

**TRIAL: HILTON-GAPES VALLEY CDC****DATE : 2<sup>nd</sup> / 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2024****EVENT ONE - LONG HEAD****JUDGE: Dion Anderson****# RUNS: 77**

	<b>COMPETITOR</b>	<b>DOG</b>	<b>POINTS</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	Stu Millar	Laddie	97
<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Mark Copland	Don	96.5
<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Ken Paterson	Chief	96
<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>	Ross Millar	Scotty	95
<b>5<sup>th</sup></b>	John Templeton	Wreck	94
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Intermediate</b>	John Templeton	Wreck	94
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Maiden</b>	John Templeton	Wreck	94

**EVENT TWO – SHORT HEAD AND YARD****JUDGE: Tom Bell****# RUNS: 101**

	<b>COMPETITOR</b>	<b>DOG</b>	<b>POINTS</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	Kevin Ashworth	Leah	97
<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Stu Millar	Zara	96.5
<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Ritchie Williams	Esk	94.5
<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>	Nick France	Sam	94
<b>5<sup>th</sup></b>	Des Lysaght	Baz	93.5
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Intermediate</b>	Kevin Ashworth	Leah	97
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Maiden</b>	Stu Millar	Zara	96.5

**EVENT THREE – ZIG ZAG HUNT****JUDGE: AJ Aitken****# RUNS: 101**

	<b>COMPETITOR</b>	<b>DOG</b>	<b>POINTS</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	Dan Broughton	Louie	96
<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Louis Sherwood	Kate	95
<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	James Simpson	Tessa	94.5
<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>	Greg Anderson	Joe	94
<b>5<sup>th</sup></b>	Alan McIntyre	Millie	93.5
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Intermediate</b>	Louis Sherwood	Kate	95
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Maiden</b>	James Simpson	Tessa	94.5

**EVENT FOUR – STRAIGHT HUNT****JUDGE: Cam Bain****# RUNS: 103**

	<b>COMPETITOR</b>	<b>DOG</b>	<b>POINTS</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	Dan Broughton	Base	98
<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Sam Jamieson	Gary	97.5
<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Ben Butterick	Frank	97.25
<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>	Derek Deans	Brute	97
<b>5<sup>th</sup></b>	Steve Kerr	Holly	96.5
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Intermediate</b>	Dan Broughton	Base	98
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Maiden</b>	Greg Anderson	Lucy	96

Comments: Two very changeable days with the weather, stinking hot then thunder pumps providing (not enough) much needed rain!

Entries remained around the same for the Heads as last year, but well up by around twenty runs in each of the Hunts, the competition was hot with some very good dogs showing up.

The lambs on the hunts and the two toothed on the heads were all honest and all worked as well as they ever have. A good turnout of young competitors relatively new to the sport, were in the mix, with very capable dogs, having a crack and really enjoying their day's trialling.

First and so many thanks must go to Logan, Kate and Merv King for accommodating the trial, supplying the sheep, facilities and land. Many thanks to our refreshments King and Queen, Dean and Nic Reddecliffe. Lifers now!! Thanks to Pam and her family from "Sweet Creations" in Temuka for keeping the troops well fed.

Many thanks to all Judges and their timekeepers. To everyone that helped before, during and after the trial from within our club, our sister club Geraldine and the Levels, Mackenzie and Mt. Nessing Clubs, many thanks. All help is sincerely appreciated and huge thanks to all those that voluntarily give of their time, it is great that our local clubs all support and work in with one another. Ensures survival for all of us.

To our four course sponsors – **DNR Rural – Agricultural Spraying** – Long Head, **Craig Moore** – Short Head and Yard, **Kakahu Farms** – Zig Zag Hunt and **FMG / Centra Motor Ltd** – Straight Hunt, huge thanks to you all.

To our many other loyal sponsors who support Hilton-Gapes on an annual basis, be it financially, with food and beverage, product to raffle or work done on the grounds, most sincere thanks to you all.

Thank you to everyone for making this trial successful, everyone did their bit. Well done Dan Broughton taking out both Hunts, with two different dogs and also to Kevin Ashworth and the now Open – Leah, winning the Short Head. Kevin does a huge amount for all local clubs. (And just for the record, Geraldine have taken a slim early lead in the Five Nations and Noel Cain Trophies☺)

Will kick in with Top Dog points once we have a few more trials under our belt.