Art of Ferreting

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Any Questions?



My Background

- I am from Manchester England
- I have travelled over 5,500 miles to be here
- I am owned by 6 ferrets



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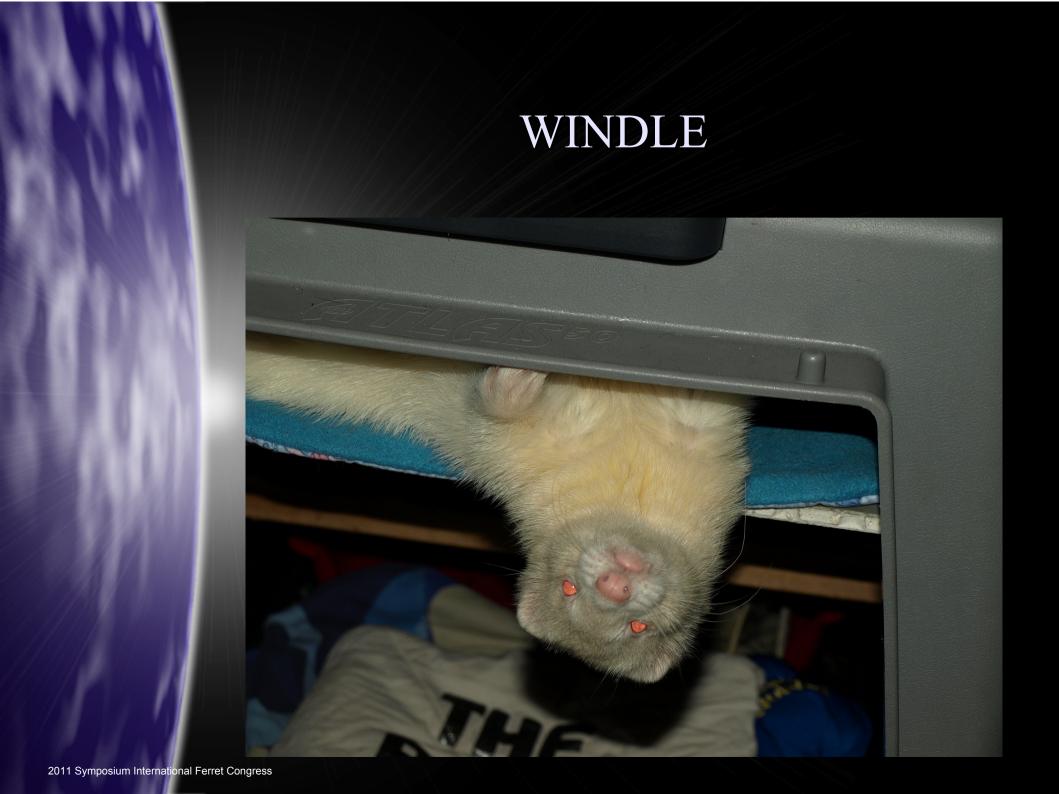




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The History of Ferrets in England

• The first recording of a pet ferret in the Uk is that of Queen Elizabeth 1st



Ferrets have traditionally been used as working animals in the UK



- Ferrets are used to catch Rabbits that are seen as vermin to farmers
- Traditionally Albinos were preferred so that the dogs and hawks that were also used could tell them apart from the rabbits
- They use to tie a piece of string to the ferrets back leg to help remove it from the burrow
- Nowadays they use a locator and collar

Locator collar 2011 Symposium International Ferret Congress

Working Ferrets



Michael Sanderson and Millie

Working Ferrets



Army Mascots



DOOKIES FERRET WELFARE

- 2 Centers with over 500 ferrets in our care
- Given homes to wild polecats
- Have had several litters born in our care
- Have shows to raise funds
- Do PR events
- Have rescued and been involved in the release into the wild of many wild polecats

Thank you for listening



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