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ENGLISH JUDGES ABROAD

AT VOORSCHOTEN

JUDGING at the club match of the South Holland and Utrecht Districts of Felikat at Voorschoten was a very interesting experience. For English readers may I explain that there are no members of the public at a club match and each exhibitor brings his or her own cat to the judge whose comments are written by the clerk on a card under various headings which is then given to the exhibitor.

No cat or kitten may enter a club match if it has already been shown at a championship show and, therefore, this gives exhibitors the opportunity to have an assessment of the quality of their new kittens and cats which have not been shown, and also to see what the local competition will be.

I appreciated the kind hospitality of the SCA Liaison Officer, Mrs Moorman, with whom I stayed for a week during which we visited many breeders. My grateful thanks, too, to Mrs Vermeer who clerked and interpreted for me so efficiently.

Some of the exhibits were of high quality and my principal awards were as follows. Longhair breeders may be interested to hear that the best Longhair was Boysie's Gift, whose dam was Wildfell-Vilette, sire Ch Northern Light. Mr Atkiss judged the Longhairs and this lovely Cream kitten, owned by Mevr de Koning van Oosten, had just been imported.

Best Russian Blue, FIALKA DE CAPRICE; best Abyssinian, ROSALIE VAN YLOSTEYN; best neuter, GIDEON VAN ANNEKE (Seal Point); best Seal Point, SIAMANS DONALD; best Blue Point, MIYKE VAN ASGARD; best Lilac Point, LILAC DELFY CHEZ LA ROSE; best kitten, CAPRICE'S BLUE HERO; best household pet, BILLY (a large gentleman in excellent condition).

My best in show was an Eastern type black kitten, MEPHISTO DE CAPRICE, owned by KARIN SCHALEN and bred by Mr and Mrs Lucas. This kitten had excellent foreign type and was in wonderful condition. These are not recognised but may qualify for 'best' at a club match. EILEEN LENTAIGNE

FROM CHAMALIERES

ON OCTOBER 3 and 4 there took place in the Salle Villars at Chamalieres, a cat show organised by the Association Féline du Centre.

The show manager was Madame Desramaut of Issoire, and the judges were myself and Signora Caron-Campesato, Italy's foremost judge and already a friend of mine. Some of the exhibits were remarkably good, notably a Blue, a Black and a White longhair, some very typy Siamese and a very fine short-hair Brown Tabby, one of the best I have seen for years.

France's Finance Minister, Monsieur Valéry Giscard d'Estaing, is also the Mayor of Chamalieres, and Mme Giscard d'Estaing very charmingly presented the awards. On Saturday evening there was a dinner at which speeches were made, in particular by Madame Lochet, who is President of the Union Nationale des Associations Félines and of the Association Féline de France.

This weekend was an international occasion, and I met fanciers I already knew, including a member of our own Colourpoint, Rex-coated and AOV Club. Many of the exhibits were of very high quality, and we stayed at a charming hotel and were very well entertained by our hosts. Madame Desramaut ran a successful show and found time to look after the judges as well, and I am sure that Signora Caron and I shall both remember with pleasure our stay at Chamalieres. PHYLLIS LAUDER

OUT OF THE POSTBAG

ROSETTES ON THE DAY

I HAVE read the letters from exhibitors with great interest, raising the point of when, how, and if ever do rosettes get presented. In my estimation rosettes lose all their value if not presented publicly.

I have read the show rules of the GCCF and cannot find a rule which prevents rosettes being presented on the day of the show. Show managers in general will not allow this; why I do not know.

I have been secretary of the Kensington Kitten and Neuter Club and am now secretary of the Capital LH Cat Association and know what a great expense it is, with higher postage rates, to send rosettes.

It would give me great pleasure to present the Capital rosettes on the day of the show, and no doubt if I were not at the show another official of the Association would be willing to carry out this duty.

I can think of nothing more gratifying than to see a BIS pen draped with rosettes. Why is the rosette, presented by the club running the show, given on the day, whether the winner is a member of the club or not?

Would all club members raise this question at annual general meetings, 'Presentation of Rosettes on the day'?

The Capital Committee have agreed that the cups, specials, and rosettes shall be presented at the annual general meeting, but no doubt would be pleased to make the presentation at the shows, if show managers allow this. (Mrs) MARGERY BISHOP, London

CAT RACE INTO RAT RACE

REFERENCE 'Role of conductor' (FUR AND FEATHER, September 24), though a conductor of an orchestra may have a different interpretation to the composer he does not—and must not play wrong notes. He therefore in general keeps within accepted limits. Should he decide to severely alter the score (and this is his prerogative) he risks some of his audience objecting and walking out. This they can do without loss of qualifications, status or prizes. A judge therefore has little in common with a conductor, any more than the exhibitor has with the orchestral audience.

If we, the exhibitors, are instructed by 'those who know best' that we must select our judges and pick those for ourselves who will accept the variations to the standards that our cats suffer from, then we feel sure this is a short cut to turning our cat race into a rat race.

We find ourselves agreeing with Mrs Rolls, and further, would suggest that the variation of standards should not be left to the whims or idiosyncrasies of individual judges other-

wise there will eventually be no true standards and surely the setting of standards must have been one of the reasons for inaugurating the GCCF.

In view of the absence of clarity on this whole matter we would hope that the GCCF would give guidance to the cat world in general by publishing their observations in FUR AND FEATHER. BOBBY VOLTAIRE, Clophill, Beds.

'PURE' ENGLISH CHINCHILLAS

I WOULD like to support Mrs Polden's reply (FUR AND FEATHER, September 24) to the writer of the article on Chinchilla cats of September 10.

I myself am a comparatively new breeder of Chinchilla cats, matching my 7½ years against some of our well known breeders of such long standing. However, I do feel I am entitled to write this short reply in true support of, the pure English bred Chinchilla cat as I had the privilege of seeing one of the most beautiful chins of recent years, and that was the very, very beautiful Poldenhill's Merlin, owned by Mrs Polden, and bred by her.

I am so sad, to have to add this beautiful boy is no longer with us.

Poldenhill's Merlin was of pure English breeding, and I (for one) am hoping to get his bloodline back into our breeding by using his son Ch Pasha Sheeba Crusader X. With my Chrysada Desireeana, who is again pure English breeding, being sired by that most beautiful Ch Sonata Sovrana, owned and bred by Mrs F Roden: Also of pure English blood stock, so here's hoping to carry on our pure English bloodline in that most beautiful breed Chinchilla cat. (Mrs) ADA L CLARK, Scunthorpe

WAY TO IMPROVE CONDITIONS

IT IS a well known fact that in this country the number of thoroughly inadequate boarding catteries outnumbers those which provide good accommodation. What, however, is not so well known is that in the event of a cat owner being dissatisfied with the conditions under which the cat has been boarded or with the condition of the cat at the end of its term of boarding they can, and should, make a complaint to the local licensing authority.

The official normally responsible for handling applications for licences is the Public Health Inspector.

Cat owners are strongly urged to take this action in order that the general standard of boarding throughout the country, both of construction and husbandry, can be improved. S M HAMILTON-MOORE (Miss), Salisbury.

STORM IN A TEACUP

IVOR RALEIGH

IT is always considered good fun to 'take a poke' at those in authority; and the recent events connected with the dismissal by the Executive Committee of the former Siamese registrar may be said to have been an excellent example of this popular sport.

The Executive Committee is a body of 16 persons which is elected annually by the Council by the democratic process of a paper ballot; and unless one believes that the Council is composed of congenial idiots—which it certainly is not, one must assume that by and large, the Council makes a wise choice. One of the duties of the Committee is to employ the people who fill our various paid posts; and a necessary corollary of this power to employ is the power to dismiss.

And so it came about that as a result of complaints which were received and checked, the Committee had to part company with the Siamese registrar, giving her a not ungenerous three months notice. The committee took this course with reluctance, for its members knew that the lady in question was a person of the highest integrity and was, moreover, an old and popular member of the Fancy.

I suppose that it would be fair to say that the dismissal could have been made more gently and in a more considerate and courteous manner; but it is equally fair to say that in matters such as this there is no obligation upon the committee to be gentle, nor does the Fancy possess either at Council or club level a particularly convincing history of gentleness; and this is probably particularly true of the persons who partly for reasons of sentiment and partly, in my view, for reasons of political expediency decided to turn this incident into a major crisis; a veritable casus belli.

The committee's opponents acted quickly and efficiently. A motion of censure was

brought against the Executive In Council and was heavily defeated. At the same time, a campaign of oratory was set in motion with the express intention (so it seemed) of presenting the committee as a coven of witches and the ex registrar as a frail, gentle and hard-done-by victim; all of which must have driven the 'victim' into guffaws of laughter; for in her day she possessed, and no doubt still possesses one of the most shrewd minds and wittiest tongues in the Fancy.

Be it as it may, the committee's opponents narrowly persuaded the Council to set up an independent enquiry into the facts relating to the dismissal; and this produced in due course, a report which was decidedly unfavourable to the committee while at the same time, confirming that the committee had acted without either spite or malice. At the last moment, the 'discovery' of new evidence strongly favourable to the committee turned the tables by the narrowest of margins; and the Council rejected the Umpire's report with all of its unfavourable implications, thus vindicating the Executive Committee and putting an end to the matter.

Some people might regard this incident as evidence of a dangerous unrest in the Fancy's higher stratum. In my view, this is nonsense. Only rare individuals can live quiet, harmonious and yet, fulfilled and happy lives. For most of us, a degree of conflict and strife is the blessed salt which leavens our emotional bread; without which, many lives would be flat and empty. These storms in a teacup revive for us the flagging fires of enthusiasm. They blow a welcome wind upon the cooling embers of our flame. And since a good essay must have a beginning, a middle and an end, may I say 'thank you' to the protagonists on both sides for the moderation and restraint they showed at the final reckoning.



SPILLERS PRODUCE 'BONUS'

A BALANCED FOOD WHICH IS CLAIMED TO BE THE CHEAPEST MEATY PRODUCT AVAILABLE

SPILLERS have launched nationally 'Bonus' a new brand of pet food which is the lowest priced meaty product on the market. It comes in two special formulations, Bonus Dog Food and Bonus Cat Food, and is available in the shops now.

The manufacturers' main consideration has been to produce a high quality product at a price which will help the pet owner to keep down the cost of feeding his cat or dog without sacrificing quality. Prices at 1s 6d (14½ oz) for the dog food and 10d (7 oz) for the cat food, Bonus is considerably cheaper than any equivalent quality product on the market.

Over the last 18 months there has been a general increase in the price of pet foods of more than 15 per cent caused mainly by rising raw material costs and the imposition of Purchase Tax. As a result dog owners are spending about sixpence a day more and cat owners about 4d on feeding. This has meant an additional yearly cost of about 59 or 110 for a dog and about 26 for a cat. By feeding Bonus, pet owners will be able to reduce feeding bills, without lowering the quality of the food. For Bonus contains high quality meat with special minerals and vitamins added. The basic difference between the dog and cat food is that the minerals and vitamins mix is varied to meet the requirements of the two animals.

Spillers Limited is a large public company whose principal activities are flour, bread and confectionery, animal feeds and grocery products which include both domestic foods and pet foods.

For the launching of the firm's new cat food the press was invited to look over its Nutritional Centre and Pet Care Unit at Kennett, within easy reach of Cambridge where the company's Technological Research Station and Central Analytical

Laboratories are situated and whose services are available.

The unit comprises three sections, Applied Nutrition, Laboratory and Farm Animal Nutrition and the Pet Care Unit; and broadly the work of the Centre is concerned with such problems as the assessment of the nutritive quality of raw materials used in the company's food and feed products and the effects of processing and storage on quality and acceptability; studies on the characteristics of foods which may lead to more economic utilisation of major nutrients; and the effect of enzymes and other biological materials on feed intake.

The Pet Care Unit is under the direction of Mr W J Cropper and here there is a constant assessment by feeding tests of the effectiveness of the company's existing and new pet foods in supporting maintenance, growth, health and reproduction. Kitten feeding is an important field of study. Digestibility experiments are also carried out to assess the nutritive value of both raw materials and finished products.

The animal accommodation is excellent. There are one separate and well distributed houses for hens, rabbits and other small animals, pigs, sheep, turkeys, dogs, budgerigars and cats.

The cat colony consists of approximately fifty-five cats (males and females), all cross-bred. The comfortable and well equipped breeding house has recently been populated with eight queens and two toms which are known to be free of feline rhinotracheitis and feline picornavirus infection. Both the maintenance and cat breeding houses have an exercise area.

Detailed attention is given throughout the unit to the care and comfort of all the animals.

I SAY IT'S SMOKE IN YOUR EYES

How can you revive something that's been with us for over seventy years

D M COLLINS

I AM sorry to inflict more of the Smoke versus black Chinchilla controversy on the rest of the Fancy. I feel that, in fairness to the Kala Smokes, when so much bitterness has been expressed about them it is essential to repudiate, at least, a percentage of these untruths.

I cannot understand why, when pure bred Smokes have been in continuous production for over seventy years, Mrs Hoyle and the other AOV breeders are so anxious to revive them. The Kalas do not need any reviving. I have in my cattery today Smokes aged from two weeks to seven years.

We know that the Chinchilla was bred from a lilac coloured cat mated to a mongrel of unknown origin, but Smokes were being bred before this cat's grand-daughter 'Chinny' was born.

Miss Sherlock and Mrs Hoyle have really corroborated my statements on the breeding of blue and black Chinchillas. These should be registered as AOVs until they have produced three generations of AOV kittens like themselves. Then decide on a suitable name for this new breed.

A pair of real Smokes reproduce themselves in their progeny, so no-one can manufacture a real Smoke no matter what the ingredients.

An organisation was formed in 1945 when Mesdames Langston, Yorke and Cattermole agreed that an odd looking Kitten, Lotus Shandy, which appeared in a litter of Lotus blue-eyed whites, should be registered as a Smoke.

One wonders if one of the Brixton tom cats could possibly throw some light on this mystery! All Shandy's progeny were registered as Smokes, hence the mixture of AOVs in the open Smoke classes today.

In producing a black Chinchilla, which has won twenty Smoke CCs in three years (according to Mrs Hoyle) one wonders if the present method of appointing judges by the secretaries of specialist clubs is the right one.

Seven of the CSSS members are judges of Smokes. Not one has ever bred a Smoke but several are breeders of these black Chinchillas.

To quote Soderberg on the breeding of Smokes is really laughable. Just to answer one of his assertions—twelve Kala Smokes were bred and shown between 1938 and 1958. Mrs Hoyle should borrow volumes 8 to 15 of the Stud Book when she will have an

eye opener not only on the number of Kala Smokes bred but also on the veracity of some of her friends.

In 1938, I bred my first Smoke, Ch Kala Moonflower who (incidentally) at the 1938 NCC show when seven months old won the special for best Smoke in show over three adults. Two of them were champions.

I am quite satisfied with the GCCF Standard of Points but I wish some of the judges would study them. Fifty points are awarded for colour and coat, 'silky texture, long and dense, extra long frill'. How often one reads in a judge's report 'contrasts coming through', 'needs more frill', etc. One should judge by the standard on the day not on the possible appearance in six months time.

Miss Sherlock knows quite well that she has never bred or owned a Smoke. These so-called Smokes which keep appearing in her litters are, I expect, like Nono, Terry and Yasmin, really smoky blacks.

Mrs Spencer Smith was a breeder of rabbits. In 1924 she bred Raccoon of Spen from B'air Atholl (bred No 3) and Snookums of California (bred unknown). In 1928 he sired two females by his own sister and that was the extent of the Spen strain of 'Smokes'.

I see Minou Smokey Too has now produced some 'black smoke', ancestors. There is no such cat as a 'black smoke'. This is a name coined by the breeders of black chinchillas to describe their cats. The inclusion of whites in smoke pedigees has never been advocated by smoke breeders. Which was the third country in which he won his previous three CCs?

I used various blue or black males as outcrosses but the smoke males were bred in an unbroken line from Ch Kala Moonflower.

Mr Stirling-Webb started breeding Siamese in 1947 and in 1948 bought Kala Sabu from me. He was the sire or grandsire of all Stirling-Webb's early champions. I was Stirling-Webb's first partner and was able to advise him as, in conjunction with Mrs Barton-Wright (the breeder of the first FI Himalayans in this country) I had been interested in the production of Himalayan since 1936, and had been breeding longhairs for 18 years.

Stirling-Webb was fortunate in having some friends who arranged matings with longhairs for his Siamese bred cats.

His first colourpoint was Briarry Abu Het, born 1952 who was a son of Kala Sabu and Briarry Henrietta (by a Siamese and a stray, which he registered as 13be).

'WARE THE WOMAN WITH THE CHEQUE BOOK

A WARNING FROM THE GOVERNING COUNCIL

The GCCF wish to draw attention to the following letter which was printed in 'Our Dogs' on August 21, 1970, since it is understood that similar methods are being undertaken in respect of cats:

DUD CHEQUES

'Sir, Southern breeders of Toydogs should beware of a young woman buying stock with dud cheques. She is a very plausible, buxom young woman, dark hair tied back, driving a heavy, older-type dark blue van 430 WPK, knowledgeable about horses and has travelled. She pays by cheques printed for 'A Derby' (Nat Prov Bank, 17 The Hard, Portsmouth) but also

uses other names, Smith, Brook, etc. She tells people she is 'in partnership' with a Chihuahua breeder and also possesses printed notepaper headed 'Sherborn Kennels'. Portsmouth police would like to get in touch with this woman. Contact D/C Poe, Portsmouth 22222 Ex 230 if you have information, or your own local station. (Mrs) B D S MASON

UNWISE

Will cat owners please note that it is most unwise to issue signed blank transfer application forms. Before issuing the forms make certain that correct details are completed for the cat for which the transfer is requested and only then sign same.

DOWN COME THE COALS OF WRATH

MRS McPHERSON says, quite rightly, that she will be bringing down coals of wrath upon her head when she states, that there is not one Russian Blue bred in this country which can be referred to as pure-bred. What does she think I and others have been doing for the past fifteen or more years?—I started with pure-bred stock as long ago as that and they were on the ordinary register, not SR then.

Russian Blues bred in this country today are as pure-bred as most well known breeds of pedigree cats and other animals, and this includes all the man-made breeds of dog, and also ponies and horses, one of which is the well known thoroughbred who still has the blood of the Arab in his veins. It is this that is reputed to have given him his speed and stamina.

I fail completely to see why Mrs McPherson finds it necessary to keep on raking up the distant past of the Russian Blue cat. We all know that mistakes were made donkeys years ago—but they were also made in other breeds as well.

Why always pick on the lovely Russian Blue? One would think that Mrs McPherson hated the breed and has set out to ruin it, for every time she writes it is the same old story about the mating of Blue-Pointed Siamese.

How many other breeds had to be perpetuated in the beginning, or during the war years because there were no studs of their own kind to keep them in existence? I can think of quite a few, one of which is the 'Burmese'.

In America an unknown brown cat was mated to a Siamese, and from the resultant litter and carefully selected breeding, the Burmese was born.

Also how about the beautiful Abyssinian? Experts agree that although the name 'Abyssinian' has been given to these cats, investigation has proved that it was not a breed as such in that country, and these lovely animals are the results of selective breeding by British fanciers.

The Russian Blue has a similar history. It was first known as the 'Archangel' cat, and was thought to have been brought from Russia many years ago by sailors trading between Archangel and this country.

It was not until after the last war that the name 'Russian' was adopted. The Russian Blues seen today (also not seen) are the results of many years of selective breeding and the name Russian (like the Abyssinian) does not necessarily imply country of origin. But pure-bred they are today and no one with a grain of common sense would even think of introducing alien blood and therefore putting the breed right back to the beginning.

When one talks of abnormalities being born and also sterility etc these things can and do happen in any species of animal on this earth. The Russian Blue in my experience is remarkably free of such things. It would be most interesting to hear from other breeders concerning this point.

I grieve to think what the disparaging remarks made by Mrs McPherson will have on novice breeders. It is enough to make them lose interest completely and start with another breed instead.

Let us all bury the past and only look to the future, for if we insist on delving deep into the past of every pedigree breed there is, we would undoubtedly get some big shocks and a lot of beautiful fairy stories would come tumbling down in ashes. Yes, even with Siamese. PAT KIRBY, Rochdale

THANKS

I SHOULD like to take this opportunity to thank the many kind friends who sent such lovely 'Get Well' letters, cards and flowers while I was in hospital. It was really heart-warming to realise how many people were wishing me well.

Unfortunately, the operation to repair the detached retina of the eye has proved unsuccessful and though I now have a bright blue plastic 'implant' in the right eye, there is still no vision in it. So will friends and exhibitors please remember that I am NOT 'cutting' them when I ignore those on my right side?

To be on the 'receiving end' of nursing was an interesting experience. I have nothing but praise for the student nurses, who were always willing and thoughtful. In fact, only one nurse could be criticised, and this was a night-sister of the 'old school'. She still believed a spotlessly tidy ward to be more important than a patient's comfort, and she had no consideration for the student nurses. Having suffered under similar sisters in my student days I was surprised to find they still exist!

Finally I would like to say a special 'thank you' to my family and to Mrs V Newton, who kept all our cats and kittens in such splendid condition. ALISON E ASHFORD, Maidstone

CATS AT THE SHOWS

MORE WINNERS FROM THE NOR' EAST OF SCOTLAND

(Continued from October 22 issue)

Mrs E Towe's classes

A very happy and well organised show, a good hall and lighting and some very good exhibits.

My thanks to Mrs Alexander for her hospitality, I enjoyed seeing Ch Caru and the other cats and kittens after the show. It was nice to meet several old friends at the Golden Lion Hotel on Sunday night.

The show managers Dr and Mrs Carter and Mr Riddell are to be congratulated with their committee on a very good effort.

CREAM LH Cat: 1 Connor's Clough Cow-boy, well made cat, excellent type, neat ears, pale coat, little short today, lovely big orange eyes, good tail no white in coat 2 Warnock's Honeycomb Cream Conquest, excellent type, firm chin, big orange eyes, good tail, coat very shady today, well presented 3 Becker's Carnock Angel, coat too hot today, white tip to tail, good orange eyes, ears rather pricked, young cat, should improve **CREAM OR BLUE CREAM Kitten:** 1 Warnock's Cream Conqueror, sweet kitten, pale coat, neat well set ears, good chin, eye colour will be good, tail little thin today 2 Hepburn's Culdee Creme Solitaire, lovely ears, nice chin, good tail, lovely eyes, ears rather pricked, coat shady today 3 Lawson's Culdee Marco, big kitten, good head and lovely eyes, very good tail, red markings on head and too much solid red in coat, well shown **BURMESE Cat:** 1 Kemp's Heilan Medina, Brown Burmese, nice profile,

shade of blue 3 Thaw's Pietra Pfu, BP, nice head and eyes, nice texture coat but too dark, good head and eyes, nice feet, mask and points rather dark r Lindsay's Luckystar Duke, dense mask and points, eyes lovely colour but round, coat dark today Kitten not bred by exhibitor: 1 2 r Kent-Athy, S Kilkerran Lilac Electra, long head, oriental eyes, lovely coat, good tail, long nose, nice coat 2 big CP, oriental eyes of good colour, long tail, lovely coat, points pale 3 Ogilvie's Ben Miant, tiny BP, nice head and eyes, whip tail, good blue mask and points r Kilkerran Eurydice, BP, long head, eyes lovely colour but rather round, whip tail AC Kitten: 1 Pearson's Lowenhaus Percival, good silver coat with dense and correct markings, good head and eyes, good ringed tail 2 Lowenhaus Prudence, good type silver, markings good, dense black, good head and eyes, ringed tail, both promising. I thank my steward Mrs Rose Marie Herd for her attention and interest. We had a very interesting day with varied exhibits. ELIZABETH TOWE

Mrs G Pond's classes

The Nor' East of Scotland Cat Club sanction show was a happy one, most efficiently organised by the joint show managers, Mrs A Carter and Mr D Riddell and their very able committee. I enjoyed my first visit to the show and to Aberdeen, and I thank everyone concerned with the arrangements made for my stay and for looking after me so well. My grateful thanks to my very capable steward, Mrs G Elrick.

BLACK Cat: 1 Warnock's Arista Demelza, female, good head and type, small ears and cobby body, short tail, coat good black, with a few white hairs **BLUE Cat:** 1 Mackay's Ch Dunrobin Wild Cherry, female, good pale coat, nice type, good tail to head with small ears, big round eyes, well prepared 2 Burns's Dunrobin Paul, male, good full coat and very nice big round eyes, firm chin and good top to head 3 Bowen's Almondhill Gentian, female, full coat, short full tail, eyes good, nose could be slightly flatter r Warnock's Blue Glow of Carne, male, full coat, little shady and frill little pale, good colour eyes but deep set **RED SELF Kitten:** 1 Warnock's Pathfinders Moonglow, female, a very pretty kitten but too many bars and markings to be a true self and colour little pale, eye colour good, ears upright **BIRMAN Kitten:** 1 Imlach's Chalmi Pippa, female, coat and type good, eye colour still changing, points and mask good, paws well gloved, one back gauntlet could be a little more pointed **SILVER TABBY SH Cat:** 1 Pearson's Ch Lowenhaus Silver Jonathan, male, very good cat with nice silver background coat and good markings, head and eye colour good **DEVON REX:** 1 Hough's Annelida Laurell, short wavy black coat, good body shape and tail, nice ears 2 Herd's Annelida Wistaria, blue, more Cornish than

Devon in type, coat could be wavier, long tail, good ears **CREAM OR BLUE-CREAM SH Kitten:** 1 Simpson's Muirend Gold Dust, type quite good, very pale coat but too many bars and markings, tail ringed **LH BLUE Neuter:** 1 Mackay's Ch Gallbraes Lucinda, very good top to head, nice type with big eyes, slightly pale in colour, good full coat, neat ears, very well prepared **AV BRITISH SH Neuter:** 1 Pearson's Ch Silverseal Adele, good Silver Tabby with nice silver background coat and deep well defined markings, head well marked, nice eyes and type 2 Glennie's Muirend Fireball, Cream, a massive cat, with good broad head, nice type, big eyes, colour good, tail too fluffy **AC LH Breeders cat:** 1 Mackay's Dunrobin Rowanna, female Smoke, afterwards best LH adult in show, mask good, full contrasting coat, lovely tail, type and top to head good, big round eyes 2 Imlach's Chalmi Asian Jewel, female Birman, nice gloves on front paws but gauntlets uneven on back, eye colour good, longish nose, good coat but rather dark on back Kitten not bred by exhibitor: 1 Bowen's Jaydees Vanity Fair, female white, good white coat, beautifully shown, lovely tail, eyes changing to copper, type quite good but ears a little open, 2 Emslie's Dunrobin Poppin, male Smoke, good full coat but not enough contrast yet but may develop later, beautiful eyes, good head, ears little open 3 Lawson's Culdee Marco, male, Cream, a very pretty kitten with nice eyes and good type, but some tabby markings on the cream coat **AV SH Cat** not bred by exhibitor: Evans's Selva Victoria, SH White, with good pure coat, lovely blue eyes, type good, head could be a little broader 2 Hough's Heaphaestos Polaris, male Devon Rex, good type, big ears, good eyes, nice body shape, short wavy coat, white, tail good 3 Pearson's Ch Fendale Impish, British Blue with lovely head and good coat for colouring but little full, good big round orange eyes short tail, nice type r Stewart's Kernow Khemkaran, Breeders kitten: 1 Pearson's Percival, male Silver Tabby, with nice tabby markings on good silver coat, type and eye colour, good 2 Stewart's Garioch Lulu, Burmese, with good head and body shape, on the small size, long thin tail and good eyes 3 Pearson's Lowenhaus Prudence, Silver Tabby, very pretty kitten with good eyes and type, markings not yet clearly defined and some spotting on front paws **AC LH Neuter** not bred by exhibitor: 1 Lowe's Glenbury Morning Star, White, with very nice full coat, well prepared, short tail, very good eyes and ears 2 Bradley's Amberglow Smokey Joe, good black coat, full tail, good eyes and type 3 Mavor's Topaze Gem, Cream, full coat, little hot on back, head shape good, nice type, eyes little pale r Wilson's Almondhill Thunderbolt **AV SH Radius:** 1 Evans's Selva Victoria 2 Jenkins's Lowenhaus Zohara, Silver Tabby, good silver background coat, nice tabby markings and good head shape. GRACE POND FZS

BREEDING METHODS

On page 1037 we continue our series on Breeding Methods which will be of great value to all small stock exhibitors—cat fanciers included. Read it, digest it, get acquainted, if necessary with a few new words, then keep it for future reference. The series will be continued in our next issue

ON NOVEMBER 19

If you have news for that issue or the following one on December 3 please post it now.

nice colour eyes, good tail, coat rather out of condition 2 Stewart's Kernow Khemkaran, good profile, very good coat, green eyes, small kink in tail Kitten: 1 Ford's Chandara Seaholly, good type Blue, nice head, small ears and correct profile, nice eyes, good tail, coat rather too dark 2 Stewart's Garioch Lulu, small sweet kitten, nice head and profile, eyes should be good, nice coat and tail, no white hairs 3 Ford's Sittang Othello, big Blue Burmese, nice eyes, nose rather long, ears could be smaller, long tail, good temperament **SIAMESE CHOCOLATE POINT Cat:** 1 Lindsay's Luckystar Timbo, big cat, points not chocolate but poor seal, coat dark and patchy, mask brindled, front legs patchy, square jaw, I regret withholding a first prize **LILAC POINT Cat:** 2 Strachan's Oidheach Twink, I think this cat was in the wrong class, more blue than lilac, legs and mask blue, ears lilac, coat shady and open today, nice head, does not conform to standard **SEAL POINT Kitten** 3-6 mth: 1 Guthrie's Roseangel Pani, good head, nice eyes for shape and colour, lovely light coat of good texture, dense mask and points, long tail, well set ears 2 Leith's Mormond Sharon, dense mask and points, nice head and eyes, lovely light coat, dainty feet, long tail with tiny kink 3 Hough's Kaloke Katrina, nice head, dense mask and points, eye colour good but could be more oriental, coat little shady, good tail r Leith's Mormond Samantha, dense mask and points, coat rather shady but of good texture, good tail, eyes little round 6-9 mth: 1 Lindsay's Luckystar Coral, in wrong class, no standard to judge by, big kitten, points too dark, coat very patchy, tabby markings on head, nice eyes, long tail **BURMESE Neuter:** 1 Moir's Balmiedie Satin, nice head and profile, good coat, no white, nice tail, eyes incline to green **SIAMESE BLUE POINT Neuter:** 1 Primrose's Tilou, good head and correct eye colour, nice blue mask and points, lovely coat, good tail 2 Stephen's Sheba, good head and eyes, nice tail, coat dark and patchy today 3 Elrick's Whinburn Bluebell, head little short, nice eyes, good colour, blue points and mask, sweet temperament **AC Breeders cat:** 1 Alexander's Alexa Sa'mutaira, dainty BP, nice head and eyes, good colour, blue mask and points, light coat, good tail 2 Lindsay's Luckystar Prince, good type BP, nice head and eyes, good light coat of nice texture, long tail, mask and points, good

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EXCELLENT ORGANISATION AT SIAMESE CAT CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW BUT QUALITY OF EXHIBITS 'NOT VERY GOOD'

I would like to thank all the judges, stewards and all the many helpers who worked so hard to make our ruby anniversary show a happy, successful event.

The cats and kittens, too, seemed happy and relaxed in the sunshine of a beautiful day.

We were sorry not to have our president, Sir Compton Mackenzie with us, but a message of good wishes sent by him from France was read to us and, in his absence, the best in show rosettes were presented to the winners by Mrs Margaret Simpson, a judge visiting us from South Africa.

We were sorry too, that Mrs Hindley was not with us this year, also. MARY DUNNILL, Show manager

Mrs E Kent's classes

The Siamese Cat Club show was again expertly managed by Mrs Mary Dunnill and Mrs Kay Burgess. Congratulations to them both and all their capable assistants who helped to make such an enjoyable day.

Unfortunately, the quality of the exhibits, with a few exceptions was not very good. As Mr Will Lamb remarked to me, it was not a very good showing for a specialist club.

Many grateful thanks to Mr Tony Burgess who handled the cats so well for me.

SEAL POINT Male 12: 1 ch Keene's Simaew Smo-Kay, very good head, oriental eye for colour and shape, very svelte body, long whip tail, excellent type, good contrasting body colour with dense points, cold grey colouring today 2 Denny's Saturn Salamander, ran winner very close, fine masculine cat, good head but he has become rather plump which makes it look short, good firm chin but for goodness sake don't touch it, excellent type, tail a trifle thick at root, has gone rather dark in colour and coat a bit patchy today 3 Hindley's Hi-Hoe Barlee, head could be longer, nice type, excellent eye colour and shape, coat open today and cold grey in colour, he was very nervous which perhaps was the cause of the open coat, though when safely under his blanket he was happily making bread r Dessauer's Mayfields Hermes, extremely nice young cat, not yet ready, pale coat, chin pale today, pale on points as yet, good coat texture, good straight wedge and well set ears, should do well later vhc Burlington's Bru Leon, well set ears, good eyes, rather pinched at muzzle, right out of condition with open coarse coat today, otherwise would have gone higher hc Grimmitt's Barbecat Cyombo, very dark, ears well placed, muzzle too square, nervous and difficult to handle, nice coat texture c Van Osselen's Shah, very dark in coat, head too short, glorious eye colouring, beautiful texture of coat, the best I have handled for a very long time, it was with great pleasure I awarded him all the specials for texture of coat. I do not think any of the exhibits were at their best, it is really too early in the season. Several little males were obviously too young and out of condition to be exhibited. One exhibit was so overhot he had no chin at all CH of Ch: Peck's Ch Tailong Kuli, too well known to need description, this male is eight years old and looks marvellous still, has gone dark in coat but retains his type and svelte body, adorable disposition as always Breeders male kitten: 1 Keene's Kill down Eros, very promising, straight wedge, excellent type and good eye colour, lovely pale body, whip tail, in wonderful condition, afterwards best kitten and best exhibit in show 2 Greenland's Moonfleet Auriga, very nice type, white around eyes today, slight weakness at chin, whip tail 3 Morris Thomas's Coolara Tan Tuki, head fair, chin pale, good tail, eyes could be deeper r Chandler's Twinhoe Saturn, pinched muzzle, nice whip tail, lovely eye colour but white surround vhc Winkworth AC Breeders: 1 Greenacres's Tibaan Pisces, chocolate Tabby point, very pale coat, ears too much on top of head, points well defined 2 Braggins's Flume Inga, chocolate Tabby Point, glorious eye colour, chin slightly weak 3 Farley's Flayre Shere Khan, nice type, chocolate Tabby Point, too dark in colour r Halpern's Shalom Alfie, good type and nice eyes, head could be longer vhc Sayer's Solitaire Silver Sapphire, good chin, lovely eyes for colour and shape, patchy on back, white on tail Neuter breed 32: 1 Deakin's Senty-Twix Tarquin, excellent type, nice solid cat, very good chin, well marked apart from being too dark on back 2 Friggens's Solitaire Taos, Red Point, good head and glorious eye colour, lacks points, weak chin 3 Croft's Sislinski Trampus, head short, nice chin, dark coat, points well defined

CHOCOLATE POINT Ad: 1 Redford's Pi-Den Cupid, this male has improved considerably since I last handled him, tail bridding has nearly gone, coat has improved, good head, appears a bit short because of jowls which are allowed for, fine masculine cat and the only one in the class the correct chocolate colouring 2 Holt's Pitapat Kinewa, nice head, very typical, colouring too dark, chin weak, lovely eye colour 3 Stephenson's Ramonda Vanity, white round muzzle, head fair, well set ears, chocolate colouring fair r Hudson's Karibur Philia, good type, lovely body colouring but points not up yet, good head **BLUE POINT Kitten:** 1 Shewbridge's Tamruat Blue Diamond, good typical kitten, nice head, lovely eye colouring, whip tail, pale body, coat too long at present 2 same owner's Tamruat Blue Jade, nice head, good colouring, excellent eye colour 3 Green's Nikaed Acantha, big kitten, good whip tail, weakness at chin r Moss's Fantan Bluebell, head fair, eyes pale, muzzle pinched today. ELSIE KENT

Mrs Hardy's classes

A brilliant show, excellent lighting, space and organisation. Congratulations to Mrs Dunnill, Mrs Burgess and all their helpers.

I thoroughly enjoyed the day and have this lovely Parker Biro as a memento.

My sincere thanks for this gift and for being invited to judge.

Miss Paula Brabyn was a first class steward. She handles the cats so well.

BLUE POINT Kitten 4-6 mth: 1 Warner's Spotlight Kiridon, lovely wedge with good straight profile, slight pinch at present, well set ears, nice oriental eyes, colour rather deep for a BP, slight spectacles today, long svelt body, slim legs, whip tail paws a little heavy, coat good texture, too warm in colour, points rather dark for his age but good colour on his paws 2 Shewbridge's Tamruat Blue Diamond, another nice kitten, ran very close indeed to first, having better colouring, but not such good type, long well proportioned head, good profile, ears rather close set and high on head, good oriental eyes, nice bright vivid blue, body little short, good pale coat, lovely cold blue legs, other points a little dark for his age 3 Cook's Becbur Arhemis, good wedge with straight profile, long svelte body, slim legs, paws rather heavy and round, whip tail, little thick at base and slightly barred at present, pale eye colour with slight squint, coat rather open, points fair r Drury's Druries Madoc, lovely ear set, wedge a little short with slight pinch, slight stop in profile, eye colour pale, nice fine glossy coat, colouring too fawn, points rather uneven Male 6-9 mth: I am sorry I really did not consider that this kitten merited a first prize, but I was told that it was club policy to award a first as it was the only kitten in this class 1 Ruth's Tinforella Azure Mist, short wedge, rather round head with slight pinch today, ears rather small, slender legs with dainty paws, colouring too dark, condition fair with running eyes today Female 4-6 mth: 1 Bramwell's Blue Jana, lovely ear set, good medium wedge, slight pinch at present, fine oriental eyes, good clear vivid blue, slight spectacles today, colour rather too warm, points dark, good svelte body, slim legs with dainty oval paws 2 Shewbridge's Tamruat Blue Jade, fine dainty kitten, good pale body colour, nice blue points, whip tail little short, ears set too high and close, svelte slim body, a promising kitten 3 Warner's Spotlight Campanula, good type kitten with nice wedge, good profile, slight pinch, ran very close to the first two but lost marks on the coat colour being too warm and points too dark for her age, good eye set and colour, an elegant little Queen r Maund's Sahkon Salane, rather a youngster, good ear set, wedge little short with square muzzle, good whip tail, fine eye set, blue colour rather dark, colouring too fawn 6-9 mth: 1 Green's Nikaed Acantha, good straight profile, flat skull, nice ear set, medium wedge with slight pinch, eye set good, blue rather dark for a BP, long svelte body, tail little thick at base, slim legs, dainty oval paws, coat too ivory, points rather dark 2 Gee's Ryholme Chiku-Shaa, good ear set, wedge short with square muzzle, ears set too high and rather close, whip tail little short, good oriental vivid blue eyes. NANCY HARDY

Miss V Prentis's classes

Mrs Dunhill and her helpers gave us a wonderful show; to them congratulations on a great success. To my steward, Mrs Peggy Smith, my gratitude for her help and for a happy day.

SEAL POINT Female 4-6 mth: 1 Greville's Ra Kesh-Ta, very stylish kitten, excellent head, well placed ears, excellent eyes, points and coat very good, pleasing 2 West's Ilona Star, not quite such good head as winner, type good for body 3 Chinery's Shushilla Kristina, promising, little thin at present, nice type 4 Dury's Druries Thomasina, has ele-

gance, spectacled mask today 5 Dessauer's Mayfield June Rose, head a little pinched, very good contrasts, points and coat 6-9 mth: 1 M Colm's Bernina Ninette, excellent head and eyes, good long body, good points and coat, has style 2 Deakin's Nikaed Diane, excellent type, fails eyes to winner, good style 3 Chinery's Shushilla Kristina, very good profile, fair head, chin a little weak r Colvill's Horizon Moon Dust, little short in head, excellent eyes, very sweet little kitten AOC Premier: 1 pr Reeve's Druries Adon Lilak, excellent lilac points, lovely head, excellent eyes, lovely type all round, very sweet disposition, most pleasing 2 Scoblow's Simcha Bolero, a large handsome cat, very good type, head and eyes, fails mask 3 Bramwell's Physalis Emperor, very good type and eyes, mask light r Daniels's Physalis Shagrayn, good but weak chin. This was a class of very high standard, all lovely cats, all good natured. TP Kitten: 1 Brabyn's Sakura Eowyn, elegant, very good head, excellent eyes, mask coming well, good ivory coat 2 Denton Brook's Spillikins Milkmaid, very good head, excellent coat, points coming well, dainty 3 Underwood's Bablock Bonny, baby still, points uneven, should come on well later r Yorke's Reoky Anke, head a little pinched, points not up yet. V PRENTIS

BEST IN SHOW

- Best exhibit:** Mrs I Keene's Seal Point male kitten, Killdown Eros.
- Best male cat:** Mrs H D Stephenson's Taurus Kountry Boy, Blue Point.
- Best female cat:** Mrs J Watkin's Sadiki Camellia, Lilac Point.
- Best adult:** T Kountry Boy.
- Best male kitten:** Mrs D Ryder's Pi-Den Europa, Chocolate Point.
- Best kitten:** K Eros.
- Best neuter:** Mrs A Wilson's Pr Redleaf Tien, Seal Point.

Mrs H Dadd's classes

Many thanks and congratulations to Mrs Dunnill and the committee for the faultless organisation of this show. Absolutely everything had been thought of and it was a most enjoyable day.

Also thanks to the club for the charming gifts provided for the judges and stewards and to my very willing and helpful steward, Mrs Dessauer, for her help throughout the day.

CHOCOLATE POINT Kitten Male 4-6 mth: 1 Hudson's Supra Wayward, very nice type, beautiful coat colour and texture, fine long whip, very good eye shape and colour, ears slightly small, good long head but bad pinch

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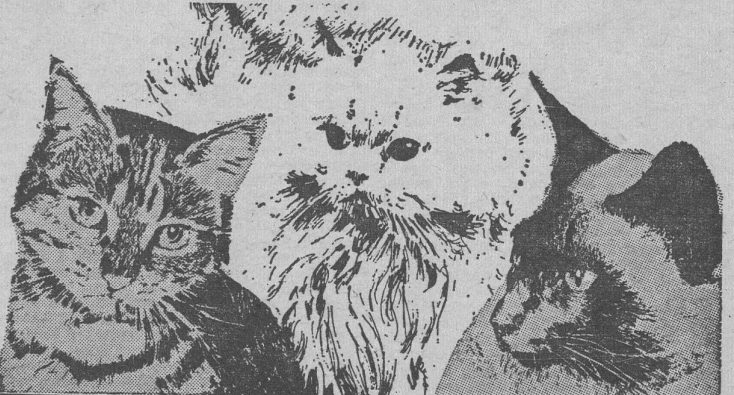
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at present, points tend to be a little dark 2 Hattam's Oehantse, nice type, tail too short with tiny kink, coat rather harsh, open and out of condition, good eye colour and shape, good well set ears, good coat colour, points slightly dark 3 Jones Ilsey's Kasheba Liangnam, tail on short side, eyes round and could be deeper in colour, head a bit short with some pinch, good coat colour r Jones Ilsey's Kasheba Ching-to-chen, very small kitten, fair type, eyes rather pale, though good shape, good coat colour, good whip, not in condition 6-9 mth: 1 Denny's Pi-Den Euclid, gorgeous pale coat of lovely texture, long fine body and whip, very good eye colour and shape, firm chin, well set ears, good head though slight pinch, points very patchy 2 Redfean's Sharuna Khazinda, good coat colour, points patchy and much too dark, rather plump, head short and broad Female 4-6 mth: 1 Hudson's Supra Winter Flower, beautiful type, lovely coat texture and colour, good whip, very good eye shape and colour, well set ears and straight nose, very good points colour, lovely temperament 2 McLean-Ingles's Ceedee-em Kali, nice type, lovely temperament, good whip, large well set ears, very good eye shape and colour, good straight profile, slight pinch 3 Greenacre's Tibaan Matrix Sipedom, very brindled mask, good eye shape and colour, very good coat texture and colour, points a shade dark, good whip, head on the short side, some pinch r Underwood's Babcock Minou, very small, good pale coat of good texture, good eye shape and colour, well set ears, slightly square muzzle 6-9 mth: 1 Ryders' Pi-Den Europa, best female kitten in show, a beautiful kitten with lovely pale coat of good texture, long fine whip, long straight head, beautifully set ears, very good eye shape and colour, lovely points colour, perfectly preented 2 Friggens's Reoky Zoey, very good coat colour, good whip, very good eye colour though rather round, head needs length, some pinch, tail short and thick 3 Morris's Horizon Moon Mist, good length body and tail, good coat but points very patchy, good straight profile, some pinch, weak chin, good eye shape and colour r Norris's Sheben Calphurnia, long body, pale coat, points very patchy, head short and pinched, lacks type **BLUE POINT** Ad Premier: 1 Pr Clark's Moldart Flufftail, lovely temperament, very good straight wedge head, very good eye shape and colour, good whip, lovely coat colour and condition, on heavy side, real oriental look 2 Whittaker's Sybellette Tyn-toni, lovely type, good pale coat, good whip tail, good straight head, well set ears, good eye colour but rather round 3 Gray's Thai Warrah Flighty Lass, very unhappy at being handled, good pale coat, good body length, good eye shape and colour, good whip r Hill's Kosmos Geronimo, eyes a shade pale, head a little short, tail rather thick, nervous **AC** Neuter brace: 1 Dawe's SPs Stanmonty Mainiale and Stanmonty Magicoat, a nice pair in lovely condition and with dense points, Magicoat having the best type with long head and very good eye colour 2 Hill's BPs Kosmos Geronimo and Gulliver 3 Friggens's Solitaire Taos, CP, with good coat colour and texture, head short, and Solitaire Andee RP, lovely long body and tail, good pale coat, head could be longer and eyes deeper. HELEN DADD

Miss A Rickson's classes

It was a particular pleasure to be with the Siamese Cat Club on their ruby anniversary show. It was, as always, beautifully run by Mrs Dunnill and her helpers. My thanks to Mrs Peck for her help and companionship.

CHOCOLATE POINT Ad male: 1 CC withheld, Redford's Pi-Den Cupid, this cat has extremely good points colour but fails on type, head rather short and a pinch, ears small, good eye colour, tail rather thick at root and brindled 2 Sayer's Hazelwood Apollo, good head length with very good eye colour, good whip, points too dark and coat rather dark and rough, lovely nature 3 Plummer's Beaumanor Dixie, face a little short and eye colour pale, nice ear set, points good colour but very brindled Female: 1 Ch Holt's Pitapat Kinewa, a delightful girl, tall and elegant with long legs and beautiful whip, long head with excellent top of head and eye colour, points colour good and extremely even. 1 fault her only on slight weakness in chin 2 Stevenson's Ramonda Vanity, head a little short but good wedge with very good ear set, eyes well set and nice colour, points colour good, a little lacking on front legs 3 Grigg's Roundway Mignonette, slight pinch, nice eye colour, points a little dark and brindled on mask, dainty feet, tail rather thick at root r Buttery's Samsara Amine, very good head length, with well set ears, eyes a little pale, a slight squint, ivory coat, rather short of points colour **PREMIER OF PREMIERS:** 1 Wilson's Pr Redleaf Tien, what a pity there were not enough in the class to give the certificate to this lovely boy, his coat is darkening now, but his beautiful head with its brilliant eye colour and delightful Siamese expression and his long elegant body are as lovely as ever, a delightful character and an old friend of mine 2 Dodgson's Pr Sirisiam Sarabande, strong head with broad nose and lovely eye colour, excellent ear set, tail a little thick at root, coat

NOSTALGIC MEMORIES

THERE must have been many a sigh of regret and nostalgia over the lost qualities of the Siamese, among those who read Mrs Kent's excellent letter.

Where, too, has gone the delicately scented fur of young Siamese? (Was it cedarwood or a hint of chrysanthemum—that faintly oriental scent that made me one exclaim 'You are delicious'.)

Those who doubt my memory should refer to the classic 'Charles' by Michael Joseph, published in 1943. 'His fur was delicately perfumed. The scent was faint but unmistakable . . . I discovered that all Siamese have this peculiar subtle fragrance when very young.'

The last of my plush-coated ones left me for ever last year. Even the vet mourned that pale beautiful coat as she lay there dead in her old age.

At twelve weeks old she spent an entire day in torrential rain, in mid-winter, at the top of a 50 foot elm tree. When I got her down, I found that her skin under that dense undercoat was bone dry and it must have provided miraculous protection against chills.

My present-day charmers have hair, not fur, with a useless fine undercoat giving none of that protection, and with a tendency to nasty wiry guard hairs to appear during the moult.

dark but blue not fawn 3 Lyon's Pr Physalis Apollo, beautiful LP, straight wedge, excellent eye colour, long elegant body of lovely colour, short of points colour r Parkins's Pr Harcosi Shui Shah, head a little short, very nice eye colour and shape, fine texture coat, good whip, very sweet nature **BLUE POINT** Breeders: 1 Putwain's Bluebridge Soyuti, very strong head with straight wedge, beautiful ear set eye colour and shape, good whip coat rather fawn 2 Gray's Sarantos Yannis, good ear set, broad nose, eyes pale, long firm body, fine legs, extremely good coat, close and silky and shading blue 3 Lavellettes's Premi Borago, good head, broad nose, good eye colour and set, nice top of head, coat a little muddy r Parkins's Shamazar Samovar, head good length but too narrow, eyes a little round and pale, ears well set, good coat colour **SEAL POINT** Breeders kitten female: 1 Chinery's Shushilla Kristina, elegant kitten with very good eye shape and colour, good ear set, good head length with slight pinch, good coat texture, long whip 2 Halliday's Sundance Sionad, nice head length with excellent profile, eyes a little pale, good ear set, nice whip, coat rather dark and harsh 3 Deakin's Nikaed Diane, good head length with straight profile, good ear set, eyes a little round, very good coat colour, kink 4 Winsten's Entrecht Jewilee, slight pinch, good ear set, eye colour and shape, nice profile, good whip, shows promise **AC** Debutante kitten: 1 Denton Brook's Spillikins Milkmaid, well balanced head with excellent ear set, good eye colour, long body, good whip, well defined points 2 Greville's Ra Kesh Ta 3 Yorke's Reoky Anneke, good wedge, very nice ear set, eye a little pale, good whip well marked points r Friggins's Reoky Zoey, head a little short, good eye colour, nice whip. ANNE RICKSON

Mrs P Lambert's classes

Congratulations to Mrs Dunnill and Mrs Burgess on a delightful show. Perfect for judging and the exhibits I thought were of high standard. The exhibition pens were perfect settings for the famous cats we were privileged to admire and what an opportunity for the novice to have this chance to study the finer points of the Siamese cat.

To Mrs Betty Wood my grateful thanks for travelling from Kent to steward for me—with her wonderful handling and understanding of Siamese. Last but not least the surprise gift from the club to the judges and stewards. My sincere thanks.

BLUE POINT Ad female 9: This class was far from easy and I took rather longer to reach a decision owing to two cats that were of excellent type and either could have gained top honours 1 ch Applin's Thai Warrah Blue Petite, very elegant queen with attractive wedge head, good oriental eyes, fine bone and with excellent colour on legs and feet, good whip tail, but rather dark 2 Strawford's Ch Maytime Blue Misty, this queen had everything but good eye colour, I felt it unfair to place her in second place on type but it was the eyes that finally decided me and a fellow judge agreed with my decision that her eye colour was very pale 3 Grigg's Roundway Mignonette, very good head and nice wedge, eyes of good colour but rather round, rather heavy body but excellent colour **LILAC POINT** Breeders 7: 1 Sowerby's Karenza Apollo, an elegant boy of delightful temperament, lovely head and perfect eyes, beautiful coat and nice whip tail, a most promising young male but wonderful eyes and a perfect coat, showing lovely contrast, rather on the heavy side at present 3 Watkin's Sadiki Camellia, excellent all-round type with good

The odd thing is that so much has been lost from the commercial angle. How often visitors, when choosing a kitten, have looked past an elegant modern Mum and hoped they would be like Granny, sitting there pale coated, beautiful, with tracings still delicately emphasising her mask with its enigmatic, slanting eyes. Even when elderly, a little too plump and jowly, it was the brilliant contrast in colouring that appealed above all.

How satisfying at last to see a judge of the cat Fancy refer to the hideous chinless ones as 'overshot'. As a novice, I was puzzled beyond endurance, having seen a horrible profile, like a camel's, referred to in many judges' reports as 'undershot' as if open classes were crammed with bulldogs.

I nearly offered an award of vast proportions to any judge who could produce an undershot Siamese from a show, but concluded that the cat Fancy, in reverse to any other judging standard on earth, had come to this definition. (An undershot dog, of almost any breed, is immediately useless for showing—since its lower teeth close over the upper—they undershot them.)

Many thanks Mrs Kent for reviving memories and for your report, so long ago, on my lost one. 'Lovely texture of coat, very pale, beautiful eyes' you wrote, and you were right. KAY HILL, Thirsk

texture coat, tail just a little too thick at root **BLUE POINT** Breeders Kitten Female 7: 1 Bramwell's Blue Jana, a lovely kit of excellent type, good width between ears, very attractive head, wonderful eyes, pale coat and long whip tail 2 Warner's Spotlight Campanula, ran winner very close, with good eye colour and lovely type head, pale coat, I placed her second as her ears appeared to be a little too upright 3 Shewbridge's Tamruat Blue Jade, another good kit with excellent eyes and good head, I thought her coat appeared just a little long at present, otherwise very promising. PHYLLIS LAMBERT

Mrs E Biggie's classes

Congratulations to Mrs Mary Dunnill and Mrs Kay Burgess on, as, ever, a well organised and happy show. My thanks for asking me to judge. The gift of the pen was a delightful surprise and for this also thank-you.

Some very beautiful kittens were shown and I had a very pleasant day among them with my steward Mrs Pat Neale, who left nothing to be desired. To her, my sincere thanks.

LILAC POINT Kitten male 4-6 mth 3: 1 Burlington's Reegan Dessau, beautiful type, good wedge, excellent eye shape and a brilliant colour, slight pinch, possibly due to teething, wonderful lilac points and long pale elegant body, my nomination for best in show 2 Hopper's Tijha Serapis, a very nice kitten, good ear placement with a long head, on account of being rather nervous his eyes became too round and he did not look his best, a lovely pale coat, good points colour, long body, well grown for age 3 Carlton-Bell's Khubsurat Lavender Lad, short head, small ears, eyes too round, dainty legs, very good lilac colour, tail ringed 6-9 mth 2: 1 Humphris's Patrician Peregrine, excellent Siamese type, long head with good width between ears, nice profile, strong jaw, slight pinch, very striking brilliant eyes, svelte body, elegant paws, good whip tail 2 Greenacre's Tibaan Foetious, fails on length of head, ears too much on top, eyes deep set and not orientated enough but a good colour, long body, neat paws, very good tail Female kitten 4-6 mth 5: 1 Shewbridge's Tamruat Lilac Treasure, very type little girl, good wedge, lovely eye colour and shape, ears very large, elegant body, dainty legs with neat paws, a promising lilac colour, pale body, pleasing friendly exhibit 2 Boulton's Physalis Lilac Princess, attractive kitten, lacking type, not enough length of head, eyes round, body good for colour and length, nice tail 3 Bond's Physalis Lilac Reine, short head, lacking type, short nose, small ears, eyes round, good body length, excellent whip tail, heavy paws 6-9 mth 1: 1 was placed first merely by reason of lack of competition in this class. Lacking type with round eyes, Lilac colour on points, only very faint, and there was not enough contrast. She had a nice temperament and was in excellent condition **AOC** Breed 24 Senior 6: 1 Putwain's Bluebridge Soyuti, very good head, well placed ears, beautiful oriental expression, good wedge, strong chin, muscular body, rather dark for a BP, elegant legs, tail appeared to have a slight injury 2 Humphris's Supra Diana, head fair, eyes round, mask ears and tail too dark, and did not match paws which were a good blue, body colour also dark, but lovely close coat, in superb condition 3 Kite's Lu-Chu Capricorn, nice friendly boy, ears small for his head, rather jowly, good eye colour, beautiful long body, coat very shaded, front paws patchy **AC** Breed 32

Novice kitten 12: 1 Hudson's Supra Red Admiral, very attractive red TP, excellent Siamese type, well marked for age, beautiful head shape, delicate body, eye colour good, rather short tail, thumb marks apparent, faint stripes appearing on legs 2 Stephenson's Ramonda Willow, Tortie Point of wonderful type, good eye colour but a little round, elegant body, pale coat, patching good but could have more red, one of the best kittens of this breed that I have yet seen 3 Burton's Southview Thor, very good choc Tabby Point, well matching points, nice head, eyes rather pale, faint markings on legs, excellent body length, pale coat. I must mention three outstanding kittens that I had in a club class, McColm's Bernina Ninette, Denny's Pi-Den Euclid, Ryden's Pi-Den Europa. They had all won their open class I believe, and were of such high quality that I had a hard task separating them and would have liked to award them all a first prize. ELIZABETH BIGGIE

Mrs H Phiipot's classes

BLUE POINT Male ad 8: 1 ch Stephenson's Taurus Kountry Boy, excellent head and ears, slight pinch, nice eye shape and colour, complete mask, nice length of body, excellent tail, my nomination for best in show which honour he subsequently won 2 Putwain's Bluebridge Soyuti, another nice head with excellent ear set, very good eye shape and colour, long body with a good textured coat, tail medium for length, ran winner closely 3 Buttery's Taurus Kock-a-Leekie, young male, still immature but very promising, nice head and ears, although I would prefer to have a little more width across the head at eye level, very good profile, long body, good coat colour, excellent whip, I am sure he will do well when he is more mature r Lavalette's Premi Borago, good ear set, nice profile, eyes rather on the pale side, nice coat texture, excellent tail **SEAL POINT** Breeders ad 10: 1 Holt's Pitapat Candida, excellent profile, nice ears, good eye shape and colour, nice coat, excellent tail 2 Hall's Sanskrit Gabriella, nice head and ears, good eye colour, excellent coat texture, good tail 3 Dessauer's Mayfields Hasi, nice head and ears, good eye shape and

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colour, nice body, good tail r Wilson's Amberley Becky, another nice female with excellent ears and profile, nice coat texture, good eyes, very good tail, was brindled around her left eye today Senior 5: 1 Hindley's Hi-Hoe Barlee, nice head and ears, good profile, nice eye shape and colour, good coat contrast, but coat a little long, good tail but slightly brindled 2 Grimmitt's Shortcoat Cymo 3 Wishart's Sakali Sultan, short head, eyes good colour but rather round, coat open today r Tiby's Katrine Arabian Fanticee, rather short head, good mask and tail, coat was open today Novice kitten male 4: 1 Dessauer's Mayfields Monsun, excellent ear set, nice eyes for shape and colour, excellent whip, good coat texture 2 Dessauer's Mayfields Mistral, good ear set, nice eyes, excellent whip, had slight brindling round eyes 3 Sayer's Edwardian Morg-an, not such a typy kitten but had good profile and nice eyes, pale coat, medium tail Debutante kitten male (24 and 32) 14: 1 Warner's Spotlight Kiridom, good head, nice ears, eye shape and colour, good length of body, nice coat, excellent whip tail 2 Moyses's Karibur Cordova, excellent type, nice head and eyes, excellent tail 3 Hopper's Tijha Seraphis, not quite such a good head as the previous two kittens, but good ears and eyes, nice coat, excellent tail Adolescent neuter (incl Breed 32) 6: 1 Daniel's Physalis Shagravn, Lilac Point with a good head, and eyes, nice body and points colour, excellent tail 2 Whittaker's Sybellete Tyn-Toni, BP, good head, eyes a little on the pale side, pale coat and nice points colour, excellent tail 3 Gray's Thai Warrah Flighty Lass, BP, good head and eyes for shape and colour, pale coat, medium length tail. Congratulations to the show managers on the running of the show and grateful thanks to my steward, Mrs W Carter, who was excellent in every way and was so gentle and kind to the exhibits. H PHILPOT

Mrs P Holroyd's classes

As usual a beautifully run show. Congratulations to Mrs Dunnill and all her helpers.

My very grateful thanks to Miss Woodger for all her help and kindness in stewarding for me.

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once again congratulate their beautiful Seal Point queen,
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on winning her Open Class, other 1sts and 2nd CC at the Seymour Hall Show of the Siamese Cat Club on October 7. This follows closely her success at the Reading Show of the SCCBE when she was also Best Female in Show.

Thank you, judges and stewards.
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our Chocolate Tabbypoint queen on gaining her second CC.

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TABBY POINT Male Kitten 4-9 mth: 1 Brabyn's Sakura Edwyn, lovely head and profile, excellent eye shape and colour, good tail, well barred, lovely pale coat, colour of ears and tail do not quite match 2 Burton's Southview Thor, lovely head and profile, beautiful eyes, nice tail but patchy, lovely texture coat 3 Bruce's Honorwood Endymion, nice head but weak chin, eyes rather pale, tail solid at root, lovely texture coat but too dark r Moss's Alpha Anchors Away, lovely profile but very weak chin, beautiful eyes, tail short but well barred vhc Bruce's Honorwood Euripides, nice head, lovely eye shape, but colour only fair, tail not well barred, solid patches at top of front leg 4-9 mth: 1 Lippiat's Raymer Romanica, lovely head and profile, chin could be stronger, nice eyes, tail well barred, beautiful pale coat 2 Denton-Brook's Spillikins Mikmaid, lovely head, fair eyes, excellent tail, beautiful texture coat, lovely condition 3 Yorke's Reoky Anneke, chocolate, nice profile but weak chin, lovely eyes, ears and tail very good match r Warner's Spotlight Sekale, nice head and profile, lovely eyes, tail solid near root, body speckled vhc Wiltshire's Stoneycloud Sea Thrift, nice head but jaw trifle square, nice tail, good eyes, lovely pale coat hc Underwood's Bablock Bonny, tiny little chocolate, fair head inclined to be square, nice eyes, lovely pale coat **RED POINT** Kitten 4-9 mth: 1 Hudson's Supra Red Admiral, lovely head, excellent eye colour but rather round, nice tail, dark streak on back, beautiful colour on ears but no points as yet 2 Lyon's Heatheral Golden Haze, nice long head, beautiful eyes, excellent tail, lovely pale body but red not deep enough 3 Sayer's Solitaire Indra, rather short head, lovely eye colour but rather round, nice colour on ears r Weir's Senlac Amber, nice head but could be longer, nice eyes, good tail, lovely body colour **AOC** Kitten 4-9 mth: 1 Stevenson's Ramonda Willow, Tortie Point, lovely head and profile, excellent whip tail, poor patching 2 Braggins's Flume Morilla, nice head and profile but inclined to be square, lovely tail, not enough red in patching 3 Jameson's Bowerscroft Cobweb, it was difficult to tell what breed this exhibit was, but appeared to conform to Lilac tortie, nice type, pale eyes, well placed ears, tiny permissible kink r Sayers's Solitaire Jacynthe, Tortie Point, fair head, weak chin, lovely eyes, speckled ears, rather cold colour **AC Premier** ad Breed 32: 1 pr Lyon's Supra Tai Pan, male, beautiful head, but not enough thumb marks on ears, lovely eye colour and shape, excellent tail, not enough bracelets 2 Deakin's Senty-Twix Tarquin, male, nice head, lovely eye colour and shape, good tail, markings on head good, lovely texture coat but very dark 3 Wildin's Ch Meik'eriggs Srula, female, fair head, lovely eyes, nice tail, body dark r Croft's Sislinski Trampus, rather square, nice eyes, well barred tail, body too dark Junior female **AOC** (Breed 24 a, b, c): 1 Watkins's Sadiki Camellia, LP, lovely head with nice straight profile, beautiful eyes, good tail, lovely texture coat 2 Holt's Pitapat Kinewa, CP, very nice wedge head, lovely eyes, excellent tail, nice texture coat, beautiful condition 3 Buttery's Samsara Amline, CP, lovely wedge head but weak chin, nice eye, tail thick at root, correct colour for CP r Applin's Thai Warrah Blue Petite, BP, rather pinched, eyes fair, nice tail, point good blue but body too fawn **SEAL POINT** Novice kitten female: 1 McCollm's Bernina Ninette, very dainty, nice head with well placed ears, nice eyes, but rather round, good points, nice tail 2 Halliday's Sundance Sionod, lovely warm colour, nice head with well placed ears, eyes rather round, excellent tail 3 Colvill's Horizone Dust, nice head but slight pinch, nice eyes, good tail, nice warm colour r Montgomery's Stanmonty Milutu, nice head with lovely straight profile, eyes rather pale, lovely tail, beautiful texture coat **TABBY POINTED SIAMESE CS:** 1 Morris's Pendelmist Markova, nice wedge head but chin could be stronger, nice eyes, well barred tail, lovely eye shape and colour, points not very good 2 Greenland's Moonfleet Aquila, CP, nice type, good eyes, tail barred at sides only, bracelets not good 3 Greenland's Moonfleet Mina's Aries, CP, rather pinched, lovely eyes, tail rather short, lovely texture coat r Underwood's Penderfyrin Simba, fairly good type, nice eyes, good tail, too dark. **PHYLLIS HOLROYD**

Mrs M Eustace's classes

TABBY POINT Male: 1 ch Sayers's Ch Reoky Jnala, beautiful cat by any standards splendid wedge, good eyes but a little pale in colour, good well set ears, excellent unmarked coat of fine silky texture, colour faults about ears, tabby markings could be brighter, beautifully prepared and most affectionate, a worthy winner 2 Farley's Flayre Shere Khan, another beauty, just a bit out of condition, lovely eyes, very elegant paws, good wedge and tail, good tabby markings 3 Braggins's Flume Inga, another prize winner, again a little out of condition, marvellous eye colour and oriental in set, good head, splendid coat, good texture, good type, very friendly r Greenland's Moonfleet Mica's Aries, fine well built male, very shapely legs, good wedge, marvellous eye colour, slight pinch and some colour faults, very difficult to handle

TO those who might be tempted to say that there was nothing new to write about cats, I would recommend May Eustace's latest book, THE WORLD OF SHOW CATS. Every-thing about this book is new and original. No post-war publication has given such an exhaustive and complete picture of the Cat Fancy and the folk connected with it.

Though Mrs Eustace is primarily a Siamese devotee, without deep knowledge and understanding of all breeds she could not have written such a book. No species of pedigree cat is omitted. Wherever possible other well-known breeders have substantiated her treatise and the panoramic view of the world of show cats is enhanced by these contributions.

Apart from a fund of lively and amusing anecdotes THE WORLD OF SHOW CATS is a comprehensive and well written account of the many facets of the breeding of show cats. The organization of the Governing Council, its splendid record keeping, and the very high standards it has tried to maintain among its members, are commented on.

For those who appreciate catlore the name of Kilkenny as Mrs Eustace's birth place is very interesting. In that romantic and historic town she first showed signs of the literary ability which she developed in later life. Surrounded by animals all of which she loved, she commenced to write about them. Her childhood diary, with a follow-up of later life, will soon be available in book form.

When attending University in Dublin, Mrs Eustace became known as an out-of-college free lance journalist. In writing articles, where wit and humour were essentials, she found her real vocation. She won many prizes for creative work, both in prose and poetry.

She is married to a doctor and three of her four sons, as well as her three daughters-in-law are all doctors. She leads a very full and active life, and has appeared on television several times and given lectures on pedigree cats.

In 1950 she first became interested in the Cat Fancy and later established herself as a breeder, an exhibitor, a show manager, a steward and a judge. To her cats became an all-absorbing interest. In the North of England

In the early chapters the author acknowledges the debt owed to FUR AND FEATHER by the world of cat lovers. As the guest of the editor, Mr H Dyson, she searched through the archives of the printing works in Idle and extracted much of great interest about the pioneer breeders. Of the first edition of FUR AND FEATHER she writes:

For the cost of one penny the show cat of England was introduced to the world of cat lovers.

The photographs, including an excellent coloured cover page by her son Brian, have got a very special interest to all breeders of pedigree cats. If any criticism could be made it would be to say that there were not enough of them, for one feels after reading the text that there were many more cats one would have liked to see.

THE WORLD OF SHOW CATS is a splendid book, and will be a valuable contribution to the cat literature of the world. It is published by Pelham Books at 45s and is obtainable from the Book Department, FUR AND FEATHER, Idle, Bradford.

A NOTE ABOUT THE AUTHOR

where she previously lived, she was instrumental in the forming of two new cat clubs—the Northern Counties and the Northern Siamese. But her interest in all cat clubs is universal.

In editing the Newsletter for the newly-established Northern Counties Cat Club she found that the old hand had not lost its cunning. This publication was considered so good that it was reviewed in the national press.

Her first two full-length cat books: CATS IN CLOVER and TOP CATS were very successful and introduced Mrs Eustace to a new public. In 1967 she collaborated with Mrs Elizabeth Towe and together they produced an entirely original type of cat book—FIFTY YEARS OF PEDIGREE CATS. This was the first book of the decade to sum up the progress in cat breeding during the half century passed. In 1968 THE ROYAL CAT OF SIAM was published. This complete book on Siamese cats can hardly have been equalled in this era.

Mrs Eustace is now a well-established writer as well as being an acknowledged and very useful member of the Cat Fancy proper.

Female: 1 ch Greenacres's Tibaan Pisces, a most beautiful cat, presented as belittling a championship contender, outstanding coat, absolutely unmarked, eyes a bit small but oriental in set, well placed ears, good wedge with strong chin, thumb mark good but some tabby markings rather weak, most appealing exhibit and a worthy winner 2 Morris's Pendelmist Markova, a little beauty, showing herself in state, good head, whip, type and texture, a little weak on points and haws up, very attractive all round 3 Richardson's Senty-Twix Agnesee, another very nice Tabby Point, having the best points in the class, good wedge but a bit shortish, good thumb mark, very nice r Greenland's Moonfleet Aquila, very good all round, lovely length of body, good eyes for shape and colour, nice unmarked coat, very promising **SEAL POINT** Junior female: A very large class in which

there were many high class females 1 Holt's Pitapat Candida, nice, well balanced, well proportioned cat, excellent wedge with no pinch, good eyes in oriental set, good clear seal points, nice contrast in colouring, beautifully shown 2 Graham's Edwardian Lorelei, another very handsome female, a little on the large side, lovely wedge, marvellous eye colour, good coat of excellent texture, mask a little brindled, young cat, very promising 3 Niblett's Reegan Camarilla, still another in championship class, showy cat with nice coat and good contrasting points, slight pinch, tail a bit thick 4 Denny's Elswood Pandora, very nice looking female with light coat which showed up points well, lovely eyes of good bright colour and oriental in set r Greenville's Mayfields Ariadne, nice, well shown cat,

HERTS AND MIDDLESEX

(continued)

Mr G C Dugdale's classes

The Herts and Middlesex CC is to be congratulated on the excellent show which they staged at the Alexandra Palace on September 5. The hall which they have used this year was a big improvement on the one which they have used in recent years: the light was excellent and the hall was never so overcrowded as to make judging difficult. My grateful thanks to my hard working steward, Miss Crockett.

BLUE-CREAM 8: 1 ch Rogers's Withybrook Santa Maria, excellent type head, tiny ears well placed, strong chin, large round eyes of good colour, long coat nicely intermingled, well shown 2 Fawell's Barwell Cloe, another excellent cat which ran the winner close, good type head, large round eyes a little pale, small ears, good chin, long coat well intermingled 3 Howes's Honeymist Tiamaria, good head, large round eyes of good colour, small ears rather too close together, good chin, short nose, well shown r Munroe's Mignonette of Dunesk Kitten 3-5 mth 7: 1 Plew's Tewhit Tapestry, very good type head, short nose, large round eyes of deep copper, coat well intermingled, very well shown 2 Howes's Honeymist Valeta, good type head, eyes of good colour a little close together, nose a little long, long coat well shown 3 Plew's Tewhit Twilight, fair type head, large round eyes of good colour, nose a little long, ears a little large and too close together, long pale coat r Johnson's Wynette Melody **BLUE NOVICE 4:** 1 Cochran's Melissa of Pensford, good type head, gorgeous eyes of deep copper, chin a little weak, coat sound but a little short 2 Brine's Avernol Tiki, type head, large round eyes of good colour, ears a little close together, good chin, coat a little harsh and shady 3 Dexter's Exuma Blue Spangle, moderate type head, ears too close together, large round amber eyes, coat short but sound r Crickmore's Thierval Issadora **AC Limit 20:** 1 Shaw-Gotterill's Nineveh Louisa, OE White of good type, small ears well placed, round eyes of good colour, coat long and well shown 2 Sellar's Coylum Marcia, OE White with rather over-typed head, very large round eyes of deep copper a little weepy today, good coat 3 Shepard's Deebank Gay Cavalier, fair type head, large round amber eyes, nose a little long, ears a little too big, coat fair r Munroe's Mignonette of Dunesk **BLUE Limit 3-9 mth 13:** 1 Graham's Marmesbury Theseus, good type head, good eyes, strong chin, long sound coat 2 Bishop's Lacrema Arcturus, very good type head, large round eyes of good colour, chin a trifle weak, long sound coat of good texture 3 Hill-Hartley's Belliza Aqua Manda, good type head, small ears well placed, good chin, good eyes a little close together, long sound coat very well shown r Fletcher's Veluer Amy Blue **AC Maiden 3-9 mth male 7:** 1 Clarke's Tabask Tristan, Cream with good type head, very large round eyes of good colour, strong chin, sound coat 2 Newsome's Norvician Fantastic, Cream of good type, ears a trifle too big and too close together, large round copper eyes, coat a little hot 3 Veron's Rada Don Pedro, Blue with good type head, very good eyes of deep copper, ears a little pricked, coat a little woolly r Zakrzewski's Zakea Romeo Female 14: 1 Hill-Hartley's Belliza Aqua Manda 2 Harding's Mingchiu Meeekin, BP Colourpoint with good type head, short nose, good eyes and coat 3 Mulvey and Noble's Carnleigh Andromeda, nice OE White kitten of good type, large round copper eyes, chin a little weak, very well shown 4 Brown's Smokeyhill Catalina, nice type Chinchilla kitten, ears a trifle large, nose a trifle long, good coat. G C DUGDALE

Mrs L Speirs's classes

CREAM Male: 1 ch Wade's Ch Wivlingham Jubilee, very lovely cream boy, beautiful head, nearest of ears well placed, little nose and broad muzzle, long silky coat very even and unshaded 2 Darby's Honeymist Cream Smuggler, handsome boy, lovely head, nearest of ears, short nose, excellent eye-colour, rather shady on back, very pale undercoat 3 Sharp's Blythly Onward, very nice cream boy, lovely type, very good eye colour, neat well-placed ears, short nose and good chin, coat short but very silky and airy sound r Marfleet's Brackenhill Perry, sweet boy, nice type, deep eye colour, coat longish but rather mixed in cream shades, furnishings will greatly improve his appearance and another year will improve the lightness of bone. The other two in this class were very good runners-up Female: 1 ch Darby's Sheans Golden Girl, very sweet female, perfect type, gorgeous eye colour, nearest ears, coat a little shady 2 Howe's Honeymist Cream Tamara, pretty female, lovely type, very neat ears, short nose and good muzzle, coat has slight markings and rather whitish underneath 3 Sheppard's Widdington Starshine, smallest in size and extremely light in weight which placed her at a disadvantage today, very pretty face, very good type, neat ears, deep eye colour,

attractive silky coat r Bissoni's Bamboo Jill, nice female, quite nice type, good eye colour, nose could be shorter, and ears could be smaller, coat rather dark on back but paler underneath **TORTOISEHELL Kitten:** 1 Sellar's Coyburn Pansyface, quite young kit with very nice type and most promising eye colour, patching is not yet definite but coat is of fine texture and colour, promising **TORTIE and WHITE 3-9 mth:** 1 Pope's Toppatou Honey Bun, a kitten with beautiful patching in bright colours, bright green eyes, fair type 2 Pope's Toppatou Juniper, quite nice kit but I would prefer more variety of patching on back, very well marked paws and legs, fair type, yellow eyes **AC Senior (ex Blue) male:** 1 Ch W Jubilee 2 Brill's Ch Polar Viking, a very nice Chinchilla boy, very good type, short little nose, good chin, excellent eye colour, rather short of undercoat today but ticking light and even 3 Sherlock's Seasprite Exquisite, very sweet chinchilla, gorgeous eyes, very nice type, quite neat ears, lovely coat lightly ticked 4 Franks's Polar Valeris, a nice chinchilla boy with deepest emerald eyes, quite nice type but would prefer ears to be smaller r Fisher's Ch Praha Sik-Kim, Birman, good type excellent eye colour, very nice paws and good triangles on legs, quite nice silky coat, good points Female: 1 Edward and Mulcahy's Chadhurst Dusky Lady, very nice black, long dense coat of silky texture and without shading, very nice type and quite good eye colour 2 Aikien's Tandie Sabine, a very nice blue-eyed white, would prefer eye colour a little deeper, nice type, ears could be a little smaller 3 Whitaker's Nineveh Linnaea, another blue-eyed white, rather pale eye colour and ears on the large side, quite good length of coat of fine quality r Lushington's Van Alanya, a Turkish cat with good auburn markings in face and tail, quite a nice coat, such a pity he was difficult to handle Novice (ex Blue): 1 Chetwynd's Wynmoro Melita, Red Tabby with very good markings, rich red colouring, quite good eyes and type 2 Southerland's Seathwaite Apollo, nice Colourpoint, good type but chin could be stronger, quite good eye colour 3 Sherlock's Redmire Josephine, white female with good head, very nice type, quite nice blue eyes, good length of coat 4 Sheppard's Widdington Starshine, r Willis's Starbourne Eileen Dubh, a black female with a very pretty face, eye colour could be deeper and ears are a little on the large side, dense black coat.

In my club classes my best cat was Rogers's Withybrook Santa Maria, a quite outstanding Blue-Cream and was indeed the best cat I handled on the day. Later she was awarded best Long Hair in show.

Very many thanks to my most patient steward Mrs Jean Crockett who handled the cats so well and was always on hand to the very end. My thanks also to the committee for their kind hospitality.

L SPEIRS

Mrs E Polden's classes

SMOKE Male 2: 1 Roll's Zimalus Don Juan, black, good type, eyes round and well set, colour, coming in well, coat very promising, mask filling in well, body and tail correct, contrasts promise to be excellent, a very young cat, well shown Female 1: 1 ch Roden's Sonata Toccata, beautiful head, short broad nose, good stop and muzzle, small ears, fine eyes for size, shape and colour, coat and contrasts coming on well, massive build, silvery ruff and ear tufts, well shown, my best adult Kitten male 4: 1 2 Roden's sonata Marcato, black, lovely babe, beautiful head and type, fine eyes, contrasts excellent for one so young, mask and back solid, very well shown 2 Sonata Lorenzo, beautiful blue, lovely head for type, brilliant eyes, coat beginning to show promising contrasts, very well shown 3 Truder's Sonata Pierrot, blue, very good head and type, eyes splendid dark orange, mask good, contrasts coming in slowly, nicely shown r Roll's Zimalus Masquerade, very promising, baby coat at present, good eyes and muzzle, well tufted ears, contrasts indicated, well shown Female 2: 1 Roden's Sonata Chiazerra, delightful black, exquisite head, mask, frill and ear tufts superb, eyes large round and dark orange, wee tail, tofted feet, well shown, best Smoke kitten 2 Haigh's Zara Princess Smokey, well grown, good type, beautiful eyes and ear tufts, coat at present very dark, but contrasts coming in slowly, well shown **SILVER TABBY 1:** 1 ch Greenwood's Wilmar Willa, very pretty female, lovely ashen silver background, with pattern well marked in jet, particularly on face, quite nice type, head well set with width between large green eyes, ears tufted and wide apart, tail well furnished for time of year, well shown **CHINCHILLA Male 4:** 1 ch Brill's Ch Polar Viking, very well grown cat, nice head, good round green eye, should like a shorter broader nose, thick coat, a little more grooming please 2 Sherlock's Seasprite Exquisite, nicely ticked soft coat, broad head, nose tip brick, but no stop, round green eyes, short brush, nicely shown 3 Rhodes's Aldhor Silver Pearl, lovely coat with good texture, very well and gently ticked, short tail, type fair, nose long and narrow, green

eyes r Frank's Polar Valerio, large broad head, eyes not round but a good colour, nose long with no stop Female: 1 Rhodes's Aldhor Nicio, quite the best type in Chinchilla adults today, I found this most disappointing, eyes large and round, good colour, coat well ticked but not well prepared, nose with definite stop and the correct shape, but bruised and wounded, I found afterwards that she had injured it in attempting to force her way through a very small aperture in her basket 2 Hayward's Seamist Gwendoline, eyes small, very good colour, ears large and open, coat nicely ticked and flowing, very well prepared 3 Bradley's Sheans Silver Flake, fair type, eyes too small, well furnished tail but too long, pretty coat which requires much more cleaning and grooming Kitten 3-5 mth: 1 Roll's Pasha Sheba Starmaker, the perfect classic example of a Chinchilla coat, soft and lightly ticked, perfect type, eyes large, round, most expressive and green short broad nose, brick tipped, firm little chin, round flat topped head, short brush, very well shown, a credit to his breeder and a hope for the future 2 Hood's Ling Huntsman, well grown and nicely prepared, large ears and nose long Kitten 3-5 mth: 1 Brill's Chico Samantha, nice type, eyes large round and green, ticking even, coat coming on well but needs more grooming 2 Brown's Smokeyhill Catalina, nice head, width between ears which are alas, large, coat coming on well but requires more grooming 3 Hood's Ling Samantha, very nice soft flowing coat, pale but with much darker patches, large round eyes but not the correct colour Female 5-9 mth 1: 1 Bradley's Sheans Dulcie, very nice soft flowing coat gently ticked, shape, size and colour of eyes good, ears rather large and open, very nicely shown.

A most enjoyable show in a beautiful setting. My thanks to my most efficient and pleasant steward and companion, Mrs Rosemary Gowdy, E POLDEN

Mrs E Towe's classes

Congratulations to Mrs Philpot and her hard-working team on a good show, light was excellent and all had plenty of room. I hope the show was a financial success.

SH CH of CHS: 1 Absalom's Brynbucco Brown Peter, big brown Tabby in excellent condition, good colour and markings, good eyes, good tail, nice friendly cat 2 Pearson's Ch Hillcross Jacaranda, good silver tabby for type and colour, looking well today, good eyes and ringed tail 3 Menezes's Ch Taishun Leo, good type Abyssinian, white on chin and neck, very difficult class **AV SH PR of PRs:** 1 Hilleard's Pr Elan Lysander, lovely black Cornish Rex, good head and eyes, long tail, good raxed coat, ex 1 Moon's Jezreel Jokyl, very good British Blue, excellent type, good eyes, coat good for colour and texture 2 King's Pr Almida Kebra Nagast, good type Abyssinian, good head and eyes, coat good, nice tail, did not like being handled 3 Grant Allen's Pr of Pr Elvaston Mist, now ten years old, excellent type, eye colour good, coat colour good, silver, little open today, I am sorry I was unable to give a certificate in either class due to small number of entries. **RED ABYSSINIAN:** 1 Braggins's Flume Eros, elegant, good red, good type, long tail, green eyes, very little white on chin 2 Warde's Ch Flume Atalanta, good head and lovely eyes, nice ears, elegant, coat pale today **AV Neuter:** 1 Richard's Paranoti Isoldé, excellent type, Birman, gauntlets and boots good, good blue eyes, bushy tail, good pale coat, well presented 2 Pearson's Ch Lowenhaut Fingal, excellent type silver Tabby, lovely eyes, good black markings on silver, tail markings, little uneven 3 Boulton's Sansterre Blue Firefly, good type Blue Point Siamese, nice head and eyes, coat fawn in colour, did not want to be handled today **CORNISH REX:** 1 Stock's Elan Ali Baba, excellent type, good head and green eyes, long tail, unusual coat colour, I think it was more mole than brown, the first Rex I have seen with this colour coat since Kirlee 2 Hopper's Elan Fidelio, unusual colour, red point, lovely raxed coat, green eyes, good tail 3 Munford's Patti Puss, good type tortie, lovely head, blaze on nose, symmetrical white markings, white feet, unlucky to meet first two r Ashford's Annelida Lola, good blue, lovely raxed coat, good head and eyes, long tail, dainty, an outstanding class **DEVON REX Kitten:** 1 Banfield's Berleion Princess Pixie, well shown white, good type, yellow eyes, nice tail, coat not yet fully raxed 2 Worthy's Sayonara Lilac Lamb, excellent type blue, nice head and eyes, good tail, coat not yet fully raxed 3 Ashford's Berleion Sea Mistress, good type, blue cream tortie, nice head and eyes, nice tail, pretty r Clarke's Sahreen Smokey Joe excellent type black, good head and eyes, coat thin today **AC SH Neuter:** 1 Lyon's Berleion Maxim, good type white Rex, lovely raxed coat, green eyes, good tail, ex 1 Hilleard's Pr Elan Lysander 2 Chapman's Giselle Michka, big good type Russian Blue, good coat, green eyes, good temperament 3 Munford's Lohteyn Golden Boy, elegant cream Rex, good head and eyes, good colour raxed coat, long tail ex 3 Grant-Allen's Pr Silver Mist r Rose's Elston Amelia, good type Spotted Silver, good colour, good ringed tail. A very good class. My grateful thanks to Miss Stock who is an excellent steward, we had a very enjoyable day together. E TOWE

NORTHERN COUNTIES

(continued)

Mrs E Towe's classes

Congratulations to the Northern Counties Club on regaining championship status and also to Mr Burrows and his committee for a good show.

Mrs Menezes was my steward and gave me her attention all day in spite of the fact that when getting 'Jason' vetted, her handbag and contents were stolen, her return ticket, money, driving licence, credit card and cheque book were in the bag.

This is one of several thefts which have taken place at shows this last season. It is someone who knows the ways and arrangements of the shows and it is a very cruel thing to do; apart from the losses, the inconvenience is very great. Steps must be taken to end this outrage. I have suffered this way myself and know what I am talking about.

ABYSSINIAN Cat: 1 Threadingham's Bernina Juanita, nice head, good yellow eyes, tufted ears, coat colour lacks warmth, tail too short and thick 2 Pringle's, nice head and green eyes-but coat colour cold, white on chin and chest 3 Worth's Bernina Aurora, coat too pale, white on mouth, chin and chest, head little short, yellow eyes, heavy build. I was sorry to withhold the certificate but entries were not up to standard **RED ABYSSINIAN Female:** 1 ch Fantin's Ch Taishun Tarawa, elegant cat of good colour, good green eyes, tufted ears, good head, long tail, very little white, promising **ABYSSINIAN Kitten:** 1 Threadingham's Bernina Red Lance, big red kitten, good head and eyes, coat and undercoat of good red, clear tummy, long tail, little white on chin 2 Bett's Cefn Florida, good type, well grown red kitten, good head and eyes, nice ears, coat texture good but should like it thicker, good tail 3 Lancaster's Taishun Liger, smaller Brown kitten, nice ears, eyes little deep set, neck ring today, little white, will improve **AV FOREIGN Premier:** 1 pr Arpus Horus, good type Abyssinian, good head and eyes, nice ears, coat and undercoat of good colour, good tail, nervous today **SIAMESE BLUE POINT Male:** 1 ch Bell's Chalmi Kapal, long head and nose, well set eyes of good colour, good light coat, long tail, shows well, mask and points of good colour 2 Beach's Maytime Blue Imp, good long head, eyes of lovely colour, slight pinch, good tail, coat a little shady today but mask and points of really correct colour 3 Mask-loner's Whitehaugh Blue Flame, good long head, eyes of good colour, pinched jaw today, good light coat, nervous today, should improve r Hogg's Montego, small young cat, eyes good for shape and colour, mask and points rather dark, nice coat, nery today Female: 1 ch pretty little cat, good head, long nose, oriental eyes of good colour, nice coat and good tail, mask and points nice pale colour blue 2 Alexander's Alexa Sa'Mataira, dainty, good head, eyes good for shape and colour, lovely light coat, nice points, ran winner close 3 Cobley's Windower Jasmine, well grown cat, eyes good for shape and colour, nice tail, coat shady today r Leith's Alexa Keara, dainty, good head and eyes, mask and points too dark, coat dark today Kitten 3-5 mth: 1 Imlach's Chalmi Chawtek, small, dainty, good head and oriental eyes, good colour, light coat, whip tail, promising 2 Ferguson's Broombrae Blue Satin, good head and good shaped eyes of good colour, lovely light coat, good tail 3 McLaughlan, good head, nice eyes, good tail, coat of good texture but patchy and mask brindled today r Imlach's Chalmi Chawtek, lovely eye colour but rather round, light coat, points, mask still pale 6-9 mth: 1 Kent's Killkerran Eurydice, good head and eyes of good colour and shape, long tail, good blue mask and points, light coat of lovely texture 2 Hough's Linnac Blue Lobelia, good head and eyes, long tail, lovely coat, mask and points rather pale AC Visitors kitten: 1 McLaughlan's Amberhaze Amarylils, good type SP, eyes good for shape and colour ex 1 Kent's Killkerran Eurydice 2 Brabyn's Sakura Perseus, Tabby Point of excellent type, good head and eyes, light coat, ringed tail ex 2 Beach's Seadog Aquarius, good type SP, nice head, eyes good for shape and colour, dense mask and points, long tail, light coat but open today 3 Ollinson's Lorty Donich, excellent type LP, eyes well set and of good colour, lovely light coat 4 Lee's Whitehaugh Kantara, good type CP, good eyes, nice tail, ears, legs and tail of correct colour, mask pale today 5 Kirlew's Whitehaugh Kirsch, good CP, eyes very good for shape and colour, light coat, mask and paws pale today 6 Key's Singarami Tina, sweet SP, good head and eyes, light coat and dense points r Key's Kaloke Rua, good SP, good head and eyes, light coat, long tail, mask brindled today, promising. I found this a difficult class with so many good kittens and I thank my show manager for allowing extra prizes. My sincere thanks to my steward, Mrs Menzies for her excellent handling of the cats. E TOWE

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SOUTH WESTERN COUNTIES

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Mrs M Thake's classes

ABYSSINIAN Male: 1 Kidd's Madrigal Samkin, excellent type, superb head, good coat, texture and colour, slight necklaze, good tail and legs, very nice eye setting 2 Knowles's Ballard Randolph, smaller cat, looked rather immature, lovely coat colour of good texture, good head and eyes, head a little short, beautiful ears Female: 1 ch 'Chapman's Karnac Theldia, delightful temperament, excellent type, lovely body shape, real jungle cat expression, very alert, very well balanced head, good ear setting, dainty legs and paws 2 Knowles's Karnac Toulia, very similar to above, excellent type, lovely head and eyes, bright colour, good tail, just a little nervous today 3 Kidd's Prindos Chika, dainty female, excellent head shape, lovely eyes, short tail, excellent coat colour and texture, lockset, slight necklaze **RED ABYSSINIAN**: 1 Challinor's Hayden Red Mystery, fair type, roudish head, good colour and coat texture, white spot on tum, excellent tail **ABYSSINIAN** Kitten: 1 Fowler's Algol Jacinth, excellent type, good bright colour, dainty legs and feet, excellent head and eye, well set ears 2 Wells's Hayden Belinda, fair type, good head, bright colour, white patch on tum, good tail **BLUE BURMSE** Kitten: 1 Lovey's Rocklo Florentine, excellent head, good dome, well set ears, good eye setting, excellent coat colour and texture, tail rather long with very slight kink 2 Westmoreland's Salita Gideon, good type male, lovely texture, sandy coat, charming disposition, good eye shape, poor colour, ears could be larger 3 Mack's Belcanto Bl Mignon, good colour, excellent head shape, whip tail 4 Pike's Lydeard Julia, rather a frail looking kitten, fair colour, fair type **BURMSE** Premier: Three very fine specimens, very hard to choose between first and second 1 pr Mrs Hawkins's Mineru, excellent head and eyes, superb coat texture and colour, well set ears, very typical Burmese expression, lovely type, good legs and feet, very well balanced cat 2 Lewis's Arrastro, large well balanced cat, correct tail, good head shape, well set ears, eyes greenish, coat colour just a little shady today 3 Hawkins's Ribot, large cat of excellent type, a few white hairs on chest, whip tail, beautiful coat texture just a shade too dark **AVSH** Maiden kitten: 1 Johnson's Jezreel Mitzi, just about the best Black short hair I have seen for a long time, excellent type, round head and deep orange eyes of excellent shape and setting, short tail, coat dense black, just a fraction long at present 2 Belinda 3 Tapawingo Tsimshan, excellent type, lovely head shape, excellent coat 4 Maddock's Manana Cascade, another excellent Black short hair, lovely type, eyes turning, lovely British head, excellent coat texture, dense black, fair type, very good prospects for future of Black Shorthairs, and the Canadian Burmese should be useful addition of new bloodlines. My grateful thanks to June who came such a long way to steward for me and unfortunately encountered several nervous or aggressive cats which did not deter her. MONICA THAKE

Mrs A Cook-Radmore's classes

BLUE EYED WHITE: 1 ch given by Mr Trevor, Aitken's Tandle Sabine, very type indeed, but with the palest eyes I've ever seen, well shaped ears, and short nose, with a very cobby body, coat out today with tail not plumed **ORANGE EYED WHITE** Cat: 1 ch Bundy's Homeymist Snow Skier, a gorgeous fellow, beautiful type, excellent eyes, snub nose, fox's tail Class 4a: 1 ch Durbin's Rozel Tansie, very type, deep eye, massive coat and bone structure, plume tail **AV LH** Kindergarten: 1 Brown's Smokehill Seaspray, SP Colourpoint, fine deep points, good type, wonderful colour 2 Howes's Homeymist Cream Tiara, typy baby Cream, very pale, very type, big deep colour eyes, good tail, which would have been better for a wash 3 Hunt's Carneta Carabella, beautifully silvered Chinchilla, lovely eyes, nose better if wider, wonderfully shown 4 McDonald's Questa Champagne Pearl, baby Cream, good solid body, nice pale cream, nice and typy, deep eyes, nice small ears 5 Bramley's Milette Miranda, nice baby Cream, coat not there yet, but pale, nicely balanced, tail bit dark **AV** Spayed female: 1 Green's Pr Georgian Eowyn, gorgeous really blue coat with everything else 2 Sheppard's Pr Stardrops Honeybunch, another wonder with slightly light sides 3 Ashman's Lamber Super Star, huge black, not to the roots today, fine head, eyes paler **SH** or **SIAMSE** Spayed female: 1 Peck's Zeta Borealis, lovely BP, sleek and very good head, with lovely eyes 2 Fowler's Pr Kernov Valibre, very nice indeed except for white on lips 3 Ruthwell's Achitophel Adelaide, British Blue, rather pale amber eye, lovely round head, slightly mottled coat **SWCC** AC Neuter: 1 Thickett's Goravon Snowdrift, excellent type, beautiful white coat, fine tail, good bone 2 Gillard's Pr Goravon Simon, nice Blue, rather shady and eyes pale, typy

and good snub nose, fine bone structure, nice soft coat 3 Carmichael's Quaragula Rupert, massive Blue, excellent eyes, coat light under, and tail out, very typy r Ashman's L Super **SWCC**: 1 James's Denmaur Darren, lovely coat, very good blue eyes, fine plume tail, good points 2 James's Polic Saffron, coat rather mottled, very good points, fairly typy **ACLH**: 1 Reynold's Petravira Carlo, fine Black with excellent head, and very deep amber eyes 2 Williams's Willanbet Blair, excellent Blue, typy kitten, pale and sweet 3 Sheppard's Deebank Gay Cavalier, black to roots, good eyes, not so typy as first 4 Fawell's Barwell Chloe, very typy Blue Cream, spoilt by patches of cream **SOUTHSEA CC**: 1 Fisher's Birman, P Kittan 2 same owner's P Shankar, 3 P Kernu.

My congratulations to the show manager and helpers on a fine show and a really grand venue in the Newton Abbott race course, to say nothing of the wonderful gate. My thanks to my steward Mrs Rosell. **AUDREY COOK-RADMORE**

Mrs E Biggie's classes

Congratulations to Mrs Paddon and Mrs Robinson on a most enjoyable and well organised show. I hope the show was a success, it appeared to be so if the large number of visitors there, was anything to go by. It was nice to have my husband to steward for me, and he found a great deal of pleasure in handling some of the lovely exhibits.

SIAMSE CHOC POINT Kitten 3: 1 Humphreys Ubon Pascal, a promising boy but colour on points too dark, good head, nice wedge, eye shape and colour, good, pale chin, excellent body length, dainty paws 2 Bon's Marisane Valricci, kitten type, not enough width, eyes round and pale, ears very small, paws rather heavy and no colour on legs 3 Ellis's Chah-Ming Shantel, unfortunately another kitten with little show quality, short head with eyes too round, points far too dark, she had a very nice nature **RED** or **TORTIE-POINT** Kitten 2: 1 Stephen's Phaulkon Red Mont, fair Siamese type, eyes very round but a brilliant blue, points colour and mask rather pale, good red on ears, with faint thumb marks, tail ringed, kink at extreme end, faint shading on back 2 Pring's Nettlescombe Red Remus, tiny kitten, good width between ears, nice eye shape and colour, faint red markings, this exhibit shows promise and should improve as he grows **Novice** cat 17: 1 Leaman's Akim Kara, excellent type, and very good chocolate colour on points and mask, except for chin which was pale, hairs were up, but I decided not to penalise him on this account as he was my best in this class 2 Peck's Tailong Silhouette, attractive blue Tabbypoint, she has a good head and proutie with excellent eye shape and colour markings good, tail well ringed but thick, no thumb marks, she was very apprehensive of everyone, around 3 Shelton's Karenza Cosmonat, pleasing exhibit, good masculine appearance and well proportioned body, head could be longer, ears rather small and eyes round and pale, excellent lilac colour, he was very friendly 4 Leaman's Rozel Sarebisher, dainty female with an elegant body, her haws were up spoiling her eyes and she had a pinch, kink in tail 4 White's Ilona Firefly, friendly Red Point, she had a good length of head and nice eye colour, bump on nose rather spoiled her profile, good markings **Novice** kitten male 16: 1 Frecker's Zens Hypericum, very beautiful kitten of superb type, good head and elegant body, very correct blue points, but I should prefer a lighter eye colour, they were too sapphire, excellent whip tail 2 Beach's Seadog Ajax, attractive typy kitten, good head, beautiful eyes, I noticed brindling at base of ears which spoilt the appearance, good tail, points rather pale 3 P Red Mont ex 3 Sanderison's Brownrey's Homer, well grown, nice head with good wedge and eyes are oriental, beautiful pale body but heavy legs and paws, tail too thick 4 Pike's Lydeard Jules, well placed ears, eyes good colour and shape, very elegant little body, but dark coat and a weak chin Female 11: 1 Cox's Hi-Lee Mingchu, beautiful little Tabbypoint, excellent type, promisingly marked considering his age 2 M Valricci 3 Pike's Lydeard Justine, good wedge head, nice eye shape, mask brindled, beautiful close coat, very sleek body 4 Pickering's Pickerella Bagabones, head spoiled by a bad pinch and eyes too pale, very nice body and dainty paws, good whip tail. **ELIZABETH BIGGIE**

Mr J Trevor's classes

Congratulations to Mrs Paddon and her committee on a thoroughly enjoyable show and one that, from the size of the gate, appeared to be the success it deserved. Many thanks to my wife, who stewarded for me and helped me so much to finish judging before the hall got too crowded. **COLOURPOINT** Cat male 7: 1 ch Hann's Gledhow Jumbo, Seal Point, quite good type with nice head, good short ears and nose with stop, beautiful brush but coat otherwise on short side, points showing up well and quite nice eyes, he has improved a lot since I judged him as a kitten 2 Westlake's Baytor Tom-Tom, Blue Point, another quite good type with short nose, good round eyes and good width between fine short ears, but coat

did not show up points as I should have liked 3 Southernland's Seathwaite Apollo, Seal Point, quite nice head but nose on long side and insufficient width between ears, very fine coat and brush showing up points well, good round blue eyes r Fenn's Neopardy Beauregard, Seal Point, fair coat with points showing up well, eyes round but pale, quite nice head with short ears, but nose too long Female 10: 1 ch Singleton and Cartmell's Meonvale Michelle, Seal Point, good head with nice short ears widely set and short nose, but coat too short though showing up points well 2 Westlake's Osiris Tutu, Seal Point, another exhibit with good head and short nose, but her coat was not only short but very dark so that her points did not show up at all well, quite nice eye colour 3 Westlake's Baytor Sleeping Beauty, Blue Point, quite nice type with short ears well separated and nose with stop, beautiful blue eyes, but very poor brush r Fenn's Pelotte Emilia, Seal Point, quite nice head, nose with stop, good eye colour, fine brush, but coat very short and brindled and ears too pricked Kitten Male 6: 1 Westlake's Baytor Romeo, Blue Point, excellent type with lovely chubby-cheeked face and short nose typical of a good long-hair, good width between fine short ears, wonderful round blue eyes, points, however, should have been shown up more clearly 2 Hann's Gledhow Plato, Seal Point, good head with quite a nice nose and short widely-spaced ears, good brush and coat showing up points 3 Hoover's nice short ears, nice coat and round eyes, but nose a little long r James's Denmaur Darren, Seal Point, beautiful coat showing up points well and lovely brush, but nose too long and rather narrow between the ears Female 9: 1 Brown's Smokehill Seaspray, Seal Point, good type, beautiful coat, good head with short nose, well spaced short ears, brush could have been a little fuller 2 James's Polec Saffron, Seal Point, quite good type and head with short nose, coat showing up points well, good brush 3 Singleton and Cartmell's Meonvale Monique, Seal Point, good eye colour and nice coat, but chin not broad enough r Hann's Gledhow Shandy Seal Point, nose too long but good width between ears, coat brindled **BIRMAN** Cat 2: 1 ch Hoover's Smokehill Leona Chinka, good head with very nice coat, good strong paws with good gauntlets on rear paws and fine bushy brush, eyes a little pale. Unfortunately Ghandi von Assindia was quite impossible to handle Kitten 6: 1 Fisher's Prahra Kernu, good head with excellent eye colour, nice coat, good gauntlets but black marks on each rear pad 2 Fisher's Prahra Kitah, another good type, but lacked gauntlet on one rear paw 3 Fisher's Prahra Shankar, insufficient difference between colour of coat and paws and had some yellow markings, but good type with nice blue eyes r Baldwin's Prahra Timoshenko, good eye colour, but paws almost all of one colour with no gauntlets at all **AC LH SELF** Neuter (ex Blue) 4: 1 Shepard's Willowglen Tiger Tim, Red, good head with nice short ears, good eye colour, coat, however, had considerable tabby markings and that, combined with a certain weakness in type, was the reason for withholding a certificate 2 Ashman's Lamber Super Star, Black, excellent head with lovely width between ears, coat nice and long but very unshown today 3 Ashman's Lamber Black Knight, Red, fine head but coat not deep enough in colour and had noticeable tabby markings, eyes too pale. That is what appears in my book but, according to the catalogue, I see that Super Star was the Red and Black Knight the Black, as indeed one would expect, so the comments on these two cats should be transposed. My apologies to Mrs Ashman if the fault was mine. Unfortunately I was unable to judge Goravon Snowdrift in this class as he is an odd-eyed White. This breed is not eligible for CCs and the award of premier certificates follows the rules for the award of CCs. He was an outstanding exhibit and I was very glad to be able to award him a special as best long-hair Self neuter other than Blue. **AC LH CHAMPION** 3: 1 Suddaby's Edelstein Marionette, Blue, beautiful type, with lovely coat, sound throughout and gorgeous eyes, brush could have been fuller 2 Howes's Ch Willanbet Eowyn, Cream, another cat of excellent type with lovely long, soft, sound coat, but his brush was too yellow on my side today. There were two kittens on my side today, which really deserve mention. First there was Howes's Homeymist Cream Chieftain. This was a superb Cream kitten. Secondly, I was very glad to see a really good Brown Tabby kitten in Absalom's Brynbuboo Brown Aramis. Unhappily, one does not see any of this breed today. **JOHN TREVOR**

Mrs M Turney's classes

Congratulations to Mrs Paddon and her committee on such a well run show, judging by the crowded hall during the afternoon the local 'go-slow' on the buses had not deterred the public at all. My thanks to my steward, Mrs Hunt, who handled the cats with such care, thank you all for a most enjoyable day. **BLUE** Kitten 3-5 mth: 1 Williams's Willanbet Blair, pale-coated male kitten, excellent typy good top of head, neat ears, eyes inclined to weep, coat needed more grooming 2 Hill-Hartley's Belizeta Aqua Manda, another pale coated kitten, ears set well apart, good short brush, eyes rather pale 3 Verron's Rada Don Pedro, darker coated kitten, good firm chin

but eyes too pale r Williams's Peereth Manilay, well prepared male kitten, pale eye, lacks type 5-9 mth: 1 Percival's Susa Capella, lovely type kitten, darker coat but sound, neat ears, lovely clear bold eye of excellent colour, a really well balanced kitten, full of quality **SELF** Breeders Kitten: 1 W Blair 2 Howes's Homeymist Cream Conqueror, Cream male, sound pale coat, good type, good eye for colour and shape, very well shown 3 Hill-Hartley's Belizeta Aqua Manda r Macdonald's Questa Champagne Girl, pale-coated Cream, neat ears, type fair Junior male: 1 Bundy's Homeymist Snow Skier, lovely White male, excellent type, good round eye of deepest colour, neat ears set well apart, beautifully prepared 2 Bourne's Homeymist Cream Concord, Cream, lovely coat, sound colour, good type, broad head with low-set ears, short, full brush 3 Hall's Parker Kingsley, massive well-grown male, Blue, lovely top of head with ears correctly set, good eye colour r Harmsworth Wiswill Bom Jesus, Red Tabby **AC LH** Neuter: 1 Shepard's Pr Startops Honeybunch, lovely coated Cream, well balanced head, good bold eye, neat ears set well apart 2 Green's Pr Georgian Eowyn, lovely Blue, with deepest eye colour, sound coat colour, good short brush, lovely top of head 3 Thickett's Goravon Snowdrift, OE White, lovely type, short full tail, beautifully prepared r Gillard's Pr Goravon Simon, Blue, lovely top of head, neat ears, bold eye but pale in colour **WEST OF ENGLAND and S WALES**: 1 H Cream Concord 2 P Kingsley 3 S Capella **HERTS and MIDDLESEX** AV LH Ad: 1 Hunt's Rozel Petite Fleur, lovely Chinchilla, female, good eye for shape and colour, short nose, neat ears set for shape and colour, gained her first CC today, fulfilling her early promise as a kitten last season 2 Southernland's Seathwaite Apollo, Colourpoint, excellent coat, good type, ears set well apart 3 Verron's Homeymist Tequila, Blue-Cream, nice type, well-broken coat but rather harsh, needed more grooming to eliminate dead fur **NOTTS and DERBY** AC LH: 1 Suddaby's Ch Edelstein Marionette, Blue, of excellent type, broad head with neat ears sound coat, well shown **NORTHERN COUNTIES** AC LH: 1 Fisher's Prahra Kernu, good Birman with deep eye colour, excellent type 2 Aitken's Tandle Sabine, blue-eyed white rather short of coat and eye could be deeper, good type 3 Fisher's Prahra Shankar, blue Birman, leg markings good on forelegs but rather short on back legs **KENTISH CAT SOCIETY** AC Neuter: 1 Southernland's Ch Kitas Dandelion, Tortoiseshell, well broken coat, good type and head 2 Lait's Pr Brownreys Tanoa, Seal-point Siamese, lovely wedge head, good eye colour, long whip tail 3 Lait's Brownreys Mercury, Blue-point Siamese, good coat colour and texture. **M TURNEY**

Mrs M Mackenzie's classes

AOAC Cat 1: 1 Skinner's Pathfinders Blue shades, cream, blue and white Tortie, excellent coat, nice type Kitten 3: 1 Skinner's Dorriwood Pansy, an exquisite kitten, excellent type, neat ears, good chin, eyes turning well, short nose and full coat of blue, cream and white, later best kitten in show 2 Sayer's Solitaire Mango, coat of red and white, attractive kitten, type fair 3 Pop's Toppatou Opaline, nice type, coat of white, cream and blue **LH BLUE** Neuter premier 3: 1 pr Gillard's Pr Goravon Simon, excellent type, neat ears on a broad skull, short nose, good chin, eyes round but pale, lovely full coat, well shown 2 Brown's Tricloud Richard, type not so good as Simon, should like more chin, excellent eye colour, coat shaded, well groomed 3 Carmichael's Quarguli Rupert, fair type with good eyes, short coat, nicely groomed **AC OTHER THAN SELF** Breeders Cat: 1 Hunt's Rozel Petite Fleur, very good chin, nicely ticked, soft coat, excellent eye colour, brick nose, short full brush 2 Singleton's Meonvale Michelle, Seal Colourpoint, fair type, good coat, nice blue eyes, nose could be shorter 3 Brown's Smokehill Leona Chinka, Birman, excellent coat, very good eye colour, socks and gauntlets complete r Greenwood's Harvest Moon, Red Tabby **AC Novice** cat 17: 1 R Petite Fleur 2 Reynold's Petravira Carlo, excellent in type, neat ears, short broad nose, good chin, excellent eye for colour and ears r Tricloud Robin, nice type, neat top, short nose, excellent eye, coat fairly sound, short brush 3 King's Dolme Moonshine, Cream, excellent in type, short nose, good eye for shape and colour, good chin and muzzle, pale full coat except for white on flanks and tail, when this clear she will be hard to beat Kitten 15: 1 Westlake's Baytor Romeo, Blue Colourpoint, excellent type, short nose with a stop, good coat, eyes turning well and should be blue 2 Brown's Smokehill Seaspray, Seal Colourpoint, another very good one, short nose, fails in eye colour to 1st 3 Hill-Hartley's Belizeta Amanda, Blue, my Herts and Middx winner ex 3 Macdonald's Questa Champagne, Pearl (Cream), good type and eye, short nose, coat fairly sound r Hunt's Carnita Clarabella, Chin. All other classes were Club ones but I must mention Parka Kingsley, my Southampton winning Homeymist Snow Skier, a lovely White; Mosmi Aristotele, the Spot Siamese and Karibu Kalmari, Seal Point Siamese.

My grateful thanks to Mrs Shepard who stewarded for the first time and I found her very efficient. **M MACKENZIE**

SIAMESE CAT SOCIETY OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE

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Mrs E Biggie's classes

Congratulations to Mr and Mrs K Stanley and the committee on a most efficiently organised show and a very happy one. Thank you for asking me to judge, and my thanks also to Mrs Daphne Deakin who is a most wonderful steward and contributed to a very enjoyable day.

CHOC POINT Kitten 4-6 mths 10-1 Denny's Pi-Den Euclid, excellent type, wonderful head, good eye shape but could be a deeper shade, what colour there was on ears and paws, was milk chocolate and correct, mask incomplete, this should improve as he matures. I noticed a vertebraic displacement in tail which otherwise had a very food whip. I feel that this must be an injury 2 Ryder's Pi-Den Europa, another beautiful kitten, ran the winner very close, wonderful eyes for shape and colour, ears did not match nose which was dark, also her legs lacked colour, took second place today on this account, otherwise she had superb type 3 Norris's Sheben Calphurnia, head too short and lacking width, eyes round, good colour, milk chocolate points except nose which was too seal, tail thick and ringed, delightful temperament and beautifully shown 4 Morris's Horizon Mist, quite nice type, but colour did not match on points, she seemed unhappy and out of condition 6-9 mths 5: 1 Burgess's Karibur Ninot, good head with nice

ear placement, eyes rather round, good coat with promising points colour, lovely long body, extreme end of tail had a kink, delightful nature 2 Burgess's Karibur Kemba, very attractive kitten, good head, wonderful svelte body, points colour rather dark, a very promising exhibit, little to choose between first and second 3 Busk's Pukisong Conchietta, very good colour on points, extremely dainty kitten, wonderful eye colour, spoilt by red runs, she seemed rather unwell and this spoiled her chance of being placed higher 4 Humphrey's Ubon Piquet, mask brindled and colour on points only fair, head short and eyes could be more oriental in shape, lacking Siamese type **AC Limit neuter** 6: 1 Munro's Fair Dinkum Blue Bumyip, a pleasing exhibit, good blue points, eyes correct colour but rather round, head needs more length, but a strong jaw and nice expression, tail too short and thick, coat dark 2 Sudbury's Danbeck Calif, nice head, good ear placement, but needs more length, has a straight profile and strong chin, eyes too pale, good dense seal points and lovely contrasting pale coat colour 3 Parker's Gay Jaguar, well marked seal Tabby-point but lacking Siamese type, too heavy and rather short head with round eyes, coat also very dark 4 Neal's Kumasi Artemis, large boy, unfortunately as in previous exhibit lacking type, head short and eyes round, his tail thick and short, he had, however, very good blue points and showed a friendly nature **AC Neuter (visitors)** 12: 1 Wilson's Pr Redleaf Tien, there is little to add to what has been said before about this most famous neuter, superb type, looking his best and hard to fault, may I dare to say that I would like his eyes to be a little deeper? 2 Wilson's Redleaf Tunini, wonderful SP, excellent length of head and also ear placement, although a slight pinch, eyes good for colour shape, points very dense, coat colour rather dark, a well fed boy 3 Munro's Senty Twix Tristan, Choc Tabby Point, very excellent for type, beautifully marked and evenly matched in colour of points, also his tail well ringed, fair length of head, eyes good for shape and a strong chin 4 Turner's Red Rascal, very little colour on legs and mask, eye colour pale, and I should like a stronger chin, good elegant long body **Breeders Tabby, Red or Tortie Point, male or female** 8: Abs Greenacre, Bealey, Greenland. 1 Pope's Ordino Swanhide, wonderful type, excellent head, oriental eyes, good markings, long whip tail but tiny permissible kink at end, could have been more attractively exhibited 2 Deakin's Nikaed Thisbe, dainty blue TP, good colour but paws pale as yet, gorgeous eye colour, lovely body and pale coat 3 Yorke's Reoky Melody, pleasing exhibit, well matching points but not enough type, small ears, eyes also not large or well shaped enough 4 Banfield's Redcliffe Thistle-down Heather, short head lacking width, eyes pale and round, good tortie markings, well patched, ears have good mingling of colour with some red, a heavy body. **ELIZABETH BIGGIE**

Mrs H Philpot's Classes

TABBY POINT Adult male 2: 1 ch Braggin's Flume Inga, a head that could be a little longer, but the profile was good and he had nice eyes for shape and colour, good tail, this cat had markings of a uniform colour from ears to tail which was nice to see 2 Burr's Senty-Twix Paulus, this boy followed the winner closely with regard to type, nice ear set and good eye shape and a pale coat, but the markings on head and legs were quite different from the tail which was a pity, in excellent condition **AC Senior** 5: 1 Howard's Fosseway Chang Wha, nice head, ears and profile, good eye set, a little fawnish on back, good ear set, but eyes rather close together whip tail 2 Carey's Whitehaugh Blue Silver, and tended to be round, nice coat texture and a good tail, very little colour on mask 3 Kelly's Sapphire Squaw Queen, medium length head and eyes were on the round side, pale coat, but points were on the dark side, good tail **LILAC POINT Breeders kitten** 9: 1 Paramor's Physalis Lilac Chevalier, excellent head and profile, good eye shape and colour, slight pinch, nice coat colour, excellent whip tail 2 Marchant's Minster Wilbert, nice head, eyes and good body length, pale coat, excellent whip 3 Abbey's Quintral Anselica, nice head and profile, eyes were on the pale side, good coat and texture, nice points colour, medium whip, it is nice to see the Lilac Points these days with whip tails, I was sorry that Nos 158 and 163 did not want to come out to see us **AC Novice neuter** 6: 1 Burton's Casmen Typhyllia, BP with nice head and profile, good eyes, nice coat texture, excellent tail, had the BP Siamese look 2 Sudbury's Danbeck Calif, nice head, eyes, pale coat and good tail 3 Beal's Kumasi Artemis, BP with shorter head, eyes tended to be round, nice coat texture, excellent condition, tail rather thick, sorry that cat 188 did not want to be judged. Congratulations to the show managers on the running of the show and thanks to Mr Drury who was attentive all day and very good with the handling of the exhibits. **H PHILPOT**

Mrs E Towe's classes

This was a very nice show, well organised by Mr and Mrs Stanley, who are to be congratulated on its success. There were some very good cats on show. I am, however, worried about the variations of colour in the

Tabby Point coats, the tail also. In many instances they are losing the rings. Many cats have a brindled area from the root of the tail about four inches long, thus losing three or four rings. Also practically all cats have black and brown markings.

My standard of points does not allow for this variation and although my winner had brown markings only, I am under the impression that markings, like the rings on the tail, had to be black.

I fully endorse Mr Raleigh's remarks on this breed and I hope something will be done to improve these faults as these cats are usually of excellent type, have lovely eyes and sweet dispositions, they are a joy to handle, it is even rare to see a light coat now except perhaps in kittens. I would like to be sure how many colour variations are recognised by the General Council.

TABBY POINT Female: 1 ch Yorke's Reoky Melody, good head, eyes good for shape and colour, good tail, well ringed, light coat, all markings on head, legs, ears and tail light brown 2 Pope's Ordino Swanhide, excellent type, eyes of lovely colour, but little full, black ringed tail, other markings brown 3 Bullock's Lymekins Djaja, good head and eyes, slight pinch to jaw, black ringed tail, solid at root, light coat, brown markings on head and ears r Richardson's Senty-Twix Agnese, nice head and eyes, tail markings incomplete at root, brown markings on flanks and back. My steward, Mrs Bullock had an exhibit in this class and so did not steward for this class. **Seal Point Kitten:** 1 Keane's Killdown Eros, excellent type, big kitten, good oriental eyes, long whip tail, dense mask and points, lovely coat, shows well, later best SP kitten 2 Chinery's Shushilla Kristina, excellent type, lovely eye colour, dainty, very alert, nice feet, light coat, whip tail 3 Maconochie's Roundway Caccia, big kitten, eyes good for shape and colour, nice coat, mask brindled today 4 Howard's Fosseway Samantha, nice head and eyes, lovely coat for colour and texture, dense mask and points, shows pinched jaw today 5 Halliday's Sundance Sionad, good coat, dense mask and points, long tail, should like deeper eye colour **AC Kitten:** 1 Graham's Edwardian Loreli, well grown SP, good head, eyes good for shape and colour, light coat, good tail 2 Taylor and Cook's dainty LP, good oriental eyes, light coat, long whip tail 3 Morris's Horizon Blue Mist, dainty GP, eyes good for shape and colour, good colour ears and tail, mask brindled, light coat 4 Fry's Phyrne Mimosa, BP, good head and eyes, very nice feet, nice coat, long tail, mask and points, good blue 5 Denny's Killdown Minerva, good head and well set eyes, light coat, tiny kink, good mask and points, shows well 6 Stacey's Chandsha Tiga Apollo, big LP, nice head and eyes, long ringed tail, good light coat, lovely ears r Batchelor's Vickison Sy-Enie, pretty LP, eyes good colour, little round, light coat, would not be handled at first, elastic round neck found to be very tight, after it was removed I could handle her **TORTIE POINT:** 1 Winkworth's Ceedeem Caprice, good head and eyes of good shape and colour, good blaze on nose, coat dark, not well patched 2 Marchant's Minster Samantha, good head and eyes, blaze on nose, coat dark 3 Banfield's Redcliffe Thistle-down Heather, type rather British, but good broken coat and feet, should like deeper eye colour **AC Neuter:** 1 Fellows's Karawang Taiwan, good SP, long head, oriental eyes of good colour, dense mask and points, long tail, sweet disposition 2 Boulton's Ansterre Blue Firefly, nice BP, eyes good colour, rather round, good coat and nice mask and points. Grateful thanks to Mrs Bullock for her attention and expert handling of the exhibits. It was an enjoyable day. **E TOWE**

Mrs M Giles's classes

A delightful show, in a delightful venue; the show manager, Mrs J Padden, her assistant Mr M Robinson, and the hard-working committee are to be congratulated on its great success, the very nice hall, and all its amenities made judging a pleasure. The only snag was the best in show position, perhaps another year this could be placed differently? But in spite of this, it was a happy and friendly show, with an excellent 'gate'.

Many thanks to Mrs M Mack for stewarding for me so well, she handles the cats with care and gentle firmness, and I enjoyed her company very much.

BURMESE BLUE Cat male: 1 ch Armstrong's Belcanto La Favorita, excellent type, well muscled, good eye for shape and colour, lovely coat colour and texture, well tapered tail, but just a little thick, the only one in the class, but well worthy of the challenge certificate **Female** 3: 1 Silverman and Swift's Bastet Sabra Blue Rose, good type, nicely domed head, good eye colour, well set ears, good coat colour and texture, good tail, in excellent condition 2 Knowle's Ballard Pata much older cat, in lovely condition for her age, good head and eye colour, lovely ears, coat a good texture but dark, tail could be slimmer **SIAMESE TABBY POINT Cat male** 3: 1 ch Annuskans's Zils Zed, excellent type, good long wedge, good eyes and profile, well marked mask, and paws, tail well ringed, coat a little dark, he was in much better condition and had more rings than when I

last saw him 2 Humphrey's ch Greenleaf Gerinimo, good head and eyes, well marked mask and paws, good profile, good tail, coat a little patchy 3 Cox's Ch Reoky Cyrone, well marked mask and paws, nice pale coat, head a little short, eyes could be deeper in colour, good tail **Female:** 1 Peck's Tailong Blue Silhouette, lovely type, good head and mask, well marked, nice pale coat, good tail, she was very nervous and therefore would not stand to be examined properly, so did not show to advantage **CHOCOLATE and LILAC-POINT Premier:** 1 Pr Lee's Rozel Merlin, LP, good type, lovely head and profile, well set ears, good points, nice pale coat, good whip tail 2 Bullock's Leyborne Li-Kuan, LP, lovely head and eyes, good profile and points, rather heavy, tail a little thick **AOC Siamese** (32, 32a, 32b, 32c) 5: 1 Hunt's Vehari Remus, red Tabby Point, excellent type, lovely head and eye setting, long svelte body, lovely pale coat, good colour on ears and tracings on mask, excellent whip, my nomination for best in show, the honour he later won 2 Southcott's Venari Tarpeia, Tortie Point, good type generally, nice head and well ringed mask, good eye colour, good paws, good coat and tail 3 Maconochie's Roundway Penstemon, Tabby Point, good type, well marked mask and paws, nice pale coat, well ringed tail r Maconochie's Roundway Muscari, quite good type, good markings, slight pinch, good eyes, coat and tail **AC Kitten** 5: 1 Fox's one Blue Point of good type and four Seal Points, of fairly even type, good eye colour, one had an obvious kink in tail **BURMESE CC Brown adult** 8: 1 Kink's Belcanto Andrea Chenier, male, excellent type, well domed head, good eye colour and shape, nice even glossy coat, good tail, sweet temperament 2 Allen's Tapawingo Tahltan, male, another good young male, full of promise, ran winner very close, good head and lovely eye colour, lovely even dark coat, well shaped tail, but could be longer 3 Lovey's Hautifak Socka-Sea, female, very good type, nice short wedge, good eye colour, coat a lovely texture but a little brindled, correctly tapered tail r Pike's Ch Lydeard Jason, male, good type, lovely head and ears, eyes a little green, well muscled, nice dark even coat, good tail **Blue kitten** 2: 1 Lovey's Rocklo Florentine, female, excellent type, good domed head, nice eye colour, lovely coat colour and texture, good tail 2 Mack's Belcanto Blue Mignon, female, head a little British, and rather pinched at present, coat rather harsh and a little dark, tail could be longer. **MARGARET GILES**

YORKSHIRE COUNTY

(continued)

Shareen Christabel, good top of head, bold eyes well spaced, very good muzzle and chin, well balanced head, neat ears 2 Carr's Nantom's Nefertiti, good top of head, well set ears, short nose, bold well spaced eyes, good muzzle and chin, ran winner close 3 Ralphson's Nantom's Nike, good top of head, ears a little open, good well spaced eyes, short nose but would like it a little broader, coat unsound on the day, showing slight brown tinge r Ralphson's Shareen Antoinette, good top of head, would like ears a little neater, eyes of good shape and well set, nose a little straight **BLUE-EYED WHITE Male:** 1 Woolas's Clough Sparkler, very good type, well balanced head, neat ears, good muzzle and chin, pure coat of good quality, good eyes of sound colour **ORANGE-EYED WHITE Male:** 1 Galt's Hilldown Triump, lovely broad head, neat ears, bold well spaced eyes, full cheeks, good muzzle and chin, pure coat 2 Trickett's Shareen Ezkimo, another lovely male, good width between well set ears, broad nose, strong muzzle and chin, eyes of good colour, pure coat 3 Greenall's Tykeland Albert, good well spaced eyes, good top of head, well placed ears, nose a little straight, lovely coat for colour and texture **Female:** 1 Hogan's Ch Snowwhite Jewel, lovely broad head and neat ears, short broad nose, strong muzzle and chin, beautiful bold eyes set wide apart, pure coat of lovely quality, lovely exhibit 2 Blood's Deebank Rosella, good top of head and well set ears, bold well spaced eyes, nice broad cheeks,

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would like muzzle a little stronger, coat a little short on the day but pure in colour **LH BLACK Kitten** male: 1 Lodge's Fishermore Fidello, good top of head and ears, nice round eye, nose a little straight, good muzzle and chin 2 Lodge's Fishermore Felipe, nice wide head with well set ears, good eyes, would like chin a little stronger 3 Fisher's Belzazza, nice width on top of head but would like ears a little smaller, bold well set eyes, nice muzzle but would like a little more chin Female: 1 Hoyle's Hardendale Zamara, well balanced head, good muzzle and chin, well set eyes of good shape 2 Lodge's Fishermore Fantasia, gold eyes well set, neat ears and good top of head, would like chin a little stronger **LH BLUE-EYED WHITE Kitten**: 1 Dalley's Teekola Crystal, good ears and top of head, broad nose, would like eyes rounder, muzzle not quite broad enough at present to balance top **LH ORANGE-EYED WHITE Kitten** male: 1 Bebbington's Holmcroft Arctic Spider, good top of head, ears a little open, good muzzle and chin, would like eyes bolder, beautiful full coat of pure colour and lovely texture 2 Parson's Kennerleigh Joybell Cindy, would like head a little broader, good muzzle and chin, good eyes 3 Bebbington's Holmcroft Altesse, good top of head, eyes could be a little bolder, nice kitten but would like head stronger overall, good coat ex 3 Thorpe's Clough Candytuff, small baby, well set ears, nice top, nose a little straight, nicely balanced head, one eye a little stained r Shears's Dolmet Gretal, good top of head and well placed ears, broad nose, would like a little stronger chin, eyes well set but very weepy on the day vhc Plumbe's Deebank Snowpetal, well set ears, would like eyes bolder, nice little kitten but would like head stronger overall, coat a little short on the day. **B BARRON**

Mrs J M Newton's classes

The Yorkshire Cat Club held its show this year in the New Grandstand on the race course of Doncaster. A beautiful setting and the show managers Messrs R Barraclough and Sucksmith had a great success.

I was fortunate in having Mr Warde as my steward and thank him for his careful handling of the cats. I also thank officers and committee for all their hospitality.

My classes were household pets and club classes. Any exhibitor wishing for a report, write enclosing SAE, cat's number and class number. **J M NEWTON**

CAT CLUB NEWS

NATIONAL CAT CLUB SHOW

Will exhibitors at the National Cat Club show please note the following:

Mrs Lamb will judge AV Burmese neuter Premier class, and the rest of Miss Macpherson's classes.

Class 229, Red Tabby cat and Class 231 Brown Tabby cat will be judged by Mrs Hughes.

Class 240, Manx Cat by Miss Wilson. Classes 435/6 Tabby pointed kittens will be judged by Mrs Hewlett.

Tortie pointed cat, Class 437 by Mrs Giles. I shall be glad to hear from anyone prepared to assist the veterinary surgeons at the 'vetting-in' from 7.45 to 9.45 am. **GRACE POND, FZS**

YORKSHIRE COUNTY CC

Mrs M G Baxter's address is 117 Spencer Place, Leeds 7.

LILAC POINT SIAMESE CS

The annual general meeting of the Lilac Point Siamese Cat Society was held on October 10 at the YWCA, Gt Ressel Street.

Mrs Sayer was re-elected to the committee, and Mrs Lamber and Mrs Furber were elected to the committee.

Rosettes are to be given as mementos of cups held during the previous year.

The John Nicholls Cup was bought in memory of a founder member who had served the society unceasingly, and this, at the wish of his widow, will go to the best Lilac Point kitten owned by a member at Kensington.

The Pi-Den Cup, the whereabouts of which could not be traced, has been replaced, and this is for the winner of the Society's Cat Class at Suffolk and Norfolk.

The Pontifex Rosebowl (small), after various transformations, is now the Pontifex Cup—this is the Breeder's Points Cup Award.

Mrs M G Baxter's address is 117 Spencer Place, Leeds 7.

FOREIGN WHITE CAT SOCIETY

At a meeting of the GCCF on October 21, the Foreign White Cat Society was granted affiliation to the Council. The Society will strive to do all in its power to safeguard the interests of all cats and their owners within its domain, and will continue to encourage the exhibition of its beautiful cats.

The Society has been in existence for over five years and is enjoying growing popularity and our exquisite blue-eyed Foreign White cats are attracting great admiration.

Our grateful thanks are due to all those people and clubs who have worked for the Society or have supported it.

The Society will have an exhibition stand at the 'National' and members and friends

will be able to collect the latest Society literature there. **LYDIA D ORR** (hon sec)

CORNISH CAT ASSOCIATION

Mrs Beryl D Bright, hon sec of the Cornish Cat Association, Penhaldarva House, New Mills; Kenwyn, Truro writes:

We would like to express our thanks to Mr B Payne, former hon treasurer for all his hard work in the past year, and our wishes that his health will soon improve.

The new treasurer is Mr D Merry of 18 Pauls Row, Truro.

SHORT-HAIRED CAT SOCIETY

Due to lack of support in the first venture at publishing a newsletter, the Short-Haired Cat Society has extended the date of publication to mid-December. Members are asked to support by sending articles, poetry, etc to Mrs J Higgins, 6 Roebuck Road, Rochester, Kent, by the first week in December.

NOTTS AND DERBSY CAT CLUB

Will members of the Notts and Derbyshire Cat Club and club secretaries please note there has been a change of show manager for its next show on Saturday, Feb 27, 1971. All correspondence on show matters should be sent to Mrs J Gee, 10 Ryeholme Close, East Leake, Nr Loughborough, Leics.

SURREY AND SUSSEX CAT ASSOCIATION

Surrey and Sussex Cat Association's social will be held on November 7. The correct address is St Andrews Hall, Carlisle Place, Victoria SW1. All members and non-members alike are welcome.

SIAMESE CAT CLUB

In response to many requests, a conference on Siamese matters is being arranged to take place on Saturday, December 5, 1970 at the Queen Mary Hall, YWCA Central Club, Great Russell Street, London WC1. It will be open to all and full details will be given in a later notice. Please send items for the agenda to Mrs Mary Dunnill, hon Secretary, The Garth, High Lane, Haslemere, Surrey, as soon as possible.

TABBYPPOINT SIAMESE AND PROGRESSIVE BREEDERS CAT CLUB

A Christmas party will be held for members of the Tabbypoint Siamese and Progressive Breeders Cat Club and their friends at 147 Kings Road, Biggin Hill, Westerham, Kent on Sunday, Dec 13, 1970, at 3.30 pm.

There will be a bring and buy stall and raffles, all in aid of club funds.

CHESTNUT BROWN GROUP

Due to the serious illness of Mrs Sybil Warren, secretary of the Chestnut Brown Group, and the changing circumstances of the breed (now Havana) will all members and old members who have not received communication lately please contact Mr and Mrs Stewart, 73 Causeway Lane, Rufford, near Ormskirk, Lancashire. Telephone Rufford 375, urgently.

MINI BUS TRIP TO CHESHIRE

Mrs D R Threadingham, Bernina, The Birches, Bramhope, Leeds LS16 9DN. Tel 671078 intends to run a mini bus to the Cheshire show on December 12, picking up at Pudsey and Leeds stations. Anyone interested please contact her.

CH TAILONG KULI

Ch Tailong Kuli died on October 18 from a sudden heart attack. He was born on May 8 1962 and died quietly while sitting by the fire with his son Druid and daughter Blue Bonnet.

Kuli had done very well at the Siamese show recently, winning champion of champions for the seventeenth time. **ANNA PEEK**

CORRECTION

In the last line of Mrs N Hardy's report of the Siamese Cat Society of the British Empire Show (FUR AND FEATHER, October 8, page 963) the phrase 'good wavy coat' should, of course, read 'good IVORY coat'.

THE SIAMESE CAT CLUB

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must have been a beauty before she became so dark, gorgeous eyes and splendid wedge, very attractive. My other classes were club classes in which there were some outstanding kittens. My thanks are due to the show manager and committee for a lovely show in which high standards were achieved all round. Thanks also to my really impressive steward, Mrs Elaine Richardson. **MAY EUSTACE**

Mrs E Towe's classes

Congratulations to Mrs Dunnill and her committee and helpers for a well organised show. It was a lovely day, giving an excellent light in the hall.

My grateful thanks to my steward, Mrs M A Simpson, secretary of the Western Province Cat Club of Cape Town and herself a judge for her help and interest. We run our shows in a different way here and I know she found her day at the show very interesting.

With other judges I deplore the dark and rather rough coats of most of the Seal Point adults, I endorse all that Mrs Kent said recently in FUR AND FEATHER, unless breeders use more selective methods in mating

their cats, a good Seal Point will be a rarity. The Royal Cat of Siam deserves better treatment.

LILAC POINT

Male ad: 1 ch Sowerby's Karenza Apolio, good long head, eyes of good shape and colour, elegant, chin firm but light today, coat of lovely texture, long tail, little shading on flanks, shows well 2 King's Bellerophon's Pegasus, good head, oriental eyes of good colour, light coat of good texture, chin trifle weak, tail ringed today 3 Palmer's Taurus Kay Cavalier, long nose, well set eyes of good colour, good texture coat, some fawn shading, long tail, ringed today, big cat r Perry's Sharuna Donali, good type, big cat, eyes rather pale, coat little shady, long tail, ringed today Female: 1 ch Watkin's Sadiki Camellia, well grown, good head, oriental eyes of good colour, coat of good colour and texture, nice tail, mask and points little pale, young cat 2 Farley's Flayre Silver Dawn, small cat, not yet mature, nice head, good coat, points of good colour, nice eyes **AC Veteran**: 1 Peck's Ch Tailong Kuli, well known, good head and eyes, dense mask and points, straight tail, coat dark today, very friendly Adolescent breed 32: 1 Brightwell's Ceedee-Em Snowbelle, excellent type Tortie Point, light coat, well marked ears, good blaze on nose, broken feet, good tail 2 Jameson's Contented Noy Khing, good Red Point, nice head and good eyes, nice magnolia shade coat, red shading on back, good tail, lacks red stockings 3 Richardson's Senty-Twix Agnesse, Tabby Point with brown markings, coat dark and shady, good head and eyes of good colour, tails lacks rings from root Novice neuter: 1 Marrington's Bover Boots Nicky, good type SP, nice head and eyes, dense mask and points, good coat, long tail, sweet cat 2 Clark's Moidart Flufftail, big BP, good light coat, well set eyes of good colour, good mask and points 3 Hill's Kosmos Guliver, big BP, nice head and eyes, really blue mask and points, coat shady today but good colour blue r Friggens Solitaire Taos, good type Red Point, blue eyes, light coat, red shading but lacks red on legs and feet. Big class, I was sorry not to put more cats in the first three **SEAL POINT** Male ad: 1 Hindley's Hihoe Barlee, good head, eyes of good shape and colour, good tail, light coat of good texture, shady on flanks today 2 Greville's Silinki Teo, good head and well set eyes, good light coat, long tail, small kink 3 Peck's Ch Tailong Kuli r Keene's Simaew Smo-Kay, good head and eyes, nice tail, most of the cats had very dark and shady coats **AC Neuter**: 1 Ellis's Four Paws Trampas, good type SP, long head and oriental eyes, dense points, long tail, good coat 2 Wilson's Pr Redleaf Tien, good SP, head and eyes good, long tail, dense mask and points, nice coat 3 Bramwell's Physallis Emperor, good type LP, good head and eyes, right colour points, good coat, long tail ex 3 Dodgson's Pr Sirisiam Sarabande, good type BP, good head and eyes, points correct colour, long tail, coat dark today M r Fellows' Karawang Taiwan, good type SP, dense mask and points, long tail. A very good class. **E TOWE**