Bradford Championship Show Results, 18th January 2025

SY	SYRIAN JUDGE: Susan Washbrook BOOK STEWARD: David Baglin								
	SH Golden (7)	SH Cream (12)							
1	A Dray&A Pohl Dray C	Silverwoods COM							
2	Tristar	Tristar	Tristar COM						
3	Silverwoods	Tristar	Oswalds COM						
R	PS Hams	Tristar	Tristar COM						
	SH AOC Female (11)	SH Patterned (8)	SH Satin (5)						
1	Tristar COM	Tristar COM	Oswalds						
2	Oswalds	Oswalds	Tristar						
3	Tristar	Tristar	A Dray & A Pohl Dray						
R	Tristar	A Dray & A Pohl Dray	Alpha Stud						
	LH Cream (8)	LH Self (7)	LH AOC Male (8)						
1	Tristar	Oswalds	A Dray & A Pohl Dray						
2	Tristar	A Dray & A Pohl Dray	Arundel						
3	Teresa Howell	Alpha Stud	PS Hams						
R	Custard Hamstery	Arundel	Alpha Stud						
	LH AOC Female (6)	LH Patterned (8)	LH Satin (4)						
1	A Dray & A Pohl Dray	Oswalds COM	Teresa Howell						
2	PS Hams	Tristar	Arundel						
3	Alpha Stud	Oswalds	Alpha Stud						
R	Arundel	Silverwoods	Alpha Stud						
	SH & LH Rex (7)	Junior (0)	Novice (0)						
1	Tristar								
2	Silverwoods								
3	Alpha Stud								
R	Alpha Stud								
			Breeder (63)						
1			Tristar						
2			Tristar						
3			Oswalds						
R			Tristar						
	Young Stock (27)		Grand Challenge(102)						
1	Custard Hamstery		Tristar						
2	Teresa Howell		Tristar						
3	Custard		Oswalds						
R	Alpha Stud		Tristar						
	Non-Standard (3)								
1	Tristar		Syrian BIS						
2	Teresa Howell		Tristar						
3	Alpha Stud		Syrian Reserve BIS						
R			Tristar						

	DWARF JUDGE: Andrew Bryan BOOK STEWARD: Anastasia Blair						
	Normal Campbell	(3)	Agouti Campbell	(6)	Self Campbell	(2)	
1	Tristar		Tristar	COM	Tristar		
2	Tristar		Cabbage Patch	COM	Brambleberries		
3	Tristar		Cabbage Patch				
R			Brambleberries				
	Mottled Campbell	(2)	Normal WW	(6)	Sapphire WW	(2)	
1	Tristar		Tristar	COM	Lilliput		
2	Brambleberries		Dawsons		Alpha Stud		
3			Lilliput				
R			Dawsons				
	Pearl Winter White	(7)	Normal Chinese	(10)	Dom Spot Chin	ese (9)	
1	Lilliput		Lilliput	СОМ	Lilliput	COM	
2	Tristar		Lilliput		Lilliput		
3	Lilliput		Lilliput		Cheverton		
R	Dawsons		Cheverton		Cheverton		
	BE White Chinese	(6)	Normal Roborovs	ki (2)	Junior	(0)	
1	Lilliput		Lilliput				
2	Lilliput		Lilliput				
3	Alpha Stud						
R	Alpha Stud						
	Novice	(0)					
1							
2							
3							
R							
	Breeder	(47)	Young Stock	(19)			
1	Lilliput		Lilliput				
2	Lilliput		Cheverton				
3	Tristar		Tristar				
R	Cabbage Patch		Cheverton				
	Grand Challenge	(54)	Non-Standard	(10)			
1	Lilliput		Brambleberries		Dwarf BIS		
2	Lilliput		Brambleberries		Lilliput		
3	Tristar		Lilliput		Dwarf Reserve	BIS	
R	Cabbage Patch		Cheverton		Lilliput		
	Overall Best In Show		Tristar (Syrian)				

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Show Secretary's Report

What a fabulous entry we had for this show! Over 100 Syrian and 64 Dwarfs apparently made this the biggest Bradford hamster show for over ten years.

Many thanks to the Bradford Committee for inviting the hamsters to have a section at this prestigious event. I would like to thank them for their hospitality to the judges and myself. We would also like to thank the Little One Company for providing some bags of their food and treats for straight class winners, much appreciated.

As usual, I would like to thank our judges, book and pen stewards. Susan Washbrook judged Syrians with David Baglin on book and Lynne Blair doing the hard job of shifting the show pens! Dwarfs were ably managed by Andrew Bryan with Anastasia Blair as book steward and I know I saw Wendy Palmer helping with pens, sorry if I missed anyone.

Best In Show Syrian was a Tristar bred short haired cinnamon male and Best In Show Dwarf was a Lilliput bred dominant spot Chinese. Lynne was called upon to decide the overall Best Hamster in Show and this was awarded to the Syrian.

Jean Tye, Show Secretary

Judge's Report, Dwarf Classes, Bradford 18th January 2025

D1 Normal Campbell's Russian Hamster

- 1 D101 Male with a nice head but slightly "over rounded" body type. Slight moult on rump. Dorsal stripe a little short and arches need more ochre.
- 2 D102 Another male, with better type than the winner but lacking body. Nice, strong ochre on arches but top colour rather patchy. Slight moult on rump.
- 3 D103 The only female in the class, and rather lacking in body. Top colour very pale, patchy and silvery and needing more ochre on arches.

Class D2 – Agouti Campbell's Russian Hamster

- 1 D206 Nice Opal female. Top colour slightly pale but even, with nice ochre margins to arches. Dorsal stripe a little short. Fur very nice but a little thin on the belly. Awarded Certificate of Merit.
- 2 D202 Another Opal female with nicer top colour than the winner, but slightly browning. Nice arches, well-marked with ochre but a short dorsal stripe. Nice size but a little lacking in body. Awarded Certificate of Merit.
- 3 D204 A male Opal with very nice type. Arches well marked with ochre. Slightly lacking in body with a little "sagginess" to the body. Fur quite nice but thin on chest.

4 D203 Another Opal female with nice type and well "ochred" arches. Slight moult on rump and eyes a little big, although not bulging.

Class D4 – Mottled Campbell's Russian Hamster

- 1 D401 A chunky Normal Mottled male with lovely dense fur. The "pattern" was good but uneven over his top surface. Very slight staining on the vent. Slightly narrow head.
- 2 D402 An Opal Mottled male with a nice but, again, slightly uneven patter. Dense but woolly coat, with slightly thin belly fur.

Class D5 – Normal Winter White Russian Hamster

- 1 D503 A male with nice type and fur, awarded a Certificate of Merit. His top colour was good but slightly patchy, with some white on his belly. As an aside, rather fidgety while being judged.
- 2 D504 A female with patchy top colour but very nice type. Slightly bulgy eyes.
- 3 D506 A male with patchy top colour and a very short stripe. Very nice type but much white on belly. Had what may have been a healed bite on his back.
- 4 D501 A male with patchy top colour and "long narrow" type. He was, however, so "chilled out" as to be a delight to handle.

Class D6 - Sapphire Winter White Russian Hamster

- 1 D601 A male with even colour, not browning but needing more "blue" tone. White on belly and short dorsal stripe.
- 2 D602 A male with nice arches but patchy tope colour and lots of white on the belly. Rather "long, thin" type.
- 3 D603 Reclassified to Non-Standard

Class D7 – Pearl Winter White Russian Hamster

- 1 D705 A female Sapphire Pearl. A small animal but chunky, with lovely ticking and nice dense fur.
- 2 D701 Normal Pearl male with nice fur and type. Slightly narrow head. Lovely ticking but uneven. Clean with no staining. Feisty to handle
- 3 D704 A male Normal Pearl. Slightly jumpy to handle. Type very nice and ticking good but patchy. Scent gland crusty but healthy. Belly fur rather thin.
- 4 D702 Male Sapphire Pearl with nice ticking but slightly woolly coat.

Class D8 – Normal Chinese Hamster

- D809 A big, chunky male with rich colour. Slightly short dorsal stripe and pale "eyebrows". Fur good but a little open. Reserve BIS and achieved a Certificate of Merit.
- 2 D810 A nicely coloured male, although colour was a little patchy in places. Slightly narrow head and short dorsal stripe. Coat a little open.
- 3 D804 A small male with rich but patchy colour. Dorsal stripe was short.

4 D801 A young male with potential. Although his colour lacked richness and was rather greyish, he was in excellent condition. Colour may come with age.

Class D9 – Dominant Spot Chinese Hamster

- 1 D902 Absolutely stunning male who became BIS, (and achieved a Certificate of Merit). Patterning not the best, but the most outstanding deep, rich colour in the section. Type was also good, as was his head and fur. C
- 2 D906 A nicely spotted but rather small male. Lacked body but may develop with age.
- 3 D904 A well patterned but greyish male, in need of more white areas. Head slightly narrow.
- 4 D908 A small young male with lovely fur and nice spotting. Young with great potential. Colour rich for his age but slightly too concentrated on the rump, (not enough white).

Class D10 – Black Eyed White Chinese Hamster

- 1 D1003 Lovely clean male with dense, creamy white fur.
- 2 D1004 A chunky male with a slightly open coat and, unfortunately, spotted ears., (a fault).
- 3 D1001 Nice creamy white male but a little jumpy and with slightly narrow head.
- 4 D1002 Very jumpy and small male with a narrow head. "Clearest" white colour of all the class.

Class D11 – Normal Roborovski's Hamster

- 1 D1101 Lovely clean female with good colour but lacking richness. Slightly narrow head
- 2 D1102 Smaller female, slightly lacking in body. Good "strong" and even colour but needs more "orange/ red" in the coat.

Class D17 – Non-Standard Dwarf Hamster, (All species – no colour mark)

- 1 D1702 Lilac Fawn female Campbell's Hamster. Lovely big, chunky animal with nice type. Slightly open coat.
- 2 D1701 Blue female Campbell's Hamster. Nice type and lovely dense fur
- 3 D1707 Sapphire male Sapphire Chinese Hamster. Small but with rich colour; a good example of the mutation.
- 4 D1709 A male Sapphire Dominant Spot Chinese Hamster with nice fur but narrow head. In a standard class, would need more white patches but the coloured spots are good.

Andrew Bryan, Dwarf Judge

Judge's Report, Syrian Classes, Bradford 18th January 2025

Despite not feeling 100% I have to say I really enjoyed The Bradford Champs this year, it was nice that the hamster section had more space and the venue was warm.

My thanks to David Baglin & Lynne Blair for their excellent book & pen stewarding.

The standard and quality of the hamsters was very good, it was lovely to see so many with great colour, type and fabulous fur. The short haired hamsters were generally better than the long hairs although the lowest pointed hamsters were also short haired. Of the ninety hamsters in the main show only nine were below my 72pts for an average show hamster. It was great to award eleven Certificates of Merit.

The main faults seen at the show were:

- Colour White patches on the tummy and/or through the chestband (if applicable)
- Type A waist and/or loose skin
- Size & condition A few hamsters were large & chunky but bordering on being overweight

The show pens were generally in good condition however there were a significant number that were cream inside instead of white; these need a fresh coat of paint before the next show.

SH Golden, 6 entries, 79 – 69pts – 1st 101 Male, large, chunky with a slight waist, good colour and nice fur, 79pts **COM**

SH Cream, 9 entries, 79 – 69pts – 1st 211 BE Cream Male, rich even colour, nice type, lovely top coat with slightly thin belly fur 79pts **COM**

SH AOC Male, 11 entries, 82 –70pts – An outstanding class with six males awarded a Certificate of Merit (COM)

- 1st 309, Cinnamon, a stunning hamster with a rich even top colour and nice undercolour too, lovely chunky type and excellent fur, 82pts, BIS & COM
- 2nd 313, Cinnamon, another beautiful boy, slightly bigger with fabulous fur but lost marks on colour and type to 309, 81.5pts RBIS & COM
- 3rd 310, Yellow, a striking male with nice colour & ticking and fabulous fur, a judge's favourite, 79.5pts **COM**
- 4th 301, Dark Grey, very handsome, good colour & ticking and good size for a dark grey, a judge's favourite, 79.5pts **COM**
- 304, Yellow, lovely chunky type, fabulous fur, even colour with slightly patchy ticking, small white patch on belly, 79pts **COM**
- 308, Cinnamon, great colour and type, just lost points for moult around tail and waist, 79pts **COM**

SH AOC Female, 8 entries, 79 – 73.5pts – 1st 409, Honey, large, lovely chunky type, even colour could be a bit richer, 79pts COM

SH Patterned, 7 entries, 78.5 - 71.5pts – 1st 501, Yellow Dom Spot Male, a handsome boy with good size, colour & ticking, a judge's favourite, 78.5pts **COM**

SH Satin, 4 entries, 75 – 69.5pts – 1st 602, BE Cream Female, rich even colour, lacked a bit of body, slightly thin belly fur, 75pts

LH Cream, 8 entries, 78 – 74.5pts – 1st 707, BE Cream Female, chunky boarding on tubby, nice colour except for white on tummy, thin belly fur, 78pts

LH Self, 7 entries, 77pts – 70pts – 1st 802, Copper Male, Nice even colour on a chunky hamster, unfortunately lacked any length of coat, 77pts

LH AOC Male, 9 entries, 76.5 - 73.5pts – 1st 904, Golden, Nice type and good colour, long but scruffy skirt, greasy thin fur on neck, 76.5pts

LH AOC Female, 5 entries, 76 – 71pts – 1st 1002, Golden, nice type, lovely dark flashes but lacked heavy ticking across coat, thin belly fur, 76pts

LH Patterned, 6 entries, 78.5 - 73pts – 1st 1103, Mink Roan Female, I liked the heavy roaning on this hamster with the slightly pale mink colour, it looked beautiful, lovely fur, 78.5pts **COM**

LH Satin, 4 entries, 75.5 - 72.pts – 1st 1202, BE Cream Male, a chunky baby, pale but even colour, start of skirt, 75.5pts

SH & LH Rex, 6 entries, 77.5 - 72.5pts – 1st 1301, SH BE Cream Male, nice chunky type, even colour, nice rex fur, scabs on chin, 77.5pts

Non-Standard, 3 entries, 56 – 54.5pts – 1st 1901, SH Black Pearl Male, very pretty, beautiful fur, nick in ear, 56+pts

Congratulations to Tristar who won BIS, RBIS and overall best hamster.

Susan Washbrook, Syrian Judge





Bradford Champs prize winners

Dwarf Judging

Syrian Judging





BIS Syrian & Overall Best In Show – Tristar's Felipe

RBIS Syrian – Tristar's Francisco



BIS Dwarf – Lilliput's Grand Champion Star Anise



RBIS Dwarf – Lilliput's Grand Champion Ditchling