

Show Report – WM & W Region, Bugbrooke, 14th Jan 07

Judge:- Ron Gardner

109 Entries, 56 Standards (8 Novice) & 53 Mutations (19 Novice)

Having taken on this show at rather short notice, I was pleasantly surprised to find that we had one of the largest entries so far this season, at 109. Bugbrooke is always a good, popular venue, and a warm social atmosphere prevailed as I began my day's judging with a class of Novice standards.

I was pleased with the quality class, and gave four awards. animal was well prepared and nicely in prime and definitely track for it's owner. The 1st of down on colour to the 2nd condition, but with good fur to had a good neck and

but was a little salt and pepper. The next HC was clear, very young on the day with slightly laid back baby fur, and the final one had nice clear colour but again a lot of very baby fur. Hopefully all these females will improve as they mature.

DID YOU KNOW?

109 Animals were exhibited at the Midlands Show, comprising 56 Standards and 53 Mutations

of this first The 2nd award groomed, on the right the HC's was winner, out of come. It also conformation

The young male class was not as good quality as the females so only a 3rd and 1 HC awarded. The 3rd award had the best colour, but a weak neck, laid back fur and was priming. The HC had nice conformation and more adult fur that was all over the place and very difficult to judge. No adult females and only one adult male to which I gave a 3rd. I guessed this male had been taken out of breeding. It had a lot of fur, good conformation and had been of good colour but was quite pen stained.

The show continued with the Champion standards, beginning with the young females medium dark phase. The 1st award was a big, blocky female, a nice animal and good enough for Best Young Female, Reserve Young standard and Reserve Standard animal for Kerry Bradburn, the 1st of very many awards for this in form herd. The 2nd was more open furred and the HC was the best colour of the 5 on the table. The medium phase followed and no 1st award, the 2nd award was down in colour to the previous class, had short fur and was not as good quality, but was well prepared. What I referred to as a good average chin. The 3rd award was narrow in the neck, not so good for colour or fur strength, and the HC was also down in colour. All lacked blueness.

The dark phase brought 3 excellent chins before me, the 1st not yet in prime, but with good fur strength, an excellent neck, and conformation, and good veiling taking the Reserve Young Female award for Kerry. The 2nd bit me! It was slightly light on the hips, but still an excellent chin with a better length of fur than the 1st. The 3rd was another lovely chin with wonderful colour, but was light on the hips, much younger and narrower in the neck.

My opening remark on the medium dark phase of young standard males was "great animals" The 1st had good long fur, was big, blocky and **BLUE**, and in lovely condition on the day. It rightly took every top award through to Grand Show Champion, a credit to Kerry. The 2nd was nearly as good, but was a little narrow in the neck, but still very young. The 3rd was light on the hips, but had a good neck, colour and conformation, and will improve greatly with age.

The medium phase were another “nice bunch”, the 1st was in prime and therefore in excellent condition, clear and very well presented. The 2nd in this class bites! It had slightly better colour than the 1st but condition was not quite as good. The 3rd was bright and clear but a little woolly, will get better.

The final phase of dark animals again brought a nice male to the table. It had good all round qualities, but was up against stiff competition on the day. The 2nd had lovely colour, but was weaker in the neck, had good strong guard hair, and will show better in a couple of weeks.

The class of medium dark adult females were not to the same standard as the youngsters, and I only awarded a 1st and 2nd. Good big females, the 1st being slightly down in colour to the young class, but good enough for Reserve Adult Female once again for Kerry. The 2nd suffered another slight drop in colour. The mediums were a little better, the 1st having good colour, fur strength and conformation, a beautiful animal, gaining the Best Adult Female award and Best Adult Standard for Kerry.. The 2nd was priming quite badly, but was still a nice female, and the 3rd was down in colour and breaking slightly.

One class of adult males, the 1st award was not the best colour I have seen but was nicely in prime on the day, and took the Best Adult Standard Male award for Kerry. The 2nd in the class, awarded Reserve Adult standard Male, was not in as good condition as the 1st, but a good animal nevertheless, and a super result for the partnership of Laura Cox and Fiona Garnett.

After lunch, I resumed judging with the Novice mutations. First up was a class of AOC's to which I awarded several 1sts. A nice but small Ultra Violet with lovely fur, a Brown Velvet, in nice condition, well prepared, but not blue, and a Beige with good strong fur but priming. The Black Velvet class brought 3 awards, 1st had good coverage and size, but was slightly narrow in the neck, the 2nd was blockier with not bad coverage, good fur strength that will get darker as it ages, and 3rd, youngest animal, with good coverage still to come. A class of 3 Self Blacks were all good size, I remarked I had seen better, but I had also seen a lot worse!! 1st for a black with good coverage, but no blueness, the 2nd had good conformation and not bad colour, and 3rd for good colour, but still very young. Not many novice Adult Mutations, and I awarded a 3rd for a Pink White that had good fur strength and conformation, but was not in prime, and an HC for a Self Black with not bad colour.

The Champion mutations began with a class of Pink White animals. The 1st award had excellent fur strength, good conformation was well presented and spotlessly clean, the 2nd also had good fur strength, but was not in as good prime, and was not as dense as the 1st. The 3rd could also have been denser with shorter fur. Another three awards for the Wilson White class. The 1st again from Kerry, was wonderfully clear in colour, really “Persil white” had strong fur, and even guard hair, making it very attractive, the 2nd had a slight dip in the neck but was also very white, and the 3rd ribbon lacked the enormous eye appeal of the first two and suffered from its fur being roughed up by its tail. Next came a Beige class, and the 1st was a lovely big, **BLUE**, blocky chin, in prime, with good fur strength and took Best Young mutation, Best Mutation and Reserve Show Champion for Kerry. The 2nd in the class was a pretty chin with nice colour, good quality fur but lacked the conformation of the 1st. The 3rd suffered a drop in colour and prime. The A.O.C. brought one 1st for an Ultra Violet with good colour that took Reserve Young Mutation and Reserve Mutation For Albatross.

The Adults made just one class of AOC's. I awarded a 1st Pink White that had bags of fur, and good conformation, a 1st Wilson White with nice colour, good guard hair, fur strength, and conformation, winning Best Adult Mutation for Albatross, a 1st for a big blocky Beige, in

prime with excellent fur winning Reserve Adult Mutation for Kerry, a 1st for a Brown Velvet with lovely guard hair, and not bad colour, and a 1st for a Black Velvet in nice condition, needs coverage and patience. I also awarded a 2nd for a Black Velvet with nice colour and clear under belly fur, 2nd for an Ultra Violet lacking the clear white belly, 2nd to a Violet that was not bad for colour but again lacked the white underbelly fur, 2nd to a Wilson White that was a good animal but with very open fur that I could see right into, 3rd for an Ultra Violet that had good strong fur and colour but lacked neck, and HC for a Violet with not such good colour and a bit narrow in the neck.

It was an enormous pleasure for me to judge this show, with the standard of animals being higher than I have seen for a long time. Many congratulations to all those who won awards, they were all richly deserved. I must single out Kerry Bradburn, who presented me with a superb team of animals that were a joy to judge!!

My thanks go to the West Midlands team on a well run show, the excellent crew in the kitchen who did a great job as always, and all of those who pitched in with their help on the day.

Ron Gardner

Show Results – WM & W Region, Bugbrooke, 14th Jan 07

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Class A - Young Standard Females (16)

Medium CP (5)

1st – N/A 2nd – Cox/Garnett 3rd – Sandy King HC – Masters

Medium Dark CP (5)

1st – Bradburn 2nd – Albatross 3rd – Garvey HC – N/A

Dark CP (6)

1st – Bradburn 2nd – Bradburn 3rd – Bradburn HC – Albatross

HC – Garvey HC – Cox/Garnett

Class NA - Novice Young Standard Females (5)

Medium CP (5)

1st – N/A 2nd – Aldrich 3rd – N/A HC – Cacace

HC – Carpenter HC - Carpenter

Best Young Standard Female

Bradburn (A5 – Med. Dk)

Res. Best Young Standard Female

Bradburn (A7 – Dark)

Class B - Young Standard Males (19)

Medium CP (7)

1st - Bradburn 2nd - Bradburn 3rd – Garvey HC – Helmore HC - Albatross

Medium Dark CP (6)

1st - Bradburn 2nd - Bradburn 3rd – Garvey HC – Cox/Garnett

Dark CP (6)

1st – Garvey 2nd – Sandy King 3rd – N/A HC – Cox/Garnett HC - Garvey

Class NB - Novice Young Standard Males (3)

Medium Dark CP (3)

1st – N/A 2nd – N/A 3rd – Farren HC - Ross

Best Young Standard Male

Bradburn (B9 – Med. Dk)

Res. Best Young Standard Male

Bradburn (B12 – Medium)

Best Young Standard

Bradburn (B9 – Med. Dk)

Res. Best Young Standard

Bradburn (A5 – Med. Dk)

Class C - Adult Standard Females (8)

Medium CP (4)

1st – Bradburn 2nd – Sandy King 3rd – Sandy King HC – Busher

Medium Dark CP (4)

1st – Bradburn 2nd – Bradburn 3rd – N/A HC – N/A

Best Adult Standard Female

Bradburn (C2 – Med. Dk)

Res. Best Adult Standard Female

Bradburn (C1 – Medium)

Class D - Adult Standard Males (5)

Medium Dark CP (5)

1st – Bradburn 2nd – Cox/Garnett 3rd – Bradburn HC – N/A

Class ND - Novice Adult Standard Males (2)

Medium Dark CP (2)

1st – N/A 2nd – N/A 3rd – Farren HC – N/A

Best Adult Standard Male

Bradburn (D2 – Med. Dk)

Res. Best Adult Standard Male

Cox/Garnett (D5 - Med. Dk)

Best Adult Standard

Bradburn (C2 – Med. Dk)

Res. Best Adult Standard

Bradburn (C1 – Medium)

Best Standard Animal

Bradburn (B9 – Med. Dk)

Res. Best Standard Animal

Bradburn (A5 – Med. Dk)

Class E – Young Mutations (18)

Wilson White (5)

1st – Bradburn 2nd – Bradburn 3rd – Cox/Garnett HC – N/A

Pink White (5)

1st – Bradburn 2nd – Garvey 3rd – Dave Green HC - Busher

Beige (4)

1st – Bradburn 2nd – Dave Green 3rd – Garvey HC – N/A

AOC (4)

1st – Albatross (Ultra Violet) 2nd – N/A

3rd – Masters (Brown Velvet) 3rd – Masters (Violet)

Class NE – Novice Young Mutations (14)

Black Velvet (3)

1st – Ross 2nd - Cacace 3rd – Garrett

Self Black (3)

1st – Aldrich 2nd - Morris 3rd – Cacace

AOC (8)

1st – Aldrich (Ultra Violet) 1st – Ross (Beige)

1st – Ross (Brown Velvet)

HC – Cacace (Wilson White)

HC – Jepson (Pink White)

HC – Farren (Sapphire)

Best Young Mutation

Bradburn (E8 – Beige)

Res. Best Young Mutation

Albatross (E12 – Ultra Violet)

Class F – Adult Mutations (14)

AOC (14)

1st – Garvey (Black Velvet)

1st – Garvey (Brown Velvet)

1st – Bradburn (Beige)

1st – Albatross (Wilson White)

1st – Busher (Pink White)

2nd – Garvey (Black Velvet)

2nd – Busher (Wilson White)

2nd – Busher (Ultra Violet)

2nd – Albatross (Violet)

3rd – Busher (Ultra Violet)

HC – Helmore (Violet)

Class NF – Novice Adult Mutations (5)

AOC (5)

1st – N/A

2nd – N/A

3rd – Jepson (Pink White)

HC – Morris (Self Black)

Best Adult Mutation

Albatross (F9 – Wilson White)

Res. Best Adult Mutation

Bradburn (F4 – Beige)

Best Mutation

Bradburn (E8 – Beige)

Res. Best Mutation

Albatross (E12 – Ultra Violet)

Best In Show

Bradburn (B9 – Med. Dark Standard)

Res. Best In Show

Bradburn (E8 – Young Beige)

Standard Breeders Award

Place	Exhibitor	Points
1	Bradburn	48
2	Garvey	11
3	Cox / Garnett	10 1/2

(Max 10 animals count, min 10 points to qualify, Max pts = 54)

Mutation Breeders Award

Place	Exhibitor	Points
1	Bradburn	24
2	Albatross	15 1/2
3	Garvey / Buser	13

(Max 10 animals count, min 10 points to qualify, Max pts = 51)