

RATG DOG OF THE YEAR AWARD

RULES:

- The accrual period will be from trials conducted 1st November to 31st October inclusive.
- Any qualifications gained after 31st October will be considered in the next accrual period.
- Applications with supporting documentation must be lodged by 7th November
- To be eligible, applicants must be financial members of NSDTC & must have trained regularly at NSDTC in gundog retrieving during the accrual period. Applicants must consider NSDTC to be their primary training club for retrieving.
- Presentation will be made at the NSDTC Christmas Party.
- It is the individual Club member's responsibility to apply for the award directly with the RATG Coordinator by providing copies of their qualifying certificates. The RATG coordinator will ensure the documentation is made available in the Dog of the Year folder in the Clubhouse office.
- Winners of the RATG DOTY Award will have their details engraved on the perpetual trophy (to be retained in the NSDTC clubhouse) and will also receive an individual memento.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

The RATG Dog of the Year Award will be determined by a point score system.

For Novice RATG trials, participants will receive the following points:

- 4 points for 1st place
- 3 points for 2nd place
- 2 points for 3rd place
- 1 point for non-placing qualifying score

For Open RATG trials, participants will receive the following points:

- 7 points for 1st place
- 6 points for 2nd place
- 5 points for 3rd place
- 2 points for non-placing qualifying score

In the event of a tie, the winner of the RATG DOTY Award will be determined by the highest number of 1st places. Should there still be a tie then the Award will be determined by the highest number of 2nd places. Should there still be a tie then the Award will be determined by the highest number of 3rd places. Should there still be a tie then the Award will be given to each competitor jointly.