



PETER JAMES SIBLEY MEMORIAL TROPHY 1999



As written by Mrs Judith Charlton in the 1999 Club Year Book

It is with great personal sadness I learnt of the sudden tragic death of Peter whilst attending a Field Trial in North Yorkshire in his capacity as Chairman of Northumberland and Durham Labrador Retriever Club.

Peter joined the Club in 1976, was elected to our Committee in 1980 and became Chairman in 1994. His friendly charm without any malice is a rare commodity in this day and age.

His devotion to the Northumberland and Durham Club will be sorely missed. He gave of his time 100% ably assisted and supported by his wife Joan.

Peter and Joan enjoyed showing their dogs and Peter was approved to award C.C.'s for the first time in 1999 at the Welsh K.C.

The high esteem in which Peter was held was evident at his funeral, where the Church was filled to capacity with ex-work colleagues and friends to pay their last respects.

Northumberland and Durham Club has lost a loyal and staunch member.

On behalf of the Club, sincere condolences to Joan and family.

Judith Charlton



In the same Club Year Book of 1999

The Secretary's report noted:

"We suffered the sad loss of two of the most well respected Committee Members of the Club; Peter Sibley and Jim Halliwell and two Members, John Nichol from the working side and Dan Needham from the Show side.

Our sympathy goes to all their families.

Peter Sibley our Chairman of four years, died suddenly whilst at Farndale Field Trial, despite efforts to resuscitate Peter by members of the working side of the Club.

I feel a great personal loss from Peter's death and the Club is still mourning one of its great ambassadors. Peter worked relentlessly for the Club; nothing was too much trouble.

He never missed a meeting or Show and was present at most Field Trials and Working Tests.

Peter will be missed for many years to come and our sympathy goes to his wife Joan and their three sons, Paul, David and Martin and his extended family.

Wyn Fleming, Secretary

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A memorial trophy was donated in 1999 to Peter Sibley and it has been in use by the working side of club for some years.

Despite him being primarily from the Show side of the club; it was obvious he embraced the working side too. Ironically and sadly he died in his position of Chairman of the Club whilst attending a Field Trial at Farndale and his memorial tray will be used as a Best Handler, Trial Award as a result.

*Irene Davison
Club Secretary 2014*