



John Castle

I am a Scottish property manager. I have been fishing and shooting since the age of five, almost fifty years now, and I have enjoyed Labradors as shooting companions for some forty years. I began competing in Gundog Tests and Field Trials in 1985 and first qualified for the British IGL Retriever Championship in 1988 with Glenpatrick Gusto, since when my affix of Glenpatrick has been represented as an Owner/Handler or Breeder at a further nine IGL Championships. I made up my favourite Bitch, Field Trial Champion Glenpatrick Halo at Sandringham Estate, Norfolk in 2000 and Halo's

progeny – including FTChampion Glenpatrick Eve, FTCH Glenpatrick Eclipse of Craigenros and FTCH Gusty Garry – successfully continue to compete in events across several continents.

In my capacity as a GB Kennel Club A Panel Judge, I have fulfilled judging Retriever tests and trials throughout Britain and Ireland, arising from which I take great satisfaction in meeting like-minded sportsmen and women in a wide variety of natural sporting estates.

I consider it an honour and privilege to be asked to judge for the Italian Working Retriever Club and I very much look forward to the Team Working Test!



James Dykes

I have been involved in dogs since 1959 when I acquired my first yellow labrador dog, which was used for both shooting and competing in working trials.

I joined the Police Service in 1961 and served for 32 years. For 12 of those years I was involved in the training of dogs for Police work, which latterly included the detection of narcotics and explosives. On moving on in my Police career, I went back to gundogs and competed in field trials and working tests with both spaniels and labradors.

I represented Scotland as a member of the International Gundog Team on numerous occasions and remained involved with the Scottish Team for several years.

I am a GB A Panel Judge for Retrievers and Spaniels. I am looking forward to judging the Christmas Working Test and I wish everyone good luck!