Otley Show Results, 17th May 2025

SYRIAN JUDGE: Susan Washbrook BOOK STEWARD: Catherine Mason									
	SH Golden (6)	SH Cream	(4)	SH AOC Male (5)					
1	Amberhill COM	Custard Co	OM	Moonstone					
2	Silverwoods	Custard Co	OM	Silverwoods					
3	Amberhill	Moonstone		Oswalds					
R	Arundel	Arundel		Custard					
	SH AOC Female (3)	SH Patterned	(1)	SH Satin (2)					
1	Silverwoods	Oswalds		Arundel					
2	Moonstone			Amberhill					
3	Arundel								
R									
	LH Cream (2)	LH Self	(2)	LH AOC Male (3)					
1	Custard	Oswalds		Silverwoods					
2	Helen Trickett	Oswalds		Arundel					
3				Custard					
R									
	LH AOC Female (1)	LH Patterned	(3)	LH Satin (5)					
1	Moonstone COM	Oswalds		Amberhill					
2		Silverwoods		Arundel					
3		Oswalds		Moonstone					
R				Arundel					
	SH & LH Rex (2)	Junior	(0)	Novice (1)					
1	Moonstone		` /	Helen Trickett					
2	Moonstone								
3									
R									
	Intermediate (0)	Small Hamstery	()	Breeder ()					
1		Custard		Custard					
2		Custard		Amberhill					
3		Custard		Silverwoods					
R		Helen Trickett		Custard					
	Young Stock ()			Grand Challenge ()					
1	Silverwoods			Custard					
2	Oswalds			Moonstone					
3	Silverwoods			Amberhill					
R	Oswalds			Custard					
	Non-Standard (0)								
1	\-\			Syrian BIS					
2				Custard Hamstery					
3				Syrian Reserve BIS					
R				Moonstone					

	DWARF JUDGE: Lynne Blair BOOK STEWARD: Anastasia Blair								
	Normal Campbell	(1)	Agouti Campbell	(2)	Self Campbell	(0)			
1	Lilliput		Lilliput						
2			Lilliput						
3									
R									
	Mottled Campbell	(0)	Normal WW	(3)	Sapphire WW	(2)			
1			Lilliput		Lilliput				
2			Dawsons		Lilliput				
3			Dawsons						
R									
	Pearl Winter White	(4)	Normal Chinese	(5)	Dom Spot Chinese	(4)			
1	Dawsons		Lilliput CO	M	Lilliput CO	MC			
2	Lilliput		Lilliput CO	M	Lilliput				
3	Lilliput		Lilliput		Lilliput				
R	Dawsons		Lilliput		Lilliput				
	BE White Chinese	(3)	Normal Roborovski	(0)	Junior	(0)			
1	Lilliput								
2	Lilliput								
3	Lilliput								
R									
	Novice	(0)	Intermediate	(0)	Small Hamstery	(7)			
1					Dawsons				
2					Dawsons				
3					Dawsons				
R					Dawsons				
	Breeder	(25)	Young Stock	(1)					
1	Lilliput		Lilliput						
2	Lilliput								
3	Lilliput								
R	Lilliput								
	Grand Challenge	(29)	Non-Standard	(2)					
1	Lilliput		Lilliput		Dwarf BIS				
2	Lilliput		Lilliput		Lilliput Hams				
3	Lilliput				Dwarf Reserve BIS				
R	Lilliput				Lilliput Hams				

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Show Report

The Otley show was a lovely event with lots of interest from the public. Emily our show secretary worked very hard with all the booking in and work on the day so well done to her and a big thank you.

Also thanks to Anna and Alan, Liam, Margaret and Tara on the tombola and Lisa and Alex who helped with setting up. The tombola raised a whopping £146.64 which will go a long way to paying club expenses. Sadly nobody stepped forward to pen steward today. This does cause issues for the judges and it was lucky it was not a big show or else we would have struggled.

Congratulations to Syrian Best in Show, Custard Hamstery and Reserve Best in Show Moonstone and in the Dwarf section Best in Show and Reserve Best in Show Lilliput Hams.

Lynne Blair, Show Section Manager

Judge's Report, Syrian Classes, Otley 17th May 2025

Just thirty-nine hamsters to judge however the standard was high and the weather was lovely so it made the long journey north well worth it. My thanks to Catherine Mason for book stewarding. The value of having a dedicated pen steward was proven at this show as several hamsters were entered in the wrong classes and this wasn't picked up until it could have been too late. Thankfully, because it was a small show, results could be adjusted, however at a bigger show this would not happen and good hamsters would miss out on class prizes. Pen stewarding is a great way to learn more about colours, what the judge is looking for in a show hamster and the judging process, if you don't already, please think about volunteering.

Golden (6 entries 80 - 70.5 pts) – First place and a COM went to 104, a lovely older lady with nice ticking, strong cheek flashes and a great hairline. Small white patch on tummy.

Cream (4 entries 82.5 - 75 pts) – A stunning RE Cream male won this class, COM & BIS. He was very handsome and I wanted to take him home. Chunky with a nice head and even colour.

AOC Male (5 entries 75 - 70.5 pts) – This was won by an older yellow, okay colour but lacked heavy ticking, visible waist.

AOC Female (3 entries 76 -71 pts) – A nice young sable with good colour and lovely fur, marked down for a small head and big ears.

Patterned (1 entry 70.5pts) – This melanistic yellow banded female had good colour and nice fur, her band was bridged and she lacked body, split in eye ring.

Satin (2 entries 75.5 -72.5 pts) - A nice BEC female with rich even colour, TBF.

LH Cream (2 entries 78.5 -76.5 pts) – This class was won by a lovely REC male with a decent skirt and nice colour, white patch on leg.

LH Self (2 entries 76.5 -75.5 pts) – Won by a copper female, young with potential, chunky with lovely fur, even colour that just lacked richness, scabs on rear.

LH AOC Male (3 entries 78 -73.5 pts) – A chunky silver grey with an even skirt and nice even ticking, slight browning.

LH AOC female (1 entry 81 pts) – First place, COM & Res BIS went to a beautiful cinnamon, chunky with rich even colour and nice under colour too.

LH Patterned (3 entries 78 -72 pts) – This class was won by a chunky mink roan female, pale mink with beautiful roan pattern, nice fur.

LH Satin (4 entries 74 -71.5 pts) – A chunky female golden with nice wisps & tufts, STBF, colour too orange, lacked heavy ticking and wide hair line.

Rex (2 entries 74.5 -73.5pts) – A long haired BEC banded female with a nice rex coat, even colour with a bridged band.

Congratulations to all the winners especially Custard Hamstery for BIS & Moonstone for Reserve BIS.

Susan Washbrook, Syrian Judge



Rosette winners, Otley

Judge's Report, Dwarf Classes, Otley Show 17th May 2025

It was a pleasure to be invited to judge at the Otley show this year. It was a small entry but the weather was fantastic and a pleasant atmosphere in the tent shared with the rabbits. A big thanks to Anastasia who book and pen stewarded for me and also to show secretary Emily Howard who did a wonderful job on her first full show sec as part of her judge training.

Apart from the Chinese the other species were disappointing. Many required attention, especially to the nails which were long and curling under. Winter whites seem to be suffering with bulgy eyes and small cysts on the eye rims. Please ensure your hamsters are in good condition and clip nails as well as checking them over before bringing them.

My Class winners were:

Campbell Normal (Pen D101) – Good stripe. Arches reasonably defined with nice ochre over. Skitty hamster. Decent colour, which was uneven. Decent type but some moult, 70

Campbell Agouti (Pen D202) – Argente. Colour lacked richness but nice dorsal stripe. Blurred arches. Woolly coat. 66.5

WW Normal (Pen D501) – Decent type and head but bulgy eyes. Dark even ticking. Staining around scent gland. 70.5

WW Sapphire (Pen D601) – Slightly brownish colour. Nice temperament. Blurred rear arches. 66

WW Pearl (Pen D704) – Normal pearl. Reasonable type and head. Staining under. Sticky eyes. 71

Chinese Normal (Pen D804) – Rich colour. Nice size and type with good head. Calm temperament. **RBIS & COM**

Chinese Dominant Spot (Pen D903) – Good plush fur. Lovely rich colour with distinct spotting. Good type and head. I loved this hamster especially the facial markings. I'd have taken him home. 78, **BIS & COM**

Chinese BEW (Pen D1001) – Good fur. A small female YWP. Good type and head. Some yellowing on the coat. 70.5

Non-standard (Pen D2101) – Chinese Sapphire. Lovely type and head. Good fur and calm temperament. 56

Congratulations to Lilliput Hams on winning BIS and RBIS.

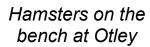
Lynne Blair, Dwarf Judge



Dwarf judging at Otley



Syrian judging at Otley









BIS Syrian – Custard's Ken

RBIS Syrian – Custard's Clara at Moonstone



BIS Dwarf – Lilliput's Knotweed



RBIS Dwarf – Lilliput's Fortune

Members' Pets





We took our hamster Barbie to the Otley show. It was my first show since joining the Northern Hamster Club and I really enjoyed it. I was very pleased when Barbie won Novice and placed in several other classes.

Helen Trickett



Cookie, a black Syrian hamster owned by Tara O'Connor.