# Year of Induction: 2015

#### Category – Prominent Persons



# Mr. Samuel Bruce HAIGH

#### **Club Activities**

Sam has been involved in working gundog activities since 1981 -over 33 years in all. His involvement and dedicated support has been at all levels of club activities including:

- Trial management
- Stewarding (judge/gallery/bird/gun).
- Organising equipment
- General support, assistance and coordination of club events.
- Mentoring newcomers
- Locating properties and coordinating with competitors re their use.
- President and Life Member of the German Shorthaired Pointer Club of Qld.
- Life member of the Field and Retrieving Association.
- Editor of the FRA Club magazine.
- Member of the Qld Retrieving and Field Trial committee.
- Representing Qld at the National RAFT meetings..
- Representing Dogs Qld. on the Ministerial Duck and Quail Advisory Committee.

## Trial- Judging/Stewarding/Managing

Sam Haigh commenced judging in 1991 but unfortunately was forced to retire due to health reasons in 2012 after some 23 years of participation.

In that time he has judged, stewarded and managed events in both Field Trials and Retrieving Trials at all levels.

This has included:-

- Judging Retrieving Trials in all stakes in the ACT, Qld, NSW, Victoria, SA and Tasmania.
- Judging the Australian National Retrieving Championship with co-Judge Mr. Paul Littlejohn in Tasmania in 2003.
- Judging 2 Qld. Retrieving Championships
- Judging 2 Qld Utility Field Trial Championships

## **Owner/Breeding/Handling/Trial History**

Sam's first dog was a German Shorthaired Pointer bitch LINHAUF JANHENE -"Angie".

She gained her Field Trial Championship in 1885 and her Bench Championship in 1987 - Making her a dual Champion.

Sam bred 'Angie' and produced a male dog called 'Bruno' - CH. F.T.CH. & R.T. CH. Garjanhauf Tamslad CD CM.

Bruno went on to :-

- Win the Qld. Retrieving Trial Championship in 1987 (32 entires)
- Came 4th in the 1987 Qld. Ret. Championship.
- Place1st and 2nd in Qld State Utility Field Trial Championships
- In all gain 17 firsts in 41 placings in Field and Retrieving events.
- Gain show and CD title in 1987.

Bruno was mated and produced 'Bronco' - Nat. FT CH & RT CH Garjanhauf Bronco a **Hall of Fame** inductee whose successes included:-

- Qld UFT Championship in 1996
- A 1st in the National UFT Championships in 1996 and a 1st the 2002 UFT Championship.
- Placed 5th in both the Tasmanian Retrieving and Qld Retrieving Championships in 1997.
- 27 Firsts and 49 placings in Field Trial and Retrieving Trial competitions.

In 1995 he became a co-owner of a 5yr old Labrador dog which was already a RT Champion -RT CH Lachienvale Formular One CDX 'Flynn'.

Flynn's exploits include:-

- 5th Place in the Qld. Retrieving Championship in 1995
- 1st Place in the Qld. Retrieving Championship in 1997
- 30 Wins and placing in All Age

In 2003 Sam bred a litter from 'Flynn's" granddaughter.

'Errol' - became a R.T. Champion - R.T.CH. GARJANHAUF 'ERROL'. To date 'Errol' has won or placed in 38 events - winning his first Novice in 2004, gaining his Restricted title in 2006 and RT Championship title in 2008.

Sam kept an Errol daughter in 2009.

Tallowood Errols 'Elley' RRD is currently being campaigned by Sam in All Age. To date she has achieved 15 wins or placings in retrieving events.

#### Other

Sam has covered the full spectrum of involvement in gundog related activities as an administrator, manager, coordinator, judge, high order competitor and breeder.

He has also been a greater promoter and mentor of all gundog activities.

Sam remains convinced that his time working with his dogs is the reason for his current run of good health - coming back from a serious bout of illness. Mr. Gary Quinlan