Job Title General Farm Labourer

About Brook Farm

Brook Farm is located in Cuffley, Hertfordshire and comprises of 211 ha arable, 54 ha woodland. The Thomas family have farmed the land since the early 1940s.

J I Thomas & Son also run a commercial game shoot (Brook Park Shoot) and wedding venue (Brook Farm Cuffley).

Role Summary

All aspects of rural work; assisting gamekeeper, grounds maintenance, forestry work, machinery maintenance & repairs, some tractor/telehandler work. Some assistance given to Gamekeeper and Wedding Venue.

- You will work with the Thomas Family and Gamekeeper. At particularly busy times another farm labourer will be contracted in to assist with the workload.
- Must be keen, enthusiastic & able to work as part of a team or on own initiative.
- Knowledge and experience will be an advantage to securing this position but is not essential.
- Telehandler License and Chainsaw License required (qualifications can be undertaken while in work placement with deductions for the cost repaid monthly from wages).
- Suitable for someone with a love of the outdoors (whatever the weather) and who is prepared to undertake physical work and turn their hand to any task.
- A genuine interest in the business & a desire to learn will be key.
- Able to take instructions from the Farm Manager.

Example Tasks

- Maintaining a well organised and tidy farmyard. (Sweeping up, picking up rubbish, ensuring everything is stored in the appropriate place.)
- Machinery maintenance & recording when maintenance is carried out so it can be checked again at the appropriate time. e.g. Checking & changing fluids; engine oil, transmission fluids, coolants (annually), hydraulic fluid (every few years). Lubricating moving parts.
- Machinery repairs. Assisting mechanic with repairs. (If good maintenance has been carried out then there will be less repairs needed.)
- Assisting with drilling of game cover.
- Forestry work, e.g clearing fallen trees.
- Some tractor/telehandler work, e.g. general tasks around the farmyard, assisting in hay making.
- Ground Maintenance, e.g assisting to mend land drains.
- Assisting the Gamekeeper, e.g helping to build pens for gamebirds, feeding/watering birds.
- Mowing grass for wedding venue, transporting generators and bins to and from wedding site.
- Generally keeping an eye on the farm and raising awareness of any issues (especially H&S) or areas that could be improved.
- Assist with taking down an old farm building and the build of a new agricultural shed (farm machinery & grain store).

For further information and to arrange an interview, please send your CV and a brief covering email to <u>JIThomas@BrookFarmCuffley.co.uk</u>

We look forward to hearing from you.