

Orkney Agricultural Society

Show Results

2008

Texel takes top sheep title for Skelbister

Similar to the other shows, numbers at the County Show were down, but the overall opinion was that the quality of stock on show more than made up for it.

In what was an extremely close contest, the champion sheep at Saturday's County Show was a Texel ram lamb shown by Heather Hourston, Skelbister, Orphir.

The animal was by Glenside Nib Scot, out of a ewe by a Haddo sire, the award coming close on the heels of her reserve champion win at Thursday's Dounby Show.

Making its debut in the ring, reserve went to a Cheviot shearling ram shown by James and Elsie Wishart, Newbigging Harray. Sired by Biggings Leader, out of a ewe by Longeo Iceman, Oldfield Golden Promise was bought from Charlie and Isobel Angus, Oldfield, Thurso, by Mr Wishart last year.

After taking the championship at the Dounby Show earlier in the week, the County Show Beltex champion was Langlands Lancelot, a shearling ram shown by Charles Copland, Overhouse, Harray.

A gimmer from Raymond Flaws, Durriesdale, Evie, took reserve.

In the Border Leicester section, a gimmer from Lena Kirkpatrick, Millburn, Sandwick, was champion, with reserve going to Jack and Laura Cromarty's ram — the class champion at the East Mainland Show earlier this month.

Again, repeating their East Mainland success, the half-bred sheep champion also went to Jack and Laura Cromarty, Roadside, Toab.

A gimmer shown by Davy Summers, Easthouse, Toab, took the honours in the Suffolk section, while his ram lamb took reserve.

Winner of the Charollais section was a ewe shown by Elaine Eunson, Halley, Deerness. Reserve went to a ram shown by Sheena Coghill, Muce, Birsay.

Champion cross-bred sheep title was won by a gimmer shown by Thelma Bruce, Greentoft, Deerness. Best animal in the any other pure breed category went to a blue-faced Leicester ram, shown by James Cowe, Little Howes, Holm.

County Show sheep results

Border Leicester

Ram, aged: 1 J. & L. Cromarty, Roadside, Toab. Shearling ram: 1 and 2 J. & L. Cromarty. Ewe: 1 L. Kirkpatrick, Millburn, Sandwick. Gimmer: 1 and 3 L. Kirkpatrick; 2 J. & L. Cromarty. Ewe lamb: 1 J. & L. Cromarty.

Special prizes: Cup re-presented by Skelbister Farm, for best Leicester ewe lamb, to be won three times: J. & L. Cromarty. Society's Medal for best female sheep: L. Kirkpatrick. Society's Medal for best male sheep: J. & L. Cromarty. Trophy, presented by William Shearer, Merchant, Kirkwall for champion Border Leicester sheep: L. Kirkpatrick. Reserve: J. & L. Cromarty. Society's Medal to best in Border Leicester section: L. Kirkpatrick. Trophy, re-presented by Skelbister Farm for best pair Border Leicester sheep, bred by exhibitor: J. & L. Cromarty. Reserve: L. Kirkpatrick. Cup, presented by the Royal Bank of Scotland for best group of three Border Leicester sheep (any sex), to be won three times: J. & L. Cromarty. G. C. Robertson, London, Cup re-donated for best pair of PB sheep. (PB sheep classes in rotation): J. & L. Cromarty. Reserve: L. Kirkpatrick.

Half-bred sheep

Half-bred gimmer: 1 and 2 J. & M. Slater, Millquoy. Half-bred ewe lamb: 1 J. & L. Cromarty; 2 and 3 J. & M. Slater. Half-bred wedder lamb: 1 and 2 J. & M. Slater.

Special prizes: Cup, presented by William Work for best pair of half-bred ewe lambs, bred by exhibitor: J. M. Slater. Society's Medal to champion in half-bred sheep: J. & L. Cromarty.

Suffolk

Suffolk shearling tup: 1 D. Summers, Easthouse, Toab. Suffolk ewe: 1 and 2 D. Summers; 3 J. Scott & Sons, Claybraes, South Ronaldsay. Suffolk gimmer: 1 D. Summers; 2 and 3 J. Scott & Sons. Suffolk ewe lamb: 1 J. Scott & Sons; 2 T. Delday, Old Voy, Toab; 3 D. Summers, Easthouse, Toab. Suffolk ram Lamb: 1 D. Summers; 2 J. Scott & Sons; 3 T. Delday.

Special prizes: Society's Medal for best female sheep: D Summers. Society's Medal for best male sheep: D. Summers. Society's Medal for best in section 16: D. Summers. Cup, presented by The Quoyloo Garage, Isbister Brothers Ltd. for champion in Suffolk section and reserve: D. Summers. Rosette from the Suffolk Sheep Society for best exhibit in Suffolk section (registered flocks only): D. Summers.

Texel

Texel ram, aged: 1 Heather Hourston, Skelbister, Orphir. Texel shearling: 1 James D. Leitch, Feolquoy, Evie; 2 James Cowe & Elaine Eunson, Little Howes, Holm; 3 Elaine Eunson, Halley, Deerness. Texel ewe: 1 James Cowe; 2 Robbie Rendall, Longhouse, Westray; 3 Charles B. Copland, Overhouse, Harray. Texel gimmer: 1 Elaine Eunson; 2 A. & V. Copland, Overhouse, Harray; 3 Robbie Rendall. Texel ram lamb: 1 Heather Hourston; 2 Robbie Rendall; 3 James Cowe. Texel ewe lamb: 1 A. & V. Copland; 2 and 3 Robbie Rendall.

Special Prizes: Society's Medal for best female Texel: A. & V. Copland. Society's Medal for best male Texel: Heather Hourston. Society's Medal for best Texel: Heather Hourston. Cup, presented by Sunnybrae Feeds for best female Texel (to be won three times in succession): A. & V. Copland. Reserve: Elaine Eunson. Cup, presented by Orkney Office Supplies for champion Texel (to be won three times): Heather Hourston. Reserve: A. & V. Copland. Rosettes, presented by the British Texel Sheep Society for champion Texel and reserve champion Texel (registered flocks only): Heather Hourston. Reserve: A. & V. Copland.

Cross-bred sheep

Cross-bred gimmer: 1 Thelma Bruce, Greentoft, Deerness.

Special prizes: Society's Medal for pen of five sheep (pen only): Thelma Bruce. Society's Medal for best cross-bred sheep: Thelma Bruce.

Cheviot

Cheviot ram, aged: 1 J. & L. Cromarty. Cheviot two-shear ram: 1 J. & L. Cromarty. Cheviot shearling ram: 1 James J. & E. Wishart, New Biggings, Harray; 2 James S. Baillie & Co, Sebay, Tankerness; 3 J. & L. Cromarty. Cheviot ram lamb: 1 James S. Baillie & Co; 2 J. & J. Smith, Upper Cornquoy, Holm; 3 W. G. Kirkpatrick & Sons, Tandou, Stromness. Cheviot ewe: 1 J. R. & A. P. Cromarty, Sultigeo, Stenness; 2 James S. Baillie & Co; 3 W. G. Kirkpatrick. Cheviot gimmer: 1 and 3 James S. Baillie & Co; 2 J. & L. Cromarty. Cheviot ewe lamb: 1 J. & J. Smith; 2 J. & L. Cromarty; 3 J. R. & A. P. Cromarty.

Special prizes: Society's Medal for best Cheviot ewe lamb: J. & J. Smith. Cup, presented by M. & R. Tait, for best female Cheviot: J. R. & A. P. Cromarty. Reserve: James S. Baillie. Society's Medal for best female Cheviot: J. R. & A. P. Cromarty. Shield, re-presented by W. G. Kirkpatrick & Sons for best Cheviot lamb, to be won three times in succession, or five times in all: James S. Baillie & Co. Reserve: J. & J. Smith. Cup, presented by Tait & Style, for best male in Cheviot section: James J. & E. Wishart. Reserve: J. & L. Cromarty. Cumming and Spence Cup re-donated for champion Cheviot and reserve: J. R. & A. P. Cromarty. Trophy, presented by Mrs W. Hutchison, Pomona Inn, for champion in Cheviot section and reserve: J. R. & A. P. Cromarty. Society's Medal to champion in Cheviot section: J. R. & A. P. Cromarty. Rosette presented by North Country Cheviot Sheep Society to best registered North Cheviot in show: J. R. & A. P. Cromarty. Trophy, presented by North Country Cheviot Sheep Society for Cheviot champion: J. R. & A. P. Cromarty.

Health Scheme Sheep

Special prizes: Special Prizes, presented by the Society: J. & L. Cromarty. Special Prizes, presented by the Royal Bank of Scotland, Kirkwall: J. & L. Cromarty. Rosette, presented by the Highlands & Islands Sheep Health Association for the best group of three: J. & L. Cromarty. Rosette, presented by the Highlands & Islands Sheep Health Association for best ewe: J. & L. Cromarty.

Charollais

Charollais ram: 1 Sheena Coghill, Muce, Birsay; 2 Sean Cursiter, Arwick, Evie. Charollais ewe: 1 Elaine Eunson; 2 and 3 Sheena Coghill. Charollais gimmer: 1 Elaine Eunson; 2 and 3 Sheena Coghill. Charollais ram lamb: 1 and 2 Sheena Coghill. Charollais ewe lamb: 1 and 2 Sheena Coghill.

Special prizes: Society's Medal for the best female in Charollais section: Elaine Eunson. Society's Medal for the best male in Charollais section: Sheena Coghill. Cup, presented by Fraser Balfour for the champion in Charollais section: Elaine Eunson. Reserve: Sheena Coghill. Orcargo Cup for champion Charollais sheep (perpetual challenge cup for sheep sections): Elaine Eunson. Reserve: Sheena Coghill.

Beltex

Ram: 1 Charles Copland, Overhouse, Harray; 2 Raymond Flaws, Durrisdale, Evie; 3 Elaine Eunson. Ewe: 1 and 2 Charles Copland; 3 Raymond Flaws. Gimmer: 1 and 3 Raymond Flaws; 2 Charles Copland. Ram lamb: 1 Charles Copland; 2 Raymond Flaws. Ewe lamb: 1, 2 and 3 Raymond Flaws.

Special prizes: Society's Medal for best female: Raymond Flaws. Society's Medal for best male: Charles Copland. Society's Medal for best animal in section: Charles Copland. Reserve: Raymond Flaws.

Pair of prime lambs, any breed

Pair of Prime lambs (any breed): Special Prize (£40), presented by Orkney Meat Ltd., for best pair of prime lambs, 1 J. Scott & Son, Caldale, St Ola.

Any other purebred: Society's medal: James Cowe.

Championship Trophies

Prudential Insurance Cup, for overall champion in sheep sections: Heather Hourston. Reserve: James J. & E. Wishart.

GOATS

Results

Female goat in milk – first kidder: 1 Heather Croy, Glenavon, Deerness; 2 Barbara Moore, Greenvale, Burray. Female goat in milk – second and sub-kidders: 1 A. Jones, Annfield, Tankerness; 2 and 3 Barbara Moore. Goatling (1-2 years old not having borne a kid): 1 Heather Croy; 2 and 3 A. Jones. Female kid, born before 31st March, 2008: 1, 2 and 3 Barbara Moore. Female kid, born after 1st April, 2008: 1 and 2 A. Jones; 3 Barbara Moore. Male kid: 1 Barbara Moore. Male goat: 1 and 2 A. Jones.

Special prizes: Society Medal for best male goat: A. Jones. Cup, presented by T. Ploughman Esq, Birsay for best goatling: Heather Croy. Reserve: A. Jones. Challenge Cup, presented by Kirkness and Gorie, Kirkwall, for best female kid: A. Jones. Reserve: Barbara Moore. Challenge Cup, presented by The Longship, Kirkwall, for champion goat: Heather Croy. Reserve: A. Jones. Society's Medal to best animal in section: Heather Croy. The I. & H. Bell, Shapinsay Shield for the reserve champion goat, to be won three times in succession: A. Jones. The Lairobell Goats Cheese Trophy for best second and subsequent kidder, to be won three times in succession: A. Jones. Reserve: Barbara Moore.

Hoy poultry wins at 2008 County Show

Hoy's Donald MacIsaac must be used to winning at the shows by now, and his entries in the County Show's poultry section certainly didn't let him down.

His 16-month-old, home bred Australorp Bantam Cock was the overall champion in the tent, while last year's overall winner, Bryan Taylor took the reserve prize with a white call duck.

Donald was genuinely pleased to win the champion's title at the biggest show in Orkney.

He said: "I thought it was in good condition but I didn't know it was going to win."

Asked the secret of his success with the birds, he said: "It's really down to hard work and presentation, but you have got to have a good stock for a start."

Bryan Taylor was celebrating his second success in just two years at the County Show, taking the reserve prize this year with a six-month old home bred white call duck. Bryan has in excess of 30 ducks and keeps a variety of other birds as well.

"I think the secret is getting into the right type of bird and then trying to keep the strain," he explained.

"I bought a pair of ducks from a man from south, and all my ducks are from them."

Judge Brian Miller from Elgin judged at the caged bird show in recent years, but has never judged at Orkney's County Show.

He said: "I was looking for perfection, and I got as near to it as I was going to get today. The champion is in better condition than everything else.

"The call duck was the reserve champion — to be honest the standard here is as good as anything you would find south. The good birds are really good."

PETS

It was a feline affair at the show's pet section, with cats taking both first and second place.

Indi Reid from Tankerness's cat was given first place, while Lauren Marwick from Finstown's kitten was the runner-up.

Lauren, aged nine, said her kitten, Sapphire was maybe nine months old.

"Sapphire was a rescue cat from Cat Protection, so we're not sure," she added.

Lauren's mum Trudy said: "She has really bonded with Sapphire — Lauren had crouched the day we got her and she was a real comfort. They have got really close."

Results: Children's Pets (any animal not shown in dog section eligible for competition): 1 Indi Reid; 2 Lauren Marwick; 3 Claire Corsie.

Special prizes: Trophy presented by the SSPCA for best 'Cared For' Pet: Indi Reid.

County Show poultry results

Poultry

Heavy breed cock or cockerel: 1 D. T. MacIsaac Jnr, The Glebe, Hoy. Light breed cock or cockerel: 1 O. Robertson, Dalkeith, Grimbister, Kirkwall; 2 Thelma Bruce, Greentoft, Deerness; 3 Weaver & Griffiths, Northfield, Holm. R.I.R. hen or pullet: 1 and 2 Thelma Bruce. Light Sussex hen or pullet: 1 O. Robertson; 2 Dorothy Wood, Moonlight, Evie; 3 Magnus Thomson, The Bu of Hoy, Hoy. Any sex linked or cross hen or pullet: 1 Joanna Foubister, Netherton, Holm; 2 and 3 Dorothy Wood. Light hybrid hen or pullet: 1 and 3 E. R. Craigie, Willowvale, Tankerness; 2 Dorothy Wood. Heavy hybrid hen or pullet: 1 and 3 Thelma Bruce; 2 Dorothy Wood. Light/heavy hybrid hen or pullet: 1 A. Jones, Annfield, Tankerness; 2 Dorothy Wood. Any other pure breed hen or pullet: 1 Magnus Thomson; 2 O. Robertson; 3 Claire Corsie, Ruemuera, Burray. Ducks — any breed: 1 Claire Corsie; 2 and 3 Catherine Corsie. Drakes — any breed: 1 and 3 Claire Corsie; 2 D. A. MacIsaac, The Glebe, Hoy.

Call ducks

White ducks: 1 and 2 Bryan Taylor, Colvanton, Upper Crantit Road, Kirkwall; 3 D. T. MacIsaac Jnr. White drakes: 1 and 2 Bryan Taylor; 3 E. R. Craigie. Coloured ducks: 1 D. T. MacIsaac Jnr; 2 Weaver & Griffiths, Northfield, Holm; 3 Bryan Taylor. Coloured drakes: 1 E. R. Craigie; 2 and 3 D. T. MacIsaac Jnr.

Special prizes: Challenge Cup and Medal, presented by Ross Poultry Ltd., for best pair pullets from their stock: Thelma Bruce. Society's Cup, for best pullet reared by exhibitor and reserve: Dorothy Wood. Society's Medal for best hybrid exhibit: A. Jones. Reserve: Joanna Foubister. Society's Medal for best in poultry section: Bryan Taylor. Reserve: Magnus Thomson.

Bantams

Wyandotte hen: 1 D. A. Maclsaac; 2 and 3 E. R. Craigie. Wyandotte cock: 1 E. R. Craigie; 2 Weaver & Griffiths. Rhodes hen: 1 J. S. & J. E. Peace, Brough, Toab. Game hen: 1 and 2 E. R. Craigie; 3 J. S. & J. E. Peace. Game cock: 1 E. R. Craigie; 2 J. S. & J. E. Peace. Any other breed – bantam cock: 1 and 2 Magnus Thomson; 3 Weaver & Griffiths. Any other breed – bantam hen: 1 Magnus Thomson; 2 Weaver & Griffiths; 3 J. S. & J. E. Peace. Australorp cock: 1 D. A. Maclsaac. Australorp hen: 1 and 3 D. T. Maclsaac Jnr; 2 Magnus Thomson. Old Dutch cock: 1 D. T. Maclsaac Jnr; 2 and 3 A. Jones. Old Dutch hen: 1 and 3 A. Jones; 2 D. T. Maclsaac. Pekin cock: 1 E. R. Craigie; 2 D. A. Maclsaac. Pekin hen: 1 and 3 D. A. Maclsaac; 2 E. R. Craigie.

Special prizes: Society's Medal for best in bantam section: Dorothy Wood. Reserve: D. A. Maclsaac. Championship Trophy – Challenge Cup and Medal, presented by S. C. S., Kirkwall, for best overall exhibit in poultry and bantam sections: Dorothy Wood.

Ross Poultry Ltd Cup: Thelma Bruce.

Working dog champion

A working collie was top dog at the County Show this year, closely followed by a Dalmatian.

A good variety of breeds turned out to take part in the section, but John Foulis from Holm's collie, Pat was a cut above the rest, according to judge Bill Carstairs.

Pat's mother was a bitch from Shetland, and the stud was owned by Jim Fraser from Westshore in Rendall. Her owner, John Foulis said he was delighted and never would have guessed that Pat would win.

"She's nearly five years old — I never expected her to win today. A collie never usually wins the champion. The judge must've had a good eye!

"She is always well behaved. She's a working dog so she has to do what she's told but it's the first time she's ever won the champion and we've been coming here for a lot of years."

The reserve prize went to Heather Pritchard's Caldecacre Dalmatian — one with a famous bloodline at that.

"Her mum is the dog in the Russell Hobbs advertisement for Hoover," explained Heather.

"I bought her in Lancashire, and her name's Cee-Cee. I never expected to get this far today — I'm over the moon. She has really not been trained up for this.

"She is 18 months old and I've had her since she was a pup. I'm so pleased for her."

Champion in the puppy section was Hera — a ten-month-old Leonburger pup, owned by Carolyn Griffiths from Northfield in Holm.

The only Shetland Collie entered in that class inevitably took first place. The ten-year-old dog, Jocky, is owned by Dorothy Wood from Moonlight in Evie.

Top dog in the Spaniel class was Ian Kirkness from Dounby's three-year-old springer, Queenie, bred by Erica Shearer.

In the Labrador class, Catherine Corsie from Burray's dog Jake took first place. Jake is a four-year-old working gun dog, and took the overall champion three years ago.

The best retriever was Denise Stout from Rendall's dog, while the only Poodle in its class was Denzel — a 13-month-old pup owned by Jean Geddes from Quarryfield in Orphir.

Hugh Cameron's Japanese Chin — one of only two in Orkney — took first prize in the Toys class. Kobe is a two-year-old dog. The Camerons' other Japanese Chin won in its class two years ago.

A Westie named Podge took the prize for best Terrier. The nine-year-old dog is owned by Sonja Wishart from Westquoy in Orphir.

The winner of the Any Other Breed class was the eventual reserve champion overall, Cee-Cee the Dalmatian.

Judge Bill Carstairs said he delighted to see so many dogs being shown.

"There has been a very good standard," he explained.

"It was very nice to see so many dogs out today. What I was looking for was really good conformation and a good state of health — I was very strict on their teeth too!

"The champion ticked all the boxes, and is a very good dog. The reserve was another great dog — Dalmatians are not so popular now, which is a shame."

Results

Pups (6-12 months on day of show): 1 Weaver & Griffiths, Northfield, Holm; 2 Adam Clark, Bugar, Hoy; 3 Sharon Williamson, Breckan, Deerness. Collies: 1 John Foulis, Holmfirth, Holm; 2 and 3 I. M. & V. G. Robertson, Little Wards, Longhope. Shetland collies: 1 Dorothy Wood, Moonlight, Evie. Spaniels: 1 Ian Kirkness, Blascona, Dounby; 2 Wilma Keith, Norlan, 9 Islands View Road, Kirkwall; 3 Ruth Anthea Emslie, 11 Bosquoy Road, Kirkwall. Labradors (all colours): 1 Catherine Corsie, Ruumuera, Burray; 2 Iain MacIver, Vassblikk, Quoyloo; 3 Mr & Mrs G. Rosie, 52 Clay Loan, Kirkwall. Golden Retrievers: 1 Denise Stout, North Velzian, Gorseness Road, Rendall; 2 T. & M. Marwick, Benbeoch, Finstown. Alsations/German Shepherds: 1 I. M. & V. G. Robertson; 2 Maureen Bates, Old Manse, Longhope; 3 T. & M. Marwick. All Poodles: 1 Jean Geddes, Quarryfield, Orphir. Toys: 1 Hugh Cameron, 36 Lynn Crescent, Kirkwall; 2 Karen Foulis, Holmfirth, Holm; 3 Clare Savage, 65

Kirklands Road, Kirkwall. Terriers: 1 Sonja Wishart, Westquoy, Orphir; 2 Raymie Norquay, 7 Thorfinn Place, St Margaret's Hope; 3 A. & L. Hall, Standpretty, Evie. Any other breed: 1 Heather Pritchard, Hall Cottage, Burray; 2 J. S. & J. E. Peace, Brough, Toab; 3 J. D. & D. M. Smith, Holburn, Holm Branch Road, Kirkwall.

Special prizes: Society's Medal for best pup: Weaver & Griffiths. Trophy presented by W. N. McHarg for best working collie: John Foulis. Reserve: I. M. & V. G. Robertson. Society's Medal, for best Shetland collie: Dorothy Wood. Society's Medal for best spaniel: Ian Kirkness. Reserve: Wilma Keith. Trophy, presented by Peter J. McKinlay Esq, for best Labrador or Golden Retriever, Maureen Bates. Reserve: Denise Stout. "Quiet Corner" Cup, by Mrs S. Wilson, for best poodle: Jean Geddes. Tillyfoure Cup, presented by Mrs C. Marr, Kemnay, Aberdeenshire for best toy: Hugh Cameron. Reserve: Karen Foulis. Trophy presented by M. D. S. & J. Wishart for best terrier: Sonja Wishart. Reserve: Raymie Norquay. Society's Medal for best dog in show: John Foulis. Trophy, presented by Brigadier S. P. Robertson, for champion dog of the show: John Foulis. Reserve: Heather Pritchard. Trophy, presented by Mrs Robertson, Perth, for reserve champion dog of the show: Heather Pritchard.

Young Anthea takes County Show title

It was the way she moved.

Judge David Leggat was particularly impressed by the locomotion of the Charolais heifer he named supreme champion of the County Show cattle classes.

The heifer, Baillieston Anthea, was shown by her breeder, Ronnie Baillie of W. R. Baillie and Co, Biggings, Toab, who had taken the East Mainland championship with the heifer's half sister.

The County Show champion is a two-year-old in-calf heifer by Mowbraypark Umpire, out of Baillieston Umbretta.

Mr Baillie declared himself delighted, "absolutely delighted," by the win.

"We thought she might be in with a chance, but you never know," he said.

The heifer will stay at Biggings.

"She's in calf now to Dingle Hofmeister, so we'll see how she breeds."

Mr Leggat, of United Auctions, Perth, said he had been impressed by the quality on show in the cattle, but not surprised.

"Orkney has a worldwide reputation for quality," he said, "so I was expecting to see good cattle."

He said the Charolais heifer was really well conformed.

"The great thing about her is that she's quite a large animal but she moves really well — locomotion is really important. She's in calf, too."

He had particular praise, too, for the reserve to the champion, saying it was good to be able to name a commercial animal as the reserve.

"This animal says everything about Orkney farming," he said. "She's a top-quality example of a commercial animal."

Mr Leggat said he thought the nine-month-old steer calf would do well if shown south in the shows over the coming months.

That is exactly what the Baillies, of Sebay Farm, Tankerness, intend.

Balfour Baillie said the home-bred Limousin-cross stott would be off to the Thainstone Spectacular show and sale in September.

He was pleased the winner of the black/blue polled section had done so well against a purebred Continental animal.

"He's only nine months old. Competing against the Charolais heifer was always going to be hard.

"I'm delighted, absolutely delighted."

The stott, named Black Jack, was sired by Loosebeare Amazon and out of an Aberdeen-Angus-cross heifer.

Earlier, in the breed classes, the champion Charolais beat her half brother into second place.

The reserve Charolais champion, also bred by W. R. Baillie and Co., was Baillieston Callum, a 14-month-old bull also sired by Mowbraypark Umpire, but out of Nearhouse Rena.

In the reserve champion's class, the second-place black/blue polled animal was Garson Farms' Belgian Blue-cross heifer.

The 17-month-old was out of a Limousin-Belgian Blue-cross cow and sired by the bull Halma.

Eric Heddle's bull, which won the Shorthorn section at Dounby, also took the Shorthorn championship at the County Show.

Trunley Rustler, now three years old, was bought as a sucking calf at the Perth Sales.

He is by Trunley Timber, out of Trunley Lillian Russet — the cow Mr Heddle brought home to East Moaness, Lyness, with her bull calf.

Standing reserve in the Shorthorn section was E. and I. Kemp's nine-year-old cow in calf, Greenness Ella, which had won the East Mainland Show's Shorthorn title.

Her dam was the homebred Greenness Eliza and she was sired by the AI bull Balmyle Zeus.

Also coming from East Mainland Show success was the champion in the Any Other Continental section, Balfour Baillie's Belgian Blue cow, Oxcroft Adora.

The three-year-old was sired by Radarvan Terbrek and bought from Aberdeenshire.

The reserve in that section was a bull calf shown by Rod and Sian Jones, of Denwick, Deerness.

Aberdeen-Angus champion was the West Mainland title-holder, Skail Eric, bred and shown by the Davidsons of Skail Farm.

Sired by Blelock Blackstock, the 15-month-old bull was out of Skail Estella.

John W. Hepburn, of Burnside, Tankerness, showed the reserve champion AA, a seven-year-old cow in milk. Newlot Esmeralda was out of another Newlot Esmeralda, by the AI bull Galantray Predator.

First in the coloured cross-bred cattle was Richard Taylor's 17-month Limousin-cross heifer. Sired by Ronick Hawk, she was out of a Limousin-Belgian Blue-cross cow.

In reserve was Balfour Baillie's 11-month-old Limousin-cross heifer, sired by Loosebeare Amazon and out of a Limousin-cross cow.

The Limousin championship saw the heifers shown by Liam Muir and Gary Flett swap places.

The heifer from Mr Muir, of Midhouse, Harray, the 21-month-old Cornsay Brodie, was second at Dounby but won at the County Show.

French-bred, she was sired by the French bull Papin and out of Paola.

Gary and Claire Flett, of Leary, Birsay, won with their two-year-old heifer, Leary Babe, at Dounby, but were placed in reserve at the County Show Limousin championship.

Leary Babe was homebred, sired by the AI bull Ronick Hawk and out of Leary Jill.

County Show cattle results

Shorthorns

Bull, aged: 1 Eric Heddle, East Moaness, Lyness. Bull, calved on or after 1st September, 2005: E. & I. Kemp, Greenhall, Deerness; 2 J. C. Budge & Co, Burnhouse, Longhope; 3 G. R. T. Scarth & Co, Twatt Farm, Birsay. Bull, calved on or after 1st September, 2006: 1 J. C. Budge & Co; 2 E. & I. Kemp; 3 J. M. Lennie & Co, Nearhouse, Tankerness. Cow in milk: 1 E. & I. Kemp; 2 G. R. T. Scarth & Co; 3 Eric Heddle. Dry cow (in calf): 1 J. M. Lennie & Co. Three-year-old cow, calved on or after 1st September, 2004: 1 G. R. T. Scarth & Co; 2 J. C. Budge & Co; 3 J. M. Lennie & Co. In-calf heifer, calved on or after 1st September, 2005: 1 and 2 J. M. Lennie & Co; 3 Graham Slater, Newbigging, Dounby. One or two-year-old female with calf at foot, born on or after 1st September, 2005: 1 Eric Heddle; 2 G. R. T. Scarth & Co. Heifer, calved on or after 1st September, 2006: 1 E. & I. Kemp; 2 J. M. Lennie & Co; 3 G. R. T. Scarth & Co. Heifer calf, calved on or after 1st December, 2007: 1 J. M. Lennie & Co. Heifer calf, calved on or after 1st March, 2008: 1 J. M. Lennie & Co; 2 G. R. T. Scarth & Co. Bull calf, calved on or after 1st March, 2008: 1 and 2 G. R. T. Scarth & Co; 3 J. C. Budge & Co.

Special prizes: Society's Medal for best calf from section four and reserve: J. M. Lennie & Co. West End Hotel Cup, re-presented by G. R. T., Scarth & Co, for best Shorthorn cow or heifer: E. & I. Kemp. Reserve: J. M. Lennie & Co. Society's Medal for best pure-bred Shorthorn bull: Eric Heddle. Reserve: E. & I. Kemp. Society's Medal for Best Animal in Shorthorn Section: Eric Heddle. Reserve: E. & I. Kemp. Cup, re-presented by G. R. T. Scarth & Co. for best Orkney bred Shorthorn and reserve: E. & I. Kemp. Cup presented by Jas. M. Croy Ltd., Kirkwall, for champion in Shorthorn section: Eric Heddle. Reserve: E. & I. Kemp. Durno Trophy, presented by the Beef Shorthorn Cattle Society for champion Shorthorn (perpetual challenge): Eric Heddle. Reserve: E. & I. Kemp.

Charolais

Bull, calved on or after 1st September, 2006: 1 and 2 W. R. Baillie, Biggings, Toab. In-calf heifer, calved on or after 1st September, 2005: 1 and 2 W. R. Baillie.

Special prizes: Society's Medal for best pure Charolais and reserve: W. R. Baillie. Rosette, presented by the Scottish and Northern Charolais Breeders Association Ltd for best pure-bred Charolais: W. R. Baillie. Perpetual Challenge Trophy, presented by the British Charolais Society for the champion pure-bred Charolais and reserve: W. R. Baillie. Special Prize (Champion Plaque) presented by the Scottish and Northern Charolais Breeders Association Ltd for champion pure-bred Charolais: W. R. Baillie.

Limousins

Bull, calved on or after 1st September, 2005: 1 Messrs Spence, Norton, Dounby. Bull, calved on or after 1st September, 2006: 1 Laga Farms Ltd, Evie. Three-year-old cow, calved on or after 1st September, 2004: 1 L. Muir, Midhouse, Harray. In-calf heifer, calved on or after 1st September, 2005: 1 G. & C. Flett, Leary, Birsay. Heifer, calved on or after 1st September, 2006: 1 L. Muir. Heifer calf, calved on or after 1st September, 2007: 1 and 2 A. & L. Cromarty, Hools, St Margaret's Hope. Bull calf, calved on or after 1st September, 2007: 1 A. & L. Cromarty. Heifer calf, calved on or after 1st March, 2008: 1 L. Muir. Bull calf, calved on or after 1st March, 2008: 1 and 2 G. T. & S. Coghill, Muce Farm, Birsay.

Special prizes: Cup, presented by D.A.G. Kynoch for best pure-bred Limousin calf: L. Muir. Reserve: G. T. & S. Coghill. Orkney Auction Mart Cup for best pure-bred Limousin cow or heifer: L. Muir. Reserve: G. & C. Flett. Cup presented by E. M. Flett, Hurtiso for best pure-bred Limousin bull or bull calf: Messrs Spence. Reserve: Laga Farm Ltd. Society's Medal for best pure-bred Limousin: L. Muir. Reserve: G. & C. Flett.

Other Continental pure-breeds

Bull, calved on or after 1st September, 2005: 1 A. & A. Foubister, Netherton, Holm. Bull, calved on or after 1st September, 2006: 1 Rod & Sian Jones, Denwick, Deerness. Three-year-old cow, calved on or after 1st September, 2004: 1 Balfour Baillie, Sebay Cottage, Tankerness. In-calf heifer, calved on or after 1st September, 2005: 1 J. W. Taylor & Sons, Aikers, South Ronaldsay. Heifer, calved on or after 1st September, 2006: 1 J. W. Taylor & Sons; 2 Rod and Sian Jones. Bull calf, calved on or after 1st September, 2007: 1 Rod & Sian Jones. Heifer calf, calved on or after 1st March, 2008: 1 A. & A. Foubister. Bull calf, calved on or after 1st March, 2008: 1 A. & A. Foubister; 2 Rod & Sian Jones.

Special prizes: Society's Medal for best other pure-bred continental calf: Rod & Sian Jones. Reserve: A. & A. Foubister. Society's Medal for best other pure-bred continental: Balfour Baillie. Reserve: Rod & Sian Jones. Cup presented by Highland Industrial Supplies Ltd for best other pure-bred continental (to be won five times): Balfour Baillie. Reserve: Rod & Sian Jones. Rosette presented by the British Blue Cattle Society for champion and reserve Belgian Blue: Balfour Baillie. Reserve: Rod & Sian Jones.

Cross-bred coloured

(Horned or Polled and all other Horned Cattle)

In-calf heifer, calved on or after 1st September, 2005: 1 L. Muir; 2 Messrs Spence. Heifer, showing calf's teeth: 1 R. J. Taylor, Brencherhouse, Birsay; 2 G. T. & S. Coghill. Steer, showing calf's teeth: 1 Laga Farms Ltd; 2 and 3 Tom Flett, Appietown, Rendall. Heifer calf, calved on or after 1st September, 2007: 1 Balfour Baillie. Heifer calf, calved on or after 1st December, 2007: 1 T. & J. Leslie, Quoymorhouse, Shapinsay. Steer calf, calved on or after 1st December, 2007: 1 J. & R. Stanger, South Seatter, Sandwick. Heifer calf, calved on or after 1st March, 2008: 1 Messrs Spence; 2 L. Muir; 3 J. & R. Stanger. Steer calf, calved on or after 1st March, 2008: 1 Coghill & Co, Newbigging, South Ronaldsay; 2 G. T. & S. Coghill.

Special prizes: Cup presented by Robertsons Oil for best cross-bred coloured calf: Balfour Baillie. Reserve: J. & R. Stanger. Society's Medal for best steer or heifer from section seven: R. J. Taylor. Reserve: Laga Farms Ltd. Cup presented by Quanterness Farms for best cross-bred yearling (steer or heifer), to be won three times: R. J. Taylor. Reserve: Laga Farms Ltd. Special Prize (£80), presented by Orkney Meat Ltd., for best cross coloured yearling (steer or heifer): R. J. Taylor. Cup, presented by Heddle Construction, for best female from section seven: R. J. Taylor. Reserve: Balfour Baillie. Trophy presented by MacDonald Fraser & Co Ltd for best cross-bred coloured female sired by a Charolais bull: Messrs Spence. Cup, presented by J. W. Taylor Esq., Bellevue Hotel, for champion in section seven: R. J. Taylor. Reserve: Balfour Baillie. Special prize and rosettes, presented by The British Limousin Cattle Society, for the best Limousin cross yearling steer and reserve (calves included), bred by a named Limousin bull, from section seven: J. & R. Stanger. Reserve: Laga Farms Ltd. Special prize and rosettes, presented by The British Limousin Cattle Society, for the best Limousin cross yearling heifer and reserve (calves included), bred by a named Limousin bull, from section seven: R. J. Taylor. Reserve: Balfour Baillie.

Aberdeen-Angus

Bull, aged: 1 J. W. Hepburn, Burnside, Tankerness; 2 E. S. H. Harcus & Co, Quanterness Farm, St Ola. Bull, calved on or after 1st September, 2006: 1 Messrs Davidson, Skail Farm, Sandwick; 2 E. S. H. Harcus & Co.

Cow in milk: 1 J. W. Hepburn; 2 P. M. Hepburn, Messigate, Tankerness; 3 B. & S. Slater, Newbigging, Dounby. Dry cow (in calf): 1 James S. Baillie & Co, Sebay, Tankerness. In-calf heifer, calved on or after 1st September, 2005: 1 Phyllis M. Hepburn; 2 Messrs Davidson; 3 J. W. Hepburn. Heifer, calved on or after 1st September, 2006: 1 James S. Baillie & Co; 2 and 3 E. S. H. Harcus & Co. Heifer calf, calved on or after 1st March, 2008: 1 John W. Hepburn; 2 and 3 B. & S. Slater. Bull calf, calved on or after 1st March, 2008: 1 Phyllis M. Hepburn.

Special prizes: Cup, presented by Orkney Bull Breeders' Association for best Aberdeen-Angus calf – heifer or bull: J. W. Hepburn. Reserve: P. M. Hepburn. Cup, presented by Jean Maxwell Tait, for best Aberdeen-Angus female. Under 24 months on day of show. Exhibitor bred. To be won five times: James S. Baillie & Co. Reserve: J. W. Hepburn. Cup, presented by Orkney Bull Breeders' Association, for best Orkney-bred Aberdeen-Angus cow or heifer, entered or eligible for Herd Book: J. W. Hepburn. Reserve: P. M. Hepburn. Trophy, presented by S. & J. D. Robertson & Co. Ltd., for best female in pure-bred Aberdeen-Angus section, to be won three times: J. W. Hepburn. Reserve: James S. Baillie & Co. Perpetual Trophy presented by J. G. Nicol, Esq., of Clashfarquhar, for best pair of A.A. females, bred by exhibitor: P. M. Hepburn. Reserve: J. W. Hepburn. Cup, presented by Orkney Bull Breeders' Association for best Orkney-bred Aberdeen-Angus bull or bull calf, entered or eligible for Herd Book: Messrs Davidson. Reserve: J. W. Hepburn. Trophy, presented by Orkney Television Enterprise, for the best A.A. bull, to be won three times: Messrs Davidson. Reserve: J. W. Hepburn. Society's Medal for best animal in A.A. section: Messrs Davidson. Reserve: J. W. Hepburn. Tartan Sash, presented by Aberdeen-Angus Cattle Society for best animal in A.A. section: Messrs Davidson. Reserve: J. W. Hepburn. Rosette, presented by Aberdeen-Angus Cattle Society for best animal in A.A. section (exhibitor bred): Messrs Davidson. Reserve: J. W. Hepburn.

Cross-bred, black/blue polled

Dry cow (in-calf): 1 J. & H. Flett, Boardhouse Farm, Birsay. In-calf heifer, calved on or after 1st September, 2005: 1 Garson Farm, Garson, Sandwick; 2 L. Muir; 3 R. J. Taylor. Heifer, showing calf teeth: 1 Garson Farm; 2 and 3 L. Muir. Steer, showing calf teeth: 1 Garson Farm; 2 J. & R. Stanger; 3 L. Muir. Heifer calf, calved on or after 1st September, 2007: 1 Balfour Baillie. Steer calf, calved on or after 1st September, 2007: 1 Tom Flett; 2 G. & C. Flett. Heifer calf, calved on or after 1st December, 2007: 1 R. J. Taylor; 2 Garson Farms; 3 Messrs Spence. Steer calf, calved on or after 1st December, 2007: 1 James S. Baillie & Co; 2 L. Muir; 3 T. & J. Leslie. Heifer calf, calved on or after 1st March, 2008: 1 Balfour Baillie; 2 G. & C. Flett; 3 Coghill & Co. Steer calf, calved on or after 1st March, 2008: 1 R. J. Taylor.

Special prizes: Cup presented by Sunnybrae Feeds for best cross-bred calf in section nine: James S. Baillie & Co. Reserve: Balfour Baillie. Cup, presented by James D. Peace & Co, for the best in-calf heifer, to be won three times: Garson Farms. Reserve: L. Muir. Special Prize (£80), presented by Orkney Meat Ltd., for best black/blue yearling (steer or heifer): Garson Farms. Cup, presented by Knowles & Sons, Aberdeen for best pair of cattle (black or blue polled). Only one exhibit allowed from any class: Garson Farms. Reserve: R. J. Taylor. Cup, presented by P&O Scottish Ferries and Orkney Ferries Ltd., for best exhibit from section nine from North or South Isles (including Burray and South Ronaldsay), to be won five times: J. & T. Leslie. Reserve: Coghill & Co. Cup, presented by J. & W. Tait Ltd., for best animal in cross polled section, bred by exhibitor, to be won three times: James S. Baillie & Co. Reserve: Garson Farms. Trophy, presented by Orkney Auction Mart Ltd., for best female in cross cattle section and reserve: Garson Farms. Grimond Cup to champion in cross cattle section: James S. Baillie & Co. Reserve: Garson Farms. Special prize and rosettes, presented by The British Limousin Cattle Society, for the best Limousin cross yearling steer and reserve (calves included). Bred by a named Limousin bull, from section nine: Balfour Baillie. Reserve: L. Muir. Special prize and rosettes, presented by The British Limousin Cattle Society for the best Limousin cross yearling heifer and reserve (calves included). Bred by a named Limousin bull, from section nine: James S. Baillie & Co. Reserve: Garson Farms.

Young Farmers

Cross heifer calves, calved on or after 1st September, 2007: 1 Gary J. Stanger, South Seatter, Sandwick; 2 Cally M. Stanger, South Seatter, Sandwick; 3 Inga Kemp, Greenhall, Deerness. Cross steer calves, calved on or after 1st September, 2007: 1 Gary J. Stanger; 2 Alison M. Ritch, Kierfield Farm, Sandwick.

Special prizes: Perpetual Challenge Trophy, presented by British Airways for best animal in Young Farmers' section: Gary J. Stanger, Reserve: Cally M. Stanger. Special prize and rosette, presented by The British Limousin Cattle Society, for the best Limousin cross calf, bred by a named Limousin bull: Gary J. Stanger. Reserve: Cally M. Stanger.

Inter-breed

Championship trophies: Cup presented by Alton B. Copland, Plumbers & Heating Engineers, for champion animal in beef cattle sections (to be won four times in succession or eight times in all): W. R. Baillie. Reserve: James S. Baillie & Co. Special prize presented by Scotbeef for beef cattle champion: W. R. Baillie. Reserve: James S. Baillie & Co. Cup presented by Tormiston Farm for reserve champion in beef cattle sections: James S. Baillie & Co. Cup presented by John Sinclair, Lucknow, Shapinsay, for best animal in pure-bred natives: Messrs Davidson. Trophy presented by Aberdeen & Northern Marts for best animal in continental sections: W. R. Baillie. Maurice O. Russell Memorial Cup for best animal in cross bred sections: James S. Baillie & Co.

Holstein Friesian

Cow in milk: 1 James S. Baillie & Co; 2 J. Scott & Son, Caldale, St Ola. Cow in calf but not in milk: 1 and 2 J. Scott & Son. Heifer in milk: 1 and 2 J. Scott & Son. One-year-old heifer (no hard teeth): 1 J. Scott & Son. Heifer calf, calved on or after 1st October, 2007: 1 J. Scott & Son.

Special prizes: Cup, presented by Orkney Cheese Co. Ltd., for best Holstein Friesian heifer with no hard teeth, to be won five times and reserve: J. Scott & Son. D. Ritch Cup, re-presented by J. C. Eunson & Son for best pair of Holstein Friesians, exhibitor bred. Only one exhibit allowed from any class: J. Scott & Son. Trophy, presented by John D. Hourie Dairy Equipment for best animal in Holstein Friesian section (perpetual): J. Scott & Son. Reserve: James S. Baillie & Co. Kenneth D. Findlay Shield for best Friesian (exhibitor bred): J. Scott & Son. Society's Medal for champion in Holstein Friesian section: J. Scott & Son. Reserve: James S. Baillie & Co. Cup presented by Clark Thomson Insurance Brokers for best Friesian (exhibitor bred) and reserve: J. Scott & Son. Rosettes, presented by Holstein UK for champion and reserve champion female: J. Scott & Son. Reserve: James S. Baillie. Rosette, presented by Holstein UK for champion female (exhibitor bred): J. Scott & Son. Rosette, presented by Holstein UK for Holstein with best udder. Exhibitors must be members of Holstein UK: J. Scott & Son.

Ayrshire

Cow in milk: 1 James S. Baillie & Co.

Special prizes: Cup, presented by North-Eastern Farmers Ltd., for best Animal in Ayrshire section. (Perpetual challenge): James S. Baillie & Co. Society's medal for champion cow in Ayrshire section: James S. Baillie & Co.

Championship trophies: Trophy, presented by S. W. Paterson & Co. for dairy champion: J. Scott & Son. Special Prize, (£20) presented by James C. Eunson & Son for champion in dairy section: J. Scott & Son. Reserve: James S. Baillie & Co.

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Ian's efforts pay off with win for Ivy's mare

"I have tried long and hard, that is for a number of years, until we have had the championship. I really wanted to win it for Ivy."

That was a delighted Ian Smith, who showed the overall winner in the horse section — a Clydesdale mare, Hrossland Just Meg — at this year's County Show.

Hrossland Just Meg, who is 11 years old, was sired by West Clumley Daniel and out of Hrossland Just Mandy.

Ian, who has been showing Ivy Cromarty's Clydesdales at shows for a number of years, flung his hat in the air and let out a "whoop" as the Clydesdale was announced the winner.

He said: "She is a good mare, born and bred in Orkney. She is as hard as nails; she lies out all winter."

When asked why he gave up his own time to show Ivy's animals, Ian said it was something that he quite simply loved.

Clydesdale judge, Ian Flett, of Millhouse, Lyde Road, Harray, added: "If it is in your blood, it is in your blood — it is like a disease!"

The judge added his thoughts on why the mare had picked up the title this year: "She is a tremendous mare; very well presented. Really, the hair on her is to be admired anywhere in the country. She is a horse that could stand at any show in Scotland."

Mr Flett said his fellow judges had agreed that she was outstanding — and all the more pleasing for Ivy Cromarty, of Heathervale in Burray, as the mare is home-bred.

But Mr Flett also praised the light-legged champion and Shetland pony that she was up against, describing them as "superior" animals and a credit to Orkney.

Owner of the Clydesdale, Ivy Cromarty, who is a stalwart shower in the county, said she was "absolutely delighted".

"Ian Smith does the most wonderful job with presenting her. I really cannot take a great deal of credit for her showing, Ian does all the hard work. I think we should take off our hats to him.

"We showed at the Hope show and she was beaten by her daughter there! We were hoping she would do well, you are never confident until you see it happen. I was hoping Ian might win; he has been up here so many times and been reserve," Ivy added.

Reserve champion in the horse and pony section was awarded to another familiar entrant, Jack and Laura Cromarty, Roadside, Toab, with their ten-year-old mare, Bayview First Class — a previous winner of the overall championship at the County Show.

She is out of Linglass Suzie and sired by Millhouse First Class.

Laura said: "We are delighted today. She is a full sister of the one who was champion of the East Mainland Show last week."

Judge of the Shetlands, Douglas MacArthur, from 3 George Wilson Road, Aldearn, Nairnshire, said of the reserve that she was an "exceptional and outstanding" champion.

"Very good quality and very true," he added.

Mr MacArthur has Shetland ponies himself, and has judged at shows in Orkney in the past.

Of the Clydesdale, he said: "She is a nice, powerful mare."

Reserve Shetland champion went to Holder Firth, Eastaben, Stenness, and his three-year-old filly, Rashieburn Lady.

Champion in the light-legged in-hand category was awarded to Caroline Casey, Gaitnip Farm, St Ola and Orkney's Million Dollar Baby.

The Connemara cross/Irish draft thoroughbred was reserve horse champion at the East Mainland Show.

Reserve in the section was given to Patricia Lie, Scorrabrae Inn, Orphir with her four-month-old filly foal, Scorrabrae Sweet Symphony.

The youngster was also awarded the champion foal title.

Polly, as the home-bred foal is known at home, was sired by a synod Welsh thoroughbred, Kingarth Earl Thorfinn, and out of another home-bred mare, Scorrabrae 1st Symphony.

The foal's great-grandfather was a warm blood, Dutch Courage, who was at the Seoul Olympics taking part in the three-day eventing.

Light-legged in-hand judge, Angus Kidd, from Perth, said of the winner: "I thought it was a very nice pony that moved well and looks to me that will be the kind of pony that will do well in the ridden.

"The reserve was the foal. It was a nice foal with plenty of scope to grow on. An animal that will do a good ridden in the future. There appears to be a lot of nice quality horses and ponies here in Orkney."

Toots Cromarty, from Hilltoft in Burray, won the ridden ponies over 16.2 class, while Mrs C. Flett and Miss S. Swannie, Berridale, Dounby were successful in the ridden section over 15.2 hand class.

The 15.2 hands and under class, saw Jill Spence, of Wideford Mains, pick up the title, while Erica Tait, 15 East Road, Kirkwall, won the ridden ponies, not exceeding 14.2 hands class.

Inga Barnett, Serrigar, South Ronaldsay, won the ridden ponies, not exceeding 13.2 hands class, and Anna Tait, Newhallee, Glaitness Road, the ridden ponies, not exceeding 12.2 hands.

Ridden ponies, coloured, any size was won by S. & H. Nixon, Mill Cottage, Stenness, while Shannon McGuinness, 21 Quilco, Dounby was named number one in the pure bred mountain and moorland class.

Maxi cob winner was Kirsten A. Norquoy, Flanders, Dounby, and ridden cob went to Alix Tait. Coleen Wood, Mount Pleasant, Stromness, won the leading rein, excluding Shetland ponies, class.

The Golden Kestrel Cup for the best in ridden section went to Mrs C. Flett and Miss S. Swannie with reserve Jill Spence.

County Show horse results

Light-legged horses, senior and young – in hand

Brood mares over 14.2 hands: 1 Patricia Lie, Scorrabrae Inn, Orphir. Foals of above: 1 Patricia Lie. Brood mares over 12.2, but not exceeding 14.2 hands: 1. T. & M. Rorie, Fea Farm, Orphir; 2 Kathleen Grant, Skallahjem, Orphir. Foals of above: 1 I. T. & M. Rorie; 2 Alex Harcus, Ben Mora, Cromwell Road, Kirkwall; 3 Kathleen Grant. Brood mares not exceeding 12.2 hands: 1 Toni Greene, Flaws, Marwick, Birsay. Foals of above: 1 Toni Greene. Four-year-olds or over, exceeding 14.2 hands: 1 John Wishart, Westquoy, Orphir; 2 Christine Milne, 56 Quoybanks Crescent, Kirkwall; 3 C. Flett & S. Swannie, Berriedale, Dounby. Four-year-olds or over, 12.2 not exceeding 14.2 hands: 1 Caroline Casey, Gaitnip Farm, St Ola; 2 I. T. & M. Rorie; 3 G. & S. Linnitt, Gaira, South Ronaldsay. Four-year-olds or over, not exceeding 12.2 hands: 1 Symonds Family, Glendale, Sandwick; 2 Toni Greene. Pure-Bred Mountain and Moorland (excluding Shetlands), two-year-olds and over: 1 I. T. & M. Rorie; 2

Alex Harcus; 3 Kathleen Grant. Stallions over 11 hands (two years and over): 1 and 2 George Louttit, Hoy View, Stromness; 3 Kathleen Grant. Yearlings likely to exceed 13.2 hands: 1 S. A. Wylie, Swartland, Dounby; 2 Patricia Lie. Two- and three-year-olds likely to exceed 13.2 hands: 1 I. T. & M. Rorie.

Special prizes: Trophy, presented by Orkney Today, for best brood mare in light-legged section, to be won three times in succession, or four times in all: Toni Greene. Reserve: I. T. & M. Rorie. Cup, presented by T. G. Muir Esq., for best light-legged foal, to be won four times: Patricia Lie. Reserve: Toni Greene. Cup, presented by Ortak for best two- or three-year-old animal in light-legged section: I. T. & M. Rorie. Trophy presented by Captain Burgher for champion in light-legged section. (in hand), to be won five times: Caroline Casey. Reserve: Patricia Lie.

Light-legged horses - ridden

Ridden ponies over 16.2 hands: 1 Toots Cromarty, Hilltoft, Burray; 2 Leah Drever, Auchenleck, Heathery Loan, St Ola; 3 Rebecca Drever, Croftness, Glaitness Road, Kirkwall. Ridden ponies over 15.2 hands, not exceeding 16.2 hands: 1 C. Flett & S. Swannie; 2 Lizzie Linklater, Sittadale Park, Berstane Road, Kirkwall; 3 Denise Stout, North Velzian, Rendall. Ridden ponies 15.2 hands and under: 1 Jill Spence, Wideford Mains, St Ola; 2 Anna Davidson, Skaill Farm, Sandwick; 3 D. & J. Henry, Daystar, Deerness. Ridden ponies not exceeding 14.2 hands: 1 Erica Tait, 15 East Road, Kirkwall; 2 Erin Davidson, Skaill Farm, Sandwick; 3 Jill Spence. Ridden Ponies not exceeding 13.2 hands: 1 Inga Barnett, Serrigar, South Ronaldsay; 2 Ruby Merriman, Blackbraes, Stenness; 3 Alice Tait, Newhalla, Kirkwall. Ridden ponies not exceeding 12.2 hands: 1 Anna Tait, Newhalla, Kirkwall; 2 D. & S. Currie, Northbank, St Ola; 3 Sarah Reid, Cruan Riding School, Firth. Ridden ponies, coloured, any size: 1 S. & H. Nixon, Mill Cottage, Stenness; 2 R. Andrews, Crook, St Margaret's Hope. Pure bred Mountain and Moorland (excluding Shetlands): 1 Shannon McGuinness, 21 Quilco, Dounby; 2 Gina Marshall, Cotland, St Ola; 3 Eula Merriman, Blackbraes, Stenness. Maxi cob (over 15.1 hands): 1 Kirsten Norquoy, Flanders, Dounby; 2 Julie Garriock, Newhouse, Burray. Ridden cob (15.1 and under): 1 Alix Tait, Isgarth, Nicolson Street, Kirkwall. Leading rein (excluding Shetland ponies) (rider nine years and under): 1 Coleen Wood, Mount Pleasant, Stromness; 2 Tamara Schofield, Vins Hamar, Stromness; 3 Joss Muir, Erne Toog, Innertown, Stromness.

Special prizes: Trophy, presented by Orkney Mechanical Services Ltd., for best light-legged over 16.2 hands: Toots Cromarty. Reserve: Leah Drever. Trophy, presented by Orkney Mechanical Services Ltd., for best light-legged over 15.2 hands, not exceeding 16.2 hands: C. Flett & S. Swannie. Trophy, presented by Orkney Mechanical Services Ltd., for best light-legged 15.2 hands and under: Jill Spence. Reserve: Anna Davidson. Trophy, presented by Orkney Mechanical Services Ltd., for best light-legged not exceeding 14.2 hands: Erica Tait. Reserve: Erin Davidson. Trophy, presented by Orkney Mechanical Services Ltd., for best light-legged not exceeding 13.2 hands: Inga Barnett. Reserve: Ruby Merriman. Trophy, presented by Orkney Mechanical Services Ltd., for best light-legged not exceeding 12.2 hands: Anna Tait. Reserve: D. & S. Currie. Trophy, presented by Orkney Mechanical Services Ltd., for best leading rein: Coleen Wood. Reserve: Tamara Schofield. Society's medal for best cob: Alix Tait. Society's Medal for best in ridden section: C. Flett & S. Swannie. The Golden Kestrel Cup for best in ridden section, to be won three times in succession, or four times in all: C. Flett & S. Swannie. Reserve: Jill Spence. The Zara Trophy for best coloured light-legged (ridden): S. & H. Nixon. Reserve: R. Andrews. Society's Medal for best in leading rein class: Coleen Wood. Society's Medal for best in ridden section – including leading rein: C. Flett & S. Swannie. Rosette, presented by the Scottish Connemara Group for best ridden Connemara pony 14.2 and under: Toots Cromarty.

Other special prizes:

Cup, presented by A. & P. Casey of Casey Hotels, for best pair from one exhibitor in light-legged section, any size or sex, to be won three times: Helen Foulis. Reserve: Sonja Wishart. Society's Medal for best animal in light-legged section (bred by exhibitor): Caroline Casey. Trophy, presented by The Leonards, Kirkwall, for best animal in light-legged section, to be won three times in succession: Caroline Casey. Society's Medal for best animal in section: Caroline Casey. Reserve: C. Flett & S. Swannie. Society's Medal for best pure bred Hackney: Toots Cromarty.

Shetland ponies

Shetland pony, not over 101/2 hands, with foal at foot, or due to foal before 30th September, 2008: 1 J. & L. Cromarty, Roadside, Toab; 2 Alison Slater, Roadside, Orphir; 3 J. L. Flett, Cumliebank, Cromwell Road, Kirkwall. Shetland pony filly foal, dam not over 101/2 hands: 1 J. & M. Slater, Millquoy; 2 J. S. & J. E. Peace, Brough, Toab; 3 Alison Slater. Shetland pony dolt foal, dam not over 101/2 hands: 1 J. L. Flett; 2 James W. Slater, Groundwater, Orphir; 3 J. L. Flett. Shetland pony, not over 101/2 hands (yield): 1 J. & L. Cromarty; 2 J. & L. Flett; 3 S. & H. Nixon, Mill Cottage, Stenness. Shetland pony, not over 101/2 hands (gelding): 1 Sonja Wishart, Westquoy, Orphir; 2 J. & M. Slater; 3 Martin Wishart, Westquoy, Orphir. Shetland pony, under 101/2 hands, one-year-old filly: 1, 2 and 3 J. & M. Slater. Shetland pony, under 101/2 hands, two-year-old filly: 1 Anjo Casey, Gaitnip Farm, St Ola; 2 James W. Slater; 3 J. S. & J. E. Peace. Shetland pony, under 101/2 hands, three-year-old filly: 1 Holden Firth, Eastaben, Stenness; 2 J. & L. Cromarty. Shetland pony stallion, under 101/2 hands: 1 and 2 J. & M. Slater; 3 Katrina Mainland, Lyde, Finstown. Leading rein class (rider nine years and under): 1 Gemma McGowan, Kinlough, Scapa. Ridden Shetland pony (off lead rein): 1 Kirsten A. Norquoy, Flanders, Dounby.

Special prizes: Society's medal for best in leading rein class: Gemma McGowan. Rosette, presented by Shetland Pony Stud Book Society, for best in leading rein class: Gemma McGowan. Rosette, presented by Shetland Pony Stud Book Society, for best in off-lead rein: Kirsten A. Norquoy.

Shetland ponies, miniatures

Shetland pony stallion: 1 Holden Firth; 2 J. S. & J. E. Peace. Shetland pony mare: 1 J. L. Flett; 2 and 3 Holden Firth. Shetland pony yearling: 1 Holden Firth. Shetland pony two-year-old: 1 Holden Firth. Shetland pony filly foal: 1 Holden Firth. Shetland pony colt foal: 1 and 2 Holden Firth.

Special prizes: Rosette, presented by the Shetland Pony Stud Book Society, for the best miniature Shetland pony not exceeding 34" at maturity: Holden Firth. Rosette, presented by the Shetland Pony Stud Book Society, for best Shetland gelding: Sonja Wishart. Cup presented by Bank of Scotland, Kirkwall, for best Shetland pony foal: J. L. Flett. Reserve: J. M. Slater. Rosette, presented by Shetland Pony Stud Book Society, for best foal: J. L. Flett. Rosette, presented by Shetland Pony Stud Book Society, for best Shetland pony three years and under and reserve: Holden Firth. Reserve: J. M. Slater. Trophy presented by Jack Cromarty for best pair Shetland ponies, to be won three times in succession, or five times in all: J. & L. Cromarty. Reserve: J. M. Slater. Cup, presented by Laddyll Shetland Pony Stud for the best Shetland pony, coloured (perpetual): Holden Firth. Reserve: J. L. Cromarty. Trophy, presented by Harray Stores for best Shetland pony, not exceeding 42 ins: J. L. Cromarty. Reserve: Holden Firth. Rosettes, presented by The Shetland Pony Stud Book Society, for the best Shetland pony and reserve: J. L. Cromarty. Reserve: Holden Firth. Society's Medal for best animal in section: J. L. Cromarty. Cup, presented by J. & B. Laing for champion Shetland pony: J. L. Cromarty. Reserve: Holden Firth. Brigid Smith Perpetual Memorial Trophy for best Shetland pony bred by exhibitor (must be entered or eligible for entry in the Stud Book), (to be not less than three in class): J. L. Cromarty. Reserve: Holden Firth. Cup, presented by Alfred Flett Esq., for best Shetland pony, opposite sex to champion, to be won three times: Sonja Wishart.

Clydesdales

Yield mares: 1 and 2 I. E. M. Cromarty, Heathervale, Burray; 3 John Taylor & Sons, Aikers, South Ronaldsay.

Special prizes: Society's Medal for best Clydesdale: I. E. M. Cromarty. Cup, presented by H. Rendall Esq., Tankerness, for best Clydesdale brood mare: I. E. M. Cromarty. Trophy presented by Mr E. Metcalfe for the Clydesdale champion (to be won three times in succession): I. E. M. Cromarty.

Orkney Horticultural and Industrial Association Show

Results

VEGETABLES AND FRUIT

Vegetables

Beans (broad six pods): 1 and 2 E. Hutchison; 3 W. Tait. Beetroot (globe two): 1 and 3 P. Bews; 2 W. Tait. Beetroot (any other type two): 1 W. Tait; 2 E. T. Hutchison; 3 P. Bews. Cabbage (pointed one): 1 B. Taylor; 2 O. Robertson; 3 P. Bews. Cabbage (drumhead one): 1 E. T. Hutchison; 2 B. Taylor; 3 D. Newlands. Carrots (long three): 1 and 3 W. Tait; 2 B. Taylor. Carrots (any other variety three): 1 W. Tait; 2 and 3 B. Taylor. Cauliflower (one): 1 O. Robertson; 2 and 3 B. Taylor. Celery (one): 1, 2 and 3 W. Tait. Cucumber (one): 1 E. Hutchison; 2 W. Tait; 3 P. Bews. Garden turnips (white two): 1 and 2 W. Tait; 3 T. Delday. Garden turnips (coloured two): 1 D. Newlands; 2 and 3 T. Delday. Kohl rabi (two): 1 and 2 W. Tait; 3 E. T. Hutchison. Leeks (blanched two): 1 W. Tait; 2 and 3 B. Taylor. Leeks (pot two): 1 W. Tait; 2 and 3 B. Taylor. Lettuce (cabbage one): 1 P. Bews. Lettuce (any other variety one): 1 B. Baikie. Onions (three): 1, 2 and 3 B. Taylor. Onions (under 8 oz three): 1 I. Rendall; 2 E. T. Hutchison; 3 B. Taylor. Parsley (three stems): 1, 2 and 3 W. Tait. Parsnips (two): 1, 2 and 3 W. Tait. Peas (six pods): 1 B. Taylor; 2 E. T. Hutchison; 3 O. Robertson. Potatoes (long or kidney coloured four): 1 E. T. Hutchison; 2 I. Rendall; 3 T. Delday. Potatoes (round coloured four): 1 James Delday; 2 and 3 T. Delday. Potatoes (long or kidney white four): 1 and 2 E. T. Hutchison; 3 T. Delday. Potatoes (round white four): 1 I. Rendall; 2 T. Delday; 3 B. Taylor. Radishes (long or round three): 1 and 2 W. Tait; 3 D. Newlands. Shallots (white six): 1 I. Rendall; 2 O. Robertson. Shallots (coloured six): 1 I. Rendall; 2 and 3 E. T. Hutchison. Tomatoes (yellow or red four): 1 P. Stevenson; 2 and 3 W. Tait. Tomatoes (cherry yellow or red six): 1 W. Tait; 2 P. Bews; 3 P. Stevenson. Any other variety of vegetable (three): 1 B. Taylor.

Fruit

Blackcurrants (20): 1 B. Baikie; 2 and 3 W. Tait. Gooseberries (green ten): 1 and 2 E. T. Hutchison. Raspberries (six): 1 P. Stevenson; 2 and 3 W. Tait. Redcurrants (20): 1 P. Stevenson. Any other fruit (dish): 1 O. Robertson.

Special Prizes — vegetables and fruit

Trophy by Mrs C. Spence for best collection of vegetables (four varieties three of each): 1 B. Taylor. Prize by Mrs P. Braby for novice with most points in vegetables: James Delday. Trophy by anonymous donor for best exhibit in vegetables and fruit section: B. Taylor. Prize by Wm Shearer, merchant, Kirkwall for best entry cauliflower: Olive Robertson. Prize by the president for best two leeks: W. Tait. Prize by the Association for best entry tomatoes: P. Stevenson. Prize by Mr J. Taylor, Kirkwall for best entry fruit: E. Hutchison.

CUT FLOWERS

Antirrhinum (three blooms): 1 O. Robertson; 2 T. Delday; 3 B. Baikie. Asters (three blooms): 1 R. R. Logie. Begonia (three blooms): 1, 2 and 3 W. Tait. Calendula (six blooms): 1 and 2 B. Baikie; 3 W. Tait. Candytuft (six blooms no laterals): 1, 2 and 3 W. Tait. Chrysanthemum annual double three blooms: 1 T. Delday. Chrysanthemum annual single (three blooms): 1 T. Delday. Chrysanthemum reflex any one colour or mixed (three blooms): 1 O. Robertson. Chrysanthemum spray (vase of three stems): 1, 2 and 3 R. Logie. Cornflower annual (six blooms): 1 W. Tait; 2 and 3 B. Baikie. Dahlia giant decorative eight inch or over (two blooms): 1 B. Taylor. Dahlia medium decorative five inch to eight inch (two blooms): 1 B. Taylor. Dahlias small decorative under five inch (two blooms): 1 E. Hutchison; 2 and 3 B. Taylor. Dahlia cactus not under seven inch (two blooms): 1, 2 and 3 B. Taylor. Dahlia cactus three inch to seven inch (two blooms): 1 B. Taylor; 2 and 3 B. Baikie. Dahlia ball two inch or over (two blooms): 1, 2 and 3 B. Taylor. Dahlia pompom not exceeding two inch (three blooms): 1 B. Taylor; 2 B. Baikie. Dahlia bedding (three blooms): 1 and 2 B. Taylor; 3 B. Baikie. Geranium single (three trusses): 1 and 2 R. Logie; 3 E. T. Hutchison. Geranium double (three trusses): 1 B. Baikie; 2 and 3 R. Logie. Godetia (three spikes): 1 B. Baikie. Lavatera (three stems): 1 and 3 W. Tait; 2 B. Baikie. Lily (three stems any variety): 1 D. Newlands. Marguerite single (six blooms): 1 O. Robertson; 2 B. Baikie. Marigold African (three blooms): 1 T. Delday; 2 B. Taylor; 3 B. Baikie. Marigold French single (three blooms): 1, 2 and 3 R. Logie. Marigold French double (three blooms): 1 B. Baikie; 2 and 3 T. Delday. Nasturtium single (six blooms): 1 O. Robertson; 2 W. Tait; 3 B. Taylor. Nemesis (six stems): 1 T. Delday. Pansies (six blooms): 1, 2 and 3 B. Taylor. Phlox drummondii (one vase): 1 T. Delday; 2 W. Tait. Pinks (six blooms): 1, 2 and 3 B. Baikie. Poppies any variety (six blooms): 1 O. Robertson. Rose hybrid tea (one bloom): 1 W. Tait; 2 B. Taylor. Rose rambler (three clusters with foliage): 1 R. Logie; 2 and 3 B. Taylor. Stocks (three blooms no laterals): 1 O. Robertson. Violas (six blooms preferably dissimilar): 1 and 2 T. Delday; 3 O. Robertson.

Special prizes – cut flowers

Challenge Cup presented by Mrs Gilbert Archer for collection of six herbaceous plants (four stems of one kind in each vase); 2nd prize £2; 3rd prize £1: 1 B. Baikie; 2 B. Taylor; 3 O. Robertson. Ladies Challenge Cup for Cut Flowers – six vases of hardy annuals, each vase not to contain more than six blooms of one kind: O. Robertson. Prize by Mr J. W. Wylie, Kirkwall for best exhibit of three rose blooms grown outside: 1 W. Tait. Prize by Wm Shearer, merchant, Kirkwall, for best six blooms Scotch marigolds in show. Prize £5 voucher: B. Baikie. Association trophy for most point in flowers, fruit and vegetables in show: W. Tait. Memorial Trophy presented by Mrs D. D. Marwick for one rose (No 62): W. Tait. Challenge Trophy by Kirkwall & St Ola Community Council for best allotment in Kirkwall: D. McIver. Trophy presented by Brigadier and Mrs S. P. Robertson, Daisybank, Kirkwall for best exhibit in cut flowers: W. Tait. Trophy by Mr C. Peace, South Ronaldsay, for most points in cut flowers: Bryan Taylor. Centenary Challenge Trophy by Jewson's, Kirkwall, for best exhibit in horticulture: B. Taylor. Prize by Association, Medallion for best exhibit in horticulture: B. Taylor. Shoulder spray of flowers: 1 Y. Smith; 2 O. Robertson. Prize by Association best arrangement Japanese theme: 1 O. Robertson; 2 Y. Smith. By Mrs R. Linklater – miniature arrangement: 1 Y. Smith; 2 O. Robertson. Prize by Orphir Flower Club for best arrangement twist and turn: 1 O. Robertson; 2 Y. Smith. Prize by Mr W. Tait – best arrangement flowers in a round bowl: 1 Y. Smith; 2 O. Robertson. Prize by Birsay Church Flower Club for a foliage arrangement: 1 Y. Smith;

2 O. Robertson. Trophy by Mrs M. Spence, St Ola for most points in floral art section: Yvonne Smith. Prize by Florabunda, Kirkwall for best exhibit in floral art: Olive Robertson.

POT PLANTS

Begonia (tuber): 1, 2 and 3 W. Tait. Cactus: 1 D. Newlands; 2 and 3 P. Brodie. Foliage plant: 1 W. Tait; 2 P. Brodie; 3 E. T. Hutchison. Fuchsia (single): 1, 2 and 3 E. T. Hutchison. Fuchsia (double): 1 and 2 E. T. Hutchison. Fuchsia (standard any size): 1 B. Taylor. Fuchsia (hanging): 1, 2 and 3 E. T. Hutchison. Geranium: 1, 2 and 3 R. Logie. Gloxinia: 1 and 2 W. Tait; 3 P. Brodie. Hanging plant: 1 R. Logie; 2 P. Brodie. Pelargonium: 1 and 2 E. T. Hutchison. Petunia (double): 1 P. Brodie. Succulent: 1 D. Newlands. Collection of three different pot plants: 1 and 2 R. Logie; 3 E. Hutchison. Any pot plant other than above: 1 and 2 R. Logie.

Special prizes – pot plants

Challenge Trophy, re-donated by the family of the late James Scott for best begonia double: W. Tait. By Wm Shearer, Kirkwall prize for most outstanding exhibit in pot plants other than begonias and fuchsias. Prize £5 voucher: D. Newlands. By Mr W. Tait, Kirkwall for best pot geranium in show single or double. Prize £1: R. Logie. Challenge Trophy in memory of Norman Williamson for best pot geranium in show single or double: R. Logie. By William Jolly, Kirkwall tankard for best pot fuchsia in show: E. Hutchison. Challenge trophy in memory of John and Violet Burgess for best exhibit in pot plants: W. Tait. Talisman Trophy for most points in pot plants: E. Hutchison.

JUVENILE SECTION

Nasturtiums six blooms: 1 Rachel Smith. Chrysanthemum single six blooms: 1 Rachel Smith. Cornflower six blooms: 1 Rachel Smith. Marguerite six blooms 1 Rachel Smith. Marigold Scotch three blooms: 1 Rachel Smith. Pansies six blooms: 1 Rachel Smith. Heaviest potato: 1 Catherine Louttit.

Special prizes

Prize by Association for buttonhole bouquet: Rachel Smith. Prize by Mrs A. Hutchison, Kirkwall for a posy in a teacup: Rachel Smith. Prize by Mrs E. Logie, Kirkwall for a vegetable animal: Rachel Smith.