

Year of Induction 2008

Category – Prominent Persons



Mr. John Palmer - NSW

John Palmer 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 John Palmer has been an active member of the Labrador Club of NSW for many years and he has been honoured by the club with Life membership for his services to the Labrador Club.

As a member of the Labrador Club he passed on his knowledge and experience to the newcomers to the sport of Retrieving through the training sessions that he helped to organise and conduct.

John has always been a supporter of the Field and Retrieving attributes of the Labrador retriever as well as the other Gun Dog groups.

John represented the Retrieving Fraternity as a member of the NSW Raft Committee since January 1990. As a member of this committee he was involved with issues of concern to Judges training and testing, rules reviews.

John represented NSW as a delegate on the National Retrieving and Field Trials Committee.

John was honoured in 2008 by Dogs NSW when he was awarded the Distinguished Service Award for his long and outstanding service, by the Convener of the Honours Working Party.

Judge

John is qualified to Judge at all of the retrieving events from Puppy stakes through to National Championships.

John has Co-Judged with Peter Halford, the year 2000 National Retrieving Trial Championship which was conducted in NSW.

John has also judged at a number of State Championships over the years in NSW as well as in other States.

Owner

As owner of Labradors, his know how and perseverance resulted in his dog's achieving Championship and National Championship status.

Handler

As a handler John travelled this country and competed with his dogs almost anywhere retrieving trials are conducted and has been successful in Retrieving trials as a judge and as a handler of Labradors.

John's number one dogs have been;

- NTL. Rt.Ch. Bambillay White Ash
- Rt. Ch. Lachienvale Hun
- Rt. Ch. Bukatima Black Angus

As a handler John has been in the winning circle many times over and some of his successes are as follows;

- Winner of two Retrieving National Championships.
- Runner up in three National Championships.
- Winner of sixteen State Championships.
- John trained and handled Bambillay White Ash to be one of the highest earners of Championship Points in the country, this dog's successful career as a retriever speaks for itself.

Comments from the Labrador Club of NSW.

John Palmer has been a member of the Labrador Retriever Club of NSW for many years and has been involved in retrieving trials since 1975. He was appointed to the Club's Retrieving Trial's Committee in 1983.

John has been involved in the conduct of many trials in NSW on behalf of the Club and Championships on behalf of Dogs NSW.

He has been a valued member to the Labrador Club and the Retrieving Fraternity in NSW.