

# Fur & Feather

FUR AND FEATHER is the official organ of the British Rabbit Council, the Commercial Rabbit Association, and the Governing Council of the Cat Fancy, and is devoted to rabbits, cats, pigeons, cavies, mice and ranch chinchillas.

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## AT HARROGATE THIS WEEKEND

A TOTAL entry of almost 6 400 has been received for Bradford-at-Harrogate Championship show this weekend (Friday, January 24 and Saturday, January 25).

Highlights of the entries are: Fancy section 1770 (Dwarfs 120 exhibits, Dutch 77, Silvers 55, Tans 53, Polish 45, English 42); Fur section 1315 (Foxes 48 exhibits, Sables 47, Chinchillas 32, Lilacs 16); Rex section 1100 (Ermines 58 exhibits, Blacks 43, Orange 27, Blues 16); Cavy section 1179 and mouse section 1000 (approximately). The unstandardised rabbit class has attracted eleven exhibits.

The officials are delighted with the response and thank fanciers for this. Bradford Night is almost a sell-out—at the time of going to press thirteen tickets only are left.

Unusual requests have come in the form of a caravan site and a baby-sitting service.

### PRESENTATION TO MR J HOLMES

Mrs B A Pratley, president of the National Angora Club, writes: 'I thank all those who responded to my appeal for a collection for a presentation to Mr Joe Holmes on his retirement from the secretaryship of the National Angora Club. A cheque for £45 has been presented to Mr Holmes, and was accompanied by a book which contained the signature of each of the seventy-one contributors. The many appreciative letters sent to me with the donations proved beyond doubt what an asset to the Angora Fancy "Our Joe" has been, still is, and will be, we all hope, for many years to come.'

### THREE STAR MANCHESTER

The 1969 Manchester Flower Show will be held in Platt Fields Park...



Cats and catdom

Russian Blues must be improved and bred to a uniform type

ONCE again the Russian Blue has received publicity which frankly does it no good whatsoever. It is a numerically small breed in actual cats and the breeding lines are extremely limited. It is therefore essential to get the best out of what is available. But the nail has been hit squarely on the head by Miss Laugher's query (FUR AND FEATHER, January 9). 'Which do we want, a Foreign Blue or a Russian Blue?' Meaning—WE THE BREEDERS—not the judges, because they have to judge what we put on the bench, so which is it to be?

The last issued standard marked a great step forward for this breed, yet even now is being wrongly interpreted and commented on.

Miss Kit Wilson in FUR AND FEATHER of January 16 stated she is 'unrepentant' over her previous remarks which misquote the published standard. So, although breeders have accepted this and are endeavouring to put the written word into practice, what conclusive assistance is being given? The Short-haired Cat Society knows full well the work we put into trying to keep the breed and breeders united when personalities from their own and other August bodies wrecked the former RBCC in the early 1960's, and we find it difficult to accept as 'a very knowledgeable representative' a person whose first RB litter appeared on the show bench mid-1967.

When we first became interested in Russian Blues the outcry of the judges was of the Siamese type masquerading as Russian Blues. So we set our sights higher—saw, marked and learned from the Dunloe cats and endeavoured to produce Russian Blues resembling these. Yet a decade and several changes of the standard later, what is the position? Ignoring the fact of the mixed breeding behind all Russian Blues in this country (and believe us, records are here to prove such a statement), there has been no practical attempt to standardise seriously the overall type of Russian Blue.

Over the past decade there has been, and again records prove this, a very large influx of so-called Russian Blues, stemming from mis-matings, either accidental or calculated, mainly with Siamese, and we consider the Siamese has little in common with the Russian Blue, hence the single textured coats, the fast disappearing whisker-pads and other undesired features.

If one appreciates and understands that all Russian Blues stem from mixed bloodlines, therefore when one steps outside of ones own breeding lines troubles can occur, and should this happen, to be unafraid to make them known to other breeders so they may avoid the same pitfalls, then this breed can, and must, be improved to a uniform type. COLIN and DOREEN McPHERSON

HOBBY—NOT BUSINESS

I WONDER how we can really get over to the novice breeder, that cat breeding, if one is conscientious, is not a means of supplementing the budget. I am a novice in the cat fancy, but have kept all manner of exhibition livestock for many years. Such pursuits must be regarded as hobbies, not ever a business.

The Siamese breed seems to be the one most at risk. Only last night on television, one was shown in a pet shop, the owner, stating he can't get enough. I sincerely hope he can't. I shudder to think what they would be like if a quantity were penned for days in a pet shop.

I had to talk a customer out of being a customer of mine just before Christmas. He thought he would buy a male Siamese kitten and then a female from some other source and hey presto he was in business. After much talk and the loan of suitable literature, I lost the sale, he changed his mind; much better than me having to refuse a sale which I would have done. I may have to keep and feed the kittens longer but who cares if

SOUTHERN COUNTIES CAT CLUB

CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW  
Royal Horticultural Society's  
New Hall,  
Westminster, London, SW1,  
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29  
12 noon to 6 pm.  
ADMISSION 3s 6d.  
Show Manager: Mrs M JOHNSON,  
Lydden Cottage, Buckland Newton,  
Dorchester, Dorset.

they get the right homes eventually. What hobby does not cost money these days? I am not seeking advertisement and sign myself Lincs. (Full address supplied).

NO INCREASE

IT is all very well for Dr Raleigh (FUR AND FEATHER of December 12, 1968) to suggest increases in entry fees, but I have not noticed his name in the list of exhibitors. Shows are quite expensive enough without additional increases. If a great loss is sustained, prize money could be cut out and entry fees returned for 1, 2, 3, r; after all it's only a hobby, we get a card and our names entered for the points cups.

If you suspend club classes, membership of some clubs would drop as many offer no social activities or news sheet, only the show, specials and tea at the annual general meeting. I would rather go home with a hc in a club class than with no card at all.

Unfortunately, there is little we can do for the Siamese judges, especially when there are over thirty in the open Seal Points female class as there was at Olympia; it is not fair to the judge, the exhibits or the exhibitors. (Mrs) ANN EMMOTT

SIAMESE GET TOGETHER

MRS Beryl Bond, 27 Clifton Road, Bryn Wigan, Lancs, is anxious to start a Siamese Get Together in her district. Will anyone who is near enough to visit with her and who is interested in Siamese or other Short-haired breeds please contact her. She will then arrange times and dates to suit the majority. As most readers of FUR AND FEATHER know we have had a Siamese get together going in our London area for some time. We have made many new friends and have helped each other over many minor problems. Such meetings provide the opportunity to meet other cat owners and to talk cats non stop. One's own friends sometimes get bored with constant cat chat, especially if they are not cat lovers themselves. So, cat lovers in Bryn, do get in touch with Mrs Bond. I am sure you will have some very interesting afternoons or evenings.

To my own family of friends, our next meeting will be on Saturday, February 1. Hope the weather improves. My grateful thanks to my veterinary surgeon who was our guest at our last meeting on January 4. We had a very pleasant afternoon and as usual the subjects covered a wide range from drugs to genetics. His advice was sensible and very helpful.

Once more I issue an invitation to anyone who has recently bought a Siamese, or had one for a Christmas present, to join us on February 1. Friends are also welcome. Do come along. If you would like to ring me first my telephone number is 01-3590 120. Everyone is welcome.

I wish all my friends in the cat fancy all the very best of luck for 1969. May it bring them all they wish themselves. To our hard working show managers, the very best of luck with your shows this year. May they all run smoothly, and your gates be larger than ever before. EDEN I GORNALL, 35 St Paul's Road, Canonbury, Islington, London N1

DARK-COATED SEAL POINTS

IN FUR AND FEATHER of January 9 Mrs Rose Marie Herd wrote that Seal Point Siamese are not getting away with CCs when their coats are dark. I agree with Mr and Mrs Dack (December 12, 1968) that they are and I can prove it, but I do not wish to mention names and so cause trouble. It is particularly the male cats. At one show I was looking at the cats in the best in show pens when a woman I did not know said to me, 'Are these Siamese cats?' 'Yes', I said, 'they are.' 'Oh', she said, 'I thought they were Burmese they are so dark', and surely Siamese should be pale in coat.

Half the beauty of the Siamese cat is the contrast between the dark points and the pale coats, but most cats have lost this today. Some males are so dark all over that they have no contrasts at all.

Certainly we want type, but not at the expense of colour. Some judges seem to be giving no points at all for colour, or anyhow very few, and this is not judging to standard. Even type is overdone in some cases, as we do not wish to breed Siamese like rats.

As a matter of fact, some Tabbypoints are also too dark and CCs should also be withheld from these if we do not wish to see our beautiful Siamese deteriorate altogether.

If Mrs Herd has a Seal Point male with a pale coat and dense points I should very much like to hear from her—(Mrs) GRETA HINDLEY

THE NEWS FROM JOAN AND ALEX SAUNDERS

With regard to the suspected infection in our cattery, to our great sorrow our Lilac Point queen, Tan Tong, died on December 25 but the exact cause of death has not yet been ascertained.

The fact remains that nine other cats and kittens were directly exposed to the supposed infection, but none has shown any sign of illness to date. If this position continues our veterinary surgeon will give us a clearance certificate within twenty-eight days of the cessation.

If all is well, we shall personally emerge from our voluntary quarantine after January 22 but, to dispose of any remaining doubt, we shall not be showing any of our cats within the prescribed period of three months. JOAN and ALEX SAUNDERS (Lymekilns House, East Kilbride.)

NEW SECRETARY

Mrs Sheila Andriesz has been appointed hon secretary of the Foreign White and New Varieties Cat Society. All communications should be forwarded to her at 91 High Road, Loughton, Essex (Telephone 01-508 4112).

OMISSION

I apologise to Mrs J Thompson for omitting in my Blue Persian Cat Show report in FUR AND FEATHER of December 5, 1968, to report on her cat, which I placed fourth. It should have read: 4 Thompson's Perdita of Pensford, another very good cat, very good type, lovely eyes of excellent colour, ears a little upright, broad nose, good muzzle, very shady tawny, otherwise would have gone higher. IRENE STATMAN

FROM THE CLUBS

BLUE-POINTED SIAMESE CAT CLUB

THE annual general meeting of the Blue-pointed Siamese Cat Club will be held at Caxton Hall, Caxton Street, London SW1, on March 11 at 3.15 pm. Any item for the agenda must reach me before February 1.

Annual subscriptions became due on January 1 and if not paid should be sent to the hon treasurer, Mrs Lauder, Mulberry Cottage, Exlade Street, Checkendon, Reading RG8 0UA. Annual subscription 10s, joint membership 15s.—G L LAIT (hon secretary), 25 The Parade, Dudley, Worcestershire.

SOUTH WESTERN COUNTIES CAT CLUB

THE attendance of South Western Counties Cat Club members and friends at the club's new year party, in spite of the terrible weather, was much appreciated. All those concerned with the organisation, supplies, etc., are thanked for helping to make an enjoyable event and which also added a few pounds to club funds.—MOIRA ROBINSON (hon sec)

LYNX POINTED CAT CLUB, TABBYPOINT SIAMESE AND PROGRESSIVE BREEDERS' CAT CLUB

ALL members of the Lynx Pointed Cat Club and Tabbypoint Siamese and Progressive Breeders' Cat Club are invited to attend a special general meeting to arrange the amalgamation of the Tabbypoint Siamese and Progressive Breeders' Cat Club with the Lynx Pointed Cat Club on January 25, at Room 17, Caxton Hall, Caxton Street, London, SW1.—BARBARA PERKINS (acting secretary), Summerdale, Ersham Road, Hailsham, Sussex.

WESSEX CAT CLUB

THE Wessex Cat Club's annual general meeting will be held on February 22 at 3 pm at the South Western Hotel, Holdenhurst Road, Bournemouth.

The club is now entitled to two delegates to the Governing Council of the Cat Fancy. Members should submit names duly proposed and seconded, by January 31, only after having obtained the consent of the nominee. The present delegate, Mrs H Light (chairman) is willing to stand again, and the name of the secretary, Mrs A Banks, has also been submitted, so far. (Mrs) H LYNE (for Mrs A Banks, secretary)

FOREIGN WHITE AND NEW VARIETIES CAT SOCIETY

WITH reference to the Foreign White and New Varieties Cat Society's notes in FUR AND FEATHER of December 26, 1968, the chairman of the club is Mr A F Buttery, not Mr Andriesz as stated. Mr Andriesz is the club's treasurer. M BUTTERY (then hon sec)

HERTS AND MIDDLESEX CAT CLUB

AS the acting honorary treasurer of the Herts and Middlesex Cat Club I should be grateful to hear from any member who, having paid his subscription for the past year, has not received a receipt. Such subscriptions may originally have been sent to the previous treasurer, who has recently moved, or may be from what we hope is by now the small number of members who have not made accurate up to date records. We are most anxious to begin the new year with all your addresses up to date, and I am equally anxious that you should

have received your receipt, so that your co-operation in this respect would be very much appreciated. If you have not paid your 1968 subscription (10s) perhaps you would like to include it with your 1969 subscription, due on January 1.

I wish you a happy and successful new year. (Miss) M K SWIFT (acting honorary treasurer), Flat 6, 25 Shepherds Hill, London, N6.

KENSINGTON KITTEN AND NEUTER CAT CLUB

MEMBERS only will be welcome to the annual general meeting of the Kensington Kitten and Neuter Cat Club, at 2.45 pm on Wednesday, March 12, at the YWCA (boardroom), Central Club, 16/22 Great Russell Street, London, WC1. The annual subscription was due on January 1. (Mrs) MARGERY BISHOP (hon sec), 111 Nether Street, London, N12.

SOUTHERN COUNTIES CAT CLUB

WILL exhibitors at the Southern Counties Cat Club's championship show at Westminster, London SW1, on January 29 please note that owing to indisposition Miss Robson and Miss Kent will be unable to judge. All Miss Robson's classes will be judged by Mrs Beever. Class 102 will be judged by Mrs Holroyd and the remainder of Mrs Kent's classes by Mrs Philpot.

Owing to the reduced number of double pens now available, only neuters and adult males will be allocated a double pen.—(Mrs) M JOHNSON (show manager), Lydden Cottage, Buckland Newton, Dorchester, Dorset.

BIRMAN CAT CLUB

THE inaugural meeting of the Birman Cat Club was held at the Chiltern Restaurant on January 15. Temporary officers elected were: Chairman, Mrs Elsie Fisher; hon secretary Miss R E Brown; hon treasurer, Mrs M Aggett, a committee was formed. Tea was served. Membership is invited. Application forms are available from me. (Miss) R E BROWN (hon secretary), Pets Country Club, West Crete Road, Folkestone.

SCOTTISH CAT CLUB

WILL exhibitors at the Scottish Cat Club championship show please note the following changes: Class 103 will be judged by Miss Rickson. Class 127 has been divided and males will be judged by Miss Rickson and females by Mrs Varcoe. Classes 143, 144 and 145 have been amalgamated and will be judged by Mrs Thake. Classes 147, 149 and 151 have been amalgamated and will be judged by Mr Lamb. Classes 199/200 have been amalgamated and will be judged by Mrs Spiers. A C SAUNDERS (Show Manager)

BONAVIA CHINCHILLAS

CONGRATULATE THE FOLLOWING 1968/69 WINNERS

CH BONAVIA DEBONAIR—unbeaten at any show. (Ch Bonavia Flute ex Ch Bonavia Loretta.)

CH BONAVIA BELLA-MARIA—Best LH Exhibit Southern 1968, unbeaten at any show. (Ch Bonavia Flute ex Ch Bonavia Loretta.)

CH BONAVIA ROBERTO—unbeaten at any show. (Ch Bonavia Contenta ex Bonavia Capriola.)

CH BONAVIA POOH-BAH—Texas, USA. (Ch Bonavia Flute ex Ch Bonavia Loretta.)

INT CH BONAVIA STATESMAN—Switzerland. Ch of Ch B LH Cats, Stuttgart. (Ch Bonavia Contenta ex Bonavia Capriola.)

BONAVIA LOLA—First and Ch first time shown, South Western. (Ch Bonavia Contenta ex Bonavia Capriola.)

BONAVIA BALHAZAR—Best LH Neuter in show, Kensington and Herts and Middlesex. (Ch Bonavia Contenta ex Bonavia Capriola.)

BONAVIA LINDA—First and Ch Suffolk and Norfolk. (Ch Bonavia Flute ex Bonavia Manetta.)

CH JEMARI REBECCA—unbeaten at any show. (Ch Bonavia Flute ex Bonavia Rosina.)

JEMARI EMMA. (Ch Bonavia Flute ex Bonavia Rosina.)

HARTLANDS TAMZIN—First and Premier, National 1968. (Bonavia Wanderer ex Bonavia Kute-Kit Chiquita.)

CLICQUOT MILADY and CLICQUOT ARAMIS—Best Chinchilla Kitten, National 1968. (Ch Bonavia Roberto ex Bonavia Linda.)

LUNADALE ALPHA FLEURETTE—Best Chinchilla Kitten South Western. (Ch Bonavia Guiseppe ex Ch Bonavia Meissa.)

★ Mrs MOLLIE TURNEY, 'THRUSHES', TINCLETON, DORCHESTER, DORSET. Telephone: Puddletown 314.

# THE NATIONAL—continued

## Mrs I Johnson's classes

**SPOTTED** Male cat: 1 Higgins' Dianas Hercules, brown, well spotted, good coat texture, quite good type 2 Richards' Pennsylvania Fireking, best type in class, excellent head and eyes, spots not as clear as winner 3 Kent's Culverden Mercury, silver, rusty today, quite well spotted r Pearson's Lowenhaus Melancthon, fair spots, long body and tail Female cat 2: 1 ch Higgins' Culverden Charlotte, brown, excellent spotting, the best I have seen, lovely head and coat 2 Kent's Ch Culverden Villandry, silver with brown spots, nice type Kitten 4: Two abs. 1 Le Goubin's Spotty Dumping, silver, good spotting, good British type 2 Light's Starbourne Precious Stream, brown, good type and head, warm colour, fair spotting **SH BI-COLOURED** Cat 3: One abs. 1 ch Biswell's Primmington, black and white, well marked, white hairs in black, nice type, eyes pale but good shape 2 Biswell's Tobious, black and white, not enough white, eyes green, body too long Kitten 3: 1 Woodfield's Pathfinder's Lester, red, very well marked, good British type, round head, good eyes for colour and shape, coat could be a little shorter 2 same owner's P Fred, red and white, well marked, nice type 3 P Freda, similar to brother, three very nice kittens **SHORT HAIR** Special limit cat 22: One abs. 1 Russell's Lucksway Blue Print, British Blue male, excellent type, nice round head, neat ears, lovely eyes 2 Wickham-Ruffie and Strang's Dreamskerry Blue Heather, Manx, completely tailless, short back, good round rump, high back legs 3 Manzalou's Amberley Silver Lady, Silver Tabby female, dense markings on silver ground, nice type, good green eyes 4 Tull's Jezreel Chanay, large Cream male, good head and eyes, clear cream coat, few rings on tail 5 Anson Willson's Broughton Merytre, Abyssinian, coat good warm colour, well ticked, good shape head, very little white r Pearson's Lowenhaus Silver Jonathan, big Silver Tabby male, good type and markings, brown nose. This was a class of excellent cats AOV (Breed 26) cat: 1 Higgins' Jezreel Cassandra, Cream Tabby, excellent British type, lovely eyes for colour and shape 2 Rossiter's Ching la Bell, Foreign type Blue, good sleek coat and whip tail, green eyes, few white hairs in coat, four abs. Very many thanks to Miss G Hardman who stepped in to steward for me at the last minute and worked so hard all day. IRIS JOHNSON

## Miss N L Rodda's classes

Congratulations to the show manager, Mrs Grace Pond, on a wonderful show. Many many thanks to Mrs Hogan for stewarding for me at such short notice.

**LH TORTOISEHELL** Cat: 1 ch Britton's Ch Chadhurst June Melody, good type, short nose, good chin, eyes could be deeper in colour, well patched brightly coloured coat, one ear almost solid 2 Glass's Charmina Galaxy, nice type, neat ears, good eyes, coat patched but could be brighter in colour, ears solid 3 Morony's Ubu, good eyes, nose rather straight, needs more chin, nicely patched on face, mingled on body r Chetwyn's Golden Opal, fair type, nice wide open eyes, coat mingled Kitten: 1 Elston's Chadhurst Torbellor, excellent type, short nose, good chin, neat ears, wide open eyes, good bright coat well patched, cream blaze in face, well broken legs and ears 2 Bullen's Bullensmade Nicola, excellent type, short nose, good chin, neat ears, eyes a little small, good colour coat well patched and of good colour ran winner close 3 Orman's Ormandale Juliet, nice type, good eyes, good colour, nicely patched coat r Fry's Selenat Malam, nicely patched, well broken on legs and ears, nose rather straight **LH BLUE** Senior cat: 1 Trevitt's Helenwood Meddlesom Mee, excellent type, good eyes, neat ears, short broad nose, good muzzle, full sound coat, short brush 2 Graham's Ch Borrowdale Romeo, excellent type, short nose, good chin, neat ears, wide open eyes, coat a little shady 3 Turner's Masterpiece of Dunesk good type neat ears, very short nose, good chin, eyes a little weepy r Orpin's Robhurst Royalist, neat ears, eyes deep set, good nose, fairly sound coat. M L RODDA

## Mrs E Kent's classes

The large hall at Olympia was a great improvement for the National. It was warm with plenty of room to get around the pens even when the crowds came in. Congratulations to Mrs Pond and her army of helpers for a most successful show. My grateful thanks to my steward, Mrs Dunnill, who was her usual efficient self.

**SIAMESE LILAC POINT** Male cat 10: 1 ch Watkins' Hihoe Banderlero, fine masculine cat, good long head with finn chin, lovely eye colour and very good coat colouring, very pale on back with nicely developed points, well set ears, an extremely good quality male, tail barred 2 Furber's Winceby Valentine, very good head spoiled by weak chin, good ear setting, nice colouring and excellent type, slightly red around eyes, tail barred 3 Gregory's Winceby Lustre, another

good head but with weak chin, Siamese look in eye, colouring inclined to chocolate r Peck's Tailong Lilac Lancer, muzzle looks rather square today, tail barred, good eyes with Siamese look, vhc Alexander's Clive Lindon, eyes pale, well set ears, tail barred hc Shewbridge's Tamruat Lilac Domino, good head, slight weakness at chin, tail barred, coat long today, or maybe open, fine bone, extremely sweet tempered c Jones's Lorelai Zeberdee, tail barred, white round muzzle today, abs Dack. No 1138 could not be handled. He was fighting the male next to him and it would have been foolish to try to touch him. Female cat 10: 1 ch withheld Watkins' Careyvale Comfort, type little queen but immature as yet, good head and eyes but chin weak, nice colouring and excellent ear placement, very sweet tempered, I was sorry not to be able to give the certificate but she was not quite up to championship standard, should improve later 2 Hunter's Hihoe Buskin, head fair, coat could be longer, too blue in colouring, tiny kink in tail 3 Fletcher's Annelida Lilac Flower, short in head, too blue in colour, eyes pale r Vogt Chapman's Procul Salma, coat too long, muzzle square, points too pale vhc Matthew' Lilac Suzette, ears too wide apart, eyes pale, good size hc Wilson's Amberley Lilac Louella, muzzle too square, colouring fair. I was very disturbed by the condition of one of the exhibits in this class. She was about the size of a half grown kitten with backbone and hindquarters sticking out. She did not appear to be wormy, neither did she eat her food as yet, I would advise the owner to get veterinary advice as there is obviously something wrong. No cat in this condition could hope to get a card. Abs Jones, Furber.

**NATIONAL CC AC Siamese** male cat: 1 H Banderlero 2 Parker's Ch Greenleaf Tram Puss Tabby Point of adorable temperament, muzzle slightly pinched, excellent type but too dark on back, tail rather spindly at end 3 Denney's Pi-Den Capricorn, good Seal Point, fine bone, well set ears, slight pinching at muzzle and weakness at chin, good eye colour 4 T Lilac Lancer r Greenacre's Ch Roundway Osmanthus, Chocolate Point, good head and type, good whip tail, pale at root, abs Kelsey **SIAMESE CAT CLUB** AC Cat: This class was a complete muddle in that five of the cats were bracketed and marked 'see class 210, 211' which were my open Lilac classes. When there are repeats in a subsequent class a judge does not usually look at the same exhibit again except when it may be compared with a new very good exhibit. I therefore marked up my winning Lilacs, only to find on commencing to do these notes that the cats in question were not repeats at all, but entirely fresh exhibits. The result was that I put up three cats I had never seen under the impression they were my winning Lilacs, and also passed over various other exhibits assuming they were cats winning nothing in the Lilac open. I do apologise to the exhibitors concerned for a mistake for which I was not responsible. Cats Nos 1034, 1041, 1043 and 1051 were not judged as they were entered in my book as repeats.

**LANCS AND NW CAT CLUB** AV SH Kitten: 1 Entwistle's Rylands Belle Mist, British Blue, lovely round head, short tail, good eyes, excellent colouring, an extremely promising kitten 2 Pearson's Lowenhaus Rosamund, excellent Silver Tabby, very good round head nice striping, well defined 3 same owner's Hillcross Jacaranda, another nice Silver Tabby, I preferred the former, coat a trifle long r Shepherd's Fairlie Matarah, Abyssinian of good type but too much white on chin and neck vhc Fiske. On arriving at pen No 604 it was labelled 'Not for competition'. **NOTTS AND DERBY CAT CLUB** AV SH Cat: 1 Pearson's Ch Silversal Oriole, lovely Silver Tabby of superb quality, needs no description 2 Kidd's Contented Shebeyli, Abyssinian of good type, well ticked, good head and tail 3 Richards' Pennsylvania Patricia Perle, British Blue, good head, excellent coat of nice colour r Pearson, abs Kidd. ELSIE KENT

## Mrs E Towe's classes

**SH BLACK** Cat: 1 ch Russell's Ch Lenevas Black Monarch, good type, good dense coat, dense to roots, lovely orange eyes, good tail, straight nose, looking well today **SH BLUE CREAM** Cat: 1 ch Richards's Pennsylvania Twilight Fancy, small cat, good type, very good eyes, the best Blue Cream I have seen for some time although I would like to see coat without even small patches, nice tail, colour of coat good Kitten: 1 Davis's Sweethope Chi-Chi, excellent type, coat colour good, colours more mingled than some shown lately, eye colour not yet determined but should be good 2 Stewart's Sweethope Zoe, bigger kitten of nice type, tail too dark, coat spoilt by large cream patches, coats should be well mingled with blue and cream and a blaze on nose is not acceptable for SH Blue Creams, this is a very pretty breed and I shall hope to see more in the future **SH CREAM** Cat: 1 ch Stewart's Ch Jezreel Cassius, big cat of good type, good head and

eyes, good pale coat, unmarked, tail little ringed 2 Tull's Jezreel Chanay, big cat, very good eyes, clear coat, tail dark and ringed today 3 Richards's Pennsylvania Blond Bandit, good type, lovely eyes, nice colour coat, few markings, tail little ringed, still rather immature, will improve Kitten: 1 Richards's Pennsylvania Pasquimade, good type, nice eyes, ringed tail, coat a little dark, should improve **SHORT HAIR** AV Breeders cat: 1 Absalom's Brynbuboo Brown Peter, excellent type big Brown Tabby, green eyes, coat good colour, good black markings, no white, good tail 2 Murray's Arjaze Chinook Warrior, good type Red Tabby, coat good colour, well marked, good ringed tail, green eyes ex 2 Butcher's Brightwell Beagle, good Tabby Manx, good type and colour, good rump, quite tailless 3 Richards's Pennsylvania Suzie Blue, good Blue British, good head and eyes, coat good for colour and texture 4 Maddock's Manana Tom-Tom, big Blue British, good head, good orange eyes, nice coat, tail dark 5 Hardman's Ch Killingham Bon-Bon, lovely head, good colour and marking, eye colour could be deeper r Pearson's Lowenhaus Melancthon, well grown Spotted Silver, good colour, nice tail, did not want to be handled today. A very good class.

**PREMIER NEUTER SP SIAMESE:** 1 pr Strawford's Marshbrook Caesar, elegant cat, very easy to handle, good long head, eyes good for shape and colour, whip tail, nice points and coat 2 Wilson's Redleaf Timmi, long head and nose, good eyes, whip tail, good dark, dense points, well grown, easy to handle, ran winner close 3 Wilson's Pr Redleaf Tien, another good cat, good head and eyes, dense mask and points, whip tail, coat dark today, friendly 4 Raine's Symbellette Lysander, dense mask and points, oriental eyes of good colour, long tail, nice coat 5 Ryder's Ryanna Asterians, mask brindled round eyes, dense points, long tail, eyes good shape, good coat, rather nervous r Gersten's Mayfield's Pearl, nice head, long nose, whip tail, coat shady today **NEUTER AV Special limit (split)** 1 R Timmi 2 Carter's Lakshmi Phtsamal Aree, good type BP, light coat, good colour mask and points, nice eyes 3 Raine's Symbellette Lysander r M Pearl AV Special limit (split): 1 Bennett's Brynbuboo Blue Joss, big Blue British, good colour and texture coat, orange eyes 2 Lewis's Mishay Moutise, good type LP Siamese, well grown, good head, long nose, nice eyes, good tail, coat shady 3 Bird's Kindat Ferdinand, Brown Burmese, good head and correct eyes, good coat, no white, long tail r Barwell's Sweethope Blue Boy, good Blue British, nice head and eyes, good colour coat, nice tail **NATIONAL CC AV British** SH Cat: 1 Ch B Brown Peter 2 Russell's Ch Pathfinders Mandy, good type Tortie and White, bright patches well broken, blaze on nose, nice eyes 3 Pearson's Silversal Adele, well marked Silver Tabby, good necklace, green eyes, good tail ex 3 Biswell's Primmington, big Black and White, evenly marked, good head and eyes, good tail r P Blue. My sincere thanks to my steward, Mrs Genty. I am always happy to have her with me. She is very efficient and very good company. E TOWE

## Mrs D M Grainger's classes

**SIAMESE RED POINT** Male cat: 1 ch Shaw's Pitapat Hiawatha, sturdy cat with very good profile and width between ears, lovely eye colour and shape, good texture coat, pale paws good whip tail 2 Cook's Yoho Maverick, promising young cat of dainty build, good eye colour, slight pinch, good pale coat on back, good tail 3 White's Yolept Adsum, large cat with good profile and head, eyes a little round in shape, coat good quality but a little dark on back, shortish tail r Gladwell's Yolept Aquila, good head and ears, nice eyes for colour and shape, coat was out of condition and open today, dark colour on back, I would have liked more flesh on a cat of this size and I felt he was too thin Female cat: 1 Warren's Chimes Sunshine, small immature female of dainty type, good eye colour and shape, I was sorry to withhold the championship but compared with the males this cat lacked width in the head for a good balanced wedge and held her ears too upright—may be due to cold. Not enough colour yet in points, good whip, should improve with maturity 2 West's Bluetower Yasmine, good points for colour but head lacks length and eyes round but of good colour, fairly good tail Kitten: 1 Campbell's Pitapat Firecrest, outstanding dainty kitten with lovely head carriage and wonderful wedge, points pale as yet, good coat texture, marvellous whip tail 2 Holt's Pitapat Shane, large well grown kitten, good ears for colour, good width, oriental eyes but a little deep set and of good colour, nice coat texture, fairly long tail 3 Maisey's Chosensam Wun, bonny kitten with good colour markings but alas also on flank already, nice texture coat, good tail r Waite's Sakas Carlos, fairly good eye colour, warm coloured points, nice coat, dainty feet, fairly good tail **LILAC POINT** Female 3-6 mth: 1 Wright's Paramount Lilac Penny, well grown promising female with long head, eyes of lovely shape and fairly good eye colour, well presented, dainty paws and nice whip tail 2 Burgess's Karibur Shushan, good

points for colour, little pinched at present, eyes roundish but good colour, glorious coat texture, fairly good tail 3 McTiernan's Greyholme Annabelle, fairly good head and eye colour but slight squint and pinch, coat texture good, tail not so solid and barred r Fisher's Praha Arpagiando, very young type small kitten, lovely pale soft coat, fairly good eye colour and good whip, promising but very small at present as were others in this class Female 6-9 mth: 1 Dodkin's Brubur Telekabr, elegant type cat with lovely head carriage, good points for colour, nice eye shape and coat, well presented, lovely temperament, nice tail 2 Durrant's Edwardian Hirzonie, nice head for length, slight squint and a little weak in chin, longish coat at present, pale, tail little thick at root 3 Baxter's Embee Kababeen, good colour points, good eye colour but roundish in shape, pinch, good coat for colour and texture, fairly good tail r Glover's Bru-Bur Ragusa, not enough width to head and ears too upright, lovely coat texture, haws up a little, good whip AOV Novice kitten (Breed 32): 1 Britton's Ambercourt Tamara, Tabby Point of good type, nice head with beautiful eye colour and shape, sleek close lying coat of even colouring, very good whip tail AC Novice female 7-9 mth: 1 B Telekabr 2 Lyne's Tilebarri Susanna, slight pinch, Seal Point, good dark points and good head carriage, nice sleek close lying coat, good tail for length and colour 3 Meyer's Thalwarrah Blue Imp, Blue Point, points a little dark, ears a little short, dainty type kitten with good texture/coat, good whip 4 Rosier's Lianlan Lung, Seal Point, good dark points for colour but eyes a little watery today, firm muscular kitten, good tail r Wallace's Pusht Returns, Lilac Point, nicely coloured points, eyes good colour but roundish, dark in flanks, thickish tail. Congratulations to the National CC for improvements this year in hall. My sincere thanks to Mrs Dodgson for stewarding for me at short notice and being so helpful throughout. D M GRAINGER

## Mr F Tomlinson's classes

Congratulations to Mrs Pond and her helpers on the running of this great show with its ever increasing entry, yet there never appears to be the slightest hitch. A most enjoyable event.

There was a good entry of Blue kittens, some of which were very promising and should make first class adults.

Many of the kittens could have been better presented. Some had dirty faces, and quite a number had coats that needed much more grooming.

Miss Burnham very kindly stewarded for me. She is an excellent steward, very patient and most efficient. To her my most grateful thanks.

**LH BLUE** Male 3-5 mth 11: 1 Wash's Parka Casper, very good type, well shaped head, ears neat and set well apart, short nose, good muzzle and chin, good eye shape and colour, nice coat and texture, even colour, fairly pale, tail could be shorter 2 Rippingale's Rainhams Play Boy, very good head and type, nice skull, tiny well placed ears, short nose, good muzzle and chin, eyes of good shape and colour but could be larger, nice coat and texture, shows brown fringe, short tail, cobby 3 Bagnall's Penkvale Shah, good type, nice top of head with ears well placed, short full face, good eye shape and colour, long pale coat of fairly even colour, full brush r Ashurst's Powder Puff Paladin, good head and type, neat ears, short nose, good muzzle, chin could be stronger, good eye colour but eye shape could be better, long pale coat, good brush vhc Cochrane's Edelstein Kaiser Willi, abs Brunton, Cochrane, Fletcher, Page, Macdonald Female 3-5 mth 10: 1 Williams' Willanbat Helga, excellent head and type, very neat top of head, snub nose, strong muzzle and chin, good eye shape, eye colour not fixed but promising, full coat of good texture, even colour, short tail, cobby body 2 Graham's Marmsbury Lady Grey, excellent head and type, lovely round head, ears at present a little upright, snub nose, strong muzzle and chin, wide awake eyes of good colour, nice coat and texture and of even colour, cobby body, tail thin 3 Dalley's Peela Deborah, good type, nice top of head with ears well placed but a little open at base, short nose, good muzzle and chin, eyes of good colour but a little deep set, long coat fairly pale, shows fever mark r Wash's Parka Damaris, good type, well shaped head, ears set well apart, short full face, chin could be stronger, coat of good texture and fairly even in colour, tail thin vhc Wash's Parka GINETTE hc Baker's Patravina Priscilla, abs Macdonald, Sharp Male 5-9 mth 11: 1 Graham's Marmsbury Corin, excellent type, sound, beautifully balanced head, good width of skull with neat ears, snub nose, strong muzzle and chin, deep coloured eyes set well apart and wide open, full coat of good texture of medium blue, frill a bit pale, short full brush, cobby body, good limbs, my best kitten 2 Brine's Avernoll Charnobule, another well grown kitten of excellent type, well shaped head, neat on top, snub nose, good muzzle and chin, good eye shape and colour, long pale coat of good texture, coat colour a little

uneven, he appeared to be changing coat 3 Suddaby's Peereh Aaron, good head and type, nice skull with ears well placed, short nose, well filled cheeks, fair chin, good eye shape and colour, nice coat and brush, good texture, colour a little brown r Britton's Bayhorne Big Daddy, good head and type, good width of skull with ears well set, short nose, good muzzle, chin could be stronger, eyes of good colour but a little deep set, long pale coat of good texture, shows fever mark, tail could be shorter vhc Crockett's Davindos Valorous, abs Smith, Bullen Female 5-9 mth 7: 1 Williams's Willanbet Gloria, excellent type, well shaped head, nice skull with neat well placed ears, eyes well set wide open and of good colour, snub nose, firm muzzle and chin, coat of good texture but a little short on back 2 Williams's Willanbet Georgian, sister to winner and very like her, excellent type, nicely balanced head, eyes of good colour but not so bold as those of winner, long pale coat of good texture, good brush, pale ear flips 3 Wright's Raindrops Topsy, very good head and type, ears well set, snub nose, good muzzle and chin, eyes good for size, shape and colour, nice coat and texture of medium blue, colour a little shady, tail trifling long r Silverman's Camber Katey, very good type, nice top of head, ears not quite so neat, short full face, good eye shape and colour, long very pale coat, good texture, fairly even colour, nice brush vhc Eales's Bullensmede Jackie, abs Moyné NEUTER PREMIER LH BLUE 6: 1 pr Gillard's Goravon Simon, very good type, well shaped head, good skull with neat well placed ears, short nose, well filled cheeks, fair chin, eyes a little deep set but of good colour, lovely coat and brush, good texture, colour pale and even, a little stained on bib 2 Brown's Anson Cuddly Duddley, very good type, ears a little open but set well apart, short nose, good muzzle and chin, very good eye colour, coat of good texture but rather dark in colour and paler at roots 3 Bishop's Pr Amanda's Simeon, very good type, round well balanced head, neat ears, snub nose, firm muzzle and chin, sound eye colour but he would not open his eyes, coat of good texture of pale colour but very shady on the day, short tail, cobby built r Carroll's Peela Bacchus, good head, ears could be neater, wide open eyes of good colour, nose rather straight, good muzzle, fair chin, coat of good texture but rather dark and pale at roots, tail could be shorter vhc Newsome's Pr Mooncoin Porthos hc Green's Georgian Edwyn LH BLUE Limit cat 12: 1 Thompson's Perdita of Pensford, very good type, well balanced head with good skull and ears well placed, snub nose, firm muzzle and chin, eyes well set, well open and of deep colour, coat of good texture of darkish blue, rather shady 2 Turner's Rosebay of Dunesk, another female of good type, nice top of head with ears well placed, short broad nose, well filled cheeks, good chin, eyes of good shape and colour and wide open, nice coat but very shady 3 Bullen's Dalesmere Mandy, female of good type, well shaped head, ears well placed but a little open at base, short full face, nice chin, eyes of good size shape and colour, a little short of coat and rather shady 1 Brine's Avernoll Kimi, male of good type, nice top of head, neat ears, good eye colour but he does not open them as he should, short nose, good muzzle and chin, silky coat, fairly pale colour, short brush, abs Tromans, Sharp, Emslie, Tillotson NATIONAL CAT CLUB AC LH Kitten female 17: 1 Hogan's Snowwhite Jewel, Orange-eyed White of excellent type, well balanced head, snub nose, strong muzzle and chin, good eye shape and colour, cobby body, long flowing coat, good brush, pure white 2 W Georgian 3 M Lady Grey 4 Durbin's Nineveh Show Queen, Blue-eyed White, good head and type, small ears, short full face, good eye shape, eye colour could be deeper, lovely coat and brush, pure white r Macdonald's Dooneen Rosalind, Cream, very good type, nice top of head with ears well set, short nose, well filled cheeks, good eye shape and colour, nice coat but very shady, short tail abs Wash, Brunton, Howe AC LH Kitten female (split) 16: 1 Gowdy's Jemari Emma, Chinchilla of excellent type, lovely top of head with neat ears, snub nose, strong muzzle and chin, good eye shape and colour, full coat long and silky, even ticking, short full brush, good bone, a nice solid kitten 2 Merrett's Lunadace Alpha Fleurette, another Chinchilla of excellent type, ears well placed but a little open at back, short nose, good muzzle and chin, eyes of good shape and colour, good nose tip, very full coat of good texture, good brush, would like to see a little more ticking 3 Woodfield's Pathfinders Night Light, Tortie and White, very good type, round head, well placed ears, short nose, good muzzle and chin, eyes well set round and of good colour, coat of good texture, well patched with bright colours 4 Jones's Bruton Noxane, Red Tabby of good type, well shaped head, good eye shape and colour, very nice silky coat, deep colour and well marked, tail rather solid on top and pale on under side r Wells's Bernete Beauty, Seal Colourpoint, good head and type, neat top of head, nose a little straight,

nice muzzle and chin, good eye shape and colour, full coat, good colour, abs Hood, Huthwaite, Gentinck, FELIX TOMLINSON

**Mr G C Dugdale's classes**

The Grand Hall at Olympia was a big improvement on the National Hall which we have used for a number of years and owing to the much wider gangways it was always possible for the judges to get to the cats which they had to judge. Mrs Pond is to be congratulated on a tremendous task well done. My grateful thanks to my hard working and efficient steward, Miss Anne Brooks.

**LH BLUE CREAM** Cat 11: Two abs 1 ch Critchlow's Foxmine Merlie Pearlite, very type head, short nose, small ears, good chin, large round eyes of excellent colour, long coat nicely intermingled, very well shown 2 Dollimore's Tany Michele, good type head, small ears well placed, good chin, large round eyes of good colour, long coat well intermingled 3 Howe's Honeymist Melita, good head, tiny ears well placed, good chin, large round copper eyes, long coat well shown r Stevenson's Hillmount Hilda, good type head, small ears well placed, good chin, eyes closed, short coat well intermingled **LONG HAIR AC** Limit male cat (ex Blue) 14: Two abs 1 Crowson's Filleybrooke Tobias, Black of excellent type, large round copper eyes, good chin, long coat sound to the roots 2 Hoyle's Hardendale Nicholas, Smoke of outstanding quality, very good type head, good chin, very good large round eyes of deep copper, good coat 3 Morley's Belvedere Lemon Prince, massive Cream of very good type, strong chin, small ears but would like more width between them, large round eyes rather pale in colour, long coat pale on tummy r Wright's Ostris Shareer, Colourpoint of good type, good top of head, strong chin, large round eyes a little pale, long coat well shown **NATIONAL CAT CLUB AC LH Female cat 13:** Three abs This was a class of outstanding cats and I was sorry that some excellent cats had to go cardless 1 Denton's Camber Rosebud, lovely White, impossible to fault, very good top of head, small ears, very large round eyes of good colour, strong chin, long coat 2 Stevens's Snowwhite Syphide, another lovely White, ran winner closely, good top of head, tiny ears well placed, large copper eyes, short tail, long coat well shown 3 Sheppard's Startops Muna, Blue of excellent type, short nose, strong chin, very large round eyes of deep copper, sound coat r Page's Woburn Janice, Blue of very good type, short nose, strong chin, large round copper eyes, coat needed more grooming **AC LH Female cat (split) 13:** Six abs 1 Woodfield's Ch Pathfinder's Posy, Tortie and White of very good type, small ears well placed, good chin, eyes a little pale, nicely patched coat 2 Vine's Comari Clover, Red Tabby with nice head, large round eyes of good colour, good rich coat 3 H Hilda r Williams's Penkvale Cherie **BLACK OR WHITE CAT CLUB LH Cat 10:** Three abs 1 Hogan's Snowwhite Herald, truly magnificent cat, best LH exhibit at Olympia last year and again this year, impossible to fault 2 Plews's Twit White Crest, another OE LH White of excellent type, very good large round eyes of deep copper, long coat very well shown 3 C Rosebud r Rosell's Bruton Snocat, BE LH White, good type head, ears a little large, nose a little long, excellent eyes of good shade of blue, long coat, well shown. G C DUGDALE

**Mrs O Ramsay's classes**

Congratulations to Mrs Pond on a very good show. I thought that the standard for Siamese, especially kittens, higher than I have seen for some time. Almost all the kittens in my classes were very good and I wished there were more prizes. There were many more left cardless who were deserving of them than I have seen for some time. This cannot be helped, but it should be very encouraging to the winners to have won in such hot company. Many grateful thanks to my steward, Mrs Gould, who came to my assistance when the steward I had arranged for was ill. I subsequently contracted gastric flu myself. The catering was the best I have ever known at a cat show. **NEUTER PREMIER BLUE POINT SIAMESE:** 1 pr Froom's Pr Dardon Remus, very good exhibit, well balanced, lovely strong head, excellent ear placement, fine long body and whip tail, good coat for colour and texture, nice eye colour, all over type very good 2 Boulton's Sansterre Blue Firefly, good cat with strong head shape, body shape could be finer but this is unusual in neuters, beautiful coat texture and colour, tail not quite long enough, good eye colour and neat paws 3 Ryder's Ryanna Blue Gin, this cat was the only one in the class with that rare oriental eye shape which I am always pleased to see but which alas is almost always accompanied by a slight squint, overall body type was very good but ear placement rather forward, coat texture and colour good r Smale's Paupuk Gitchie Manito, very good head and good type, too fawn on back **AOC SIAMESE:** 1 pr Darrel's Hihoe Blarney

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Congratulations to our lovely Lilac Points who would like to thank their judges and admirers for a smashing day at Olympia.

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was First in her Open, another First and Second to Bandit in the Lilac Pointed SCC Class.

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## NATIONAL—continued

good and some had to remain cardless. I was glad to see such a high standard. 1 Denny's Pi-Den Camelot, beautiful kitten, very fine type, dainty paws, long tail and excellent eye shape, deep points, good eye colour. 2 Campbell's Pitapat Firecrest, Red Point, beautiful kitten again, superb type, lovely eye shape and colour, points too pale but should be at his best later. 3 Chaloner's Whitehaugh Blue Sovereign, Blue Point, very nice head and good overall type, whip tail, good coat colour, deep points and nice close texture. 4 Farnsworth's Saturn Sultan, Seal Point, very good head and ear shape, nice long body and whip tail, oriental eye shape but coat rather open and possibly not at his best today. 5 Adams's Symbellette Paris, Chocolate Point, very good exhibit in a very big class of lovely kittens, nice chocolate colour, good head and body shape, lovely coat texture and good eye shape and colour. AV Debutante female 3-5 mth: 1 Conoley's Wayfarer Jose, Seal Point, a beautiful kitten in a class full of beauties, wonderful type, long svelte body, whip tail, tiny oval paws, good eye shape and colour. 2 Strawford's Marshgrove Melinder, Seal Point, another very typey kitten, small and elegant with deep points, whip tail and very good eye colour. 3 Ryder's Chanral Fa Ying, again very good type, nice body, lovely eye colour, dainty paws, whip tail. 4 Randall's Sakali Silna, good kitten, very well presented, deep points, pale body colour, whip tail, eyes rather round, I was sorry to leave so many good kittens cardless in this class. NEUTER AV Senior Siamese: 1 Wilson's Pr Redleaf Tien, Seal Point, there is not much that I can say about this cat except that he seems to have all a Siamese should have, and I am sure it will all have been said before. Outstanding type and quality. How good it is to see a Seal Point with all this. I admired him very much. 2 S Blue Firefly 3 R Blue Gin r Lyon's Supra Atlas, Chocolate Point of very good type and nice colour, a big cat but very handsome. OLGA RAMSAY

## Miss Kit Wilson's classes

As usual the National, held this year in the Grand Hall of Olympia, was a triumph of organisation for Mrs Pond. For the first time the cold and gloom usually associated with Olympia were gone. The hall was warm and the lighting for the most part much better. The 'layout' could not have been improved. Judging is always difficult with the milling crowds and mine was particularly so owing to the fact that Lord Snowdon was anxious to get all the aspects of Manx cats for his documentary which took up nearly one hour of my time—which was distracting as it attracted an even greater crowd—but thanks to my wonderful steward, Anna Peck, I hope all went well. My most grateful thanks to her and to Mrs Earnshaw who took over some side classes for me which it was impossible for me to do in time. When I started I discovered that the male and female Manx had been classed together. However, as the female class had been guaranteed I was allowed to split them.

MANX Male cat: 1 Ch Briefly Braaid, a fine cat, quite tail-less and with the correct stance, I believe this makes him a full champion. 2 Butcher's Brightwell Beetle, another very good cat, only just out of kittenhood, quite tail-less and with good round rump, another potential winner when more mature. 3 Wickham-Ruffell and Strang's Ch Bluewave-Bobo, very attractive cream, tail-less and with good stance, coat a little long and not looking as well today as I have seen him, abs Mudd Female cat: 1 ch Jordan's Isabelle, a fine specimen, quite tail-less and of good stance, rather nervous to handle but once on the table excellent movement. 2 Colville's Ch Eastern Princess, a well known winner but beginning to show her age. 3 Higgins's Dreemskerry Calico, another with no tail but rather roached in back which made her slightly awkward in stance. 4 Taylor's Brightwell Bathsheba, excellent stance but slight rise at base of spine vhc Wickham-Ruffell and Strang's Dreemskerry Blue Heather, rather too long in back, coat slightly long and slight flap at base of spine. Kitten male: 1 Lord's Glebe Boogie, this kitten will I am sure go far, quite tail-less, short back and good stance. 2 Lord's Glebe Rowley, brother to winner, short back, quite tail-less and with excellent stance. 3 Lord's Glebe Blonde, another brother. These three kittens were most difficult to separate and I am sure my awards will be reversed many times if they come up against each other. 4 Bancker's Brightwell Boston, not in first class condition today, coat rather open and slight rise at end of spine. Female kitten: 1 Colville's Rosental Dishy Dolly, attractive kitten, very much a little girl, short back, good stance. 2 Jordan's Mona's Amber Light, another very nice kitten, short back, good stance and no tail. CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS AV SH (ex Siamese) male: This is a class which gives one a headache. All are so beautiful in their own way and each is a worthy champion

and some have to go cardless. 1 Foster's Ch Hengist Bitochki, I am quite unrepentant over my notes on Ch Stroganoff—in spite of the abuse I have received—here again is a nearly perfect Russian Blue, in fact full brother to Stroganoff. I still maintain that these cats are the nearest to the standard—and should once again put Russian Blue cats in the 'top ten'. 2 Russell's Ch Leneves Swiss Monarch, a mostly lovely type Black, dense to roots with wonderful eye colour and sweet disposition. 3 Rockell's Ch Hesperian Minotaur, Devon Rex, a most attractive black of excellent type, excellent coat pattern and well set ears. 4 Wiseman's Ch Iarimun Solo, Abyssinian of excellent type, good ruddy undercoat and good ticking, excellent head and eye colour, not too much white r Absalom's Ch Brynbooboo, much white r Absalom's Ch Brynbooboo, Brown Peter, one of my favourite cats, massive Brown Tabby of excellent colour and contrasts, excellent head and eye colour, a gentleman of gentleman. Female: 1 Russell's Ch Pathfinders Laura, Tortie and White whom I have judged many times, shown by her new owner to perfection and looking a queen. 2 Kent's Ch Culverden Villandry, a beautiful Spotted of excellent type, head and eyes, most attractive. 3 Colville's Ch Eastern Princess, Manx, already reported on. Again my grateful thanks to Mrs Peck for her magnificent help and for her cheery companionship. KIT WILSON

## Mrs C Dugdale's classes

Congratulations and my admiration go to Mrs Pond in being able to cope with this vast show and the amount of work afterwards. Mere words fail me. Just grateful thanks for all the enthusiasm.

LH CREAM Male 3-5 mth: 1 Brunton's Prince Charming of Dunesk, and a charmer he was, my best Cream kitten, excelling on all points, a joy and delight to look at and handle, even sound pale cream coat, full cheeks for one so young, short cobby body, small well-set ears, vast round bold eyes, short stop to nose, good bold chin and muzzle, in brief, he had everything. 2 Page's Woburn Sunkist, another delightful kitten, difficult to decide between these two kittens, beautifully prepared and shown, full of quality, excelling in colour, good bold eye, firm bold muzzle and chin. 3 Willis's Evenden Martini, slightly barred on legs but otherwise excellent, bold eye, small ears, good type. 4 Williams's Willanbet Hadley, nice pale coat, slight leg bars, good type and well presented vhc Wright's Wildfell Angelo, a very small kitten, well presented and promising type, prefer eyes to be bolder. Female 3-5 mth: 1 Tiltolton's Penkvale Star, attractive, well presented and promising, lovely pale coat and excellent type, well-set small ears, good full face and bold eye, good bone structure. 2 Willis's Evenden Muscatel, good coat, slight barring, would like more breadth between ears, good eye, cobby body. 3 Willis's Evenden Moselle, another nice kitten, well shown, tail a little lacking in furnishing today. 4 Wright's Wildfell Vilette, sweet kitten, very small, nice type, coat pale and a little unsound. Male 5-9 mth: 1 Emslie's Barwell Hermes, good bold eye, full appealing face, pale cream coat, well shown, excellent bone structure and solid. 2 Swindell's Tewhit Sunbeam, lovely kitten, well shown, pale colour, with well-set ears and bold copper eye, frill slightly stained. 3 Howe's Honeycrest Cream Conquest, exquisite kitten, coat short today, excellent type, will look outstanding in a month or two when coat has grown. 4 Fawell's Barwell Pandorus, outstanding kitten, pale even colour with bold eyes and small well-placed ears, I felt this kitten was over-typed, beautifully presented. Female 5-9 mth: 1 MacDonald's Dooneen Rosalind, her other competitors were absent but a worthy winner, lovely kitten, good type, lovely bold eyes. LH BLUE Junior cat: 1 Brine's Avernoll Kimi, quite outstanding, vast bold eyes and lovely type, good even coat, sound and pale. 2 Newsome's Gaydene Robin, vast well-shown male, bold copper eyes and open face with his well-placed ears, wonderful bone structure. 3 Metcalf's Peala Caesar, nice pale sound coat and good brush, bold eye and full open face. 4 Bullen's Dalesmere Dandy, lovely pale even coat with vast eyes, lovely expression. BLUE PERSIAN CAT SOCIETY Adult: I must report on this class of nineteen lovely male and female cats. It was quite a problem on deciding the winners, as it was a class excelling in quality. 1 Trevitt's Helenwood Meddlesom Mee, a magnificent male, one of the loveliest today, wonderful bone structure, vast wide-a-wake face and bold copper eye, well-placed ears, full brush, sound, even pale coat. 2 Williams's Peereth Eloise, attractive female with outstanding qualities, lovely type, pale even coat, hard luck to compete with winner. 3 A Kimi r Graham's Ch Borrowdale Romeo, another exquisite cat, loaded with quality, open face and bold eyes, with well-placed ears, sound pale even coat, he was tired and sleepy when I judged him vhc G Robin. To Mrs Smart, who kindly stewarded for me, my grateful thanks. CHRISTINA DUGDALE

## Mrs M Boulton's classes

Congratulations to Mrs Pond, her helpers, and the committee on running this colossal National Show. What an undertaking for a comparatively few people. I just marvel at the organisation that goes into it. NEUTER AV Long-haired kitten 3: One abs

1 Otto's Oleander Merry Scamp, very good Chinchilla male neuter, very good eye colour, nice type, lightly ticked and good tail, good condition and coat. 2 Hawkin's Summer Baby-cham, a well grown Blue Cream female neuter, very good eye colour, not quite intermingled enough and a wee bit dark but good quality coat and good chin. LH BLUE Novice kitten 12: Five abs 1 Graham's Marmsbury Lady Grey, lovely baby, eyes turning well, wee short nose, good chin, very full soft coat of a good blue, lovely condition, well shown. 2 Rippingale's Play Boy, very good eyes for colour and shape, good chin, very neat tiny ears, good and level coat, short tail. 3 Bagnall's Penkvale Shah, good eyes, very nice top of head, short tail, very full coat, very level in colour, well shown, sweet disposition. 4 Ashurst's Powder Puff Paladin, broad nose, lovely eyes for shape and colour, very good quality coat, just a little shady on the day, good tail and condition. 5 Wash's Parka Casper, another nice baby, good top to head, short nose, eyes turning well, soft pale coat, should be really good when older. Novice kitten (split) 11: Two abs 1 Graham's Marmsbury Corin, this lovely kitten gets better and better he has it all and is most difficult to fault, his lovely head, ears, muzzle, chin and coat and wee short nose are a joy to behold. 2 Brine's Avernoll Charmobue, another very good one, a big boy, nice top of head, lovely eyes, neat little ears, good soft full coat a tiny bit shady on the day, excellent condition. 3 Suddaby's Peereth Aaron, yet another lovely one, good chin, eyes and top of head, nose broad but just a little straight, good coat and condition. 4 Wash's Parka Damaris, very good one, good ears, lovely head, nice coat, tail and muzzle, very good condition. 5 Williams's Willanbet Helga, tiny baby and very young but very nice head, good eyes and coat, difficult to meet much older ones at her age. AOC LH Special limit kitten (breed 13A): 1 Tapp's Goravon Snowdrift, odd-eyed White, lovely chin, tiny short nose, good head and ears, immaculate pure white coat, beautifully shown, a lovely kitten. 2 Woodfield's Pathfinders Blue Bouquet, blue Tortie and White, beautifully patched, good type, beautifully shown. 3 Lushington's Van Kanuni, Van Cat, quite nice type, good condition, more orange than the reserve but not such a good coat. 4 same owner's Van Yildirim, Van Cat, not so much orange as Kanuni but white in coat very white and better shown, again good type. LONG HAIR AC Maiden kitten male 21: Eight abs 1 Wyant's Nantoms Nimrod, lovely boy, OE White with an excellent head, neat little ears, short nose, good chin and muzzle, good tail, very good full white coat, well shown and very attractive. 2 Lipscombe's Sophisticats Sterling, very good Colourpoint, very good head, splendid points, lovely coat pattern, good eye colour, fine condition, good tail. 3 P Aaron 4 Brill's Polar Viking, good Chinchilla very good type and coat with good ticking, really lovely eyes for shape and colour, nice short nose, good tail. 4 Voltaire's Pasha Sheba Spotlight, another good Chinchilla kitten, very little to choose between these two, again lovely eyes for shape and colour, good type, nicely ticked coat. RADIUS AV LH Neuter 18: Five abs 1 Whitley's Bonavia Bathazar, gorgeous Chinchilla with lovely type, little short nose, good head and ears, excellent eyes for shape and colour, beautiful coat and tail, very well shown. 2 Bishop's Pr Amandas Simeon, too well known to need any description from me. 3 Brown's Anson Cuddley Dudley, Blue with good type, short nose, beautiful eye colour but coat a little darker than I like. 4 Carr's Widdington Mischief, an ultra type Cream with lovely head and coat colour but I could not get him to open his eyes, perhaps he was tired, well shown. 5 Linton's Harlands Tamzin, Chinchilla, fair type, good eyes, nice coat but not enough ticking, good tail. BLUE PERSIAN CS Kitten 16: Five abs 1 M Corin 2 A Charmobue 3 R Play Boy 4 P Aaron r P Damaris, my very grateful thanks to Miss Marshall for all her help and companionship throughout the day. She is the most perfect of stewards. MARJORIE BOUTON

## Mrs E Polden's classes

The Grand Hall, Olympia, with its wide aisles, was the scene of the latest and perhaps greatest triumph of Mrs Grace Pond as show manager of the greatest cat show in the world, fittingly graced by Royalty, the Earl of Snowdon.

To my steward, Mrs Pat Gates, who worked so hard and handled the cats and kittens with such expert gentleness, a very big thank you.

LH BLUE Novice cat 9: Abs three. 1 Brine's Avernoll Kimi, very well grown young male with good head and well shaped skull, tiny ears well set, lovely eye colour, charming colour, fairly even, well prepared, lovely exhibit. 2 Hill's Merryhill Sunset, another beautiful male with very good head and beautiful well-set eyes, bold and shining and caring form in colour, profuse and well prepared, coat a little shady. 3 Dodd's Shalfeet Robert, good head and eyes, very lovely coat for colour though shady beneath, a massive fellow, well shown. 4 Willis's Robbust Sapphire, fair type, but very lovely eyes, coat

shady today but very well presented. LONG HAIR AC Novice (ex Blue) cat 13: Abs six. 1 Sherlock's Seasprite Exquisite, male Chinchilla, massive for his breed, very good type, eyes well set, broad short snub nose, coat prolific with adequate ticking, in my opinion this cat, with expert preparation, would be a candidate for best of breed. 2 Killick's Zimulus Dorothy Peaches, very nice type Cream, lovely eyes for shape and colour, coat good but just a wee bit hot on spine, well shown. 3 Percy's Julina Cressida, Black female, very nice eye colour, type fair, ears rather tall, coat luxuriant, shiny and needs more grooming. 4 Bacon's Ivelholme Isabelle, dainty Chinchilla queen, pretty face, nice eyes, tail well furnished, nicely shown. AC Novice (ex Blue) cat (split) 13: Abs six. 1 Rothwell's Kala Jamala, Colourpoint queen, lovely head with very good muzzle, eyes level and wide, lovely coat with well defined points, a pretty cat easy to handle, well shown. 2 Southernland's Haising Scylla, another lovely pansy-faced Colourpoint with very good eyes, very good coat for colour and density, well furnished tail, well shown. 3 Ross Thomson's Peppermint Blue, Colourpoint, lovely top of head of good type, coat fine and flowing, back rather solid, otherwise points good, nicely shown. 4 Aggett's Praha Goa, Birman queen with head and ears typical of the breed, good colour, coat well prepared, these cats have a very attractive brown colour, well set off by the blue eyes, tail well furnished, the socks, especially on the front feet, quite perfect. AC Maiden kitten female 3-6 mth 13: Abs three. 1 Tiltolton's Penkvale Star, beautiful Cream, gorgeous head and eyes, flowing pale coat of very even shade, very well shown. 2 Durbin's Nineveh Snow Queen, Blue-eyed White with splendid tail and glacial flowing white coat, very well shown. These two kittens, to my mind, were level in excellence, therefore I awarded an extra first. 2 Silverman's Camber Katei, lovely type, deep gold eyes, ear tufts charming, very even shade of medium blue, very well shown. 3 Wright's Wildfell Vilette, Cream, pale and well shown, tiny ears and good eye colour, nice type, lovely little exhibit. 4 Willis's Evenden Muscatel, Cream, very nice head and eyes, even shade of cream, nicely shown. AC Maiden kitten female 3-6 mth (split) 14: Abs. two. 1 Bacon's Ivelholme Kerena, Chinchilla female, well grown, good type, beautiful eyes, short nose very broad at base, coat fine and full and adequately ticked, beautifully shown. 2 Low's Lomond Lilac, sweet little Blue Cream, delightful and beautifully prepared, good type, eyes very good, coat full and colours nicely mingled (though perhaps a little solid under chin), but a lovely babe. 3 Rosell's Bruton Susanna, Self red with lovely eyes for colour and shape, quite nice type, coat full and a pleasing bright colour, just a little more grooming please. 4 Sanders's Cliquot Milady, nice type Chinchilla, width between eyes, good top of head, would prefer ears to be a little smaller, well shown. NEUTER AV LH up to three years novice 10: Abs. one. 1 Brown's Anson Cuddley Dudley, massive Blue, splendid head and eyes, lovely colour coat, long and thick and so well cared for and shown, tiny ears almost hidden, a charming fellow. 2 Hawkins's Summer Baby Cham, Tortie, very nicely broken colour pattern, including all four feet, beautiful bright eyes, very well shown. 3 Pearce's Merryn Beaujolais, Blue Colourpoint, fair type, beautiful coat with fine points, would like a deeper blue eye, very well shown. 4 Green's Georgian Edwyn, Blue with lovely head and eyes, coat shady but very well shown. AV LH Senior 14: Abs. two. 1 Bull's Orange-eyed White, Snowwhite Camellia, so beautifully shown, gorgeous head and wide gold eyes, flowing and luxuriant coat of utter purity. 2 Parker's Sweetcross Lavender, very lovely Blue with a sweet expression, fine type, flowing coat of even colour, very well shown. 3 Lenton's Harlands Tamzin, Chinchilla, very fine head and eyes, coat attractively ticked and very well prepared. 4 Ellis's Premier Thunder, Seal Colourpoint, lovely coat and colour, head rather narrow and eyes pale, beautifully presented. AV LH or SH 3: Abs. one. 1 Pearson's Amberley Silver Sylvester, a glorious SH Silver Tabby, dense black on shining silver, set off by the lovely green eyes. 2 Gaffney's Magambo Apollo, a delightful Brown Foreign-type, very well shown. AV LH Kitten 7: Abs. three. 1 Durbin's Nineveh Olympic Boy, Orange-eyed White of very good type, nice top of head, lovely flowing coat well prepared, ear tufts very pretty on the tiny ears. 2 Vine's Comar Primrose, very attractive Red Tabby, well shown. 3 Chapman's Karnak Echoaid, Silver Tabby babe, already the black and silver patterning is coming along nicely, lovely kitten, should do well, nice type, well shown. EMLIE POLDEN

## Mrs L Williams's classes

Congratulations to Mrs Pond on the organisation of this superb show. My thanks to all who entered their beautiful cats in my classes. Without exception, the entries were a joy to handle and the standard of presentation was very high.

LH BLUE Male cat: The final placing of my prize-winning males was enormously difficult and absorbed my whole morning. Throughout this class of fourteen the quality was superb, the condition of the animals excellent, with presentation everything that could be desired. 1 ch Trevitt's Helenwood

Meddlesom Mee, a massive chunky Blue with broad top of head, eyes round, bold, good size, well placed and of good colour, perfect nose with fine tip, very strong chin, good muzzle and beautifully balanced overall features, his muffle of perfection, ear furnishings and lively expression ranked him very high, body strong, boxy and well set on short thick legs, coat very profuse, thick, plushy, pale and even throughout, legs well furnished silvering to the feet with well tufted toes, tail good and very short, altogether a delightful type specimen, almost too beautiful to be a male, but he was very much a male and good naturedly rough in handling 2 ch Graham's Borrowdale Romeo, after every comparison I could make I placed Romeo down on three counts—a paler eye, a little less strength of chin and some detectable coat shading, a most handsome and gentle Blue male with great width of dome and lovely ear balance, a tremendous area of face of such an extent that any imperfection would be magnified, eyes very large, round, bold and wide apart, a perfect male nose and strong muzzle, a huge well balanced body to match his head, coat profuse and of beautiful texture, a very desirable pale shade of blue but a little shady on the flanks, tail of good length, legs short, thick, strong and well furnished, presentation and grooming was perfect, a very winning male and delightful to handle 3 Newsome's Ch Gaydene Robin, very close third and most outstanding for eye colour, a good top of head, well placed ears but short of tufts, eyes round, very bold and of deep copper colour, nose neat and typy, strong muzzle and chin and the head as a whole beautifully furnished, coat profuse, very pale and an example of grooming to perfection, legs short, strong, softly furred and tufted, tail medium but spoiled with dark streak ex 3 Cochrane's Ch Parka Leroy, excellent broad top of head, nicely placed neat ears but short of tufting, lovely features of good type, perfect nose and very good muzzle and chin, eyes round and of good colour, but I would have preferred them bolder, a Blue of medium shade but coat not yet full, a dark streak down tail tended to spoil overall presentation Female cat: 1 ch Williams's Peereth Eloise, very lovely and deserving winner, good top of head, neat ears well placed and furnished, large round eyes set well apart and bold, all features good and strong, with full cheeks and chop whiskers, good body on short strong legs with very full fluffy pale blue coat very expertly prepared, legs beautifully covered, soft with big muffy paws, most delightful to handle and very sweet 2 Shepard's Startops Muna, could have been a most worthy winner, her eye colour was most outstanding but one eye wept very badly for most of the morning, excellent broad top of head, perfect ears and furnishings, all features and balance spelled very good type, head big, eyes large, round, bold and of a glorious colour, well proportioned body, legs and tail, good coat of medium blue but not at best and some old dark hair left in 3 Page's Woburn Janice, good top of head, neat ears but a little open at base with shortage of furnishings, round well open eyes of good colour, excellent neat nose, good muzzle and chin, body nicely balanced, full coat but shady, very short full brush 4 Turner's Rosebay of Dunesk, excellent broad top of head, features all well balanced, very bold eyes of a beautiful colour, neat nose but chin could do to strengthen, a medium blue coat, full, but not in best condition, tendency to be lank and shady r Bullen's Dalesmere Mandy, lovely young female of pale blue coat not yet full, excellent top of head, pansy faced, round eyes of very good colour, strong muzzle and chin and good overall type, well balanced body with very short tail. Breeders kitten: 1

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Graham's Marnsbury Corin, clear winner in this class of twenty-one, this little gem so beautifully groomed and presented seemed almost without fault, every feature clear, the whole fascinatingly pretty, eyes round, wide open and of lovely rich colour, coat medium blue, full and profuse and fluffy, excellent body on short legs, well furnished, full short brush 2 Williams's Willanbet Gloria, kitten of lovely quality and very good type, good top of head, neat ears, eyes of good shape, well placed and good colour, well balanced features and strong, most beautiful coat, full and without blemish, well proportioned body, short legs, cobby and good brush 3 Graham's Marnsbury Lady Grey, very young and exceedingly pretty, lovely head and neatest of ears, round eyes well open and spaced and good promising colour, very typy kitten and complete with cobby body and good coat, tail a little thin 4 Williams's Willanbet Georgian, kitten of good quality, well developed, very good type but eye colour could do to deepen, faintest green rim, very cobby body, coat full, even and without trace of shade 5 Wash's Parka Casper, well balanced and of good quality, very broad top of head, good eyes, round, well placed, colour needs to deepen, neat ears and nose, a very pretty kitten. L M M WILLIAMS

**Mrs I Keene's classes**

Mrs Pond and her committee are to be congratulated on putting on another huge show with wonderful organisation. I should imagine the Grand Hall was a great success. Very many thanks to my steward, Mrs Arnold, who was so efficient and a great help.

**SIAMESE CHOCOLATE POINT** Female cat: 1 ch Beeley's Kiraski's Fiesta, dainty queen, excellent wedge, good ear set, chin pale, long body, good whip tail, nice oval feet, a well-balanced queen of excellent type 2 McClean-Ingli's Fairbright Harebell, good head, excellent profile, good type, eyes pale, nice legs and feet, points too dark 3 Sayer's Solitaire Kohinoor, excellent head shape, good ear set, firm chin, good type r Wakefield's Fennella Sirikit, good head and type, tail could be longer AC Limit cat: 1 Des-sauer's Mayfields Hasi, excellent head, well-set ears, wonderful type and tail, good contrast in coat colour, shown in perfect condition 2 Barnes's Lodestar May Queen, excellent head, eye shape and colour, fine boned, good long whip, another shown in good condition 3 Austin's Roundway Viscaria, young male showing great promise, good head, excellent eye colour and shape, spoilt today by loose open coat 4 Leaman's Rozel Saribishem, small dainty queen with excellent eye shape 5 Tilby's Katrine Arabian Fanticee, good head, excellent ear set, very strong chin, coat good texture r Kite's Lu Chu Capricorn, BP male, very good head, excellent eye shape, nice long body AC Limit act (split): 1 Pope's Eigerfell Pocket Venus, excellent head, type and tail, well-placed ears, good coat contrast 2 Furber's Winceby Valentine, LP, excellent head and tail, lovely

pale coat, spoilt by weak chin 3 Watkins's Hihoe Bandolero, LP, lovely head and eye shape, kink or tail injury 4 Hunter's Hihoe Buskin, good coat texture, short in head, nervous and difficult to handle 5 Watkins's Carevale Comfort, good head, fine muzzle, points not fully developed. I KEENE

**Mrs K Vickers's classes**

Many thanks to Mrs Pond and her committee for the well organised and very enjoyable show. A big thank you to my energetic steward, Mrs Pat Neale, whose help was invaluable.

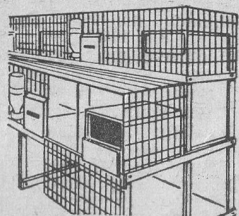
**NEUTER**—AV SH Kitten: 1 Hawes's Taisuu Ramsee, Abyssinian of excellent type, well ticked, good head and ears, lovely slender tail, a nice warm colour 2 Squires's Amahama Biarritzi, Burmese of very good type, coat in excellent condition, good head and tail 3 Squires's Amahama Bianco, very similar to previous exhibit but tail was shorter and coat had white hairs here and there r Morton's Sabra Blue Esther, Blue Burmese, coat rather open today, eyes rather round, short tail **SHORT HAIR** AV Junior cat female: 1 Kidd's Contented Shebeyil, Abyssinian female of very good type, coat warm and well ticked, excellent eye shape and ear position, lovely tail 2 Higgins's Culverden Charlotte, a lovely Spotted Brown Tabby, excellent British type 3 Jordan's Isobelle, red mackerel Tabby Manx, well shaped for the breed, in very good condition 4 Morris's Anderlida Katrina, Russian Blue, good head and tail, nice plush coat and neat paws r Burrows's Taishun Denaria, another very good Abyssinian. Many good cats in this class were cardless. AV Maiden kitten 3-6 mth: 1 Simmons's Contented Dawn, once more the winner, an Abyssinian kitten of exceptional quality, lovely warm colour, well ticked, a dainty and well proportioned kitten 2 Pearson's Lowenhaus Roderick, Silver Tabby, well marked, good head, tail rather long, well marked underneath body as well 3 Richards's Pensylva Sweet Shani, a British Blue with a lovely 'apple' face, gorgeous eyes, but coat rather pale and soft (probably because it was a young kitten) 4 Woodfield's Pathfinders Fred, well marked for a Bi-coloured, good cobby British type r Pearson's Lowenhaus Rosamund, very similar to second, but fails in eye colour AV Special Limit kitten: 1 Maddock's Manana Angel Topping, a lovely British Blue of excellent type, hard to fault except for the coat, which was rather soft 2 Bennett's Brynbuboo Blue Bandit, another British Blue, coat infinitely better than winner but showing a familiar green rim in the eye 3 L Roderick 4 Shepherd's Fairlie, Abyssinian of very good type and colouring, well ticked r Brancker's Brightwell Boston, black and white Manx, completely tailless **SH AOV** (Breed 26) Kitten: 1 Kent's Sunberry Phantom Smoke, judging by the number of Short-haired Smoke cats which appear on the show benches from time to time these cats will no doubt become recognised and given a breed number. The white undercoat veiled by the dark longer coat, the cobby body and orange eyes gave this cat a very attractive appearance 2 Sayer's Solitaire Aquamarine, I could perhaps be forgiven for thinking that this kitten was a Blue Cream Tortie Point Siamese with rather a mingled coat, another very attractive exhibit 3 Richards's Pensylva Sakata, not previously having been acquainted with the sire and dam of this kitten I thought at first that it was Abyssinian in origin, but I was informed later that it was an attempt to breed a red Self. Certainly the colour was good, but I would be interested to discover how the breeder hopes to breed the cobby British type into the pedigree. All three breeders of these kittens are to be commended on their efforts and I for one hope that they succeed. K VICKERS

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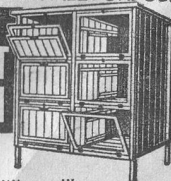


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