

Welsh wizard woos judge for supreme

THE REXON Stud's Welsh Section D stallion Trevarth Black Lad triumphed over an impressive line-up of 43 champions to claim the coveted Native Pony Association of Cornwall's Champion of Champions 2003 Supreme title judged by Lizzie Briant at Barguse Indoor Centre.

"This is an outstanding stallion with exceptionally straight movement," said Miss Briant who had travelled down from Wiltshire.

"He's been beautifully produced and is an excellent representative of the Welsh breed.

"It's been an absolute pleasure and an extremely difficult task judging such a high quality line-up of champions.

"But I've enjoyed the challenge and have been thrilled to see so many high quality examples of the native breeds coming together."

Shown by Sean Grylls, the Supreme and in-hand champion Trevarth Black Lad was acquired by Captain P G McGarry of the Launceston-based Rexion Stud as a two-year-old direct from his breeders Tony and Jo Lutey of the Trevarth Stud, Newlyn East.

This ten-year-old son of Parc Cardi is bred in the purple being out of Trevarth Black Lady whose dam Parc Rachael won the prestigious George Prince of Wales Cup on four occasions.

"He's one in a million," said Captain McGarry's daughter Patsy Grylls. Although he has a gentle nature and fantastic temperament he is full of life and a big performer in-hand and under saddle.

"Four generations of our family are resident at the stud so we all share in the elation of a big win.

"Winning the Champion of Champions Supreme title is a tremendous honour and as a result of this Black Lad has been invited to represent the Welsh breed at the Equine Fayre Bath & West Showground this weekend"

Captain P G McGarry bred his first Welsh pony 40 years ago and with help from his family the Rexion Stud now stands 14 licensed stallions including Welsh Ds, Cs and As as well as five Miniature Shetlands and the British Spotted stallion Kerswell Spiro, winner of the National British Spotted Championship.

"We're a family of enthusiasts who are passionate about breeding quality stock," said Patsy.