NI Regional Dutch Spotted Group – 19th February 2024

A meeting was held on Monday 19th February 2024 for all DSSS members in N.I. in Swatragh Mart at 7.30 pm. The Mart kindly provided the room and refreshments for those attending.

28 members attended, some traveling quite a distance with a couple of apologies.

Chairman Liam Campbell welcomed everyone attending and reminded everyone that himself as Edward Adamson as secretary had only taken on these roles for one year and suggested we elect office bearers.

Election results as follows;

Regional Chairman: Liam Campbell, Glencloy

Vice Chairman: Seamus Killen, Ballintur

Secretary: Emma Allen, Diamond

Junior Liaison Officer: Jack King, Kirkinriola

Committee to consist of the above plus Patrick Grant Craigdoo , James Reilly Glentaisie, Russell Millen Knockmult, Andrew Park Sandymount and Edward Adamson Kilroot.

Members decided we should have a National Show rotating around the region with the first one this to be at Castlewellan Show on 13th July. Orla grant to liase with Castlewellan regarding a judge.

Members with influence at local shows holding DSS classes were to try and get young handler classes added.

It was suggested that we should have a trimming demonstration and judging advice day around the end of May.

There was discussion around marketing and should find ways to help facilitate GB buyers coming to the Summer Selection Sale in July.

It was agreed the Committee would meet online when necessary.

Chairman closed the meeting at 9.45 pm thanking them for their participation and forward thinking.