# P&S TRAINING DAY and NOVICE FIELD TRIAL

**Saturday 21 November 2026**

**To be held on Saulbrey Road, Ngaruawahia. https://maps.app.goo.gl/1C4rqkpjsuzkm5Mu8 The road is about 2 km long and venue is approx. halfway. Meet is at the stockyards and will be signposted. Start time for training is 9.00 am.**

**REGISTRATION for training and novice trial is online https://pointersetter.org.nz/events/**

**Registration closes: Friday 13 November 2026**

**Entry fee: $15 per dog, covers training and entry to the Novice trial.**

**Please advise your preferences for training on your entry form. We will cater for the most commonly requested. Confirmations will be forwarded by Tuesday 17 November.**

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The training day is open to all pointing breed gundogs, both registered and unregistered. We welcome all novice dogs and handlers whether P&S Club members or not, but **no aggressive/dangerous dogs will be allowed to participate**. There will be no firearms used on this day. Any "gunshots" will be simulated with a starting pistol. Handlers will be briefed on the safe use of firearms and will be expected to handle the starting pistol in a "safe" manner.

**Refreshments**: Please bring your own food and drinks.

**P&S Club Trial Safety book must be signed by all attendees prior to the start of the day**

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**ORDER OF EVENTS**: 9.00 am - Training commences
Live and dead pigeons will be available,

After midday - Novice trial

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**P&S NOVICE TRIAL, Down-the-Line (DTL)**

Dogs will be expected to run, hunt, find and point staunchly one live bird, and to be reasonably steady to flush and shot. There will be no retrieve in this trial. An experienced handler will walk with each competitor to offer advice if requested.
Sashes to 1st, 2nd and 3rd places.

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Trials Captain: Dave Sheely 027 210 9966
Trials Secretary: Peter Hay, Auckland p.hay@luvgsps.com 027 783 6182

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**Potential Training options**

Basic control/Obedience, recalls and stops
Pointing, staunchness and steadiness
Rules and regs for trials
Judging, DTL and braced, scorecard, faults and credits
Introducing dogs to birds, shot
Ranging/quartering, use of wind
Retrieving
Braced trials format, backing
Firearms handling
P&S Club code of Conduct