

Great Alne Show Results, 13th June 2026

SYRIAN JUDGE: Sue Carter BOOK STEWARD: Emily Whiteley			
	SH Golden (3)	SH Cream (5)	SH AOC Male (6)
1	Tristar	Tristar	Tristar COM
2	Fleurdelis	Lilliput	Tristar COM
3	Lilliput	Tristar	Tristar
R		Fleurdelis	Tristar
	SH AOC Female (7)	SH Patterned (9)	SH Satin (6)
1	Tristar	Tristar COM	Tristar COM
2	Alpha Stud	Alpha Stud	Tristar COM
3	Tristar	Hillbury	Tristar
R	Tristar	Cookies Little Paws	Tristar
	LH Cream (3)	LH Self (3)	LH AOC Male (4)
1	Tristar	Hillbury	Lilliput
2	Fleurdelis	Fleurdelis	Fleurdelis
3	Disqualified	Alpha Stud	Fleurdelis
R			Hillbury
	LH AOC Female (4)	LH Patterned (5)	LH Satin (5)
1	Alpha Stud	Cookies Little Paws	Emily Cue
2	Hillbury	Emily Cue	Tristar
3	Fleurdelis	Cookies Little Paws	Fleurdelis
R	Hillbury	Fleurdelis	Fleurdelis
	SH & LH Rex (8)	Junior (0)	Novice (0)
1	Hillbury		
2	Fleurdelis		
3	Tristar		
R	Fleurdelis		
	Intermediate (6)	Small Hamstery (2)	Breeder (43)
1	Cookies Little Paws	Emily Cue	Tristar
2	Emily Cue	Emily Cue	Tristar
3	Cookies Little Paws		Tristar
R	Cookies Little Paws		Tristar
	Young Stock (16)		Grand Challenge (67)
1	Hillbury		Tristar
2	Fleurdelis		Tristar
3	Cookies Little Paws		Tristar
R	Alpha Stud		Tristar
	Non-Standard (6)		
1	Alpha Stud		Syrian BIS
2	Hillbury		TRISTAR
3	Fleurdelis		Syrian Reserve BIS
R	Alpha Stud		TRISTAR

DWARF JUDGE: Jean Tye		BOOK STEWARD: Reece Minerve	
	Normal Campbell (0)	Agouti Campbell (0)	Self Campbell (0)
1			
2			
3			
R			
	Mottled Campbell (1)	Normal WW (1)	Sapphire WW (8)
1	Freya Allsopp Clarke	Lilliput	Alpha Stud COM
2			PS Hams
3			Alpha Stud
R			Alpha Stud
	Pearl Winter White (3)	Normal Chinese (8)	Sapphire Chinese (2)
1	Lilliput	Lilliput	Lilliput
2	PS Hams	Lilliput	Lilliput
3	M Palmer-Stephenson	Lilliput	
R		Alpha Stud	
	Dom Spot Chinese (6)	BE White Chinese (4)	Normal Roborovski(3)
1	Lilliput COM	Lilliput	Maja Davidson
2	Alpha Stud	Lilliput	Maja Davidson
3	Alpha Stud	Fleurdelis	Fleurdelis
R	Lilliput	Lilliput	
	Junior (4)	Novice (3)	Intermediate (2)
1	Freya Allsopp Clarke	Maja Davidosn	Freya Allsopp Clarke
2	Maja Davidson	M Palmer Stephenson	Freya Allsopp Clarke
3	Maja Davidson	Maja Davidson	
R	Freya Allsopp Clarke		
	Small Hamstery (4)	Breeder (32)	Young Stock (11)
1	Maja Davidson	Alpha Stud	PS Hams
2	M Palmer Stephenson	Lilliput	Alpha Stud
3	Fleurdelis	Lilliput	Alpha Stud
R	Maja Davidson	Lilliput	Lilliput
	Diploma (29)	Grand Challenge (37)	Non-Standard (9)
1	Alpha Stud	Alpha Stud	Freya Allsopp Clarke
2	Lilliput	Lilliput	PS Hams
3	Lilliput	Lilliput	PS Hams
R	Lilliput	Lilliput	Lilliput
1			Dwarf BIS
2			ALPHA STUD
3			Dwarf Reserve BIS
R			LILLIPUT

Great Aine Show Pet Class Results, 13th June 2026

PET JUDGE: Pete Logsdail		
	Class P1 Male Syrian 9 entries	Class P2 Female Syrian 8 entries
1	Nancy Turner	Denise Sayer
2	Lydia Hardwick	Fiona Whiteley
3	Fiona Whiteley	Ruby Turner
R	Lucy Thompson	Denise Sayer
VHC	Danny Richardson	Maddie Jordan
HC	Jake Gibbs	Ella Mclean
C	Annabelle & Eleanor	Annabelle & Eleanor
	Class P3 Dwarf 6 entries	
1	Lacie Padfield	
2	Andrew Bryan	
3	Warwick Lincoln	
R	Emily Makrzecka	
VHC	Maggie Palmer Stephenson	
HC	Maggie Palmer Stephenson	
C		
	Class P4 Other Rodents 7 entries	Class P5 Guinea Pigs 4 entries
1	Natalia Hurst (rat)	Matilda Turner
2	Natalia Hurst (rat)	Matilda Turner
3	Fiona Whiteley	Rory Delaysin
R	Luca Guidetti	Rory Delayson
VHC	Luca Guidetti	
HC	Fiona Whiteley	
C	Luca Guidetti	
OVERALL BEST PET IN SHOW: MATILDA TURNER (GUINEA PIG)		

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Show Secretary's Report, Great Alne, 13th June 2026

What a great show with a lovely atmosphere and a fabulous pet entry. It was good to see the local paper, The Stratford Herald, there taking photos and chatting to people, we had a great write up in the newspaper and it is on their Facebook page.

A total of 73 Syrians, 46 Dwarfs & 34 Pets were benched for judging.

My thanks to everyone who made the show a great success:

- Syrians – Sue Carter, Emily Whiteley, Tee Howell
- Dwarfs – Jean Tye, Reece Minerva
- Pets – Pete Logsdail & Maja Davidson
- Kitchen – A massive thank you to Wendy & Mike Palmer and Eva Davidson for stepping in to run the kitchen at the last minute, lunch was delicious.

Please consider running a kitchen, it doesn't have to be anything fancy or complicated, Wendy Palmer is more than willing to help you with advice and purchasing.

- Sales – Mark Harris, Andrew Bryan, Mike Palmer
- Tombola – Chris Logsdail (£69.20!)

A final thank you to everyone who helped set up and clear up.

Congratulations to all the winners including Tristar - BIS Syrian & Alpha Stud - BIS Dwarf.

**Susan Washbrook,
Show Secretary**

*Judging at
Great Alne*



Dwarf Judge's Report, Great Alne, 13th June 2026

My thanks must go to Reece Minerve for his efficient book stewarding. Fiona Whiteley did the pen stewarding (with help from Joyce Rowe) as she had never done this before – thank you both.

This was another show where males outnumbered females by almost 3 to 1. There were a few different species that were close to being disqualified as they were just too wild. There were a number of winter whites that had extremely short tails, something breeders need to watch.

No entries in classes D1, D2 and D3.

D4 Mottled Campbell (1 entry) – A well-shaped male who had good top coat, but was slightly thin on the chest. His colour was fairly good although he lacked the desired well broken patches of white that the standard calls for. This reflected in his colour mark. He lost a little on condition as he had long toe nails. He was very clean and easy to handle.

D5 Normal Winter White (1 entry) – This was a mature male whose colour, stripe and arches were good. He was the correct shape but had saggy sides due to loss of body tone. He had a nice head with well-shaped and carried ears. His eyes were slightly bulgy. Temperament was good.

D6 Sapphire Winter White (8 entries) – The winner of the class was of super quality with a well-shaped head leading into a firm well-proportioned body. His arches were really good being lightly ticked and positioned correctly; his stripe was ok. The colour was of the correct shade and was even, with no browning. His temperament was superb being calm and relaxed when being handled. He was my **Best in Show** and was awarded a **COM** which, his owner told me after judging, makes him into a Champion – well done!

Second was another male who was of similar type to the winner but could not match him on colour as he had some browning. He also lost out on size. This was a very nice pair of winter whites.

D7 Pearl Winter White (3 entries) – First was a sapphire pearl that was in excellent bodily condition. She lost points on colour/markings as her ticking was a little uneven. She was very clean. She had good thick fur all over and was a lovely easy to handle winter white.

Second place – this male was very heavily ticked over the rump and had some browning by the tail. He would have easily won the class but I deducted points from condition as he was not easy to handle, pity as his type, size and fur were really good.

D8 Normal Chinese (8 entries) – *colour in a lot was not very good being too pale.* First was a male whose colour was even but he lacked the depth/richness that I was looking for. His stripe was a little bit short, his demarcation between top and

belly colour was good. He had a nice body shape and well-proportioned head and was in firm bodily condition.

Second was another male who had lovely short plush fur but was down on condition to the winner as he was rather portly!

D9 Sapphire Chinese (2 entries) *Both females* – First was a good type being slender and with head set well into the shoulders. She had a nice long stripe and good demarcation between top and belly colour. She was slightly pale in colour and was lacking ticking; she had good banding on the hair shaft.

Second was much paler on the neck and had an indistinct/blurred stripe, again very good banding to the hair shaft.

D10 Dominant Spot Chinese (6 entries) *5 agouti, 1 sapphire* – First was a cracking agouti dom spot male. He had mainly good spotting although slightly uneven. He had a good depth of colour carried well down. His type was long and slender and he carried a good body tone. His fur was short and plush with good roll back and density. He was clean and in good condition. My **Reserve Best in Show** and was awarded a **COM**.

Second was another male who had excellent spotting on one side but sadly lacked it on the other. He could not match the winner for type, size or condition.

D11 Black Eyed White Chinese (4 entries) *all male* – First place had a good type with firm bodily condition. He was clean under and had no shading/spots on his ears. His coat was slightly thin all over which gave the appearance that he had longer fur than required.

Second had a narrower muzzle and appeared to have a slightly yellow cast over the whole body; he had a really lovely thick coat.

D12 Roborovski (3 entries) – First was a male who was fairly easy to handle. His colour around the rump was fairly even, sadly the under colour was showing through over his shoulders and middle back. He had some staining under and also slight moult. Eyebrow and whisker beds were ok although brows could have been more even; demarcation line was good.

Second was another male. All the comments above apply but this boy was not at all easy to handle, hence he lost a few points on condition.

D22 Non-Standard (9 entries) *3 robo, 2 chinese, 4 winter white* – First was a sapphire marble winter white male. He had a lovely type although I would not want his face to be any shorter. He had a good coat and solid body. Quite long toe nails lost him half a point. Second, was another sapphire marble male. He had nice fur, a little down on size and type to winner. He was clean and very calm to handle.

Jean Tye, Dwarf Judge



BIS Syrian – Tristar's Chase



RBIS Syrian – Tristar's Corniche



*BIS Dwarf – Alpha Stud's
Ziro*



RBIS Dwarf – Lilliput's Artimis

LET'S HEAR IT FOR HAMSTERS



■ Judge Sue Carter at work at the Midland and Southern Hamster Club Show held at Great Alne and Kinwarton Memorial Hall on Saturday. Photos: Mark Williamson

Hamster enthusiasts and pet owners from across the country gathered at Great Alne and Kinwarton Memorial Hall on Saturday for the annual Midland and Southern Hamster Club show.

The club is affiliated to The National Hamster Council, the oldest organisation dedicated to hamsters in the UK, with the event attracting more than 150 entries across the competitive and pet classes.

The Syrian hamster section saw 73 entries judged by Sue Carter, from Andover. The top honours of Best in Show and Reserve Best in Show were both awarded to Tristar Hamstery, based in Bath and London.

In the dwarf hamster section, 43 entries were assessed by judge Jean Iye, from Bath. Best in Show was won by a sapphire winter white exhibited by Alpha Stud, based in Orpington, Kent. Reserve Best in Show went to a normal dominant spot Chinese hamster shown by Lilliput Hams of Alcester.

The popular pet section attracted 34 entries and was judged by Pete Logsdail, from Llandovery in Wales. Pets were judged on their tameness, condition and overall care.

The Best Pet award went to a black-and-white guinea pig owned by local youngster Matilda Turner.

The judge praised the animal's excellent condition



■ Danny Richardson, aged 12, from Bearley with his hamster, Professor Taco.

and friendly nature.

The show organisers said they were particularly pleased to see so many Warwickshire families taking part in the event.

Club secretary Susan Washbrook, from Alcester, said: "It was fantastic to see

so many local people turn up with their much-loved, tame and well-cared-for small pets."

As well as hamsters, the pet classes included rats, gerbils and guinea pigs, showcasing the wide variety of small animals kept by owners.

Newspaper report in The Stratford Herald



Pet class winners – Natalia Hurst's rats