



# Lion Lops UK

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British Rabbit Council Affiliated

Well hello all, here I am again ; )

I hope you have all had a good start to the new year , with lots of baby fluffers binkying around , I know I have.

We have already kicked off the Stock Shows with our Carlisle show on 8<sup>th</sup> March. Results of which can be found further down the page...

It was lovely to see and meet so many of you at Bradford, even if entries were a little low, it's still great to come along, support the club and attend the AGM.

We were quite busy on the LLUK stand renewing memberships and signing up new recruits, welcome to you all .

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Just a little reminder of the standard points for the Lionlop:

Ring size K	Points
Weight & Type	25
Coat	20
Head,crown,eye colour & ears	20
Mane	20
Colour & Pattern	10
Condition	5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100</b>

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plus many BOB's with my Lionlops!



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**BRADFORD 2015**

Although we do not hold a Stock Show at Bradford I would still like to congratulate the Lionlop Bob winners .....Ady and Becky with their very handsome black otter, well done guys.



2015 Costs and Prices

Adults Subs £5.00  
Junior Subs £2.50  
Senior Subs £2.50  
Stud Subs £8.00

Embroidered Coat Badge £4.00



The lovely George . BoB at Carlisle. Congratulations to Ady and Becky

**Carlisle Stock Show March  
8<sup>th</sup> 2015 Results**

Carlisle was the venue for our very first Stock Show of the year. Judged by Ros Waring. Thank you Ros.

Best in Show going to Bastion Stud, a good start on members points for them – well done Becky and Ady ☺

Congratulations also to Fearn Dean going Best Junior with her lovely sable.

Lots more to look forward to so get those gorgeous rabbits out there girls and boys!!!

COLOUR	EXHIBITOR	AWARD
REW	Bastion Stud	CC,BoB,BiS
Black	Lorraine Sunderland	CC
AOC Self	Luckyjet Stud	CC
Sooty	Jane Bramley	CC
Agouti/Opal	Circle C Stud	CC
Sable/Smoke	Ferne Dean	CC, Best Junior
Sealpoint/Bluepoint	Susan Benson	CC
Butterfly	Susan Benson	CC
AOC N/Self	Paul Jagger	CC
Otter/Fox	Ady Ley	CC
Beige/Iron Grey	Claire Mitcheson	CC



Best Junior - sable of Fearn Deans



Membership is still boasting healthy numbers, but there can never be too many!! Please try to encourage anyone who inquires about our wonderful breed to check out the website, club and facebook page, where all questions can be answered.

## Breeder Panel Judges

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Mr P Brasier  
Mr G Boot  
Mrs M Cawdron  
Mrs H Elliot  
Mr R Everitt  
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Mr S Germany  
Mr G Hodgson  
Mr N Jefferis  
Mr D Medlock  
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Mr G Richardson  
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Mrs R Waring  
Mrs G Webb-Bailey  
Mr R Whincup-Grindey





Those of you who attended the AGM at Bradford will be aware that we have applied to the BRC to have the wording in the standard changed a little. This led to a discussion, which has led to an article being written re the sm and dm.

Understanding the M gene

The m (mane) gene is a modifier gene. We have single mane and double mane. We can also incorporate the mini lop from time to time to prevent the coats from becoming too woolly. We don't want a woolly coat. We want a nice dense back coat with a nice roll back to it and shorter than the mane. Below is a table of the various outcomes when we use dm sm and mini lops together.

	NO MANE	SM	DM
NO MANE	100% No Mane	50% No Mane 50% SM	100% SM
SM	50% No Mane 50% SM	25% No Mane 25% DM 50% SM	50% DM 50% SM
DM	100% SM	50% SM 50% DM	100% DM

Our aim should be to breed a purebred lionlop (MM) ie: a dm. that looks something like this...



Okay. So whilst this may not be the greatest DM ever, it does however give a good idea as to how the DM should look. You can clearly see in this picture how the back coat is clearing yet we are retaining the mane and bib. The remainder of skirt will gradually come out ,this can be helped with regular grooming sessions, giving us the desired look of a shorter back coat.

The dm lionlop should have a mane of longer fur around the neck and on the chest , which we call the bib, to form a complete circle around the head. The mane counts for 20 of the allocated 100 points .





The sm (m ) should be classed as a crossbred , it has only 1 of the m genes , don't think that because the majority of sm don't conform to the standard that there is no room for them in your shed, you couldn't be more wrong. Every breeder of the lionlop needs sm in their shed, who knows you might breed the perfect dm from 2 of your singles....



Here are 2 examples of sm lionlop adults, sadly neither has retained any bib.



There is no rule that states you cannot show a sm and many show very well as u5, sadly not a huge percentage retain it into adulthood, but if it does retain its mane and bib into adulthood then why not continue to show it, at the end of the day judges judge the rabbit on the table not the breeding or genetics. A bibless sm or a sm with just a few strands of top mane should not be dq'd in my opinion but it should be marked down. After all 20 points are allocated to the mane, if an exhibit has only a few top strands, points should be adjusted accordingly.

I would like to clear up any confusion here as I have been asked a few times by other fanciers... if a sm/mini or a sm/sm mating produces a mini lop will it carry the mane gene ? The answer is NO, a modifier gene cannot be "carried", only displayed. One or both parents have to have mane to produce mane.

We have to now move on from thinking of the lionlop as a mini lop with a mane, they are a breed in their own right and should be treated and judged as such. Yes their type is very close to that of a mini lop and weight limits are the same (after all the mini lop helped in producing this lovely breed) but points are allocated differently and this should be noted.

I hope you find this article helpful .

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## STOCK SHOWS 2015

We still have lots to look forward to this year.....

Southern Champs	3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Bill Parrish
Emley	1 <sup>st</sup> August	Garry Richardson
Coventry	30 <sup>th</sup> August	Geoff Boot
London Champs	10/11 <sup>th</sup> October	TBA

**Finally good luck to you all and hope to see lots of you at Southern Champs this weekend : )**



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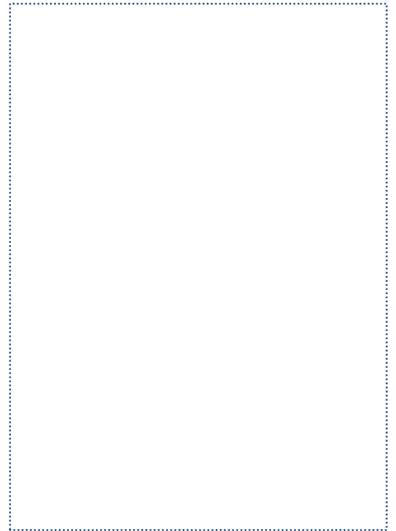
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Blah de blah de blah

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