The Dukeries (Notts) Gundog Club held a Novice A.V. Field Trial for 12 Dogs on Monday 17th October 2016 at Poplar Grange Farm Wyton by kind invitation of Mr & Mrs J Christon.

The judges were Mr Mick Newsam (A100), Mr Arthur Hewer (B2279), Mr Andy Kinta (NP 3026) & Mr Alan Brentnall (NP3477).

The Steward of the Beat was Mr Jim Christon & Chief Steward Mr Graham Jones.

A most pleasant day was spent in beautiful autumn weather walking the fodder beet fields for partridge which came steadily to hand. The guns under the supervision of Samantha Christon gave some impressive shooting with a team of excellent spaniels working the beet in front of the competing dogs.

The standard of dog work was good with some outstanding retrieves being accomplished which caused the unsuccessful dogs to be eliminated.

After due consideration the judges awarded a first place to Mr R Allen’s Swarthahill Banjo handled by Mr david Speake who received the Shooting Times Trophy, The Dukeries Shield and the Guns Choice and a second place to Mr Russell Hodgen’s Kelmagra Bess.

Once again our thanks go to James & Samantha Christon for a most enjoyable

spent on Humberside.