

## Hungarian Visla Club Novice field trial report

Grange farm

Upper Helmsley

Yorkshire

The sunny hot weather we had had the last few days thankfully turned into grey skies with a slight breeze. Dogs where possible were run into wind, however on slight occasions a cheek wind was also used where we had a chance to head off running partridges. Most dogs had chances of game on the beat, some handlers made the most of the beat resulting in game being shot.

We felt today that the highest award would not be a first place.

2<sup>nd</sup> place and the only award went to Tequesta Happy Valley GSP owned and handled by Dawn Elrington

The dog began its first run with a blind retrieve which it carried out with aplomb, Its second run the dog hunted a hedgerow with plenty of cover in the base .A single partridge came out of the hedgerow before the dog reached that area, the gun shot it and it fell on the right of the hedgerow. The dog was sent for the retrieve from the side of the hedgerow which it was shot and quickly found the bird and was gently brought back to hand.

We gave this dog another couple of runs but despite our efforts the partridges certainly didn't want to oblige. However we finally had the dog in amongst pheasants running up a stubble field, she was steady to lots of birds lifting and running in front along the hedgerow .She pointed a cock bird clamped down in some cover next to the hedgerow and when asked flushed on command remaining steady.

Overall, a good hunting dog with a good rapport with the handler.

My thanks to the Hugarian Visla Club and Shirley Mctravis for the invitation to judge. Also my co judge Francis Brierley who was excellent throughout .

Also our steward of the beat and host Shaun Chamberlin

The guns who shot really well Mack,Simon and Santiago .

Mr Phil Pearson A Panel