

First and foremost I would like to thank the Alsatian (GSD) Training Club for inviting me to judge their Rally held on 13th February 2011.

The Rally was held at the Clubroom in St Lawrence and turned out to be a very relaxed day for me and also the competitors.

This Rally was not Crufts and my marking was to soften the pressure for new members and members having a go in a new class for the first time.

Thank you for the most enjoyable lunch and would like to say I was touched by the warmth and friendliness the club showed me. Also I hope the

tips I gave everyone will be of some benefit. Don't forget they will not work overnight. I only hope they work for some of you.

A big thank you to my stewards, scoreboard stewards and people who helped with scent.

Finally thank you for the beautiful flowers, they lasted a good 14 days.

Happy Training

Carol Beadle.

Results

Pre Beginner

1st Glynis and Saffy

You and Saffy did really well as it was your first time in the ring. There were times in your heelwork where Saffy showed real promise. Keep going with positive training and all will come good.

2nd Jade and Denzil

You both tried really hard. Remember not to have such a tight lead when entering a competition. It takes a lot of patience to train for this sport so keep going.

Beginners

1st Lindsay and Inca

A very nice round from this pair. A few wides on heelwork but nothing that cannot be put right easily. A good retrieve made you both a clear winner.

2nd Peter and Bruno

This breed is not easily trained but you both tried very hard. Most marks lost on heelwork. Good recall. Well done.

3rd Josette and Willow

An excellent recall but work needed on retrieve and heelwork. Well done.

Novice

1st Lindsay and Inca

Having a good day winning beginners as well. Again heelwork needs tightening up a little but a clear retrieve and good recall. Very well done.

2nd Sandra and Timber

My favourite breed. How I would love Timber to leave home and come and live with me!! Lovely boy. Most marks lost on heelwork. Lots of fast pace Sandra, breaking off to play then back into heelwork so he doesn't get bored. Good recall and retrieve. Well done.

3rd Fay and Cola

Well Fay Cola didn't let you down coming 3rd. Clear recall and retrieve so not all bad. Marks were lost on heelwork. Try the different paces when training. May help. Well done for this place.

4th Christine and Taj

Bits and pieces on all exercises but heelwork taking most points. A tight lead lost marks as well. Again as above dog try different paces in training.

5th Fay and Skippy

Skippy was in 2nd place until stays when unfortunately she went down in the sit stay. Recall and retrieve good but heelwork needs tightening.

6th Jane and Asha

I had to mark you for a tight lead and also touching your dog Jane but most marks lost on the sit and down stays. Keep practising. Hope she just had an off day.

Class A

1st Lorraine and Memphis

Excellent round Lorraine followed by a good scent. A pleasure to judge this pair.

2nd Liz and Abbey

Another very good round. Only just beaten by the above dog. There was a little pounce in retrieve I marked which would have made the difference between 1st and 2nd. I'm sure you will sort this out. Very well done.

3rd Sandra and Timber

A few marks lost on extra commands in this class. Wades and hanging back the main faults. Tighten your heelwork and change pace in training.

4th Jill and Mossie

The main round was good Jill but having to give extra commands in scent put you down to this place.

5th Wendy and Rhia

Again initial round was good except Rhia needed extra commands in retrieve and lost some points in scent. Well done.

6th Fay and Cola

Heelwork taking its toll again with a few extra commands but finished with a good scent.

ClassB

Sue and Ebba

Ebba worked really well today Sue. Positive training beginning to show. Good set exercises but a little more work needed on scent. Congratulations.

2nd Rosemary and Chase

A nice round. Most marks lost in heelwork on fast pace and sendaway. Keep going Rosemary. Start training those positions for class C and give Chase something to think about.

3rd Wendy and Diva.

As above Diva lost most marks on fast pace. Good sendaway and scent. Well done.

4th Lorraine and Memphis

Again fast pace taking its toll. Practise more paces in training. Finished with a good scent.