

CATS

REVIVAL OF ABYSSINIAN CAT CLUB

SLOGAN IS "SLOW BUT SURE"

A POST-WAR reorganisation meeting of the Abyssinian Cat Club was held at the Charing Cross Hotel, W.C., on May 21st.

Apologies for absence were received from Lady H. Cooper, Mrs. Hancox, Mrs. M. J. Harding, Mrs. B. Nicholson, Miss Nancy Richardson, Miss Wrightson, Mr. B. d'Eyncourt Hildyard, and Dr. Wildeboer.

Mr. Basset was elected chairman and asked all present to stand for a few seconds in respectful memory Mrs. C. Basset, Mrs. Cates, Miss Adams, Capt. Powell, Mr. Western and Major Sydney Woodiwiss.

Lady Barnard was re-elected president and the chairman said how glad he was that she was able to be present that day, and expressed a hope that she might annually arrange a visit to London to coincide with the club's meeting.

The following officials were elected: Chairman, Miss Nancy Richardson. Committee: Mrs. Hancox, Miss E. Basset, Miss Kent, Miss Wrightson and Mr. Yeates. Hon. sec. and treas. and delegate to the Governing Council, Mr. H. W. Basset.

It was agreed that under existing conditions, it was necessary that the club's post-war policy should be slow and sure. It was deemed wiser not to have the general public clamouring for Abyssinians which could not be supplied, and breeders of Abyssinians were asked to try to place any surplus stock in the hands of prospective breeders.

It was decided to advertise the club in show schedules and catalogues and to guarantee classes where necessary.

The chairman thanked the Governing Council for guaranteeing a class for Abyssinians at the Kensington Kitten Club on July 10th.

The sec. said he had not been able to trace some of the old members of the club, but was continuing his efforts in that direction. He said that he thought the club had a definite duty to perpetuate the memory of several of its past members and that, though present conditions were very difficult, it was hoped that members would do whatever was possible as opportunity occurred.

The question of publishing a club booklet was raised. The hon. sec. pointed out that printing, like everything else, was very expensive these days, but promised to look into the matter and see if it was possible.

CYRIL YEATES.

A RIVERSIDE PARTY

LIFE is a study in contrasts. It was difficult to believe sitting on the lawn at Mr. and Mrs. Newton's Riverside home, that only a few months ago Father Thames had inundated garden and surroundings—even to intruding into her pre-iv lounge. On the day of the party, to the members of our society, he was certain on his best behaviour, and the scene was at its loveliest. I believe 30 friends attended, and Mr. and Mrs. Newton and their hospitality was most generous, and everyone strongly enjoyed a most pleasant afternoon.

Mr. Dave James is shortly to return to Western Australia, and has purchased from Mrs. Cooke her red male, Welwyn Red Beauty, and as a pair has bought my Tortie, Hendon Sweet Anne. Anne is just over kittenhood, otherwise she would have appeared at Kensington kitten show, as I think highly of her. Beauty is a son of Mrs. Tomlinson's Ch. Black Beret out of a red daughter of my Champion, Ann. is a daughter of Ch. Hendon Sir Roderick so Mr. James has been lucky to obtain two very well bred specimens. They are for his sister out there, and will found a representative cattery.

My other Tortie, Hendon Jansy, is a sister to Welwyn Red Beauty and has a fierce pair of eyes like her sire Ch. Black Beret. G. CAMPBELL FRASER (Mrs.), Little Primrose Godalming, Surrey.

BLUE PERSIAN CAT SOCIETY

THE B.P.C.S. held its annual general meeting at Fleming's Restaurant, Oxford St., on June 18th. The following were present: Mr. Yeates in the chair, Mrs. B. Lee Webb, Mrs. Prince, Mrs. Newton, Miss Hildyard, Miss Rodda, Mrs. Penn, Mrs. Speirs, Mrs. Brunton, Mrs. and Miss Campbell Fraser, Mrs. Chappell, Mr. Thack, Mr. Marlin, Mr. and Mrs. Thompson, Mr. Tomlinson, Mrs. Vize, Mrs. Chapman, Mrs. Beedell, Mrs. Crimmen, and Miss Fisher.

The chairman announced that two new members had been elected on the committee, Mrs. Speirs and Mrs. B. Lee Webb.

The annual meeting was held on Oct. 15th, 1947. The name of the society is now 'The Blue Persian Cat Society' and the name of the journal is 'The Blue Persian Cat'.

For more information, write to the Secretary, Blue Persian Cat Society, 15, St. James's Place, London, W.1.

CAVY CORNER

IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE FULL CLASSIFICATIONS

Conducted by C. V. B. TAYLOR, 16, Buile Hill Drive, Salford 5, Manchester

MR. S. J. GRAINGER, Stockport, writes: "I have a self black cavy sow which has given me a surprise. She gave birth recently to one very big youngster, which died the same day, and ten days later she gave birth again to one dead youngster and two live ones. She has been kept by herself ever since I took her away from the boar, I have never heard of a sow ever doing such a feat before."

The case is very similar to the one referred to in "Cavy Corner" a few weeks ago, and I can only come to the conclusion that it is suspended birth. These happenings are, however, very rare.

Mr. A. H. Bown, Tooting, points out that he would like to find more shows with classes for self creams and adds: "I keep writing for schedules, but the classes always turn out to be for whites or creams, so in future I shall only send to open shows advertising the full classification in FUR AND FEATHER, as it seems to be a waste of time and money sending for schedules and then to find no suitable classes."

One of our leading cavy judges has written me about a recent show and remarked that it was good, but as the society relied on schedules for the full classification, entries were lost. He concludes: "One must advertise whatever the cost."

I have recently received a number of letters from cavy fanciers deploring the fact that the expected classification has not appeared in FUR AND FEATHER, and, as one fancier remarks, "The day of sending for schedules is over, which many societies will find to their cost."

I, too, have "missed the boat" on several occasions this last few months through absence of classification in our advert columns.

May I again stress the importance of giving hay to cavies prior to feeding the fresh wild green food which we are now gathering in unlimited quantities as I hear of one fancier who has lost several youngsters with scours by relying practically on green food alone, especially dandelion. Let us give plenty of green food, for the "no-tails" seem to thrive and keep so well in condition on this diet, but a good supply of hay should also be available, and this, together with table oddments, will enable us to save the precious cereal rations till later on in the year when green food is scarce.

Lawn clippings are good feeding, but cavies soon tire of them. I give the stock one feed of clippings when fresh and then lay the remainder out thinly on the ground to dry thoroughly in the sun, to be stored for winter use. Make sure the ground from which the clippings are mown has not been doctored.

Mr. J. K. Monk, 129, Oak Road, Redcar, who, I believe, is the young man Mr. R. Ward, hon. sec. N.M.C., wishes to get in touch with, per remarks in FUR AND FEATHER, May 30th, has sent a further item for this column, in his usual humorous style. He writes:

"Sorrowfully I gaze at an Obese white sow as she sprawls at ease by the door of her hutch. When, oh! when, I plead, 'will she produce the snowy children I anticipate?'"

National Mouse Club Notes and News

By DICK WARD, 57, Chantrey Road, Sheffield 8.

Coming Events:

- June 28th, London.
July 5th, Hednesford, Staffs.
July 16th, Driffield.
July 19th, Barnsley.
July 26th, Stroud.
Aug. 6th, Cartmel.

I AM indebted to Mr. T. T. Robinson, formerly president of the Wolverhampton fanciers, for a most interesting letter, in which he passes on an inquiry from an American fancier who was over here during the war and who is interested in obtaining some Black Dutch mice. Mr. Robinson, in his letter says: "I hope you will find a fancier with stock available and who will take the trouble to promote good fellowship between the fanciers in the States and ourselves."

I have written to America giving all the information I can and I am now living in hopes of roping in an overseas member of the N.M.C.

It has always been surprising to me that there has never been, at any rate to my knowledge, a Mouse Fancy in America. They are bred extensively in laboratories and that lovely variety, the Chinchilla, originally came from there. Two of the standard works on the genetics of the mouse are American books.

Before the war a considerable number of the best known varieties were shipped over to this country, but if some of our knowledge of the

"For what seems like years I have looked in vain for 'little strangers,' and to-night, after scratching her head and tickling her chest, I depart, once more disappointed.

"Returning twenty minutes later, however, a strange sight meets my eye. The old sow, now syphilis-like in form, is anxiously shampooing two bedraggled and dishevelled objects which, quickly drying, are revealed as a brace of miniature cavies, 'complete,' as the adverts say, 'in every detail.'

"All this, of course, took place days ago, and the twins grow apace. I confess that I have never been able to bear selling a cavy, so, up to now, only 'death do us part.' Yet my ever-increasing herd prompts me to do something about these two latest additions to the family. But what?"

NATIONAL CAVY CLUB

JUDGES for the Nat. Cavy Club's young stock show at Spalding, Lincolnshire, on Thursday, Sept. 25th, are Mr. S. W. Elkington, Seifs, and Mr. G. R. Lodge, other varieties. Officers of specials will be appreciated.

Voting papers have been sent out for the adult stock show judges. The show will be held in London on Nov. 18th. I hope for a better return than there was for the young stock ballot—only about 50 per cent. took the trouble to vote.

An invitation is given to all cavy fanciers to join the club. The subscription is 5/- per annum, partnerships 8/-, R. Waller, sec. and treas., 31, Church Street, Shildon, Co. Durham.

NORTHERN NO-TAIL NOTES

SCHEDULES are now being sent out for Durham Agricultural Society's "Centenary" Show, to be held at Seaburn, Sunderland, on Aug. 2nd. Cavies have 13 classes, with Mr. G. R. Lodge as judge. The secretary is Mr. R. Trewhitt, "Beechcliffe," 77, Tynedale Road, South Shields.

Northumberland County Agricultural Society's Show, on Town Moor, Newcastle-on-Tyne, on Aug. 23rd, is giving 21 classes for cavies and 22 classes for rabbits. Mr. W. Vickers, Consett, will judge adult cavies and Mr. J. Appleby, Sacriston, young classes. The rabbit judge is Mr. H. Round, Barnsley. Schedules are now being sent out and the full classification of the fur section will be advertised in FUR AND FEATHER shortly and schedules can be had from me.

Blyth (Northumberland) F.S. will hold a show on Sept. 6th. Mr. W. Dinning, Consett, will judge all-cavies.

Weardale Agricultural Society will hold its annual show at St. John's Chapel, Co. Durham, on Aug. 30th. Cavies have a good classification, with Mr. W. Pipe, Consett, to judge.

Blackpool and Fylde Show will be held on Aug. 20th, 21st and 22nd, in Stanley Park, Blackpool. Mr. W. Barron, Darwen, will judge the cavies. WM. T. SURTEES.

Carley Hill Gardens, Southwick, Sunderland, Co. Durham.

PIGEONS

FOR THE MAN WITH SMALL ACCOMMODATION

THE DRAGOON

THE majority of people naturally love small live stock of one sort or another, yet many feel they have not the accommodation to keep them.

In the Dragoon we have a pigeon which may be kept in a box on a wall, flying at liberty, or in a small but like many racing pigeons. Exhibition pigeons are generally housed in a range of huts or lofts with a wire pen for them to fly into, but this is not necessary. I have frequently had my young birds at liberty, but I don't let old birds out which have not been accustomed to it.

Although the Dragoon was mentioned as a distinct breed 250 years ago, the oldest pictures we have of it were produced in Dr. Tattersall's book. They were a young blue of 1855 and the palace cup blue of 1874. These birds, if shown to-day, would cause much amusement.

In 1896 the Dragoon Club appeared, and the Earl of Elgin is now the oldest member, having joined in 1903. W. B. Tegetmeier was the first president, and he and R. Woods led the way with damson ceres and ruby eyes.

The drawings of Dragons in the 1890's and early 1900's, were similar to the best to-day, but the actual photographs show that they did not compare with our present winners.

The culture of the Dragoon is highly interesting all the year round. At the present season, youngsters are flying and their owners are continually pre-judging them as probable cup winners. Optimism is rife. A well filled skull and a powerful beak are chiefly looked for in squabs, but every inch of the bird counts when the judge is placing the awards.

Since 1921, when I first attended the club show, I have noticed a gradual improvement, not only in the outstanding winners, but in general all-round quality, but there is still scope for the intelligent breeder.

We now rarely see the flat angular skulls, bad setting, or bent beaks, but we still find pinched faces, pointed beaks, long necks, legs and tails and failure to attain the desired pose.

The Dairy Show and Birmingham Show should meet with good support. The N.P.A. is combining with the great Glasgow Show, so this will also be the Dragoon Club Show. T. WILKINSON.

BATH AND WEST

BATH and West Agric. show was held at Cheltenham on May 28th, 29th and 30th. 120,000 paid for admission and the pigeon tent was very heavily patronised. I do not understand why breeders do not support these summer shows. They are the finest shop windows in the Fancy.—E.J.L.

Mr. E. J. Lewis's Classes

- POUTER, PIGMY OR CROPPER: 1, 2 Jupe; 3 Newcombe; 4 Haddrell. DRAGON: 1 Haddrell; 2 Drake. MAGPIE: 1, ch. r Bishop; 2, 3, c Warne; 4 Haddrell; vhc Jupe. TUMBLER, L.F.: 1, vhc Haddrell; 2, r Mirfield; 3 Newcombe. POLISH LYNX: 1, 2, r Drake; 3, vhc Wright. JACOBIN: 1 Mundell; 2, vhc Bussell; 3 Philip; r Williams; hc Haddrell. FLYING TIPPLER: 1, r Mack; 2, 3 Hext. FANTAIL: 1, 3, r Meek; 2, vhc Smith. WORKING HOMER: (300 MILES): 1, 2 James; 3 Snow. (100 MILES): 1, 2 Snow; 3 Jones; r, vhc Dando; hc Hood. LIKELEST FLYER, C. OR H.: 1, 2 Snow; 3 Dando; r Harris; vhc Hood; hc Eley; c James. (200 MILES): 1 Hood; 2 Snow; 3, r Jones. BRUNNER: All to Pritchard. MODENA: 1, 2, r Beer; 3, vhc, hc, c Pritchard. A.O.V.: 1, 2 Pritchard. SELLING: 23: 1 Jupe; 2 Bussell; 3 Haddrell; r Newcombe. 22: 1 Jupe; 2 Bussell; 3 Haddrell; r Newcombe; vhc, hc Sandell.—E. J. LEWIS.

BARNSTAPLE LONG FACED TUMBLER CLUB

The first monthly Young Bird Show of Barnstaple L.F. Tumbler Club, was held on June 18th. Amongst the well known Tumbler fanciers present were its president, Mr. J. H. L. Brewer, Messrs. B. Balsdon, W. Newcombe, H. Symons, T. H. Priscott, P. G. Vinicombe, W. Harding, W. Aze, S. T. Newcombe, and Mr. Butts. Mr. Butts, a newcomer to the Tumbler Fancy, had his birds stolen shortly after acquiring them, and has been unable to obtain more since. During the course of the evening we had the unexpected pleasure of a visit from Mr. H. Gayton of Plympton, and Mr. J. Westacott, who breeds Tipplers. The disastrous breeding season experienced by most fanciers caused the number of entries to be lower than was hoped for, particularly in Seifs. There were only three in the class and all blacks from the same loft. The Beard class did not attract a single entry. However, what was lacking in quantity was made up by the quality of most of the birds on view. Very little separated the first three birds in the Bald class. It was a matter of just a shade of top skull between the 1st and 2nd, and the 2nd had a little less beak power. If this should prove a hen it is a good one. The rest of the class were only about six inches long and doubtless some will prove promising of being even standard B.H.M.s even in way. The

WHO'S WON?--Reports of the Shows

CHESSINGTON LONDON ENGLISH SPRING SHOW

The London English R.S.'s Spring Show was held at Chessington Zoo on June 7th and 8th. The exhibits were penned in a spacious marquee. There was plenty of room for everyone to move round and a good light for judging. In my classes the quality of the exhibits was very good and I thought the youngsters were very well forward considering the late breeding season. My strongest class was the young chocolates and they are certainly making big headway and were fairly even. Several of them will be heard of later when a little more forward. My tortoiseshell adult class winner went on to win best in show. It was a grand specimen of the breed, and although moulty on head and ears the formation of spots was ideal with perfect balance and sweep. Although my co-judge tried hard to beat it, the referee who was called in decided on the tort. It was a nice show of English, well organised, thanks to the sec., Mr. H. Worboys, and the hardworking stewards. The attendance of the chairman, Mr. D. Watson, and members from afar all helped to make the show a success. I would like to thank my chief steward, Mr. T. Whitaker, and the stewards for all their help.—T.W.H.

Mr. T. W. Hitchings's Classes

BLUE: 1 Rawley (17024), nice colour, good balance and spots, moulty ears; 2 Jones, nice, not so bold spots; 3 Powell, fails eye circles, nice else; r A. E. Hammond. **TORT:** 1, best in show Auvache (8399), nice colour, sound saddle, perfect formation of spots and balance, moulty head; 2 Hammond, fails ears, spots below eye circle, otherwise nice; 3 Waters, fails eye circle and colour to leaders; r Martin; vhc Worboys; hc Bennett. **CHOC:** 1, sp. Crosbie (4740), grand colour, good balance, one clear eye circle; 2 Wilson, fails eye circle and formation, nice else; 3 Moore, badly fails saddle, not clear spots. **BLUE, 5 MTHS:** 1, sp. Banfield (00745), nicely balanced, should make up well; 2 Adams, nice colour, fails chains, big enough; 3 Walker, very good in colour, fails haunches, not same balance; r vhc Lawrence; hc Banfield; c Adams. **GRAND CHAL:** 1, sp. Selvey (3035), good colour and balance, nice formation, fails eye circle; 2 Worboys promising could be better on haunches; 3 Selvey, fails haunches and eye circle, good colour; r c Crosbie; vhc Worboys; hc Lawrence. **NOVICE EX. AND EX.:** 1, 2 Bosworth, two very nice young greys, not much between, leader better spots; 3 Powell, very nice blue fails eye circles. **BREEDERS, 34:** 1 Auvache, 1st ad. tort.; 2 Hammond, 1st young tort.; 3 Moore and Wallis; r Jones; vhc Worboys; hc Banfield; c Adams. **GRAND CHAL, 5 MTHS:** 34; 1 Hornsby, 1st young black; 2 Hammond, 1st young tort.; 3 Steel; r Knowles; vhc Banfield; hc Worboys; c Adams. **GRAND CHAL, 24:** 1 Auvache; 2 Hurrell; 3 Sims; r Rawley; vhc Banfield; hc Jones; c Chester.—T. W. HITCHINGS.

Mr. R. J. Williams's Classes

The quality of stock was very good but nothing was exceptional. In blacks the chief fault was the number of white hairs creeping into smuts and ears. In greys there were too many dirty ear roots and weak saddles. The tortoise after the first three failed a little in colour and clearness of spots. **BLACK, 12:** 1 Hurrell (10041), good colour and balance, clear spots, only just wins, my nomination for best in show; 2 Simms, close, just beaten smut; 3 Jeffries and Burt, fails a little ear roots; r Swift (724); vhc Lister; hc Lovesay; c Aldred. **GREY, 5:** 1 Bennett (7953), good head, sound colour, bold spots; 2 Watson, just beaten chains; 3 Jeffries and Burt, not as clear spots; r Parkinson (17810); vhc Dowse. **BLACK, 5 MTHS, 18:** 1, sp. best 5 months Hornsby (05574), grand youngster, sound all round, will do well; 2 Mansfield, beaten ears and nose fork; 3 Hammond, spot on face spoils it; r Knowles (09446); vhc Swift; hc Hillier; c Hammond. **TORT, 5 MTHS, 10:** 1 Hammond (17294), nice baby, good colour and spots, spot on face; 2 Steel, not as good ears; 3 Chester, open a little one haunch; vhc Archer; hc Baker; c Hornsby. **GREY, 7:** 1, c Moore and Wallis (21607), nice clean youngster, would like a little stronger saddle; 2 Steel, coarse eye circles; 3 Worboys, very promising, needs time, will do well

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later; r Hammond; vhc, hc Bosworth. **JUVENILE, 2:** 1 Aldred; 2 Chaffery.—R. J. WILLIAMS

THURMASTON THE MIDLAND CHINCHILLA CLUB POINTS SHOW

The organisers of the Midland Chin. Club's points show at Thurmaston on June 14th, were unfortunate in having the date clashing with shows as close as The County Agricultural Show. The after effects of the hard winter also seemed to deter owners of younger stock.—W.K.W.

Mr. W. King Wilson's Classes

B. or D., 9: 1 Brent even and nice col., best undercol., no serious faults; 2 Constable, close, lost on nose; 3 Stothard, very good coat and col., fails badly in type; r Marson; vhc Mason; hc Parkin; c Haynes; 102 absent. **5 MTHS, 6:** 1 Brent, good, even all round; 2 Rowley, similar, just beaten pearling, trifle stained; 3 Tisdale, younger, yellow black, fails nose; r Chamberlain; 48 and 105 absent. **CHINREX, 5:** 1 Woodcock, good, wings comfortably; 2 Haynes, nice, not so well developed; 3 r Smith & Ladds, yellow bucks; 119 had a cold; 116 absent. **BREEDERS, 11:** 1 Rowley, second 5 months; 2 Brent, first adult; 3 Stothard, third adult; r Marson; vhc Haynes; hc Chamberlain; c Smith and Ladds; 102 absent. **CHALL, 11:** 1 Brent, winning adult; 2 Constable, second adult; 3 Stothard, third adult; r Haynes; vhc Chamberlain; hc Smith and Ladds; c Mason.—W. KING WILSON.

LEWISHAM

With F. Maynard and H. Phillips it was my pleasure to judge the Y.S.S. of Lewisham society on June 14th. The secretary, W. G. Neale, was well supported by many willing stewards led by show manager, R. S. King, and H. Hardinge the club instructor. Never once did I hear the call "stewards please." They were on the job from start to finish. The spring Y.S.S. of the Himalayan Rex Circle was incorporated and was well up to secretary Huddart's expectations. I had heard so many hard luck stories that I was agreeably surprised to find some 70 or so young Rex 1947 bred, waiting my attention. Competition in the 13 weeks classes was very close and it was here that I found my best Rex, a young Havana shown by Hinchcliffe and Son. Quality was good, but many exhibits, especially the Ermesines, could have greatly improved by a little grooming. Many carried a loose and dead coat.—A.W.

Mr. A. Wood's Classes

REX—ERMINE, 13 WKS: 1 Jolly, good coat and colour, wins well; 2 r Wantling, nice beaten ears; 3 Hison, very dense, will make good adult; vhc, hc Dance; c Pattison. **1947:** 1 Winearls, wins density and type; 2 Shorter, beaten density; 3 r Stapley, open in coat on shoulders; vhc, hc, c Mudge. **BLUE 1947:** 1, C.O.M. Blue Rex Circle Austin, good coat, colour; 2 Shorter, good colour, very open in coat; 3 Redman, beaten eye, wavy on shoulders; vhc Quaife; c Willis. **LILAC 13 WKS:** 1 Tomlinson, promising youngster, wins easily; 2 3 Spencer, fails colour; 3 of colour, open coat; r Caustin. **1947:** 1 Young Farmers Club, fair colour, wavy shoulders; 2 Larkling, beaten density; 3 Gandler, fails colour. **SMOKE PEARL 1947:** 1 Edve, fails coat and type, pleasing colour; wins blue ribbon for best shaded. **HIM, D., 5 MTHS:** 1 Freeman, good coat, wins hind feet; 2 Rickards, beaten depth of colour, in points; 3, vhc Huddart, fails hind feet; r Tenney; vhc, c Ling. **B:** 1 Freeman, wins Mrs. Hewitt Cup B.R.C. dip. and Him. Rex C.O.M. good coat and markings, just ahead on colour; 2 Huddart, good all round, very close; 3 Tenney, very good youngster, strong in ear; r Ling. **BUCK or DOE, 1:** 2 Freeman; 3 Gandler; 4 Huddart; c Hawkie. **STUD, BUCK, 14 WKS:** 1 Tenney 3rd back under; 2 Huddart, good coat, fails density of points; 3 Hawkie, stud, beaten points and coat. **DOE:** 1 Hawkie, stud, promising youngster, will improve; 2 Huddart, very similar, not quite the coat; 3 Tenney, time will tell; r Cheeseman. **CHALL, 1:** 2 Freeman; 3, r vhc Huddart; hc Port; c Hawkie stud. **BREEDERS 1947:** 1 Winearls; 2 Edve; 3 Austin. **A.O.C. 1947:** 1 Hinchcliffe, young Havana, excellent coat, type and colour wins I.S.R.R.A. gold star, B.R.R.S. special and C.O.M.; 2, vhc G. K. Stud, good Fox Rex, beaten evenness coat; 3 Woodbridge, first class Orange, not cleared rump; r Hinchcliffe, Sable, good type and coat few white hairs; hc Russell; c Pattison. **BREEDERS 1947:** 1 Winearls; 2 Edve; 3 Austin; r G. K. stud; vhc Woodbridge; hc, c Shorter. **13 WKS:** 1 Hinchcliffe; 2 Tomlinson; 3 Jolly; r Redman; vhc, hc Wantling; c Spencer. **SELF CHALL, 1947:** 1 Austin; 2, 3 Shorter; r c Stapley; vhc Young Farmers; hc Quaife. **NON SELF:** 1 Edve; 2 G.K. stud; 3 Freeman; r Hinchcliffe; vhc Woodbridge; c Tenney. **PAIRS, 13 WKS:** - Huddart; 2 Mudge; 3 Shorter; r Tenney; hc Spencer. With F. Maynard and H. Phillips. **GRAND CHALL, 1947:** 1 Budd; 2 Winearls; 3 c Brown and Craven; r vhc Streeby; hc King.—A. WOOD.

Mr. F. Maynard's Classes

ARGENTE, 1-3: 1, 2, 3 greys. The colour of the true brown grey def. STARA characteristic peculiar Agouti pattern. If the fur is brown it is now of the Midrex Club of this head at dsworth Park, Birmingham exhibit Friday, 29th. This is in the pale hands of island Allwood, and the brous terms offered us should make it a financial success if entries to the show will be at Shrewsbury is a small

CHALL: Repeat. **PAIRS, FUR:** 1, 2 Proudfoot; 3 Clark; r Miles; vhc Terry; hc Smith; c Hyett.

Mr. H. Phillip's Classes

BELGIAN, 1-2: Brown and Craven; 3 vhc Baker and Redwood; r Neale; hc Harvey; c Twohig. **DUTCH, B. or B., 13 WKS:** 1, 2 Hole; 2 Cope; r Rice; vhc, c Clark; hc Voller. **A.O.C. OVER 13 WKS:** 1 Blackwell; 2 Miles; A.O.C. 13 WKS; 1 Blackwell; 2 Vickers; 3, vhc Branch; r Sparkes; hc Nickerson. **ENGLISH, 1-2:** Mansfield; 3 Carver; r Woodcock; vhc, hc Hardings. **FLEMISH, 1-2:** Wren; 2, 3 Clark; r Lark. **POLISH, 1-2:** Dawson. **SILVER, 1-2:** 1 Streetly; 2 Davison; 3 Miles. **TAN, 1-2:** 1 King; 2, 3 Streetly; r hc Edwards; vhc c Stone. **PAIRS, FANCY:** 1 Hole; 2 Stone; 3 Edwards; r Hardings. **BREEDERS:** 1, 2 Brown and Craven; 3 c Streetly; r Davison; vhc Lettington; hc Neale. **CHALL, 1-2:** Brown and Craven; 3 c Streetly; r Twohig; vhc Lettington; hc Neale. **LADIES:** 1 Edye; 2 Harvey; 3 Tenney; r Monk; vhc Dance; hc Willis; c Brooksbank. **NOV:** 1 Austin; 2 Proudfoot; 3 Mansfield; r Carver; vhc Brooksbank; hc Lettington; c Wise. **UNDER 13 WKS, CHALL:** 1, 3 Streetly; 2 Jolly; r Mansfield; vhc Harvey; hc Gibbs; c Lettington.

STURMINSTER NEWTON

Sturminster Newton open pen show on May 31st, was well organised and well supported by exhibitors with good quality stock.—A.J.P. **POLISH, 6:** C.C. 1 Ingersent (490); 2 Litch; 3 Gadsby; r Brown and Son; vhc Butt and Son; abs. 58. **BEV.—BLUE, 8:** C.C. 1 Rutley (11834); 2 Price; 3 vhc House; r hc Curd; c Toogood. **A.O.C. 1 Danelli; 2 Rutley. A.C. 5 MTHS, 10:** 1, 2 Coward; 3 Major; r Ford; vhc Elston; hc Light; abs. pens 79, 1 O.D. 73, 76. **CHIN, 15:** C.C. 1 Budd (02561); 2 Lye; 3 Knight; c Wentworth; vhc Procter; hc Dolling; c Winckworth. Very good class for quality. **5 MTHS, 13:** 1, r Hansell; 2 Budd; 3, hc Winckworth; vhc Gullifer; c Lye; abs. 105. Again a very good class. **GIGANTA, 7:** 1, 3 Stainer; 2, r Grimes; vhc, c Gawler; hc Lane. **FOX, 1:** Brammer. **SABLE, M., 6:** C.C. 1 Gilliard (14253); 2 Florence; 3 Thorne; r Garland; vhc Wells; hc Sharp. **S:** 1 Taylor and Harvey; 2 Russell. **M. or S., 5 MTHS, 12:** 1 Caddy (10765); 2, r Down; 3 Legg; vhc Taylor and Harvey; hc Gilliard; c Russell. **SMOKE PEARL, 5:** C.C. 1 Muth (21897); 2 Taylor and Harvey; 3, Gilliard; abs. 139. **N.Z. RED, 7:** C.C. 1 Meakins (19329); 2 Powney; 3 Wort and Son; r Brett; vhc Musgrave; hc Betts; abs. 143. **FUR BREEDERS, 24:** 1 Budd; 2 Rutley; 3 Gilliard; r Winckworth; vhc Daniels; hc Florence; c Brammer. **CHALL, 32:** 1 Budd; 2 Price; 3 Lye; r Gilliard; vhc Meakins; hc Daniels; c Florence. **REX—ERMINE, 7:** 1, 3 vhc Hannafor; 2 Thorne; r Bird; hc Brake; c Willis. **5 MTHS, 7:** C.C. 1, 3 Whaller (1670); 2, r c Hannafor; vhc Thorne; hc Clark; abs. 163. Grand youngster leads this class. **LILAC, 1:** Bartlett. **HAV, 3:** 1 Brake; 2 R.P.; r Neal. **A.O.C. 4:** C.C. 1 Fray (8595); 2 R.P.; 3 Churcill; r Weeks. **5 MTHS, 6:** 1, 3, r Wheeler; 2 Woodward; vhc Rockett; hc Bartlett. **BREEDERS, 13:** 1, 3 Whaler; 2 c Hannafor; r Fray; vhc R.P.; hc Bartlett. **CHALL, 17:** 1, 3 Whaler; 2 Hannafor; r Fray; vhc Thorne; hc Brake; c Bartlett. **I.S.R.R.A. MEMBERS, 15:** 1, 3, c Whaler; 2, vhc hc Hannafor; r Bartlett. **CLUB FUNDS, 26:** 1, r hc Whaler; 2 Lye; 3 Burt; vhc Florence; c Ingersent. **MEMBERS' CHALL, CUP AD, 19:** Burt. **MEMBERS' CHALL, CUP UNDER 5 MTHS, 19:** Wheeler. **GRAND CHALL AD, 21:** 1 Lye; 2 Eldridge Bros.; 3 Swift; r Burt; vhc Hannafor; hc Florence; c Danecourt Stud. **UNDER 5 MTHS, 43:** 1, hc Wheeler; 2 Swift; 3 Ingersent; r Budd; vhc Coward; c Caddy. **BEST FUR and B.I.S.:** Budd. **Chin. (02561).** **BEST REX:** Wheeler (1670). **BEST FANCY:** Eldridge Bros., Dutch.—A J POWER.

RUSHDEN

It was a great pleasure to judge the Fancy section at Rushden with co-judge Lance Bradley. The arrangements were first-class, with a good band of stewards, well managed by Mr. Childs and Secretary Underwood. My chief steward was that well-known Dutch breeder, Arthur Summers, who is still turning them out at 70 years of age and is as keen as the newest fancier. I thank Mrs. Villette, Messrs. Bigly, "Shant" Cave, Lee, Bridgeford, Summers, jun., and Chappell for their splendid help. The standard of the exhibits was good. The English adult was a very "hot" class. The young tort. Dutch was a good exhibit with the correct shadings and colour and should go a long way. It was the best Dutch of the day. Rushden certainly know the way to do things. Lunch was served in the showroom.—W.E.P.

S/Ldr. Parrish's Classes

DUTCH, B. OR B., 1: Bigly (19620), nice blue, good type, fails blaze; 2 Summers, grand ears, well out, fails stops; 3 Linnors, off colour, odd stops; r Villette, full neck, lacks type. **A.O.C. 1:** Summers (4305), good colour and shading, out under; 2 Clark; 3 steppe; 4 vhc; 5 vhc; 6 vhc; 7 vhc; 8 vhc; 9 vhc; 10 vhc; 11 vhc; 12 vhc; 13 vhc; 14 vhc; 15 vhc; 16 vhc; 17 vhc; 18 vhc; 19 vhc; 20 vhc; 21 vhc; 22 vhc; 23 vhc; 24 vhc; 25 vhc; 26 vhc; 27 vhc; 28 vhc; 29 vhc; 30 vhc; 31 vhc; 32 vhc; 33 vhc; 34 vhc; 35 vhc; 36 vhc; 37 vhc; 38 vhc; 39 vhc; 40 vhc; 41 vhc; 42 vhc; 43 vhc; 44 vhc; 45 vhc; 46 vhc; 47 vhc; 48 vhc; 49 vhc; 50 vhc; 51 vhc; 52 vhc; 53 vhc; 54 vhc; 55 vhc; 56 vhc; 57 vhc; 58 vhc; 59 vhc; 60 vhc; 61 vhc; 62 vhc; 63 vhc; 64 vhc; 65 vhc; 66 vhc; 67 vhc; 68 vhc; 69 vhc; 70 vhc; 71 vhc; 72 vhc; 73 vhc; 74 vhc; 75 vhc; 76 vhc; 77 vhc; 78 vhc; 79 vhc; 80 vhc; 81 vhc; 82 vhc; 83 vhc; 84 vhc; 85 vhc; 86 vhc; 87 vhc; 88 vhc; 89 vhc; 90 vhc; 91 vhc; 92 vhc; 93 vhc; 94 vhc; 95 vhc; 96 vhc; 97 vhc; 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CHOC.—21: 1 r Fern End, could be better tan, otherwise nice. **CHAM**.—12: 1 Dawson, won on Tan, most Chams seem dull on top; 2 R Sutcliffe, failed tan, dull top; 3 Worrall and Son, failed feet. **CHAM, OR CHOC**.—8 WEEKS. 22: 1, 3 Forman and Rawding, nice bright top and condition; 2 Grindell, just failed feet; r Hayton. **SILVER**.—8: 1 Simpkins, best tan and top; 2 Ford, good tan, failed top and feet; 3 Forman and Rawding, failed condition; r Grindell. **A.O.C.**. 14: 1 Hayton, won on condition; 2 Busby, Silver Grey, fails type; 3 Grindell; r Shorton. 8 WKS. 19: 1 Hurst, Silver Grey, won on type, Tan and even top; 2, 3 Forman and Rawding. Silvers, correct tops, good Tan, will do better later; r failed condition. **BUCK**. 3: A poor class, 1, 3 Watts; 2 May. **CHALL**. 31: 1 Dawson, winning Cham; 2 Fern End, Choc; 3 Sutcliffe, Cham; ex 3 Simpkins, Silver; r Farrar, Choc. 8 WKS. 24: 1, 2, 3, r Forman, Rawding, Cham, and Silver Tan winners.—T. FITZWATER.

Mr. E. Skinner's Classes
P.E. WHITE.—32: 1, 3 Forse; 2 Dodsworth. What a class; Whites have improved in colour. I could have found two sets of winners. I had to send some grand mice off the table with rust on nose. 8 WKS. 16: 1 Sutcliffe; 2 S. White; 3 Dodsworth. Again a grand class; very little between winners. **E. WHITE**.—1, 3 Beckett; 2 J. Watts; poor class, only a moderate lot. 8 WKS. 6: 1 Harlow; 2 Dodsworth; 3 Beckett; again a poor class. **BLACK**.—15: 1 Appleyard and Downs; 2 Coles; 3 Simpkins. A wonderful class; Blacks are coming into their own again for colour, size, etc. **BLUE**.—11: 1, 3 Mallett; 2 Whitworth; all three had that lovely slate blue top and under, feet and type placed them. **BLACK OR BLUE**.—8 WKS. 22: 1 Coles; 2 Whitworth; 3 Moorse. Easily two sets of winners, leader black, followed by charming blue and a black. **CHAM, OR FAWN**.—11: 1 Appleyard and Downs; 2 Durham; 3 Fletcher. Chams are improving; Fawns are going back, they are too fat and are losing type. 8 WKS. 14: 1 Durham; 2 Johnson; 3 Hurst. Winner Cham, correct colour, followed by a nice Fawn and a Cham. **RED OR CHOC**.—12: 1 Preston; 2

Milnes; 3 Johnson; leader a Red, which are getting better in colour and type. Chams followed, good tops and type, unders too light. 8 WKS. 7: 1 Busby; 2 Edmondson; 3 Beard. Good quality here, any could have changed places better than adults. **CREAM**.—20: 1, 3 Ward; 2 Cape. Best class I have ever judged. I put size out of my mind. Winner was a young adult, perfect coloured top and under, followed by another beauty; could have found two more sets of winners in this class. **SELF A.Q.G.**.—6: 1 Busby 2, 3 Erswell. Poor class after winners. 8 WKS. 8: 1, 3 Busby; 2 Johnson; winner Silver, charming, wins second best in show, followed by baby Dove, beautiful colour, hard lines to have met winner, another Silver. **BUCK**. 11: 1 Busby, Silver; 2 Coles, Black; 3 Ward, Cream. **CHALL SELF**. 34: 1, 3 Appleyard and Downs, 1st Black and 1st Cham; 2 Ward, 1st Cream. 8 WKS. 39: 1 Busby, Silver; 2 Coles, Black; 3 Sutcliffe, White.—E. SKINNER.

SPECIALIST CLUB ACTIVITIES

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by the members at the A.G.M. (see 1944 year book).
 The "British" also altered their standard some 18 months ago, allotting more points for colour than coat. It is generally admitted that in mixed colour classes the "light" does not come out too well. The abrupt shadings and lack of saddle are more obvious than in the darker-coloured specimens, but should we discard it just because it is difficult to produce? We find a similar position in the Brown Beveren, the Chocolate Fox and the yellow Dutch, but I do not read that these colours should be discarded because they do not measure up to the standard just as well as the more popular colours. A good "light" is a lovely animal and the glove manufacturers assure me that the "light" Sable is the best seller of all the fur breeds.
 Mr. Mannion, of Burnley, told me at the

recent Darwin agricultural show that the "light" Sables were number one in the sales list, with the Chinchillas a close second. Once again I implore all Sable breeders to make every effort to be at Smethwick (Birmingham) on July 19th to air their views in public. It does not matter one iota whether they are 100 per cent. "British" or 100 per cent. National; all are welcome. It is the breed that matters, not the individual.—John Morgan, hon. sec., Clovelly, Salford Road, Over Hulton, Bolton.

NATIONAL ENGLISH CLUB

Will members please correct the address of Miss G. O. Manning in their Year Books. This should read Orchardmains, Hildenborough, Kent.

All club badges ordered, including applications received by me up to June 21st, have been dispatched.

All specials offered by the club for which show returns have been received, have been sent out.

Entries for the Y.S.S. should be sent to Mr. A. W. Wilson, 38, Winthorpe Road, Newark, Notts., without further delay.—A. Sanderson, Hon. Sec., 24, Wyther Park Road, Armley, Leeds 12.

MIDLAND COUNTIES HAVANA CLUB

The first of the Midland Counties Havana Club Points Cup Shows will be held at Nottingham on Aug. 4th and 5th. Members should send entries early and should duplicate into the open classes and to show their appreciation of the Nottingham fanciers.

There are many old members who have not renewed their membership. I want to double the membership during this year.

Cheshire is now in the area covered in this club, and I would be pleased if some local fancier in Cheshire would act as a club representative.

The Young Stock Show will be held on Aug. 23rd at Rea Street. Mr. F. Seoney and Mr. C. Climer will judge.

The committee have decided to form a special fund to avoid the necessity of asking the same members each time. Contributions should be sent to me.

Will any club in the Midlands be willing to put on six classes for the club: Points Show in Sept. or Oct? The club will guarantee prize money.—H. J. Howdle, 168, Franklin Road, Kings Norton, Birmingham, 30.

LILAC LINK R.C.

The following members of the Lilac Link Club have been elected club officers for 1947: President, Miss De Trafford 18, P. H. Sankey 6. Vice-Presidents (3), T. S. Willis 17, R. Alcock 7, Miss De Trafford 6, P. H. Sankey 10, Capt. Scott 9, E. Brewer 11, J. W. Brown 12, B.R.C. Representative (1), D. Lord 20, E. Brewer 3, Chairman, E. Brewer 11, P. H. Sankey 10, Mrs. B. Barker 2, Committee 8, T. S. Willis 20, E. Bannister 15, R. Alcock 19, Mrs. E. Bibby 13, J. W. Brown 11, L. Fletcher 10, Miss De Trafford (president) 18, P. H. Sankey 17, Capt. Scott 10, Mrs. Silvester 14, J. Stubbs 0, A. J. Wilson 6, Club Judges (15), T. S. Willis 24, D. Lord 24, F. G. Woodgate 21, Dr. Pickard 21, Miss De Trafford 21, P. H. Sankey 19, T. Leaver 19, R. Blake 21, F. Bibby 17, A. J. Power 16, R. Alcock 19, L. Brookes 10, J. W. Brown 21, E. Brewer 17, W. Thornton 17, H. D. H. Dowle 17, Capt. Scott 18, Mrs. Silvester 14, Judges Young Stock Show, Normal, Lord; Rex, Sankey, Adult Stock Show, Normal Lord; Rex, Sankey. 24 papers returned.—G. A. Hodge, Scrutineer.

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