



**Flat-Coated Retriever Society of Canada  
National Specialty 2012 Sweepstakes/ Unofficial Class Judge  
DAVID HUTCHISON**

Our Prefix is Waverton, which is the name of the town in Cheshire; it is where Brenda's family lived. We bought our first Flatcoat, Belsud Black Kestrel at Waverton from Mrs. Mary Grimes in 1976. He gained his Junior Warrant and won the Flatcoated Retriever Society Drum Goblet, an award for the highest number of points won at shows for a Junior in a year. He also won two reserve CC's. Brenda and I have over the years made up several Flatcoat champions; amongst these was Ch Black Velvet of Candidacasa at Waverton, her two Daughters Ch Waverton Julep and Ch Waverton Katinka. Ch Waverton Madeira was a daughter of Katinka. Madeira was the mother of Dutch Ch Waverton Applejack and Waverton Toby Ale who was the top stud dog in the UK in 2003 who was the sire of our Ch Varingo Victoria at Waverton. He is also the sire of the Finish F.T. Champion Waverton Dubonnet.

I award CC's (Challenge Certificates) in Golden and Flat-Coated Retrievers, as does Brenda and regularly judge in the UK as well as abroad. In 2005 I Judged Flatcoat Dogs at Crufts. Without any doubt my number one passion is picking up on shoots with my dogs. I am the chief picker-up for one of the largest shoots in the UK and regularly take novice Flatcoat owners along to gain experience often to gain their show gundog qualifier. I have been picking up since the 1970's. In the early days I used to run my dogs competitively in working tests and Field Trials and gained several Field Trial and working test awards with both Golden and Flatcoats. I also steward on a regular basis from Crufts downwards and have given talks on the subject at a number of seminars. I am currently involved in Show Management as the Show Manager of the United Retriever Club Championship Show and the Showground Manager of Southern Counties Canine Association, a three-day general championship show and Woolwich, Bexley & D.C.A.

I was for many years the Show Manager of the Flat-Coated Retriever Societies Championship Show, was Chief Steward for the National Gundog Association's championship show and Show

Manager of South of England Agricultural Societies Dog Show. In 1981 I founded my local Ring Craft Club, which caters for show training of all breeds of dogs and am currently the chairman. I can be found regularly on a Thursday evening going over the dogs along with the other committee members.