

Show Report – Scottish Region Show, Biggar, 6th March 2011
Judge:- Paul Spooner

As always a warm welcome with plenty of coffee and biscuits waiting for me when I arrived at Biggar.

A total of 56 animals were entered and I made a start with the Young Standard Females, nine in total, split into five Medium-Darks and four Mediums.

The Medium-Darks produced a 1st and 2nd ribbon for Aileen Cook, the 1st having good size, conformation and clarity, and although breaking slightly was still good enough to go on to take Best Young Standard Female. The 2nd ribbon was smaller with reasonable conformation and show condition. The Mediums produced a 1st for Wendy and Connor French with good size, conformation, clarity and density and going on to take Reserve Best Young Standard Female.

Onto the Young Standard Males. Eight animals in total split into four Medium-Darks and four Mediums.

The Medium-Darks produced a 1st for James Buchan with good size and conformation, excellent veiling coverage, good density but slightly down in clarity, but good enough to go on to eventually take Grand Show Champion. The 2nd to this from Wenda Barron had good size, conformation and clarity but let down by poor show condition.

The Mediums produced a 1st for Wendy and Connor French, having good size, conformation and clarity and a strong stand up fur and going on to take Reserve Young Standard.

The Adult Standard females produced a 1st for James Buchan for a chin with good size, conformation, clarity and strong fur, going on to take Reserve Adult Standard and also a 2nd ribbon for James for an animal of good size and conformation but open fur, taking Reserve Adult Standard Female.

Thirteen animals in the Adult Standard Males were split into three colour phases, with the five Medium-Darks producing a 1st for Aileen Cook with good size and conformation but down in clarity going on to take Reserve Best Standard, and a 2nd ribbon to Ron and Lyn Gardner, having good size and conformation but down in clarity.

The Medium class produced a 1st for Steven King for his animal with good size, conformation and clarity, going on to take Reserve Adult Standard Male.

The Darks produced another 1st for Aileen Cook with good size, reasonable conformation and good clarity, and a 2nd for James Buchan with better size and conformation but a drop in clarity.

Onto the Young Mutations and a 1st ribbon Black Velvet for Steven King having good size and conformation, clarity and good show condition. This chin went on to take Best Mutation and Reserve Show Champion. Steven also took a 2nd ribbon for another Black Velvet which became Reserve Young Mutation, which had good size and conformation but a slight drop in clarity and lighter on the hips.

Aileen Cook produced a 1st ribbon Sullivan Violet having good size, conformation and clarity and reasonably strong fur.

The Adult Mutations produced a 1st ribbon Pink White for Wenda Barron having good size and conformation but the colour rather flat and the fur slightly open. This chin was good enough to go on to take Reserve Mutation, with Wendy and Connor French taking 2nd ribbon to this with a smaller animal with a nice fur type but slightly dull on the day, going on to take Reserve Adult Mutation.

There was also a 1st ribbon for Ron and Lyn Gardner for their Deutsch Violet which had good size, conformation and clarity.

Well done to all Scottish members an excellent show and nice to see the special awards spread out so evenly.

Paul Spooner – NCS Senior Judge