work is absent from the set-up, but the work will be there just the same. On Friday the course is reduced to National size (see plan on page 12). Five sheep are liberated some 400 yards from the shepherd and his dog. The latter is directed to bring the sheep and goes off on a wide 'gather'. The object of the dog running 'wide' (on to the outside of the course) is, theoretically, to move sheep inside his run towards the middle ground so that when he 'lifts' the main flock, stragglers can be quickly and easily collected, whereas had the dog gone direct they would have been driven away from the flock.

Having completed the 'gather' the dog quietly arrives 10 or 15 yards behind the 'flock' and waits momentarily for them to settle. Then he approaches and 'lifts' (moves) his charges towards the shepherd, driving them steadily in the most direct line to his master, who then directs the dog to move the sheep in front of him and away to a pair of hurdles 150 yards on the left if possible through this gate (21-ft. wide) and turn them across the field where again, 150 yards away, is a similar obstacle. Through this, turn again and back to the shepherd where, in a 20-yard circle, the man and dog combine to shed (separate) two sheep from the five. Three sheep are unmarked, and two are marked with coloured ribbon and it is any two of the unmarked sheep which have to be shed.

This accomplished (and not until it is) the shepherd proceeds to a pen 9-ft x 6-ft, one side of which is hinged and acts as a gate. He keeps the gate open by holding the end of a 6-ft, rope and then directs the dog to work the sheep into the pen. The shepherd is just at the end of the rope to ensure the dog doing the major part of the work. Once penned (and consequently mixed up) the sheep are brought back to the ring where the dog has to separate one sheep from the rest. This time (just to make it harder) it is either of the two marked sheep—and the whole job has to be done in 15 minutes.

On Saturday the course is increased to 800 yards (see plan on page 13), and the number of sheep increased to 2 lots of 10. The dog must go out on the right side and gather the first hand lot, bring them through the gates and return on the left side to gather the second lot, and then unite the two lots and bring them to the shepherd and continue as in the earlier description up to the shedding ring. Here in a 40-yard circle five sheep marked with ribbons have to be shed off from the remainder and then penned. The 'single' is done away with and the time limit is 30 minutes.

Marks are awarded in each section of the work—outrun and gather and lift, fetch, drive (the triangular bit through the gates), shedding, penning and singling, and in each phase the manner in which the dog does its work and obeys the commands are of great importance. One might mention, as an example, that a dog which moved the sheep steadily, quietly, and without too many commands, but was unfortunate in missing the 'gate' might conceivable get more marks than the dog which got the 'gate' but rushed the sheep hither and thither and required a lot of commands. It is the manner in which the work is done and the nature of the miss which really counts.

In addition to the single dog classes there is a class for doubles or brace (two dogs) working, which takes place on Thursday. At the conclusion of the 'singles' there will be an exhibition by Thursday's brace prize-winners if time permits.

The work follows the same course except that they work on 6 sheep, and are each required to pen three on opposite sides of the field. The pens have openings only 4-ft, wide and no gate and the dog which pens first has to remain in charge of that pen whilst the shepherd and the second dog pen the other side.

The whole of the Trial is of a practical nature and the International Society taboos freak obstacles and circus ricks.

Thursday, 21st September

HIRED SHEPHERDS' INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

(Being the First Three Dogs in the Shepherds' Class at the Society's English, Scottish and Welsh National Trials this year)

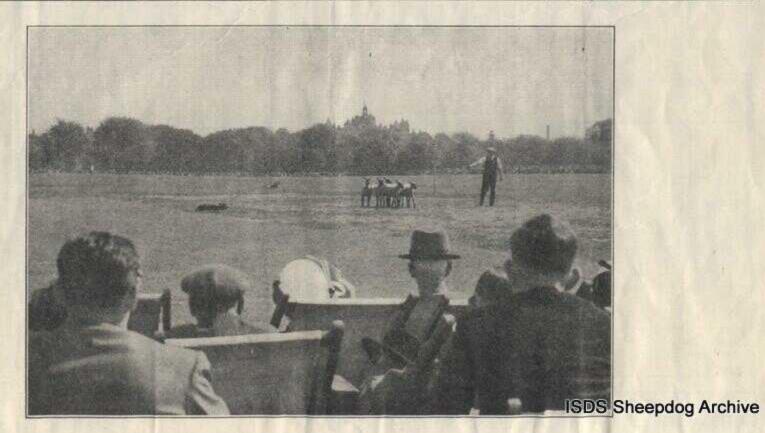
No	o. COMPETITOR	C'try	Name	Stud Book No.	Age Y M	SIRE	DAM	Gather's	Driving 10	Shedding 10	Penning 5	Total 75 Agre gate 225
1	Young, G.W., The Flex, Haw	vick S	Nell	17785	3 1	Jaff (G.W.Young) 11114	Nell (G. W. Young) 6337					
2	Land, F., Acklands, Simonsh	oath, E	Fleece	11049	7 0	'Ole Flame (F. Land) 6804	Teal (Mrs.M. E. Hux- table) 10533			7		
3	Jones, R. L., Nantllwyd, Treg	earon W	Jet	20257	6 3	Allan (D. W. Daniel) 4142	Scott (R.I.I.Jones) N.R.					
4	Watson, T., Eccles Newton, Coldstream	s	Jeff	14422	5 5	Tam (T. Watson) 8279	Mindrum Nell (R. S. Fraser) 11106					
5	Rogerson, W. B., New Con shope, Otterburn	tton- E	Queen	13118	6 1	Coon (G. Redpath) 9077	Nan (W. B. Rogerson) 11304					
6	Davies, E. N., School He Yspytty, Betws-y-Coed	ouse, W	Ken	11575	8 3	Moss (E. N. Davies) 8307	Spy (E. Holland) 8308				111	
7	Worrell, F., Langhaugh, M. Peebles	inor, S	Betty	13761	5 4	Mirk (J. R. Robertson) 10209	Jed (J. R. Robertson) 9925					
/ 8	Morgan, E. F., Lodge Farm Elmley Castle		Laddie	14110	4 4	Lad (E.F.Morgan) 10916	Meg (H, G, Rutter) 12094	Na.	1			
2 9	Davis, E. N., School House Yspytty, Betws-y-Coed	e, W	Gwen	19455	2 3	Ken (E, N. Davies) 11575	Sue (E. Jones) 19434					

wales Jean Foi SCOURSE—Gathering—Distance about 800 yards for one lot of 10 sheep (unseen by dog) which must be brought through the gate obstacle in centre of field where the dog will be redirected for another lot of 10 sheep (unseen by dog) which shall also be brought through the gate and united with the first lot. First run to be right or left as decided by the Trials Committee before the Trial and all Competitors will run on that side, second run to be on the other side. Failure to will involve loss of points in Judges' discretion, according to circumstances, and no re-try is permitted. Each failure more the gate shall not necessarily entitle the competitor to full points; the primare of sheep must be past the gate before the dog is redirection through two gate observed. assign any fixed number of points to failure at either gate without having regard to the nature of the failure. On the other hand, the negotiation of the gates shall not necessarily entitle the competitor to full points; the primary consideration being the drive as such and as a whole. Drive ends when sheep are at the shedding ring. Handler to remain at post until the drive is finished. (3) Shedding-20 sheep to be run off between shepherd and dog, within ring 40 yards in diameter and dog brought in to stop and turn back five marked sheep. Manoeuvring for 'cuts' is forbidden. Until the five marked sheep are shed off penning will not be permitted. (4) Penning-Five marked sheep shed off to be penned. Pen 6 feet wide by 9 feet with gate. On completion of shedding, competitors must proceed to pen leaving dog to bring sheep to pen. Competitors are forbidden to assist dog to drive sheep to pen. Competitors to stand at gate end holding rope (6 feet) while dog works sheep into pen. After releasing sheep, competitor to close and fasten the gate.

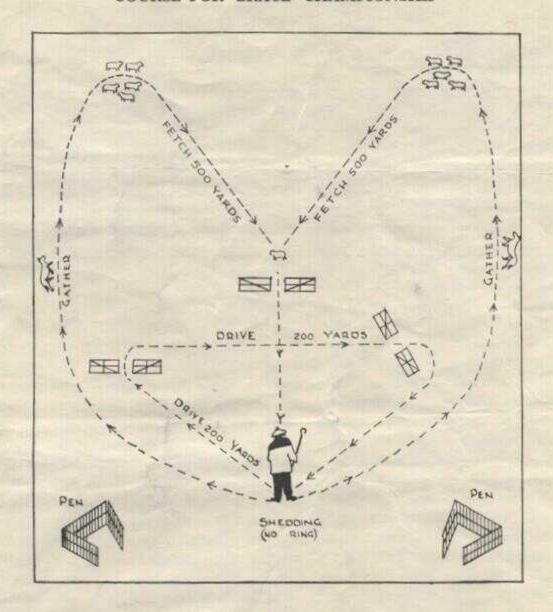
SCALE OF POINTS—Gathering 50 (each outrun 10, each lift 5, each fetch 10:) Driving 10: Shedding 10: Penning 5: Total 75 Sheepdog Archive TIME LIMIT. - 30 Minutes. No extension.

Thursday, 21st September 'BRACE' CHAMPIONSHIPS (DOUBLES)

No	COMPETITOR		DOGS	Gathering 30 (2 rounds, 15 each)	Driving 10	Shedding 5	Penning 10 (2 lots)	Total 55 Aggregate 165
1	Murray, David, Glenbield, Peebles	s	Vic (12175) Glen (12063)					
3 2	Greenwood, L. R., Ramsden Farm, Todmorden	Е	Moss (15786) Roy II (19044)					
3	Worthington, H. J., 8 Gwent Road, Mardy, Abergavenny	w	Fly (12570) Hemp (13132)				100	
4	Hogarth, J., Linglie Farm, Selkirk	S	Glen (14250) Laddie (13204)					
5	Illingworth, M. H., Bannisdale Head, Selside	E	Fly (10433) Moss (12088)					
6	Jones, Alan, Lleuar Bach, Pontillyfni, Caernarvon	W	Roy (15393) Spot (9476)					



COURSE FOR 'BRACE' CHAMPIONSHIP



DETAILS OF TRIAL

Course, etc. (see Plan) 10 Sheep

COURSE—(1) Gathering—10, or such number of sheep as the Committee decide upon, in two equal lots. Distance approximately 500 yards. Both dogs to start at same time. Each dog to lift its own lot of sheep and the lots to be united at the pole beyond the fetch gates thence straight fetch through gate 200 yards from shepherd. Failure to negotiate the gate to be penalised by a loss of points in Judges' discretion. No re-try. Crossing in fetch to be penalised in Judges' discretion. (2) Driving—Sheep, with two dogs, 600 yards in triangular direction through two gate obstacles back to shepherd. Failure to negotiate the gates will be penalised by a loss of points in the Judges' discretion. No re-try at either gate. Each dog to keep its own side and handler to remain at post till

drive finished at shedding ring. Crossing to be penalised in Judges' discretion. (3) Shedding—Lot of sheep to be divided into two equal lots by either dog inside or outside of shedding ring; one lot driven off and left in charge of dog—the other lot to be penned in diamond shaped pen with four feet entrance and no gate. Dog to be left in charge while the other lot are penned by other dog in similar pen 50 yards apart.

SCALE OF POINTS—Gathering (running out, lifting and bringing) 30: Driving 10: Shedding 5: Penning (2 lots) 10. Total 55.

TIME LIMIT .- 25 minutes. No extension.

QUALIFYING TRIALS

The first six competitors to run on Thursday, 21st SEPTEMBER, the remainder on Friday, 22nd SEPTEMBER

No.	COMPETITOR	C'try and Class	Name	Stud Book No.	Age Y M	SIRE		DAM	
1	Fleming, J.B.M., Cronberry Farm, Cumnock	SF	Dave	12348	7 4	W'Hope Nap (J.M.Wilson) 8	8685	Nell (R. McMorran)	9031
2	Holmes Jim, Baitings Farm, Ripponden	EF	Lad	14294	- 3 5	Vic (W. Sanderson) 10	0928	Queen II (A. Owen)	11541
3	Davies, E.N., School Hse., Yspytry, Betws-y-Coed	ws	Ken 2	11575	8 3	Moss (E. N. Davies)	8307	Spy (E. Holland)	8308
4	Shennan, R. J., Farden, Turnberry	SF	Cap	13733	5 10	Mirk (J. Johnstone)	6084	Tot (A. McPhee)	8180
5	Elliott, T.E., Crookhill Farm, Ashopton	EF	Nap	12222	6 9	W'Hope Nap (J.M.Wilson) 8	8685	Nance (W. Drummond)	4769
6	Jones, Wm., Bryn-yr-Orsedd, Llanferres, Mold	WF	Ben 1/4	11401	9 9	Glen (J. W. Jones)	N.R.	Flash (Holmes Bros.)	9618
7	Hogarth, J., Linglie Farm, Selkirk	SF	Glen	14250	5 1	Tim (J. Milne) 10	0773	Lass (W. R. Nichol)	11778
8	Dyson, S., Ponden Hall, Stanbury, Keighley	EF	Mac	17425	5 5	W'Hope Nap (J.M.Wilson) 8	8685	Meg (N. Whittam)	15785
9	Williams, T.J., Rhuddlan. (Handler Jones, Alan)	WF	Chipp	16926	2 4	Moss (E. Humphreys) 13	3575	Meg (E. Humphreys)	14943
10	Brady, J., Ballyboley, Ballynure, Co.Antrim	NIF	Whin	12973	6 2	Glen (J. Brady) 11	1299	Delilah (S. Love)	9655
11	Guild, D., Ashmark, New Cumnock	SF.	Mossie	11164	8 2	Mirk (J. Johnstone)	6084	Fly (D. Guild)	7081
12	Hardisty, W., Hebblethwaite Hall, Cautley	EF	Snip 5	11496	7 4	Laddie (W. Goodfellow) 8	8049	Mist II (G. Stainton)	9025
13	Goodwin, W. H., Gelli Graian, Pennal, Mach	WF	Nap	18186	4 3	Sam (William Jones) 11	1326	Peggy (T. Jones)	12463
14	Alexander, S., 3, Water Lane, Banfi	SS	Mona	15834	4 5	Glen (A. Mowat)	6045	Mona (J. A. Gordon)	6091
15	Metcalfe, J. E., Midfield, Gaisgill, Tobay	EF	Docuthy	14608	4 3	Lad (J. J. Chapman) 11	1027	Spy (W. E. Dixon)	9544
16	Jones, Selwyn, Bron Erw, Ffestinog, Merioneth	WF	Vicky	15968	2 6		5024	Meg (A. Logan)	13378
17	McKnight, T. T., Glencartholm, Canonbie	SF	Gael	14463	4 3	W'Hope Nap (J.M.Wilson) 8	8685	Dot (T. T. McKnight)	11228
18	Longton, Tim, Rooten Brook, Quernmore	EF	Belle	11879	7 1	Don (C. Hartley) 4	4685	Spider (T. Longton)	10264
19	Roberts, Elias, Hendre Bach, Conway	WF	Queen	12274	5 10	Jaff (W. Wynne) 12	2134	Jess (W. J. Davies)	12135
20	McKee, J.W.L., Bethsd'n, Hillsbor'o, Co. Down	NIF	Whope Corrie	13706	5 2	Glen (H. K. Porter) 12	2917	Nell (H.K. Porter)	12916
21	Young, G. W., The Flex, Hawick	SS	Nell	17785	3 1	Jaff (G. W. Young) 11	1114	Nell (G. W. Young)	6337
22	Eyre, George, 17, Birchitt Close, Bradway	EF	Ben	9844	9 4		5714	Meg (F. Burton)	8391
23	Pugh, Griff, Bedol Farm, Bagille	WF	Sweep	10413	9 5		4362	Trim (I. Jones)	5576
24	Watson, T., Eccles Newton, Coldstream	SS	Jeff	14422	5 5		8279	Mindrum Nell (R.S.Fraser	()11106
25	Evans, W. J., Well Hope Farm, Tidenham	EF	Ben	12953	4 7	W'Hope Nap (J.M.Wilson) 8	CONTROL OF	Lassie (W. Donald)	11468
26	Worthington, H. J., Mardy, Abergavenny	WF	Fly	12570	5 7	Moss (H. J. Worthington) 4		Floss (H. J. Worthington)	8582
27	Worrell, F., Langhaugh, Manor, Peebles	SS	Betty	13761	5 4		0209	Jed (J. R. Robertson)	9925
28	Morgan, E. F., Lodge Farm, Elmley Castle	ES	Laddie	14110	4 4	CONTRACTOR	0916	Meg (H. G. Rutter)	12094
29	Jones, T. O., Tyddyn Isaf, Rhewl, Ruthin	WF	Fly	14626	3 8		6531	Jess (T. Williams)	13779
30	McKee, J.W.L., Bethsd'n, Hillsbor'o, Co.Down	NIF	Snip	10677	7 4		9828	Spy (W. E. Dixon)	9544
31	Templeton, John J., Blackbriggs, Mauchline	SF	Roy	8993	10 2		4921	Moss (J. J. Templeton)	5018
32	Longton, Thomas, Lee End, Quernmore	EF	Nell	12462	5 6		8279	Mindrum Nell (R.S.Fraser	
33	Davis, E. N., School Hse, Yspytty, Betws-v-Coed	ws	Gwen	19455	2 3		1575	Sue (E. Jones)	19434
34	Millar, J. R., Baidlandhill, Dalry	SF	Ben	12262	8.3		6304	Jen (G. R. Robertson)	11334
35	Longton, Tim, Rooten Brook, Quernmore	EF	Snip	16879	2 1	W'Hope Corrie (J.Wilson) 13		Meg (J. H. T. Bathgate)	12848
36	Lloyd, A. T., The Nant, Hundred Hse., Builth, W.	WF	Nell	16024	3 7		4924	Floss (D. W. Daniel)	11400
37	Hislop, W. J., Colterooks, Gordon	SF	Jim	12572	6 6	- 15 TO 10 T	5048	Bess (J. Hogarth)	8642
38	Hardisty, W., Hebblethwaite Hall, Cautley	EF	Jim 6	12967	5 3	The state of the s	8049	Merrie (J. Warwick)	6880
	Jones, Alan, Lleuar Bach, Pontilyfni, Caernarvon	WF	Roy)	15393	4 3		696	Jill (W. J. Evans)	7742

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POINTS

(For details of Trials, see page 8)

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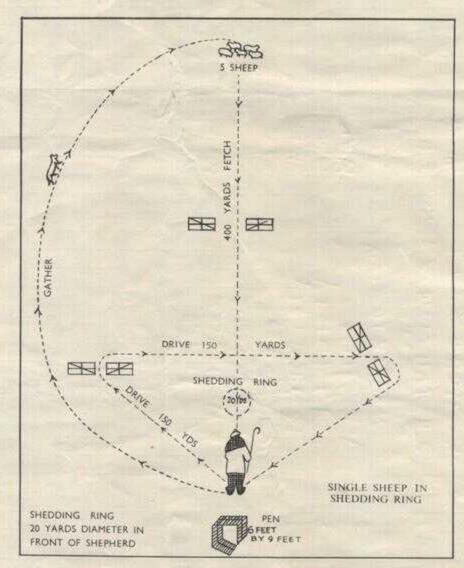
COURSE—(1) Gathering—approx, 400 yards. In outrun dog may be directed on either side. Straight fetch from lift to shepherd. Through gate. No re-try at gate. Failure to negotiate the gate will involve loss of points in the Judges' discretion, having regard to the circumstances of the failure. (2) Driving away—from pole where shepherd stands 450 yards in triangular direction through two gates. Failure to negotiate the gates will involve a loss of points in the Judges' discretion, according to circumstances, and a second attempt at either gate will NOT be allowed. Drive may be right or left as directed, and ends when sheep are at shedding ring. Handler to remain at post till the sheep are in the shedding ring. Each failure must be decided on its own merits and the Judges shall not assign any fixed number of points to failure at either gate without having regard to the nature of the failure. On the other hand, the negotiation of the gates shall not necessarily entitle the competitor to full points; the primary consideration being the drive as such and as a whole. (3) Shedding—Two unmarked sheep within ring approx. 20 yards in diameter. Dog must be in full control of these sheep, otherwise the shed will not be deemed satisfactory. On completion of the shed the competitor shall put his sheep together in a practical and workmanlike manner, and in general the sheep furthest away shall be gathered to those nearest the

pen. (4) Penning—Pen, 6 feet wide by 9 feet with gate. On completion of shedding, competitors must proceed to pen leaving dog to bring sheep to pen. Competitors are forbidden to assist dog to drive sheep to pen. Competitors to stand at gate holding rope end (6 feet) while dog works sheep into pen. After releasing sheep, competitor to close and fasten the gate. (5) Single Sheep—Competitor to proceed to shedding ring leaving the dog to bring lot from pen to ring. One of two marked sheep to be shed off within the ring and thereafter worn (in or outside the ring) to the Judges' satisfaction. Competitors are forbidden to assist dog in driving off, or attempting to drive off, the single any distance or by forcing it on the dog. If the Judges are agreed that a dog has not been fairly tested owing to the disposition and action of the sheep they may order the competitor to collect the lot and shed off and wear any other sheep.

SCALE OF POINTS—Gathering 25 (Outrun 10, Lifting 5, Bringing 10); Driving 10; Shedding 5; Penning 5; Single 5; Total 50.

TIME LIMIT-15 minutes. No extension.

COURSE FOR QUALIFYING TRIALS



NOTE-In the 'gather', dog may be directed on either side and the gate has been introduced on the fetch.

LIST OF TROPHIES

NATIONAL TRIALS

ENGLAND-

National Cup, Shepherds' Cup, 'Arthur Grounds' Driving Trophy, 'Brace' Shield, and the Whittingham Breeders' Trophy, John A. Thorpe Memorial Trophy (Highest pointed English Bred Dog or Bitch).

SCOTLAND-

National Shield, Shepherds' Cup, 'Tom Gilholm' Driving Trophy, 'Brace' Shield, and 'Drumclog' Cup.

WALES-

National Cup, Shepherds' Cup, 'D. W. Davies' Driving Cup, and 'Fenwick' Brace Cup, 'Long' Farmers' Cup, The Challis Shield (Highest pointed Welsh Bred Dog or Bitch).

NORTHERN IRELAND-

National Cup, Brace Cup, Driving Trophy.

Total 20 (excluding occasional 'Specials')

INTERNATIONAL

Championship Shield
Farmers' Cup
Shepherds' Trophy
Breeders' Cup
Aggregate Championship Cup
English Aggregate Championship Cup
Scottish Aggregate Rose Bowl
English Aggregate Rose Bowl
Welsh Aggregate Cup

English Shepherds' Aggregate Cup Scottish Shepherds' Aggregate Cup Welsh Shepherds' Aggregate Cup Team Shield 'Brace' Championship Shield

Driving Championship Trophy 'Brace' Aggregate Trophy Edinburgh Corporation Cup

Councillor Robert Hamilton's Cup

Total 18 (excluding occasional 'Specials')

Grand Total 38 (excluding 'Specials')

The Cash Prizes and Grants to Competitors at the Society's Trials each year now average £800

- PLEASE DO NOT APPLAUD WHILE A DOG IS WORKING -

CHAMPIONSHIP—SATURDAY, 23rd SEPTEMBER, 1961

Twelve highest-pointed Dogs in Qualifying Trials (page 6), irrespective of Country or Class

POINTS

(For details of Trials, see page 11)

Running No.	Catalogue No.	COMPETITOR	DOG	Qualifying Points	Gathering 50 (2 runs, 25 each)	Driving 10	Shedding 10	Penning 5	Total 75 (Aggregate 225)	Time
11	39	A Jones	Roy							
62	3	EN Davies	KEN			.,				
53	8	H Huddleston								
4	6	W" Jones	BEN	(0.100.000.000.00						
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10 9	29	T.O. Jones	FLY							
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(Restricted to highest-pointed dogs in Qualifying Trials, irrespective of County or Class)

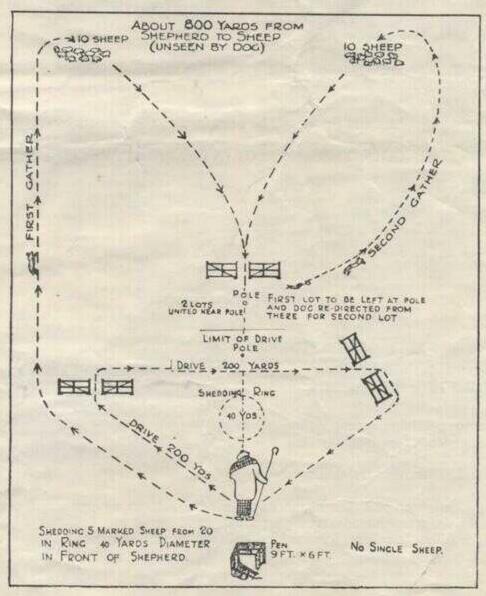
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SCALE OF POINTS—Gathering 50 (each outrun 10, each lift 5, each fetch 10); Driving 10; Shedding 10; Penning 5; Total 75.

TIME LIMIT.-30 minutes. No extension.

COURSE FOR CHAMPIONSHIP



DRIVING CHAMPIONSHIP

50 SHEEP (B.F.)

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Jones, A., Lleuar Bach, Pontllyfni	1000		train.	Series.	w	Roy	15393

Time-10 Minutes. No Extension.

PRESENTATION OF PRIZES

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Placing of Sheep

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Unsound Sheep, etc.

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Shedding

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Also 'The 'C. E. H. Yates' (English Shepherds' Aggregate) Championship Cup. 'The 'Lord Mostyn' (Scottish Shepherds' Aggregate) Championship Cup. 'The 'C. D. Fenwick' (Welsh Shepherds' Aggregate) Trophy.

These three cups are awarded to the Competitors with the highest aggregate scores at the Society's National and International Trials.

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1st The 'J. E. Rees Championship Cup' and £6. 2nd, £4. 3rd, £3. 4th, £2. 5th, £1. Also The 'David Stone' (Brace Aggregate) Trophy to the Competitor with the highest aggregate score at the Society's National and International Trials.

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1st, The 'Daily Express' Challenge Cup and £10. 2nd, £8. 3rd, £6. 4th, £4. 5th, £2; 6th, £1.

Specials:

The National Team scoring highest points in Qualifying Trials for Championship (page 4) Stirling Shield.

Breeder of Winner (previous winning dogs excluded) £1.

(4) SUPREME CHAMPIONSHIP (Singles)

1st, Third Challenge Shield presented by James A. Reid and £20. 2nd, £15. 3rd, £10. 4th, £8. 5th, £6. 6th, £4. 7th, £2. 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, £1 each.

To Breeder of Winner £1. and the Ernest Broadley Cup.

Aggregate Specials:

Dog or Bitch from any country scoring highest points in National and International Trials (Aggregate Championship)—The 'Clara Roebuck' Cup.

English Dog or Bitch scoring highest points in National and International Trials—The "W. R. Seward" English Aggregate Champion ship Cup.

Scottish Dog or Bitch scoring highest points in National and International Trials—The "J. S. Gray" Trophy.

Welsh Dog or Bitch scoring highest points in National and International Trials—The "J. T. Jones" Rose Bowl.

'Age' Trophies:

Oldest Competitor at Trials—Trophy (perpetual) presented by the Corporation of Edinburgh. Cup.

Youngest Competitor at Trials—Trophy (perpetual) presented by Councillor Robert Hamilton, Edinburgh. Cup.

(5) INTERNATIONAL DRIVING CHAMPIONSHIP (see page 12)

1st, The "J. B. Bagshaw" Trophy, presented by W. B. Bagshaw, and £1; 2nd, £1. 3rd, 10s.

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Motto of French Shepherds' Club.

OBJECTS OF THE INTERNATIONAL

(Excerpt from the Constitution)

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MEMBERSHIP—LIFE MEMBERSHIP £8 8s. 0d. ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP £1 ENTRANCE FEE £1

A Member has the following rights:-

- (a) To receive free admission tickets to all Trials held by the Society. Tickets are sent to Members shortly before the Trials.
- (b) To compete at the Society's Trials, subject to the Rules.
- (c) To register Dogs in the Society's Stud Book, subject to the Rules.
- (d) To attend, move motions at, or otherwise take part in the Annual General Meeting of Members held at the time of the National Trials in each country, Scottish Members attending the Scottish Meeting, English Members the English Meeting, and the Welsh Members the Welsh Meeting.
- (e) To receive all the publications of the Society.

NOTICES

- (1) Will overseas visitors please leave their addresses at the Secretary's tent, at their convenience.
- (2) The following dates and venues have been provisionally arranged for the Society's 1962 Trials:-

WELSH NATIONAL Brecon. 24th & 25th July.

Nth. IRELAND Bangor. 4th August.

ENGLISH NATIONAL ... Worcester. 17th & 18th August.

SCOTTISH NATIONAL Golspie. 31st, August & 1st September. INTERNATIONAL Beaumaris, Wales. 20th, 21st & 22nd September.

These dates are PROVISIONAL only, and will be confirmed to members in due course.

- (3) A few copies of the Society's Stud Book Vol. XIII are still available, and the Secretary will be glad to supply them to any person who may be interested. Cost for complete set £9 10s. 0.
- (4) Any person wishing to have the detailed results of these Trials may order a copy of the 'JUDGES POINTS', which will be supplied by the Secretary at a cost of 2/6.
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