



The Thrianta

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News Bulletin of the Thrianta UK rabbit club

I hope, during these difficult times with the pandemic, that this bulletin finds you are all OK.

Whilst some news in this bulletin may have already been published in the Fur & Feather or on our website I hope this is a summary of some of the relevant matters.

The London Championship Show 2021

With the current 'roadmap' to the relaxation of some of the pandemic restrictions the 'ramblings' of Jim in the March F&F were opportune in setting out some details for The London 2021 with further details in the April edition.

Let's hope that progress continues to be made in fighting the pandemic and the show goes ahead.

Thrianta UK has booked a Stock Show for the event, to be held on the 9/10 October, together with a club stand. Glen Hodson, who was to judge the cancelled 2020 show, will be our stock show judge for 2021.

With just over 6 months before the show the opportunity is there to breed the winner, particularly planning for the u/5 month classes.

It is hoped to hold our AGM at The London on the Sunday morning and a meeting room has been booked for 11.00am. This will mark the 10th anniversary since the inaugural meeting to form the club was held at the 2011 London.



The Bradford 'Virtual' Show

The show held in January received an entry of 5 Thrianta and was judged by Steve Galloway.

183 Thrianta
Doe Adult Pen 266



181 Thrianta
Buck Adult Pen 264



183 Thrianta
Doe Adult Pen 267



183 Thrianta
Doe Adult Pen 265



183 Thrianta
Doe Adult Pen 268



Source website Bradford Premier Small Animal Show

The Best Thrianta was pen 266, adult doe, entered by Midlodge Rabbits.

In the duplicates the doe was 2nd in the Group 2 class
and 4th in the Best Fancy Challenge.

Congratulations to John and Emma.

The adult Buck was entered by Botany Stud.

In the adult doe class 2nd K&L Chafer, 3rd Midlodge Rabbits,
4th K&L Chafer.

Netherlands Judges Report

With both the 2021 Bradford Championship Show the 2021 Noordshow, in the Netherlands, being cancelled, I have looked back to the judge's report for the Noordshow 2020.

These reports are always detailed and may be of interest to those of who breed and judge the Thrianta.

The report has been taken from the Thrianta-Hulstlander club news brief.

It is translated via a translation app.

The translation is not perfect and despite the differing terminology you may find it of interest.

Judging report of the Thriantas at the Noordshow 2020

We had **86 Thriantas** to assess, so a full inspection. In short I will try to go through the 7 positions.

Pos 1 Weight: some animals that really had trouble with this, and therefore got 8 or 9 points for this pos. The Thrianta must, when it is adult, weigh at least 2.5 kg. But preference is 2.6 to 2.7 kg, then you have more volume, and that does not have to be in the length. No, not exactly, one must have animals that are also broad in the forehead and which when handled must be hard in the back, so flesh on it.

Pos 2 Type and construction: varying with this pos, but fortunately the largest number had a beautiful type and most with a so-called construction, or also animals with a beautiful construction.

The difference between so-called build or beautiful build, one must usually look for in the forehead that it may be a little wider than we speak of so-called build, if the animal is nice and broad with nicely rounded hindquarters, then we speak of beautiful build. It will be said that often but minimal, yes that is possible, but it is important that this is mentioned. And the result 18.5 points, and with good build and type 19 points. It's only half a point, but you really need it at the bottom.

We also tackled some animals that were a bit flat in the thighs, because that is really hereditary, the hindquarters must be completely filled all around and beautifully round. The front legs, yes a known problem with many breeds, including the Thrianta. There were animals that needed to be firmer on their legs. And some also had those slippers, (flat) forefeet, you really have to select strictly for that, otherwise it will never get better.

Pos 3 Fur: the fur length was good. Some animals with a slightly long coat, but otherwise so called to nice length and density, a few more animals had difficulty with that. Some animals with really little undercoat. Then the structure, there was quite a difference. Fortunately we had quite a few animals with a nice fine fur structure, which has sometimes been different. We have given the slightly stiffer and slightly coarser pelts a maximum of 17 to 17.5. And then the beautiful furs, yes they were there with 19 points, great such beautiful furs that had animals.

Pos 4 Head and ears: what goes to the head, few comments on this. But on the other hand, the ear structure and shape, yes, there is still room for improvement. Many animals with some folded ears, so they need a firmer structure. This is certainly a point of attention, because this must be improved in many animals. So pay attention to that when breeding the animals.

Pos 5 Deck and belly colour: let me start that the colour was generally better than it was a few years ago. Then there were a lot of animals that were a bit dark or with a lot of ticking on the deck and ears. Now that was less, many animals with a so-called to beautiful body colour, this is also rewarded in points. So 15 points is often given for this position. The somewhat dark (red) animals were rated lower in points and that is clearly stated on the card. A number of times it was also stated that the colour had to be purer.

We often talk about body colour crazy, but that means that the body colour must be purer in colour. It simply lacks too little orange / red pigment. These animals stay crazy, that's the problem. The animals must also be free from ticking on deck and ears. Often you can see on the ears that these are slightly darker than the body colour, but that has everything to do with the somewhat shorter hair. So one can call that but not punish. Then the belly colour; well the belly colour was not really the problem yet, but in a number of animals the trouser part and the underside of the tail was very on the light side. This is certainly a point of attention, because such animals are still regularly encountered. The body colour should, as it were, continue under the belly, of course the belly colour is a bit more matte, but the point is that the colour runs well to and on the belly.

Pos 6 Ground colour and intermediate colour: here also with a number of animals with the comment that these could be a bit stronger, especially in the ground colour, which was often a bit lighter. The body colour should extend as far as possible to the hair root and if the fur is dense, then that is also somewhat in favour of the colour. But fortunately also animals with a beautiful under colour in deck.

Pos 7: Condition. Few comments, only animals that had some long nails, but that is stated on the card. So assume that the breeder will have cut these by now.

The winner both in the rams and in the nurse class was Wil Plasmeijer. Beautiful animals with a beautiful type and construction and a beautiful colour.

But also many other beautiful animals, all of which are listed in the catalogue. It was with great pleasure that I inspected this beautiful variety, the Thrianta.

Hannes van de Steeg.

Addition to the Committee

Following the notice in the last news bulletin it's pleasing to announce that Dawn Caines from Bournemouth has been co-opted on to the club committee

Recent Deaths

The club offers sincere sympathy to the families of;

Alan Brand, club member (LBT+KAB partnership). Sadly Alan had been unwell for sometime and is well remembered as Secretary for the Dunfermline Club and Championship Show. Condolences to Keith and family

Frank Chafer, husband of club member Karen. Frank will be missed for his great conversations and also for supporting the standardisation, here in the UK, of the Schwarzgrannen. Condolences go to both Karen and Liz.

Thrianta UK Club Website

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