Show Report – Scottish Region Show, Biggar, 24th Feb 2013

Judge: - Richard Crutchley

72 Entries, 48 Standards (11 Nov) & 18 Mutations (4 Nov) + 6 X class

A cold, dry and bright day gave us a trouble free journey up to Biggar to judge the second Scottish show of the season.

We arrived in good time to see a good number of people and exhibitors present, busily finishing their chins ready for the show. I had 72 entries to get through which was a really good turnout and comparable to other recent shows.

As always we colour phased the young standards and started with the Medium-Dark Young Standard females. A large group of 7 chins gave six awards which was a great start to proceedings. First for Aileen Cook for her large and blocky chin with fine silky fur, well prepared although priming, but perhaps a touch dull. Second to Chris Galt for a brighter female with good density, but open fur over the flanks and priming more markedly than the winner. Third came from James Buchan for a chin with excellent conformation and good size with some flash and eye appeal, but not in any kind of prime and showing softer fur over the hips...

Next came the Darks, just two, but a 1st for James's female being again, excellent conformation, and good size, clear and bright but again not in top show condition... Second was Aileen Cook's girl which was very flashy with extra-dense fur, a good conformation and a fair size but not the clarity of the winner.

Two Mediums finished off the main show exhibits and yielded a 1st for Chris Galt for his bright, crystal clear very pale phased chin which was prepared to perfection but was not quite primed through over the hips...

A single novice entry from Teresa Mori won a 2nd, phased as a Medium, and had silky strong fur type, was dense and clear, but again not in top show condition on the day and not finished over the hips...

Group champion went to James with Reserve for Aileen...

In the Young Standard males I had ten entries, split equally between Novice and main show.

In the Main show a 2nd for Trevor Pugsley with his Medium which was large and blocky with strong fur type, quite bright but priming badly over the hips. Also a 2nd for Aileen Cooks' Medium Dark which was of good size and conformation, silky fur type but again open over the hips – time will help these boys... The 1st winner in the Darks and eventual Best Young Standard was from Aileen Cook for her silky, dense, very well veiled male of good conformation, well prepared and in reasonable condition.

In the Novice section came five exhibits all from Kirsty Mitchell. Of particular note were two medium-darks and two darks, all as it turned out from the same litter of quads! These boys, although only a week over 4 months won 1 +2, 1 + 2 and all had silky, strong stand up fur of good clarity and blueness, good density and were all well prepared. The 1sts in both cases were the slightly larger and blockier of the entries, with the seconds the flashier but not quite so blocky... The 1st in the Darks went on to win Reserve Best Young male and Reserve Best young Standard – excellent!!! I shall look forward to seeing these boys again (for a third time) as it turns out these were the very young kits Kirsty brought with their mother to the last Scottish show as she was supplement feeding them...

Another good group of ten entries faced me in the Adult Standard females, this time 8 in the main show and two novice entries.

First up came the Medium-Darks and a 1st for Chris Galt for his clear and bright female with silky fur type, well prepared but a little open over the hips and of reasonable size.

In the dark colour phase a 1, 2, 3 for James Buchan's girls. The 1st was of silky strong stand up fur quality, with eye appeal, blueness and very good veiling. This girl, although not so large was a clear winner and made it to the top of the tree, eventually winning Best Standard and Reserve Show Champion... Second in the group was also a good chin, well prepared, good density and fur type, clear but not quite as blue as the winner. This girl also won out, achieving Reserve Best Standard – very well done!

In the Novice section, Teresa Moir won a 2nd for her silky furred, dense female which although a good type was a little dull.

Next came a class of Adult Standard males which sadly were a little disappointing. It was clear that prime was affecting many chins, with the majority not quite primed through over the hips, but in general the groups which faced me were a little too dull and tinged to be considered herd improvement males for future breeding.

In this group there was a 1st and eventual Best Adult Standard Male for Steven King for his extra-dark chin which had fair size and conformation, a brightness and clearish fur, prepared well and in the best prime of those exhibited.

After a short break we started the Mutation classes with just seven young mutations.

The only full class were a group of three Self Blacks, all exhibited by Aileen Cook. First was awarded for a young chin just over the 4 month mark, which I would have colour phased Medium-Dark to Dark. Not quite the 'Every hair shiny black' but a good example, being well furred, dense, with very god size and conformation. I could see I was judging baby fur but this youngster had lots of promise, beating a Dark Ebony into second place. This chin, although more intense and better veiled, had good fur type and reasonable density but not quite up to the winner, and showing some priming marks...

Next came the AOC which yielded a 1st for Chris Galt for his Beige which was clear and blue, well prepared and of adequate size and good conformation, and also a second for another Beige which was denser and blockier, but not so clear... Another 1st for Chris for a young Wilson White which was a lovely Persil (other brands available!) blue-white colour and nice fur type, but a little open compared to the other 1sts in group... Also a 2nd to James Buchan's' very young Black Velvet which had lovely conformation and size but needs more time to develop its veiling coverage...

Aileen Cook's Ebony won the group prize, pipping Chris Galt's Beige into reserve...

Finally came the Adult Mutations with a class of Black Velvets yielding a 1, 2, 3 for James Buchan, split by Steven King! First for James was a well veiled, intense Black Velvet with good fine dense fur in good condition, but which could perhaps be a touch brighter (picking holes)... Second for Steven for his larger, blockier chin with not such intense colour and a little more grey in the neck..

A class of three AOC's gave a 1st for Chris Galt's Wilson White. My first comment was 'beautiful'. This chin was large, blocky, clear white in colour with good clarity, well prepared and in decent prime. This girl well deserved her awards and went all the way to give Chris and Sam their first Grand Show Champion – very well done... Also a 1st and 2nd for Trevor Pugsley for his Sullivan Violets. The first was the larger and slightly silkier of the two, being a good breeding type chin of good clarity, well prepared, perhaps needing just a touch more in the shoulders... The second was again a good type animal of good conformation and again clear colour but not quite so large and bright as the first....

Finally I judged a class of three novice entries, giving a 1st for Teresa Moir's Wilson White which was large and blocky, clearish in colour, fairly dense and well prepared. Also a 3rd for another white which although a little smaller and not quite as bright, had a nice silky fur type. A 2nd was also awarded for Teresa's Self Black which had good intensity and veiling (Dark phase) with reasonable size, but a touch dull in clarity and needing a touch more in the shoulders...

The show finished around 3.30pm and all attendees got stuck in clearing the hall which was great to see, taking time out to give necessary praise to those who had won breeders awards and trophies...

This was a great show, well attended and professionally rn, and I would like to thank the Scottish region for inviting me to judge this show. I think the future looks really bright for all of you and your chins are a credit to your hard work – keep up the good work!!!

Richard Crutchley

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Class A - Young Standard Females (11)

AOC - Medium CP (2)

 1^{st} – Galt 2^{nd} – N/A 3^{rd} – Cook

Medium Dark CP (7)

1st – Cook 2nd – Galt 3rd – Buchan HC – Cook

HC – Galt HC - Galt

AOC - Dark CP (2)

1st – Buchan 2nd – Cook

Class NA - Novice Young Standard Females (1)

AOC - Medium CP (1)

 $1^{st} - N/A$ $2^{nd} - Moir$

Best Young Standard Female Buchan (A2 - Dark)
Res. Best Young Standard Female Cook (A4 – Med-Dark)

Class B - Young Standard Males (5)

AOC - Medium CP (1)

1st – N/A 2nd – Pugsley

Medium Dark CP (3)

 $1^{st} - N/A$ $2^{nd} - Cook$ $3^{rd} - N/A$ HC – Buchan

HC - Galt

AOC - Dark CP (1)

1st – Cook

Class NB - Novice Young Standard Males (5)

AOC - Medium CP (1)

 $1^{st} - N/A$ $2^{nd} - N/A$ $3^{rd} - N/A$ HC – Mitchell

AOC - Medium Dark CP (2)

1st – Mitchell 2nd – Mitchell

AOC - Dark CP (1)

1st – Mitchell 2nd – Mitchell

Best Young Standard Male Res. Best Young Standard Male Best Young Standard Res. Best Young Standard

Cook (B2 – Dark) Mitchell (NB5 – Dark) Cook (B2 – Dark)

Mitchell (NB5 - Dark)

Class C - Adult Standard Females (8)

AOC - Medium CP (2)

 $1^{st} - N/A$ $2^{nd} - N/A$ $3^{rd} - Barron$

Medium Dark CP (3)

 1^{st} – Galt 2^{nd} – N/A 3^{rd} – N/A HC – Cook

HC - Buchan

<u>Dark CP (3)</u>

1st – Buchan 2nd – Buchan 3rd – Buchan

Class NC - Novice Adult Standard Females (2)

Medium CP (1)

 $1^{st} - N/A$ $2^{nd} - N/A$ $3^{rd} - N/A$ HC - N/A

<u>Dark CP (1)</u>

 $1^{st} - N/A$ $2^{nd} - Moir$ $3^{rd} - N/A$ HC - N/A

Best Adult Standard Female Buchan (C1 – Dark)
Res. Best Adult Standard Female Buchan (C2 – Dark)

Class D - Adult Standard Males (13)

Medium Dark CP (4)

 $1^{st} - N/A$ $2^{nd} - N/A$ $3^{rd} - Cook$

Dark CP (4)

 $1^{st} - N/A$ $2^{nd} - Barron$ $3^{rd} - N/A$ HC - N/A

Extra Dark CP (5)

 1^{st} – Steven King 2^{nd} – N/A 3^{rd} – N/A HC – Buchan

HC – Steven King HC - Cook

Class ND - Novice Adult Standard Males (3)

Medium CP (2)

 $1^{st} - N/A$ $2^{nd} - N/A$ $3^{rd} - N/A$ HC - N/A

Extra-Dark CP (1)

 $1^{st} - N/A$ $2^{nd} - N/A$ $3^{rd} - Lattimer$ HC - N/A

Best Adult Standard Male Steven King (D4 – Extra-Dark)

Res. Best Adult Standard Male N/A

Best Adult Standard

Buchan (C1 - Dark)

Res. Best Adult Standard

Buchan (C2 - Dark)

<u>Buchan (C1 – Dark)</u>
<u>Res. Best Standard Animal</u>
<u>Buchan (C2 – Dark)</u>

Class E – Young Mutations (7)

AOC (4)

1st – Galt (Beige) 2nd – Galt (Beige) 2nd – Buchan (Black Velvet)

Self Black (3)

 1^{st} – Cook 2^{nd} – Cook 3^{rd} – Cook

Class NE - Novice Young Mutations (0)

Best Young Mutation Cook (E4 – Self Black)
Res. Best Young Mutation Galt (E6 – Beige)

Class F – Adult Mutations (7)

AOC (3)

1st – Galt (Wilson White) 1st – Pugsley (Sullivan Violet)

2nd – Pugsley (Sullivan Violet)

Black Velvet (4)

1st – Buchan 2nd – Steven King 3rd – Buchan HC – N/A

Class NF - Novice Adult Mutations (4)

AOC (4)

1st – Moir (Wilson White) 2nd – Moir (Self Black)

3rd – Moir (Wilson White) HC – N/A

Best Adult Mutation

Res. Best Adult Mutation

Buchan (F1 – Black Velvet)

Best Mutation

Galt (F1 – Wilson White)

Res. Best Mutation Buchan (F1 – Black Velvet)

Standard Breeders Award

Place	Exhibitor	Points	Entries
1	James Buchan	27	8
2	Aileen Cook	23 ½	9
3	Kirsty Mitchell	16 ½	5
4	Chris Galt & Sam Crowe	14	6
5	Steven King	6	2
6	Wenda Barron	5	2
7	Trevor Pugsley	3	1

(Maximum 10 entries count, Max points achievable = 54)
Entries gaining points in main show classes or special winners only count

Mutation Breeders Award

Place	Exhibitor	Points	Entries
1	Chris Galt & Sam Crowe	20 ½	4
2	James Buchan	11 ½	3
3	Aileen Cook	11	3
4	Trevor Pugsley	7	2
5	Steven King	3	1

(Maximum 10 entries count, Max points achievable = 51)
Entries gaining points in main show classes or special winners only count

*** Exhibitors Award Winner *** Chris & Sam Galt *** 20 ½ points ***