

# Year of Induction 2002

## Category – Prominent Person



### **The Late Mr. Peter Halford – NSW 1934 - 2001**

**Peter Halford was inducted into the Hall of Fame, Category – Prominent Person, in recognition of his services to the sport of Retrieving.**

#### **Club official**

As a club official Peter was very active in the administration of the sport of Retrieving in NSW

Peter served as a member of the Royal Agricultural Society of NSW (RAS) for many years and as a member of the Royal NSW Canine Council he served on the NSW Retrieving and Field Trials Committee (Raft).

Peter was a member of the NSW Championship Committee which conducted Nationals and State Championships in NSW.

Peter was honoured by the Gundog Society of NSW with Life membership for his services to the Club and at the time of his passing Peter was the President of the Club.

Peter passed on his knowledge and experience to the newcomers to the sport of Retrieving and the aspiring judges through the training sessions that he helped to organise and conduct.

## **Judge**

Peter gained his Retrieving Trials Judges licence in 1968 was qualified to Judge at all of the Retrieving events from Puppy stakes through to National Championships.

Peter was also qualified to Judge Spaniel & Retriever Trials as well as Gundog Working Test (GWT).

Peter has Co-Judged the 1988 National Retrieving Trial Championship with Mr. Bill Loftus which was conducted in NSW and again in 1998 Co-Judged the National Retrieving Trial Championship with Mr. John Palmer which was also conducted in NSW.

Peter has also judged at a number of State Retrieving Championship Trials over the years in NSW as well as in other States.

## **Owner**

As owner of Labradors, Peter bred dogs for work under the prefix "Derbyshire".

- R.T.Ch. Derbyshire Ace of Hearts, two times National Retrieving winner.
- R.T.Ch. Derbyshire Aim
- R.T. Ch. Derbyshire Wild Deuce
- R.T. Ch. Derbyshire Ben Der
- R.T. Ch. Derbyshire Danny Boy

The progeny of Peter's home bred dogs, Zac, Danny Boy, Ben Der and National Retrieving Champion Wishmore Saturn have gone on to win and or place in Championships.

## **Handler**

Peter's successes in Retrieving trials as a handler of Labradors were numerous and he travelled and competed with his dogs almost anywhere retrieving trials are conducted and frequented the winning circle many times.

Peter's number one dogs have been;

- NTL. Rt.Ch. Wishmore Saturn, two times National Retrieving winner
- Rt. Ch. Derbyshire Danny Boy
- Rt. Ch. Derbyshire Ben Der

Peter Halford was passionate about the Sport of Retrieving, he involved himself in the administration of the Sport and did his utmost to assist others which aspired to do well in the Sport and to excel.