



Executive update to members January 2021

We hope that you all had a great festive season and wish you well for the coming year.

Let's hope that we manage to keep COVID at bay and we are able to complete a full schedule of activities this year. To that end it behoves us all to remain vigilant and do our part to make sure that happens, participate in the tracking program – stay away if you are unwell and maintain the cleanliness routines of washing hands and using hand sanitizer where appropriate.

Ken May made Patron

For those of you who were not there and may not have caught up on the news Ken May was made a Patron of our sport at the AGM – we would like to congratulate him.

Andy Jones Plate

This year there will be a new trophy donated by Andy Jones's Family – it will be competed for at one nominated live game trial every year. The winning competitor will then nominate which live game trial the plate will be contested for the following year. This nomination would be required prior to the publishing of the following years calendar. To kick it off this year it will be competed for at the trial to be held at Totara Lodge Taupo.

Spaniel simulated trials

This year we aim to move forward with the holding of simulated spaniel trials with the aim of getting to the point where challenge points can be awarded for those events. To that end the South Island Working Spaniel club are holding trials in February. We hope they will be well supported as the feedback from those trials will play a part in shaping the event going forward.

Training and Minor Trials

It has been great to see a number of clubs holding training days – this year we will also look to move forward with the graded training scheme to support those efforts.

We would also like to encourage clubs to hold minor trials – strong competitive Puppy, Novice and Limit Fields are the foundation of our sport and the key to building and maintaining clubs.



Now a bit of housekeeping I have had to close the nzgtapresident@outlook.com email address because it was compromised and so can you change the email to contact me on to warren.jellyman@outlook.com – the website will be updated to the correct address shortly.

The Executive for the coming year are:

President: Warren Jellyman

Vice President: Bill Johnsen

North Island Representatives: Rob Cox, Jamie Payton, Simon Kirkpatrick

South Island Representatives: Bill Johnsen, Peter O’Neill, Howard Halliday

Secretary / Treasurer & Field Trial Secretary: Karen Parnell