

Thomas Hughes

Thomas lives in the village of Camlough in County Down, from where he has easy access to high quality shooting ground for snipe, woodcock, duck and pheasant. He has trained and worked Labrador retrievers for over forty years, and his kennel name is Brookbird.

He has had considerable success in competition, and is in regular demand at home and in Europe for his skill as a highly competent Judge.

Among his many achievements are:

Made up five dogs to FTCh status

An A panel Judge for the Irish Kennel Club

Judged the Irish Retriever Championship

Won the Irish Retriever Championship, second on two occasions, with one third

Captain of the Irish CLA Game Fair Team and regular competitor

Competed as a representative of Ireland at Chatsworth on two occasions

Thomas is also a noted breeder, and takes great pride in producing clean, healthy stock, which are in demand internationally, from a line started by his father over seventy years ago.

Thomas is delighted to have been asked to Judge this prestigious event, and is looking forward to seeing handlers and dogs working in the competitive Tests.