

## Show Report – Scottish Region Show, Biggar, 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb 2009

Judge: - Sandy King

The Scottish Region Show is a pleasure to judge as I find everyone is so very hospitable and welcoming. The journey up is always good although coming back is always another story!

We had a few moments silence before the show for Fred Duggins, our President who through the change of structure from the CFBA to the NCS.



**DID YOU KNOW?**  
**44 Animals were exhibited at the Scottish Show, comprising 28 Standards and 16 Mutations**

before the show through the CFBA to the

There were less animals than usual but some of the main supporters of this show were either at Bugbrooke or not showing this season. However, the standard of the chinchillas was very high and deserving of the ribbons awarded. It was good to see the awards being evenly distributed over several exhibitors. Several chinchillas did show faint comb lines but the natural lighting in the hall was poor so one could understand why the exhibitors had left the lines in the coats.

I just have to mention the Raffle which was outstanding both in the number and the quality of the prizes. I went home with a very decent bottle of Champagne!

### **Young Standard Females**

**Medium** - 1<sup>st</sup> for a very big and blocky chin with good veiling, neck and tight fur, slightly light on hips, sharp blue colour which went on to be Res Young Standard for Wenda Barron. A 2<sup>nd</sup> for a blue, sharp animal with good confirmation, size and neck.

**Medium Dark** - A good class – 1<sup>st</sup> Blue sharp slightly out of condition and breaking on sides but very good strong silky fur. Made Res Young Standard female for Michelle Williams  
2<sup>nd</sup> ribbon winner was blue and sharp with strong tight fur, good veiling & confirmation but hippy and a slight dip in neck.

### **Young Standard Males**

**Medium** - 1<sup>st</sup> big blocky blue but not sharp. Excellent confirmation, but fur slightly woolly.

**Medium Dark** - 1<sup>st</sup> had lovely silky tight fur, fair size and good confirmation. A very blue & sharp animal in excellent condition went on to be Show Champion for Wenda Barron.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> and Res Young Standard male for Wenda was of good size and confirmation, fair veiling, but not as blue as the winner. Although it had some noticeable comb lines I was able to ignore them.

### **Adult Standard Female**

**Medium** - All of this class were out of condition to some degree. The 1<sup>st</sup> had fair size and confirmation but a dip in the neck. Strong tight fur but out of condition on hips. The 2<sup>nd</sup> was bluer than the first but could be slightly larger for age. It had good veiling, confirmation and neck.

### **Adult Standard Females**

**Medium Dark** - 1<sup>st</sup> was slightly out of condition but blue and bright. It was large, blocky and had good veiling & neck. A good length of strong fur could be denser, achieving Best Adult Standard Female for James Buchan. A 2<sup>nd</sup> for a strong tight furred animal which was slightly hippy, had nice veiling. It was fractionally down in colour but in good show condition, winning Res Adult female for Wenda Barron.

### **Adult Standard Males**

**Medium** - A 1<sup>st</sup> for a blue and very sharp chin which was blocky and of good size, with tight strong silky fur. This became Reserve Show Champion for James Buchan and might well have piped the youngster for Show Champion if it had been in full condition.

A 2<sup>nd</sup> for a very well presented chin with strong silky fur, in good condition but slightly down in colour. This made Reserve Best Adult Std for Wenda.

### **Novice Young Mutations**

**Wilson White** - One that stood out in my mind because it was very blue which is hard to find in white chins today. A bit small for its age but good confirmation & neck, strong fur and guard hairs went on to be best Young Mutation for Lisa Gill.

**Self Black** - A 2<sup>nd</sup> for a chin which was a bit small and narrow in shoulders, with good size strong silky fur, mutation fur wrapped around but slightly light in neck, fair colour & confirmation.

### **Main Show Young Mutations**

**AOC** - 1<sup>st</sup> for a White which could be slightly larger for age but with good colour & confirmation, fair fur strength, and a sprinkling of strong guard hairs in perfect condition. A 2<sup>nd</sup> for a Homo Beige which had a nice blue colour, with good size and confirmation, although fur was a little woolly. A

1<sup>st</sup> ribbon for a Sullivan Violet which had very good size and good colour, silky tight fur, and fair confirmation, taking Res Best Young Mutation for Steven King.

### **Adult Mutations**

**Black Velvet** - A class of 3 superb Black Velvets which could have changed places on another day, all exhibiting good blue black colour. The 1<sup>st</sup> was not as large as the 2<sup>nd</sup> but still of good size and excellent confirmation and neck, plus excellent coverage which extended down sides and into neck. This chin made Best Mutation for Bob Allan.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> was another good chin, being very large with good strong fur and mutation coverage. Confirmation was excellent but it was priming on hips. In good condition would give 1<sup>st</sup> a real challenge. This Black made Reserve Best Mutation for James Buchan.

**AOC:** 1<sup>st</sup> for a Pink White which was very large and blocky with clear colour, and good strong fur. A 2<sup>nd</sup> for a Pink White of medium size but out of condition and slightly down in colour. A 1<sup>st</sup> was a real eye catcher with dark Brown Velvet with outstanding Mutation coverage, very good neck and confirmation but fur open and lacking in density. A 2<sup>nd</sup> for a Beige which was out of condition with fair colour and size, good confirmation and fur strength. A 2<sup>nd</sup> for a Sullivan Violet which was a little narrow in the neck and slightly down in colour and fur laying back on sides due to priming. It had good strong fur in back exhibiting some of the satin sheen of the original Violets to be imported. There was a 1<sup>st</sup> for a Self Black, being of good size and having good confirmation, fair mutation coverage and acceptable colour.

Once again thank you for inviting me to judge your Scottish Region Show. It was a real pleasure to be with you in such a relaxed friendly atmosphere.

**Sandy King**