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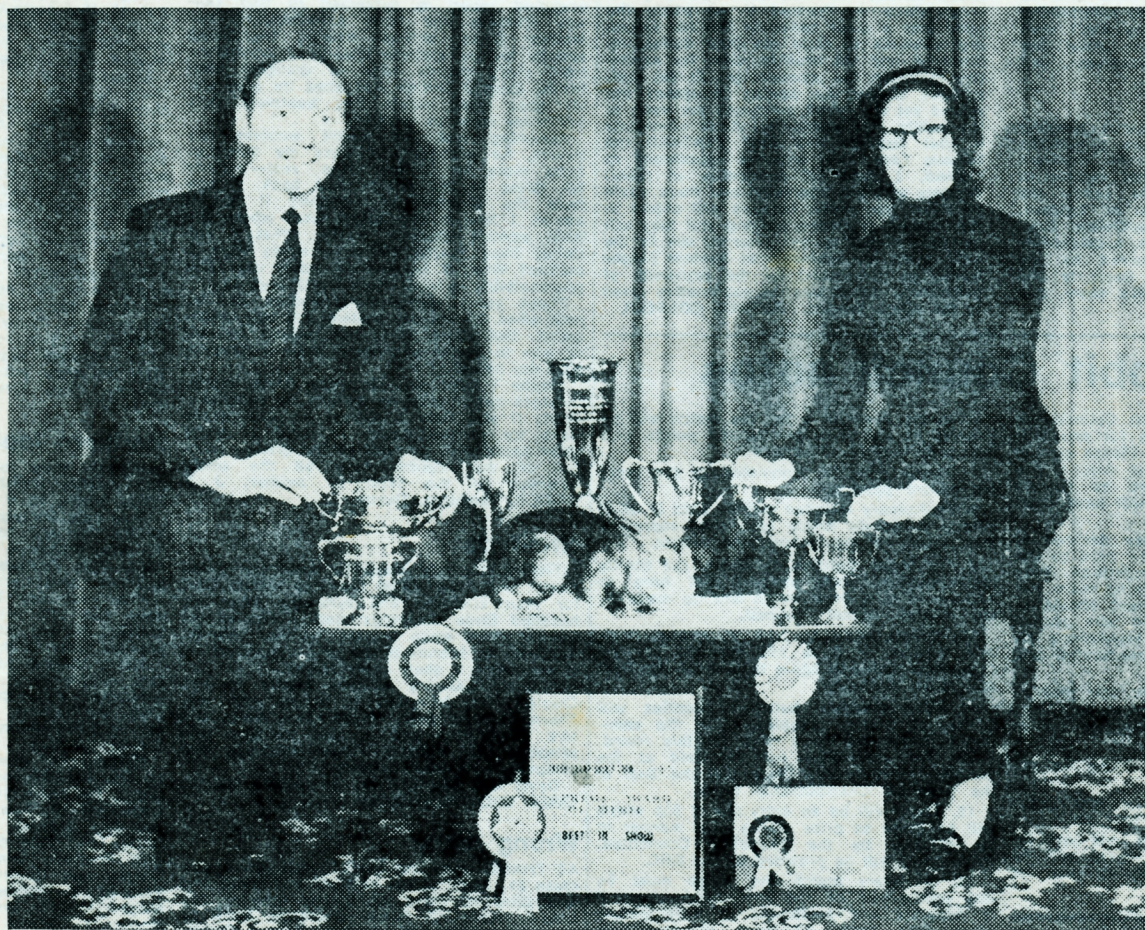
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The Cornish Rex—

Such an affectionate breed

Malcolm Lauder

WHEN I was first asked to write an article on Cornish Rex, I knew very well that there were a great many breeders who could claim to be better qualified than I to fulfil such a task. However, I felt that it might be of interest to other members of the cat Fancy and to novices to read of some of my experiences of exhibiting and breeding, and possibly to help explain the real affection that someone such as I has developed for Cornish Rex cats in preference to other breeds.

If, three years ago, a fortune teller with a crystal ball had told me that within a short space of time I would be breeding Rex cats, I would have found some difficulty in believing it. Not only had cat breeding as such failed to manifest itself at that time as one of the burning ambitions of my life, but also I would not have had the slightest idea what was meant by Rex cats. Having said that, I could not now possibly deny that I came into the cat Fancy by chance. Not that my accidental introduction has proved to be any the less interesting or exciting; on the contrary.

It would be as well to explain at this point that as a freelance graphic designer, I was offered in 1970 a Cornish Rex kitten called Patshull Black Oedipus in lieu of a design fee. The sire was the first Rex that I had ever seen. I was fascinated and very impressed with his crisp, curly coat. I took a little while to make up my mind but I eventually decided to accept, thinking that he would make a curious and interesting animal to have as a pet. In my innocence I little realised just in how much time, effort, not to say money that small, black curly bundle was to involve me.

He made quite an impact when I took him home, with the novelty of his hair style. I felt that my decision was already more than justified. My wife and I had agreed that he ought to spend the first few nights in the comparative safety of our bedroom, removed from the machinations of our two half-Siamese, Suki and Samantha, who had up to that time held sway as twin black queens of the household and who would have made short work of any newcomer.

It wasn't until after a week, and having got accustomed to his burrowing right to the bottom of the bed, that waking to the sound of the alarm clock didn't bring us face to face with the ominous possibility of our finding him as stiff as a board and suffocated to death. We should of course have learned from Suki and Samantha that all cats are more clever at getting utterly more comfortable than are we humans. Needless to say, he soon grew sufficiently large to impress upon his feline companions the importance of his presence, and the idea slowly began to grow in our minds that perhaps he just might be good enough to show.

Having made inquiries, I discovered that the next show was to be that of the Kensington Kitten and Neuter Cat Club. I sent for an entry form and immediately made the most obvious demonstration of my total ignorance of procedure by entering Oedipus in only one class. A telephone call from the show manager, Mrs Barron, soon rectified my error and it was with a certain amount of nervousness and bleary eyes that we eventually arrived at the hall on the morning of the show. It wasn't so much that we had had to get up particularly early to get there in time, but that we had spent almost the entire evening before the show polishing and brushing his coat and making sure that he would be as perfect as possible. We didn't know exactly where the hall was, but it didn't matter too much because it seemed as if most of Westminster must have been able to pinpoint the precise position from the volume of miaows and howls coming out of the long line of cat baskets at the entrance. Oedipus had soon joined the chorus with even more gusto than he had used to voice his comments of displeasure on the journey to which we had subjected him.

We felt very self-conscious and a bit out of place until we got into conversation with a couple next to us in the queue. They were very kind and explained the procedure of vetting-in when they learned that it was

our first show. We still felt a bit lost when we finally got into the show hall, but it was gratifying to find how friendly people were and how quickly we were accepted. A great deal is said in private, more rarely in public, about the hypocrisy and political manoeuvring that exists in the cat Fancy, but I always try to remember my first impression that the Fancy is made up of a dedicated group of enthusiasts who are working towards the improvement and the well-being of cats.

We didn't expect too much after having seen the strong competition. We were therefore doubly thrilled to find on our return from lunch that Oedipus had won not only his open class but a couple of other firsts and in addition had been nominated for best in show Short-hair kitten. Even though he didn't win the supreme honour of best in show, we took him home in triumph that evening, not really aware that this had been just a first small step along the road. It became apparent as we went to further shows that some male cats can become transformed from a gentle and affectionate Dr Jekyll in the home to a raging monster of a Mr Hyde in the show hall. There are of course many cats which seem to enjoy being shown, but stewarding has taught me that there are a great many that are temperamentally unsuited to it.

It seems such a pity that any cat should be subjected to the stress of being exhibited and the possibility of being exposed to infection. But shows are a necessary evil, as Dr Raleigh has pointed out; without them the cat Fancy would not, could not exist. However, patience and fortitude proved to be virtues, and it was with great relief to us that Oedipus eventually won the third challenge certificate which made him a champion.

Meanwhile he had matured into an adult, well-muscled boy with an enormous appetite and a growing tendency to spray on the curtains, walls and my work. It became clear that arrangements would have to be made rapidly to provide him with his own quarters. And so we began the difficult and expensive task of building his stud house. We had decided to keep him as a stud because it seemed a pity to have him neutered when it was apparent that he might perhaps contribute his beautiful coat to succeeding generations of Cornish Rex.

In this we were encouraged and helped by Alison Ashford, who we had met at one of our first shows, and who we discovered lived quite near to us. We were very pleased to accept an invitation to visit her home where we were impressed with the good health and high quality of her cats and the love and care that was spent on them that we resolved to try and emulate her achievements.

Constructing the stud house and run was something of a minor miracle. By no stretch of the imagination could I be considered as the world's greatest expert at 'Do-It-Yourself'. It took the combined efforts of a local odd-job man, a helpful brother, constant expressions of forebodings



from my wife concerning the fate of the soft furnishings, and the using up of a considerable percentage of my chequebook before the house was sufficiently finished for Oedipus to be installed.

It had been hard. The most difficult part, which I had rather foolishly decided to tackle myself, had been the laying down of the vinyl floor covering. I had calculated that to be on the safe side, bearing in mind Oedipus's previous accomplishments, it should extend two feet from the floor on each wall. With the dimensions of the stud house being seven by five feet, it meant a titanic struggle with a piece of floppy material measuring twelve by nine feet which seemed to have a mind of its own, and which positively refused to go where I wanted it.

That job alone involved the expenditure of two hours time and enough nervous energy to run a marathon race. Not only that, but any hope of buying a piece of vinyl with a plain, cool colour and no pattern had been dashed within seconds of seeing the selection on offer in the shop. The piece with which I staggered out, although the least offensive, still looked like the product of a deranged mind.

Putting up glass-fibre insulation wrapping on the underside of a wooden ceiling is also an occupation not recommended to those faint of heart and short of temper. After that it was fairly straightforward, hammered fingers and frayed nerves notwithstanding. The result was not exactly the last word in elegance, but it was warm, dry and suited Oedipus very well.

I had by this time realised that any idea of making money out of cat breeding would be doomed to failure. But the realisation itself was cathartic and enabled me to see the whole situation with a good deal more perspective. The major difficulty that breeders of Cornish and Devon Rex face is that both breeds have been subjected to some unfortunate publicity at a time when intelligent and honest coverage would have helped so much to establish them.

The way in which the Press and television have unfairly seized upon and publicised the hairlessness of some of the earlier Devon Rex in particular has done a tremendous amount of harm. It has become the responsibility of the few Rex breeders and their two specialist clubs to do what they can to redress the balance in these difficult circumstances by exhibiting only their best stock and by ensuring that Rex cats get some good publicity for a change. They are such hardy animals and so affectionate that they deserve far greater popularity than they enjoy at present.

It is unfortunate that breeders generally find it very difficult or even impossible to recoup the enormous expense involved in raising Rex cats, particularly when one learns of the high prices which Rex kittens fetch in the USA and the huge stud fees which American breeders charge. However, I have no regrets that cats in general, and Cornish Rex cats in particular, have become such an important part of my life.

There can be few more perfect settings for a show than Malvern

IN PAST YEARS I have always been an exhibitor at the West of England and South Wales Cat Society's Championship Shows. It was an exciting change to be 'on the other side of the fence'—as a judge!

There can be few more perfect settings for a show than Malvern, a beautiful old town that still retains an almost mediaeval atmosphere. (This also applied to the train services and the station conditions which were, to put it mildly, Victorian!) From the point of view of warmth and position, the Winter Gardens Pavilion was an ideal show hall. Unfortunately it was not really large enough to accommodate the vast crowds of visitors.

In the afternoon entrances and exits became a real problem. I felt that there should have been a separate exit. When I mentioned this to Mrs Olive (co-show manager with Mrs Roberts) she explained that recently a cage bird show had been held at the Pavilion and hundreds of people forced an unpaid entry into the hall through the exit door, so such an exit was obviously impracticable.

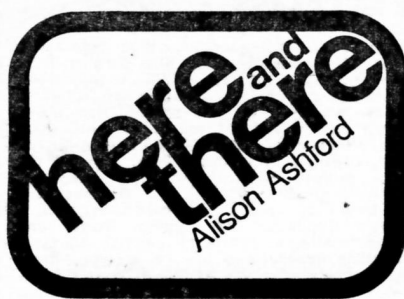
Some exhibitors complained that they had a very long walk from the official car park to the hall, but this was unavoidable. (I am still wondering what happened to the exhibitor who had the temerity to park on double yellow lines, as announced over the microphone. At that time the police were after his blood!)

However, one can have nothing but praise for the way in which Mrs Olive, Mrs Roberts and their committee managed the show. There were nearly 500 exhibits which to me seems the ideal number for an all-breed show, but which nevertheless must be a real heartache to manage.

Especially impressive was the entrance and foyer with a beautifully clear painted board which gave directions as to where each breed could be found, instructions not to touch the cats and (most important to visitors) the reasons WHY cats should not be touched. This is a really important point, as so often the general public's reaction to the words 'Do not touch' is to say 'Why? I'm not afraid of being bitten.'

The two star attractions for the public were Jason, 'Blue Peter's' cat, and Poppy the Puma, the fabulous 3½-month-old puma owned by Helen Humphreys and occupying place of honour in a decorated pen in the foyer. Mrs Humphreys told me that this puma cub had been rejected by her mother at birth and had been hand-reared by bottle. Apparently she has the run of Mrs Humphreys' house and plays with her children. I was allowed to cuddle Poppy and her only reaction was a deep-throated rumbling purr.

Prominent amongst the younger visitors were children wearing the distinctive uniforms of Malvern and Cheltenham colleges. These



youngsters took an especially keen interest in the newer breeds of pedigree cats and were asking searching questions on the genetics of some breeds. Here, obviously, are tomorrow's cat breeders!

Throughout the show both Mrs Olive and Mrs Roberts maintained a smiling serenity which could not have been easy. John Furber (who is recovering from a nasty burn on his hand) made an ideal announcer, as did the show managers. None of them raised their voices but every word could be heard. I was also delighted that they advised the public not to applaud the Best in Show exhibits, as this is so distressing to the cats.

Every judge to whom I spoke was grateful to the show managers for the clearly marked judges' books, and the way in which each judge's task was made as easy as possible. It was especially cheering to find light trolleys marked with each judge's name, instead of those awful heavy tables!

Judges also appreciated the fact that their travelling expenses were paid in cash during the show. I had thought that this was an innovation when Mrs Pring was able to do it, but Mrs Roberts explained that they have in fact been able to do it for the past five years!

Exhibitors were obviously delighted with their Open class awards—a rosette for first prize winners and all cats in Champion of Champions classes, and a beribboned shield for second and third prize winners. Open classes have certainly been made more exciting from the viewer's point of view during recent years. This is, of course, largely due to the abolition of money prizes in Open classes.

Not being an exhibitor I suppose I was able to view the show dispassionately. My impressions were that the veterinary surgeons were exceptionally thorough, using auroscopes on each exhibit's ears; that some exhibitors left untidy and 'distinguishing' collections of boxes and clothes under pens, but that at the very end of the show there seemed to be less general messy

refuse than usual. No doubt this tidiness was helped by the very roomy plastic bins found at the end of EVERY row of pens.

Best in Show of the 'old-fashioned kind' went off very smoothly, though once again I deplore the fact that twelve cats or kittens, both of British and Foreign type, had to compete against each other. Perhaps the GCF will surprise us pleasantly with a new rule one of these days!

I do not believe that cat-owners should disregard the advice of their veterinary surgeon. Nevertheless I am convinced, through the recent experience of a close friend, that on a very few occasions one has to seek a second opinion. In my friend's case, her two eight-year-old Siamese developed cat 'flu during the two weeks they were in boarding kennels. (Once again this is the same sad story of about a dozen cats sharing one large shed when infection through shared air is inevitable.)

As soon as my friend brought the cats home she asked her veterinary surgeon to examine the cats. He diagnosed cat 'flu and injected the cats, saying that he would see them again in two days' time. The cats lay and sneezed for the next two days, refusing all food and drink. At the veterinary surgeon's next visit he repeated the injections and my friend asked if she should force-feed the cats. The answer was 'No—let nature take its course.' These cats were seen on alternate days for ten days, in gradually worsening states, yet always my friend was advised not to force-feed them. Unfortunately she did not telephone me until the tenth day, when she described the cats as being emaciated, with skin and fur that had lost all elasticity.

This is a certain sign of dehydration. With even a fairly mild dehydration (due to dribbling and sneezing as well as to lack of fluid intake) the whole metabolic balance of a cat's body is upset and this often becomes irreversible.

At this stage I could only beg my friend to make up a solution of glucose and water with a pinch of salt in it, and to carefully spoon-feed this to each cat, making certain that the fluid went OVER the tongue and not underneath, when it would have been breathed in, causing 'inspiration' pneumonia.

I also advised my friend to ask her veterinary surgeon to administer glucose saline by injecting it under the cats' skins. Given in this way, fluid is absorbed fairly rapidly into the cat's system. Her veterinary surgeon agreed to do this, but alas! it was too late. Both cats had become too weak and they died during the next six hours. My friend said that she will never have another animal. Neither she, her husband, nor her little boy, would risk another heart-break.

fully groomed female, very short of coat but was pure white in body colour and ringed auburn tail, good auburn markings on head, golden eye colour, type was fair **RED SELF Kitten**: 1 Tosswill's Helensbrook Polyanthus, an exceptionally good female, lovely deep red colour on back, broad head, neat ears, very good type and eye colour, a most promising kitten **TURKISH Kitten**: 1 Tidmarsh's Moroni Tarakii Kemah, male with a good head, good auburn markings on head, lovely auburn tail well-ringed, fair length of white coat, eye colour should deepen with age, good temperament. In my club classes I had an outstanding Chinchilla kitten, Silvermist Ballerino, owned by Mr E Wickham Ruffe which I admired greatly and which later was best kitten in the show. I also judged a very attractive neuter, Pr Mystral Sir Echo, owned by Mrs M Kalis. **L SPEIRS**

Long Haired Cat Club continued

Mrs E M Denton

The first All-Breed Long-haired cat show in England. What an event, so beautifully managed by Mrs Barron and Mrs Pond. A lovely show in a beautiful hall. It was a very happy day for all concerned. Congratulations to show managers, the officers and the committee. Thank you for the lovely lunch and the very useful little notebook.

AOV Female cat 5: 1 Knight's Greenwood Willow Stream, a very pretty cat with clear markings, nice head, neat ears, good type, eyes round and good colour, good body shape, short full tail, very good condition, well presented 2 Rosell's Pasha Sheba Silvermist, good head, ears a little open at base, good type, broad nose, eyes round and paling, coat in good condition with nice silver shading, tail short and fully furnished 3 Dayton's Saykiala Boo-Boo, Black with silver shading, good body shape, short tail, good head, nice type, round eyes of good colour, white whiskers and ear tufts, very good condition **AC SELF Neuter 5**: This was an excellent class, all were worthy of first prizes 1 Kalis's Pr Mystral Sir Echo, a huge cat with profuse white coat and a lovely temperament, good head, neat ears, eyes round and good shade of blue, nose a little long, coat sparkling white, groomed to perfection 3 Staples's Brackenhill Cream Sherry, a lovely boy, very good head, neat ears set well apart, beautiful eyes for shape and colour, good type, coat a nice shade of cream, paler at roots and underneath, very well presented 3 Dewhurst's Pr Goravon Snow Queen, lovely head, neat ears, lovely eyes for shape and colour, coat very white and sparkling, nice cobby body, short tail, groomed to perfection **Debutante**

kitten 3-9 mth 20: A very good class 1 Hughes's Gaybird Clodagh, lovely White kitten, good head, lovely eyes for shape and colour, broad short nose, firm chin, good muzzle, ears a little tall, face furnishing and fur round head on short side, coat lovely texture and sparkling white, good cobby body, short tail, promising kitten, well shown 2 Brown's Honeydew Fudge, Cream, lovely head, neatest ears, good type, firm chin, eyes lovely colour, pale cream coat, short tail, well presented 3 Pope's Woburn Shaun, Blue male, good top of head, very neat ears set well apart, round eyes of good colour, good type and chin, pale coat, nice cobby body, short tail, beautifully presented. My other classes were club classes. Thanks to my steward, Mrs M Halls. She is kind and efficient. I hope she enjoyed the day as much as I did. **E M DENTON**

Mrs L Speirs

This was a most attractive show held in a very attractive hall. Mrs Barron and Mrs Pond, two very experienced show managers, put on an immaculate show. It was friendly and well-managed to the last degree. A great deal of work was done behind the scenes by the chairman Mr De Ferry and his committee and I offer my sincere thanks to all of them. I also give my most grateful thanks to my steward, Miss Lushington.

RED SELF Cat Female: 1 Hiscock's Wynmoor Lucina, a very nice female with round head, quite neat ears, very good eye colour, beautiful silky coat, very well groomed, deep red colour on back, paler underneath **TURKISH Cat**: 1 Jarman's Ch Nazilli, beauti-

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Wonderful show at Gotenborg

I WAS very honoured to be asked and delighted to accept to judge Short-hairs for the Foreningen Adelskatten at their International Championship show at Gotenborg on October 28 and 29. It was a wonderful show, faultlessly organised by Cyril Ostrup and his committee. Everyone connected with the show worked so hard and so cheerfully and yet found time to give a most charming welcome and any help that was needed to the English judges.

I must give a special word of thanks to Fru Kristina Kronvall for her help and great kindness, particularly on the night before the show, and to Fru Brita Kastongren Remborg for her guidance and companionship during the show.

I was filled with admiration too for Fru Gun Berg-Pettinson who coped so calmly and efficiently with the rather complicated best in show procedure and was so patient and charming with us.

I had a most efficient and delightful assistant in Fru Silvi Haglund and three patient and untiring stewards in Fru Dahlberg, Fru Lindstrom and Per Camling. Nothing was too much trouble for them. I thank them most sincerely for all their help.

I had some extremely good cats to judge. The Silver Tabbies were rather disappointing, foreign in type and rather a lot of crown on them. I had some lovely Devon Rex, in particular a white, Sabus Bettina, out of Int Ch Annelida Jack Frost. The Cornish had lovely coats but were disappointing in type.

By far the best were the Abyssinians. They were really beautiful with lovely close shining coats, fine boned and svelte: I was delighted when my nomination became supreme SH in show. She was a delightful Red Abyssinian, Ch Bramhult Red Cindi-Cora, a beautiful little cat with a lovely disposition and so full of herself she was a joy to handle.

My best male was her litter brother, a lovely boy. My best neuter was also an Abyssinian, Cirrus Pontus. He was a real charmer.

I also particularly liked a massive Chartreux with a wonderful head, Int Ch Bramhult Bla Rasmus.

Miss Rodda very kindly took me to see some of her best Long-hairs and I then saw a kitten which completely bowled me over. To me she was the star of the show—a Brown Tabby kitten, La Chungitas Tabac. Her type was wonderful—broad top of head, tiny ears, huge eyes, wee nose, full cheeks, long silky coat, marked as clearly as a SH. She had, alas, a white patch under her chin. How I would have loved to bring her home. I have never seen anything like her.

Best in show Long-hairs were a Tortie adult, Ch Alphyddans Zita; best kitten and neuter were OE Whites, and the kitten, Sivasas Pussi was the best LH exhibit.

Finally I thank the committee and officers of the club for their great kindness and hospitality. It was a wonderful show and a marvellous weekend. **ANNE RICKSON**

Cat calendar

DECEMBER 2: Preston Cat Club, championship, Blackpool.

DECEMBER 20: Croydon Cat Club, championship, Royal Horticultural Old Hall, Westminster.

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JANUARY 13: Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Cat Club: championship, Granby Halls, Leicester.

JANUARY 27: Suffolk and Norfolk Cat Club, championship.

FEBRUARY 3: Scottish Cat Club, championship, McLellan Galleries, Glasgow.

FEBRUARY 25: Coventry and Leicester Cat Club, championship.

MARCH 3: Wessex Cat Club, championship, Town Hall, Bournemouth.

MARCH 10: Lancashire and North West Counties Cat Club, championship, Castle Armoury, Bury.

MARCH 24: Nor' East of Scotland Cat Club, championship, Music Hall, Aberdeen.

MARCH 24: Southern Counties Cat Club, championship, Royal Horticultural Society's New Hall.

APRIL 7: Northern Siamese Cat Society, championship, Sun Pavilion, Harrogate.

APRIL 14: Shorthaired Cat Society of Great Britain and Manx Club Inc, championship.

APRIL 28: Bedford and District Cat Club, championship, The Queensway Hall, Dunstable.

Midland Counties stage charity classes in excellent new venue

THE Midland Counties Cat Club Championship show was held on October 28 in the Harry Mitchell Recreational Centre, Smethwick—a new venue. The hall is larger than the old venue, and the light very good. There was a very good gate, and the show ran very well except for the issue of prize cards. The willing band of overworked helpers stayed at the table until the end, but unfortunately there were not enough to cope completely, and thus delays occurred.

We offer a big thank you to all the exhibitors and their excellent cats, to the table team for their marathon work, to the judges, stewards, and the members of the committee.

We should also like to acknowledge the great debt we owe to Mr Alan Haywood for the multitude of tasks he undertook so willingly and so well. MARGARET J GROOM, MARY LAVALETTE Joint show managers

Mrs D Clarke

Dr and Mrs Groom and their committee are to be congratulated on a highly successful show at their new and larger venue, The Harry Mitchell Centre. The lighting in this hall was very much better than in many halls now in use which is such a help when deciding finer points of colour. I thought the idea of a 'Grand Charity Class', the profits of which are to help the less fortunate cats, was indeed a 'grand' one and I was so pleased to be asked to judge the Siamese classes. I hope other clubs will follow suit in this splendid effort.

My thanks to my indefatigable steward Mrs Kay Burgess. She is everything a good steward should be, always able to anticipate her judge's requirements and never intrusive. I am afraid she had rather a hard day.

SIAMESE Seal Point female kitten 3-6 mths: 1 Hill's Kuala Lisa Deen, small type kitten, very good coat, excellent tail and ear set, should have liked her eyes to be a little more oriental 2 Critchley's Kalindi Amanda, very long body, fair tail, excellent eye colour, strong jaw, long nose. I thought her rather heavy on the front paws for her age and her feet not sufficiently spoon-shaped 3 Neilson's Stokefields Super Solo, excellent eye colour and shape, good set, fine paws, coat rather long but good colour, muzzle spoilt by very bad pinch 4 Strubin's Bayard Adagio, shown in excellent condition, coat of good texture but cold in colour, good profile, long tail 6-9 mth: 1

Robert's Cymbeline Zaria Diane, this was the only SP kitten in the two classes which had the real Siamese expression, excellent type, long head, good coat texture but dark, very good tail, lovely eye shape and colour but unfortunately has a tendency to squint 2 Dodd's Seadog Fabiola, very lovely eye colour, muzzle pinched, coat too dark for age, excellent tail 3 Hutton's Kaymena Antoinette, nice coat, strong jaw, good tail, eyes too round but of good colour 4 Peters's Sleskine Juki, eyes round, tail shortish, nice coat texture, chin pale and rather weak **Blue Point male 3-6 mth:** 1 Deakin's Nikaed Tarquin, large well set ears, good eyes, long tail, muzzle too square, coat rather fawn 2 Williams's Merdeka Arkarina, took second place on length of tail which is shortish, best colour blue in the class, well set ears, fine paws, needs time 3 Newstead's Romlyan, fair type, eyes too round but colour good, nice set and paws, good body colour 4 Greenlands's Moonfleet Mercury, ears rather small, good eye colour, fine tail, chief fault was the coat which was too long and dark **Female 3-6 mth:** 1 Dillon's Starbright Celia, long neck, good head carriage, good head, coat rather long, fair tail 2 Neilson's Cantarra Coriander, fine paws, good tail, very good coat and colour, ears tend to set forward giving a 'bonnet' effect 3 Deakin's Nikaed Thumbelina, well set ears, muzzle square, coat too long, kink in tail, similar to her first prize brother in previous class but lacking his style 4 Williams's Merdeka Aratula, at present a 'chubby' kitten, good colour, nice coat, needs time, not so good as her brother in the previous class **Male 6-9 mth:** 1 Deakin's Ramonda Nikaedemus, body too short, good coat and texture, excellent eye shape, ears 'bonnet' forward, points dark in colour **Female 6-9 mth:** 1 Hole's Sovereign Beauty Blue, excellent coat, long body, fine tail, dainty paws and feet, promising 2 Stephenson's Ramonda Midnight Blue, fine muzzle, nice coat texture but too fawn in colour 3 Saxby's Nikaed Alexandra, good profile, excellent eye shape, nose too short, ears could be larger, lovely coat, tail appeared to slightly bend **GRAND CHARITY CLASS (split):** 1 Brabyn's Chalmi Takua, BP female, excellent type, lovely head, real Siamese look, good coat texture but a little fawn, long fine tail 2 Hutton's Sislinski Topson, ran the winner very close, very attractive SP male, lovely eyes for shape and colour, excellent coat, long head, well set ears, took second place for light chin today, haws slightly up 3 Rimmer's Asuni Aoi Hosi, handsome BP male with length everywhere, head, body and tail, went to third place for white whisker pad and coat rather fawn 4 Maddick's Sislinski Trini, excellent type, lovely eyes, long head, went reserve because of dark patchy coat and slight weakness in chin **Part 2:** 1 Weldin's Meiklerigs Helios, very typy Tabby Point, excellent head, lovely expression, very oriental eyes of good colour, no tabby markings on body, excellent coat texture, well marked, in good show condition 2 Abbey's Quintral Pettifleur, I hesitated a long time between this lovely typy Lilac Point and the winner but the winner's expression decided me, lovely type, pale coat, quite unshaded, real lilac points, very fine boned 3 Fuentes's Tamruat Blue Hyacinth, Blue Point, excellent type, particularly good colour, the really cold desired body shade, lovely coat, head could be longer 4 Bradburn's Alderleigh Suchard, Chocolate Point, really milk chocolate points, ivory body, nice tail, excellent profile, good wedge head, eyes a little round **AC Breeders cat:** 1 M Helios 2 Abbey's Quintral Piral, very similar to his sister in the previous class but not quite such good points colour and a little blue, excellent type, long head, lovely coat, beautifully presented 3 Stroud's Ch Fair Miss Dilly, very good head, excellent type overall, rather dark in coat now 4 Aoi Hosi. DORA CLARKE

ticked coat, well groomed, nice type, very good eye colour, would like ears a little smaller, well presented 2 Willis's Brynuboo Buster, very nice to see this Brown Tabby, a variety which is all too scarce, rich fawn brown coat with good markings, quite good type, excellent eye colour 3 Marrison's Miclyflinn, bi-colour, grey and white, massive cat with profuse coat, beautifully prepared, lovely deep orange eyes **AC Breeders cat ex Blue 11:** This class had been split 1 Pope's Toppatou Ma Joliette, Tortie and White female, very brightly patched all over, including tummy and feet, nice type, hazel eyes, a very attractive exhibit 2 Jones's Lynbrook Black Magic, very good dense coat, black to the roots, head and muzzle need to broaden out, very good eye colour 3 Tomlinson's Crusader's Catherine, Cream female, very good type, nice head, neat well placed ears, strong muzzle and chin, eyes good colour but would like the rounder, coat nice shade, well groomed **AC Breeders Cat (ex Blue):** 1 Silverman's Helma Patrice, really lovely Blue-eyed White female, profuse coat, very well prepared, lovely type, nice top of head, very strong muzzle and chin, wide open eyes of good shade of blue, a beautiful exhibit 2 Shepard's Ch Willowgen Rouge Etoile, lovely Red Self male, coat a really rich colour, nice type, very good eye colour, should be a great asset to Red breeders 3 Roden's Sonata Chiaroscuro, very good Smoke male, contrasts coming in well, wonderful eyes 4 Laird's Ladygrove Lucinda, very nice Blue Cream, profuse well intermingled coat, good type, lovely eye colour, still a good deal of old coat to come out. The remainder of my classes were all club classes but there are a few which I feel are worthy of a brief mention: Aitken's Donbank Merlin, White male of good type; Bebbington's Holmcroft Countess Camelia, spectacular White female kitten with immaculate white coat, groomed to perfection, neat ears, excellent eyes; Carr's Sukamba Sakhmo, very promising Black male kitten, very sound black coat, nice top of head with near ears, nicely tufted, very good eyes; Shepard's W Rouge Eclair and W Rouge Friponee, two promising Red kittens; Williams's Pr Deebank Fluffy, who still retains her lovely full blue-cream coat and excellent eye colour, very well presented. I was very fortunate in having as my steward Pat Jones who handles the cats with such kindness and understanding. To her my very best thanks. MARJORIE BULL

Miss M Bull

Congratulations to Mrs Groom and Mrs Lavalette and the committee on a delightful and excellently run cat show. It is always a pleasure to judge at this show and as usual it was a very happy event.

My very grateful thanks for the kind hospitality and very acceptable gift which each judge received.

AC Grand Champion: So often this class is not as popular as it should be 1 Bourne's Ch Honeyist Cream Cracker, was the only entry, a massive cat of outstanding type, lovely cream coat, very sound for time of year, beautifully presented, good top of head, neat well placed ears, excellent eye colour, strong muzzle and chin, short full brush, a particularly handsome exhibit **AOC LH Neuter Premier 6:** 1 pr Frank's Polar Valerio, very nice Chinchilla who today I believe became a full Premier, nice lightly

little jowly at present, beautifully shown **AC Breeders (Grand Charity Class):** 1 Folkes's Cymbeline Quanita, very beautiful little SP queen, excellent type, exceptionally good head, oriental eyes, good tail, beautifully prepared 2 Neale's Sislinski Tuptim, little separating her and Quanita, striking SP queen, marvellous type, head, eyes, and ear set perfect 3 Chapman's Galaxias Altair, very promising Lilac male, marvellous coat, head could be a little longer for perfection 4 Haggard's Sharlori Fantasia, nice Tortie, excellent head and eyes, legs well broken, tail good, spoiled by blotched and uneven coat **AC Breeders kitten (Grand Charity Class):** 1 Keene's Killdown Khan, perfectly presented male SP, almost adult in his poise, remarkable head and oriental eyes, lovely silken coat with splendid contrast, very appealing 2 Thompson's Mandarin Chiaro, very showy Tabby Point queen, splendid markings, head and eyes excellent, very promising 3 Chapman's Galaxias Antares, most outstanding little Lilac male, marvellous show points, perfect colouring **AC Neuter (Grand Charity Class):** A very large class with many outstanding cats, nearly impossible to separate them 1 Stephenson's Ramonda Talisman, very elegant Blue Point, shown to absolute perfection, lovely type, good head and eyes 2 Conway's Cooli Apache, very showy Red Point, outstanding in the class, beautiful type 3 Farnworth's Saturn Sebastian, almost perfect little Seal Point, gorgeous type, beautifully prepared, a joy to handle 4 Bennet's Seebel Tao Pakdee, beautifully prepared Seal Point, lovely head and eyes, good tail. Many of my other classes were bursting to the seams with quality exhibits. MAY EUSTACE

Mrs P Hughes

The show manager, Mrs Margaret Groom, and her most efficient committee members are to be congratulated on the splendid show and the consideration given to the judges and stewards. What a treat it was to have a rest room—somewhere to sit away from the enthusiastic visitors—to be able to study the judging book in peace! Mrs Shepard is an excellent steward and I hope she will be able to work with me again.

COLOURPOINT Male: 1 ch Dayton's Bernette Dandy, good breadth between ears which were neat and well placed, very firm chin, broad nose, quite good eye colour, coat slightly hard on back, silky on sides 2 Davies's Jesalading Glesni, blue, excellent colour, could be finer, nice broad face, firm chin, short nose, ears open at base, pale eyes 3 Lymerby's Hillyacres, red, good round face, attractive colouring and texture, needs more width between ears. **Female:** 1 ch Goude's Polic Divine, well balanced head, typical nose, chin and ears, pale eyes, coat texture excellent, pale on shoulders, darkening towards tail 2 Harding's Mingchui Lilamini, lilac, lovely type, round head, neat ears, short of ruff, excellent colour 3 Harding's Mingchui Nicola, lilac, similar type, eyes not so bold, quite good colouring, needed more grooming **BIRMAN Female:** 1 ch Tallentire's Cragland Suzanne, beautifully groomed coat, wide head, good feet with correct gauntlets, eyes could be deeper in colour 2 Creasey's Miorama Sheba, perfect coat colour and texture, very good type head, excellent eyes, brown mark on one gauntlet, ran winner close 3 Creasey's Gunga Opal, darker than winners, few bristles, excellent gauntlets, pink and black pads, pale eyes **BI-COLOURED Male:** 1 ch Pope's Toppatou Numbus, blue and white, colour well distributed with white collar, legs and feet, excellent type and eyes **COLOURPOINT Kitten Male:** 1 Tong's Pinnhoney Zackary, wide top of head, fair eye colour, neat ears, chin could be firmer, silky coat, well presented 2 Wells's Beaupre Mishka, splendid coat colour and texture, bold eyes of good colour, face inclined to over-typiness **Female:** 1 Barrett's Penkvale Melissa, excellent top of head, small ears, bold eyes, lovely balance, warm colouring 2 Goude's Marisha La Morena, paler coat, ears larger than winner's, otherwise equal 3 Abbot's Chase-side Call Girl, tortie, perfect type head, pale body colour, well groomed, points fair with slight red **BIRMAN Kitten:** 1 Holmes's Cragland Shan, a perfect example of the breed, lovely type, eyes good, feet markings correct **BI-COLOURED Kitten Male:** 1 Pope's Toppatou Jules, blue and white, not quite enough white but well distributed, excellent orange eyes, good type **AOC:** 1 Laird's Ladygrove Silver Wave, blue Chinchilla, bright green eyes, brick nose, excellent head shape, nicely coloured coat 2 Laird's Ladygrove Tawny Pippit, blue Tortie, typical head, good eye colour, fascinating coat colour of good texture 3 Green's Giocosco Sweet Pea, pretty colouring, pale eyes, good broad face, ears could be smaller **AV BRITISH Neuter:** 1 pr Rose's Sireli Felicity, Silver Tabby, well marked on silvery background, tail well ringed. Broad face, neat ears, firm chin, typical British body 2 Jones's Jiminy Fircone, Brown spotted, ruddy background with clear black spots, no white, hazel eyes 3 Warde's Sherada Silver Ciaran, Silver Spotted, good spots on silver, thin on spine, good 'British' type head. PHYLIS HUGHES

Mrs M Eustace

The Midland Counties Cat Club held their annual championship show at Smethwick, Birmingham. They selected for their venue an exceptionally convenient and well laid out hall. It must have been very rewarding to Mrs Groom, show manager, and her excellent committee to see the crowds that poured in all afternoon. At one stage it was 'pack-a-jam' and it was quite difficult for the judges to move about. Nevertheless crowds are welcome, especially when they were so well behaved as these Birmingham folk were. They were most interested in viewing the top cats and appraising even the lesser fry.

The judges were well feted, with a beautiful lunch and tea laid on in a separate room for the exhibitors. Congratulations to all concerned. It is no easy matter to keep abreast of the new bubbling over interest in pedigree cats. The gift, presented so politely to the judges by Dr Groom, was very nice indeed. The little souvenirs we take home with us make our day.

Thanks to my excellent steward, Mrs G Fisher. She never flinched or slackened her speed during a very busy day.

SIAMESE AC Grand Champion: It was a pleasure to be in the company of such lovely cats. Unfortunately there were not sufficient entries to award the winner his special certificate 1 Stacey's Ch Kirash Barley, fine handsome Chocolate Point, excellent head and eyes, no hint of brindling round his mask so common in Chocolates, lovely well balanced male, fine paws, good tail except for semblance of kink, hope he does not darken too much with age 2 Rimmer's Ch Darling Dream Angus, certainly he merits his name for he is a most perfect example of what a Red Point should look like, and a darling into the bargain, type absolutely superb, head and eyes outstanding, looks as if he will develop more red in his legs as the beautiful tinges are there, just that little bit too frail looking for a male 3 Stroud's Ch Fair Miss Dilly, very beautiful little Seal Point, splendid seal points, lovely wedge, oriental eyes, very gentle looking, only fault was in quality of coat, a little harsh and dull, very worthy contestant 4 Williams's Ch Mosmi Aristotle, lovely male Blue Point, marvellous temperament, excellent wedge, eyes, tail and ear placement, a

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Miss K Wilson

As was to be expected the show was beautifully run by Mrs Groom helped by Mrs Lavalette. The hall was large and it was easy to get to the cats. All possible arrangements had been made for the comfort of the judges and the overnight hotel was real luxury. The hall was very warm and the lunch was excellent. Thanks for the delightful gift which I shall be tempted to watch every day to see if they are sprouting.

I had a happy day with my stewards. Alison Ashford is always a delight to work with, her expertise in handling cats makes them so easy to judge. Thanks also to Morris Sklader who steered my pram so well, and also the cats. I hope they were not too tired and enjoyed their day as much as I did.

BROWN TABBY SH: 1 Warde's Sherada Nutbrown Maid, I was sorry to have to withhold the certificate to this cat, her markings were good but lacked the true British type, nose too long, not cobby enough, with her colouring which so many lack these days there is no reason why she should not breed some excellent kittens, if mated to a type male **SILVER TABBY:** 1 Warde's Perrington Silver Rose, good type, head and eye, colour excellent contrasts, well pencilled feet **TORTIE:** 1 ch Maddick's Bellfield Tortella, good type, bright colour, excellent head and eye colour, well set ears, all feet nicely broken **MANX:** 1 ch Butcher's Brightwell Persephone, one always expects something good to turn up from this stable every season and here one was not disappointed, a tabby of excellent stance, excellent rounded rump and what a hop **BLUE BRITISH KITTEN:** 1 Turner's Navigator Teale, lovely type, excellent head and eye colour, really round and cobby, excellent texture coat **RUSSIAN BLUE:** Macleod's Arctic Finlira, this kitten is sired by an import, I only wish I could say something good about her, I had to withhold the first prize, her coat was the texture of Siamese and was very open, she certainly has good eye colour, but her head was far too Siamese in type, an affectionate little soul who will make a lovely spayed pet for someone **HAVANA Male kitten:** 1 Heyworth's Sweethope Valesqueez, excellent type, lovely colour, excellent head and eye colour, very good tail, very pleasing **Female:** 1 Sweethope Cervantes, sister to above, coat not quite so good in colour otherwise same remarks apply **SPOTTED Kitten:** 1 Absalom's Brynbuboo Bosselet, what a little gem, wonderful type, round head, tiny ears, really spotted even down spine, as a stud when old enough should do much to enhance the variety **Female:** 1 Watts's Sireli Silver Isobelle, lovely head and eye colour, excellent type, very well spotted, contrasts excellent, another who should do the breed a lot of good **AOV Kitten (Breed 26) male:** As usual in this class it is anybody's guess except the breeders as to what they are aspiring, and there are no standards to go by 1 Saxby's Nikaed N'gai, this most attractive cat was the nearest approach to a serval I have ever seen, I would describe him as a spotted foreign, wonderful Siamese type, lovely head and eye colour, most elegant and attractive 2 Watts's Sirele Andante, what a shame that this lovely little smoke had to meet the winner, excellent type, really smoke in colour, excellent head and eye, very attractive 3 Benn's Duncanesse White Cloud, Foreign White, excellent type, head and eye colour, good tail with slight yellowing r May's Palantin Phundercloud, good black of Siamese type, excellent coat for colour and texture, few white hairs **Female:** 1 Watts's Sireli Minuet, another attractive little smoke, sister to second in above class, same notes apply 2 Farley's Flayre Swansdown, Foreign White, good type, head and eye, rather splay footed 3 Macleod's Scythia Zeema, Foreign Black, fails type, coat open **SIAMESE TABBY POINT Male:** I was disappointed in both these classes, none of the exhibits were up to standard, I called in another judge who agreed with me that in the males I could not award a first prize, they all had one thing in common, lovely eye colour 2 Farley's Flayre Shere Khan, on the rangy side, blotched and marked on body which should be clear 3 Seaby's Dauntsea Bretton, fails type and again body marked and blotched r Elbarakka Hamelech, tabby all over and slightly ticked **Female:** again lovely eye colour 1 Brabyn's Sislinki Teazle, had the nearest to the correct body colour but even so it was mottled, good tabby points, good type 2 Weldin's Meiklerigg Helios, good head and type but bad body colour 3 Saxby's Nikaed Pax, excellent head and eye colour, tabby markings on head but body spotted. KIT WILSON

Mrs M A Wilson
Congratulations to the show managers and their committee on a well-organised show. Many thanks to my patient steward, Mr Tony Burgess. He handles the cats with gentle care and his interest in his work never flags.

SIAMESE SEAL-POINT Male 11: 1 ch Key's Kaloke Pharaoh, good colour contrast, nice profile, good wedge, good eye shape

and colour, warm body colour, tail a little brindled 2 Hutton's Sislinki Topson, has the most lovely eye shape, excellent profile, was not, looking his best, his hairs were up and his muzzle very brindled which emphasised the slightly square look and spoilt the overall look of his head, good long body and tail 3 Keene's Pertainax, lovely colour contrast but still looking a little immature, nice eye colour, good ear set, good wedge but needs a little more length, good feet and tail r Hill's Edelweiss Nimbus, well-balanced cat, good straight profile, slight pinch, good ear set, nice eyes, good long body and legs, nice tail **Male 3-6 mth 9:** 1 Denny's Pi-Den Jaimi, very good type, good long body, legs and tail, long wedge, good eye shape and colour, profile could be better, mask rather brindled 2 Macalister's Kalaya Gilyan, lovely colour contrast, excellent eye colour, slight pinch, slightly weak chin, good body shape, nice feet and tail 3 Durrant's Sianjo Puccini, head needs to lengthen, good ear set, nice eyes, tail a little short **Male 6-9 mth 6:** 1 Gregory's Shimbu, lovely eye colour and shape, good wedge but could be a little longer, nice ear set, good body, tail a little thick at base, well balanced 2 Keene's Killdown Khan, coat colour rather dark for age, good wedge, nice eye shape and colour, nice feet, tail a little short 3 Folkes's Cymbeline Sans Pareil, good colour contrast, good long body and tail, good oval paws, slight pinch spoiling otherwise good wedge, fair profile **BLUE POINT prem 7:** 1 pr Ceci's Whitehaugh Blue Lagoon, good long body and legs, fair tail, good long wedge, firm chin, nice eye shape and colour, good colouring 2 Grant's Benjamin Benedictus, nice profile, fair wedge, good firm chin, nice earset, good colouring 3 Foster's Bleu Gracédie, coat rather dark, lovely eye colour and shape, ears rather high set, lovely body shape, slender legs, nice tail. MARY WILSON

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Mrs M Montgomery
This was a most pleasing and happy event, very many thanks to Mrs Groom, Mrs Lavalette and all helpers, also for the club's

hospitality and the charming gift. To my most efficient stewards, Mrs D McAllister and Mrs Genty my grateful thanks.

SIAMESE Blue Point male ad: 1 ch Rimmer's Asuni Aoi Hosi, very good type, good head, eye colour and set, well placed ears, long body and whip, points a little dark, body colour, paler than most 2 Abbey's Quintral Moonsilver, good wedge head, eye colour and set, nice body length, very gentle 3 Newstead's Romyllian Warlord, good type, head little short, excellent ear placement, nice body length, colour and points rather dark r Clewe's Lizanne Oberon, quite nice but head short, very good eye colour, points and body colour too dark **Female:** 1 ch Ferente's Tamruat Blue Hyacinth, dainty queen of nice quality, good head, eye colour and set, pale coat, points just a little dark 2 Brabyn's Chalmi Takua, good type, head, eye colour and set, pale coat, well balanced r Barker's Susamara Samantha, just a nice cat, eyes round **AC Limit:** 1 Abbey's Quintral Perata, LP male, excellent quality, good straight head, excellent eye colour and set, well placed ears, lovely pale coat, points of correct colour, a charming exhibit 2 Keene's Pertainax, SP male, good type, very good wedge, excellent eye colour and set, good ear placement, long body and whip, coat colour much lighter than most Seal Points 3 Bradburn's Alderleigh Suchard, CP female, very good type, head, eye colour and set, excellent pale coat points of correct colour, one of the nicest chocolate queens I have handled 4 Athavale's Whirligig Tsarita, LP female, very good type, nice head, good eye colour and set, excellent pale coat and points, very elegant r Care's Quintral Bubblefoot, SP female, over all type very good, dainty. All cats in this class were of a very pleasing quality. M MONTGOMERY

Mrs D Brice-Webb
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tulips presented to each judge, such a kindly gesture of thanks.

My heartfelt thanks to Mr Bill Leech for helping me through a very difficult day. He is a first class steward and handles the cats with firm, but gentle grip.

CORNISH REX Male 4: 1 ch Healey's Burdach Black Bryony, very good black, excellent well rexed coat, long whip tail rexed to the tip, excellent head and ear set, very good eyes for shape and colour, excellent condition 2 Treanor's Marina Eburneo, 1 liked this cat very much indeed, but today his tail was very bare down the centre, very good head, wonderful ear set, the rest of his coat apart from his tail was beautifully rexed 3 Gane's Burdach Egg Nog, another very good cat, well rexed coat, long well rexed tail, very good head and ears, eyes round rather than oval r Coleman's Oakhill Canterbell Harry, another good one, tail very bare, the standard of points reads 'well covered with curly fur' **Female 6:** 1 ch Owen's Marina Eburneo, lovely cat, well rexed coat, long whip tail rexed to tip, very good ears, excellent whiskers, very good eye shape and colour, I made this cat best of breed 2 Heath's Lohteyn Traveller's Joy, pure white well rexed coat, long whip tail well rexed, very good head and type, it was difficult to choose between this cat and the winner, excellent condition 3 Heath's Lohteyn Bracken, tortie, very good coat for pattern, well rexed, would like a little longer head length r Ashford's Annelida Carnival Queen, would have gone up to the fore, but today her lovely long whip tail was rather bare, excellent head, type, ear set, lovely oval eye shape, very good tortie coat pattern **DEVON REX Male 4:** 1 ch Eustace's Kaysue Fur Spray, lovely lilac, well rexed coat, fully furred on tail and tummy, very good eye set, good crinkled whiskers, nice wedge shaped head, lovely condition 2 Ashford's Berilleon Crackles, very good smoke, excellent short wedge head, grand ear set, excellent eyes for shape, well rexed coat, rather bare on tummy, should go far later 3 Wakeford's Sirafen Seal Prince, lovely Si-Rex, coat beautifully rexed, very good points, not quite such good type as winners, beautiful eyes, good ear set, lovely condition **Female 6:** This was a class full of quality, 1st ch and best of breed, Thurman and Heffernan's Dezna Sugar Plum, just asked for her CC, wonderful short wedge, good nose stop, good strong chin, best ears in class, pure white well rexed coat, long whip tail rexed to tip, excellent condition 2 Cartwright's Ch Saharam Cantlia, wonderful

dense black coat which glistened with health, beautifully rexed, tail, rexed to tip, nice short wedge, nice eye shape, lovely ears 3 Fisher's Hephaestos Russian Princess, lovely head and type, good crinkled whiskers, well rexed coat on body, tail very smooth with no rexing r Finnegan's Marisani Voodoo **AOC (Breed 26) Male 5:** 1 Gane's Burdach Naatliffe, very lovely cat, lovely coat for texture, lilac in colour, excellent head and type, long body, lovely whip tail, lovely condition 2 Farley's Flayre Excalibur, very beautiful Foreign White, long whip tail, beautiful wedge head, deep blue eyes, tail rather yellow 3 Moss's Keica White Prince, another beautiful Foreign White, wonderful coat, glorious eyes, tail a little yellow **AOC (Breed 26a):** 1 Benn's Seoinage Moudra, Foreign White, wonderful cat, excellent eyes, for shape and colour, long wedge head, nice strong chin, pure white coat without a hint of yellow **CORNISH REX Male Kitten 3:** 1 Wilding's Dandycat Rupert Bear, delightful cream kitten, correct head length, beautiful well placed ears, well rexed coat, long slender tail rexed to tip, lovely condition 2 Collins's Lohteyn Imperialis, very good black kitten, very similar to above, well rexed coat and tail, excellent ears, good eye shape, good fat skull, excellent condition 3 McLeod's Zureiqat, black and white, coat too smooth at present, rather more Devon in type, eyes too round **Female Kitten 8:** 1 Wilding's Dandycat Moon Shadow, litter sister to my first male kitten, blue well rexed coat, lovely tail rexed to end, in fact I have in my report 'quite a beautiful all round kitten' she is a very good example of this breed 2 Ashford's Annelida Sunshine, a very lovely blue-cream, ran winner very close, wonderful coat pattern, beautifully rexed all over, correct head, very good whiskers, I was sorry not to have had two first prizes in this class 3 Gane's Burdach Saute Potato, another beauty, red well rexed coat, excellent head and ears, wonderful tail, it rippled to the tip r Gane's Burdach Pineapple Poll **DEVON REX Male 7:** 1 Eustace's Kaysue Calypso, smoke, wonderful kitten, lovely short wedge, lovely full cheeks, good stop to nose, correct eye shape, well rexed coat, lovely condition 2 Fisher's Hephaestos Moulin Rouge, beautiful coat which was well rexed, long tail well covered, nice wide set eyes, large correct shaped ears, I am sure the above two kittens will be heard of again 3 Wakeford's Sirafen Summers Sun, lovely Si-Rex, quite lovely type, excellent eye shape, beautiful well set ears, lovely well rexed coat, very bare on tummy r Fisher's Hephaestos Entente Cordiale, rather more Cornish than Devon in type **Female 7:** 1 Stevenson's Cosmic Jenny Comelately, a really fine kitten of this variety, smoke, well rexed coat, grand head, lovely nose with pronounced stop, nice firm chin, beautiful ears, slender neck, nice long tapering tail, I made her best of breed 2 Fisher's Hephaestos Tiffany, smoke, very difficult to fault, wonderful coat, excellent tail, correct head, good eye shape 3 Ashford's Annelida Petite Fleur, lovely white, type left nothing to be desired, coat rather lacked rexing r Amharic Jungle, quite a lovely typed kitten, but today her coat felt rather rough **AV Limit neuter 18:** This was a most difficult class indeed, having excellent LH and excellent SH entered 1 Taylor's Leocris Nina, what a pity to have had to have this lovely cat spayed, she has a perfect head, neat ears with good width between, nice short nose, strong muzzle, nice firm chin, nice shade of blue coat of good length, sound and groomed to perfection 2 Ceci's Whitehaugh Blue Lagoon, very lovely Blue Point Siamese, excellent wedge head of good length, long whip tail, excellent eye shape and colour, beautiful coat of excellent texture and points, sweet to handle 3 Willis's Brynboo Buster, lovely Brown Tabby LH, excellent coat of good colour, well marked, head well pencilled, lovely head and type 4 Sharpe's Kevitor Brown Butter Burr, very good Brown Burmese, lovely coat for texture and colour, lovely head, type, eye colour r Shybu Spyridon. DORIS BRICE-WEBB

Mrs M E Bastow

Congratulations to Mrs Groom and Mrs Lavalette on a very successful show. The new venue attracted many visitors. Many thanks to my steward Miss J Spencer. She handles the exhibits so well.

BLUE Male cat: 1 ch Dexter's Exuma Blue Alladin, coat fairly sound, darker down centre of back and tail, neat ears well spaced apart, broad skull, short snub nose, full cheeks, firm chin, well presented. 2

Wolk's Ynyswyn Troy, coat shady but soft in texture, nice head, good width between ears, short broad nose, nice open face, round copper eyes, full cheeks, firm chin 3 Dyer's Lendreena Blue Bird, sound coat, very neat ears, short nose, eyes a little deep set but of good colour, full cheeks, firm chin **Kitten 3-5 mth:** 1 Andrews's Santara Charlie Two, beautiful long coat sound to the roots, nice short tail, well placed ears, full cheeks, firm little chin, round awake eyes of good colour 2 Dalley's Teekola Brecken, coat slight fever mark, needed more grooming, broad head, neat ears, well placed, full cheeks, firm chin, eyes a little deep set, short little nose **Female kitten 3-5 mth:** 1 Taylor's Leocris Samantha, pale even coat, well groomed, round head, neat ears set well apart, short broad nose, round copper eyes, firm chin, good muzzle 2 Percival's Ariane Victoria Plum, long flowing coat, well presented, nice round face, neat ears, short little nose, full cheeks, firm chin, round copper eyes 3 Parkin's Carousel Lena, coat slight fever mark, lacked grooming, neat ears, good muzzle and chin, round eyes of good colour **5-9 mth:** 1 Bolton's Merryweather Manniquin, nice kitten, coat sound, round head, neat ears, short snub nose, full cheeks, firm chin, round copper eyes **Male kitten 5-9 mth:** 1 Nichols's Mizpah Rumpelstiltskin, coat two shades at present, very nice type, good head, neat ears, good muzzle and chin, round copper eyes **Blue Persian neuter premier:** 1 pr Shepard's Startops Rocky, well grown, very nice male, long flowing coat, good head, neat ears, open face, short nose, very good muzzle and chin, good eye colour and shape, well presented 2 Taylor's Leocris Nina, coat long but rather uneven, lighter round frill, good head, neat ears, full cheeks, eyes a little deep set 3 Smith's Jadewood Blue Amethyst, long coat, lacked grooming underneath body, gorgeous copper eyes, short broad nose, good muzzle and chin, r Facchino's Duntoon Alistair, very shady coat, neat ears, short broad nose, good eye shape and colour, good muzzle and chin. **AC limit kitten:** 1 Bebbington's Holm-croft Countess Camelia, OE White, pure long flowing coat, eyes good colour but a little deep set, ears well placed, very well furnished brush, groomed to perfection 2 Abbott's Chaseside Call Girl, Tortie Point Colourpoint, coat soft and flowing, points coming on well, type excellent 3 Morgan's Silcresta Mewsette, Chinchilla, very nice type, coat short and lightly ticked, good head, eyes of good colour r Rowe's Honey-mist Cream Pompadour, Cream, excellent type, coat not ready, too much white, lovely head. M E BASTOW

Mrs M Giles

A very happy and pleasant show, run by Mrs Groom, Mrs Lavalette and the committee. The hall was roomy and with a food light for judging. The kindness and hospitality were outstanding and the lovely gift much appreciated. Congratulations and thanks to all concerned.

Sincere thanks to Mrs V Gane, who is an excellent steward in every way. She handles the cats well and is most attentive. I enjoyed my day with her very much.

SIAMESE Grand premier 4: gr pr Ordish's Pr Elmtree Snooze, Lilac Point, excellent type, beautiful head and profile, excellent eye shape and colour, lovely points, nice pale coat of good texture, excellent whip 2 Fellows's Gr Pr Karawong Taiwan, very well known Seal Point, lovely head and profile, fair chin, lovely dense points, eyes a little pale, lovely coat texture but a little dark, good whip 3 Bishop's Pr Alderleigh Yum-Yum Tu, good head and profile, lovely eye colour, points rather dark, good coat colour, tail rather thick and dark in colour r Ceci's Pr Procul Tunku Abdul, LP, good head and eye colour, but rather round, excellent points, good coat colour, good tail. An excellent class. I was sorry there were not enough exhibits to be able to award the grand certificate to, but all were sweet tempered and in lovely condition. **Chocolate Point Neuter premier 4:** 1 pr Harwood's Flayre Chocolate Major, young cat of good type, good head and eye colour but rather round, mask a little patchy, but points a real milk chocolate colour, good coat colour and texture, tail slightly barred and could be thinner 2 Bennet's Jeebel Prudence Daemone, good head, eyes and profile, slight pinch, points and coat rather too dark, tail could be more whip. MARGARET GILES

Mrs I Hancox

Another very enjoyable and well organised show for the Midland CCC. Dr and Mrs Groom and their assistant show manager, Mrs Lavalette are excellent organisers. The hotel accommodation was very good and everything was done for the comfort of the judges. Many thanks to the club for the delightful gift of tulips.

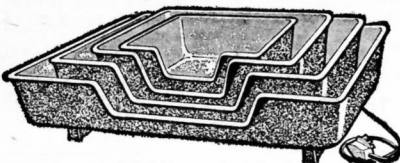
My steward was Mrs J Speak and once again she was the perfect steward. Very many thanks.

LH BROWN TABBY Cat 1: 1 ch Morrey's Topsy Tibs, a lovely headed cat with an impeccable pedigree, by Ch Jungle Grass-

hopper and Ch Brynboo Pansy Face, she is only thirteen months old and has obviously lost a lot of her lovely tawny under coat, making the lower part of her back look rather solid, otherwise she has very good markings, on a warm undercoat, on her face, chest, legs, shoulders and flanks, beautiful round face, short little nose, good muzzle, well set eyes which are golden, short brush, just a little grey **LH TORTOISESHELL 4:** 1 ch Ralphson's Ch Teekola Tortella, excellent head, lovely short face, truly beautiful 'near' copper eyes set well apart, neat ears, short nose, very well balanced muzzle and chin, coat not quite full but of lovely texture and very brightly patched all over which included all paws, a cobby cat of lovely type 2 Gane's Dilma Merlon, another cat with lovely head and type, neat ears, beautiful well set eyes of deep orange, very short nose, good muzzle and chin, good length coat for time of year, well patched, not quite as bright as winner's, a young queen only fourteen months old 3 Shepard's Ch Willowglen Lotus Blossom, lovely three year old, beautiful head and type, short face, good nose, well balanced muzzle and chin, excellent eyes, appears to have lost much of her undercoat making her look rather dark, her red patching appears to be coming through, two paws could be more brightly patched **LH TORTIE and WHITE Cat 1:** 1 ch Pope's Toppatou ma Joliette, very beautifully coated cat, patchwork markings were perfect on her undersides, legs and face, could have done with a little darker patching on back, white on chest and frill, good head, nose could have had a little more stop, expressive eyes greenish yellow in colour, coat of exceptional length and density, a big muscular cat in excellent condition **LH RED SELF Male:** 1 Shepard's Ch Willowglen Rouge Etoile, lovely head and type, very neat ears, wide skull, short broad nose, wide muzzle, very good eyes, good chin but would like it a little deeper to balance lovely top of head, really deep copper coloured coat, with a little lighter shadings on flanks and brush, a big muscular male in perfect condition 2 Lymberry's Cinnabar Caesar, only fourteen months old, pressed the winner hard, lovely round head, beautiful type, neat well set ears, not yet quite so wide in skull as Etoile, short broad nose, good muzzle and chin, beautiful bright red coat, still carrying some baby paler fur on his flanks and top of back legs, this should go as he gets older, faint darker markings on face, brush a little long, muscular male in perfect condition **Female 1:** 1 ch Hiscock's Ch Wynmoor Lucina, very good round head, neat well set ears, good muzzle and chin, good eyes well set, lovely solid deep red coat with very few markings, coat a little paler on flanks and under chin, good brush paler under tip; Ch Willowglen Rouge Soleil was the winner of the rosette for best of colour in the Red Self cats **LH BROWN TABBY Kitten male 1:** 1 Absalom's Brynboo Brown Tom, lovely round head, short face, short little nose, beautiful eyes, good muzzle, chin developing well, very good face and neck markings, butterfly markings beginning to show, markings at present a little solid on back, really lovely tawny undercoat, a little cream under chin, very attractive kitten of excellent type **Female:** 1 Pope's Toppatou Wild Pansy, very pretty kitten, short sweet face, lovely round eyes set well apart, good nose, muzzle and chin, round head, well set ears, good markings on face, legs and flanks, brindled on back, fails in colour to Brown Tom as her colouring was bluish grey, coat not quite full, a little white on chin; the winner of the rosette for best of colour was Brynboo Brown Tom **LH TORTOISESHELL Kitten 1:** 1 Walker's Ankvissima, lovely head and type, very good top of head and ears, short face and nose, well set eyes which appear to be changing colour well, full lovely coat, brightly patched, all paws patched, one showing a few greyish hairs, very attractive exhibit in lovely condition **LH TORTOISESHELL and WHITE Kitten 1:** 1 Pope's Toppatou Cinnamon, very good head and type, nose quite broad, needs a little more stop, brightly patched on legs, face, stomach and half way down back, red appears to be coming through on her lower back, black patches looked bluish grey in places **LH RED SELF Kitten 2:** 1 Shepard's Willowglen Rouge Eclair, very good head and type, deep red coat showing some baby tabby markings and shadings on flanks and under chin, on back deep red coat of lovely texture, very good eyes, nose, muzzle and chin 2 Pope's Toppatou Flon Flon, small kitten, very short of coat and very light in weight, good head, lovely eyes, good muzzle, chin developing, nose needs more 'stop', pale red coat with markings on legs, flanks and face **Female 1:** 1 Shepard's Willowglen Rouge Friponne, very good head and type, lovely eyes, good nose, muzzle and chin, deep red full coat, showing her baby markings on face, legs and flanks, solid colour coat on shoulders and back, slightly paler under chin and brush; Rouge Friponne was the winner of the best of colour rosette in Red Self kittens **LH GRAND PREMIER:** 1 Horseman's Pr Barbarina, lovely headed Chinchilla in full well ticked coat, beautiful top of head and eyes, lovely type 2 Shepard's Pr Startops Twinkletoes, beautiful headed Blue-Cream in full coat, a little

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patched in places, two paws a little solid, lovely well set eyes, beautiful type 3 Williams's Pr Deebank Fluffy, very good Cream, not quite so neat in ears and top of head as the previous exhibits, soft full coat of a pleasing shade of cream; all three cats were immaculately presented **AC LH Breeders kitten (ex Blue) (divided)** 14: 1 Bebbington's Holm-croft Countess Camelia, beautiful White with an exceptionally long pure white coat, very neat top of head, correct snub nose, lovely eyes, good muzzle, chin developing well, a trifle deep in forehead, beautifully shown 2 Abbot's Chaseside Call Girl, lovely seal Tortie Colourpoint, sweet short face, nose short but could do with a little more stop, good muzzle, well balanced chin, well set eyes appear to be a good blue, good cream patches on seal points, needs time for red patching to develop, it was beginning to show in a number of places, short brush, lovely coloured coat, very well presented 3 Green's Giocoso New Fingal, beautiful headed small Chinchilla male, very good top of head, neat ears, lovely full coat a little heavily ticked, eye colour appears to be changing well **Part 2 14:** 1 Plews's Tewhitt Too Tone, enormous Odd-eyed White, lovely head and type, superb coat, beautifully groomed 2 Walker's Ankrisuma 3 Creasey's Miorama Snowdream, very attractive small Chinchilla, full coated, beautifully shown, really beautiful eyes. **IRIS HANCOX**

Mrs J Merry

My thanks to the club and particularly to the show managers for a most enjoyable day. My tulips are safely planted! It is always a joy to work with Mrs Saunders who presents the exhibits so beautifully. I wish her every success in her future career as a judge.

SIAMESE Tortie Point 1: 1 ch Haggard's Sharlroi Fantasia, I have never before given a CC to a Tortie Point with quite such a dark body colour as this but her points were very good and her exquisitely fine bone, type and balance charmed me so much that I had to capitulate, she has a most delightful nature and stood beautifully for me, her eye setting and shape is particularly noteworthy **Red Point male 3:** 1 ch Critchley's Elbaraka Trophimus, big, strong, well muscled, good length everywhere, excellent type, particularly good coat quality, a fascinating combination of virility and sweetness of expression and temperament, his ears could be a shade larger but his type I otherwise found hard to fault, mask and legs could be improved by more pigmentation, coat colour very good, eyes brilliant, most beautifully presented 2 Greenland's Ch Pitapat Otawi, very good type, well balanced, ear shape and setting I particularly liked, better mask and points than winner but body colour very shaded, not in the best of condition 3 Jones's Springheel Cherokee, nice long cat with fine bone, tail did not quite match up to his length of body, profile revealed more length of head than was apparent in the front view as his eyes were rather full, best contrast in class **Tabby Point kitten male:** 1 Greenland's Moonfeet Jupiter, very elegant with nice straight profile, body colour rather dark, tail not fully ringed, other points good, good fine bone **Female 7:** There were several different colours in this class and it was good to see how consistent the colour was in each kitten 1 Spencer's Foxtwist Bush Baby, chocolate, very warm clear colouring, well marked points including tail, good eye colour, shading on body true chocolate tone, good eye colour, good type, lovely profile, excellent ears, eyes a little full, excellent coat quality 2 Burtonwood's Muchloved Pink Panther, lilac, charming small kitten, very elegant, delicate and consistent colouring, body colour excellent, paws still very pale, I found just the slightest trace of thumb mark, good type and eye-catching head carriage, eyes very pale 3 Thomson's Mandarin Chiaro, good type head, eyes rather full but well placed and of good colour, very long elegant legs, tail and length of body but she tends to hold herself so that it does not seem long enough for her limbs, markings OK for colour but not very good on tail r Burtonwood's Muchloved Toffee Tuala, chocolate, good fine boned kitten, nice length head, rather pinched, poor tail markings, very pale eyes but colouring otherwise lovely **Tortie Point kitten 3:** 1 May's Palantir Celebrian, strong looking kitten, good bone, nice firm chin, ear set a little high, tail could be longer, colouring brilliant and showed outstandingly good contrast, one solid white paw 2 Waring's Shin-Wa Terua, very good profile, nice bone, body colour rather patchy, points good but would have liked more seal on ears **Red Point kitten male 5:** 1 Wagstaff's Moonfeet Sun-gold, very good type, excellent head shape, good eyes, colour of points coming up well, well proportioned, very nice kitten, beautifully presented 2 Gardiner's Katissimo Kardinal, head and limbs lacked the length shown by winner, good eye shape and colour, general colour promising. **JOAN MERRY**

public. The lovely gift was greatly appreciated and will give me much pleasure in the spring.

I thank Mrs Olive for all her help during the morning's judging. To Mrs Shelton my appreciation for stewarding so very capably. This was her first time as a steward and she handled the cats beautifully and very quickly became aware of my judging book and her steward's card. I hope she will help me again in the near future.

SIAMESE SEAL POINT Female Ad: 1 ch Neale's Sislinki Tuptim, competition was high in this class but I had no hesitation in placing this beautiful queen in first place, very elegant head, perfect wedge, oriental eyes of deep blue, straight profile, excellent chin, slender neck giving perfect balance to her well proportioned body, I faulted her on rather dark body colour but coat was fine in texture and beautifully sleek, whip tail had a slight but permissible terminal kink 2 Care's Quintral Bubblefoot, exceptionally good and only just went down to second place, top of head, width between ears and marvellous eyes one could not fault but I felt her muzzle just a little short, chin although strong was pale and no doubt emphasized the slight shortness in muzzle, slender neck and a better coat colour than my winner, whip tail, dainty feet, I was quite sorry she had to go second, nevertheless a lovely queen, her ears were really enormous and beautifully set 3 Beach's Sislinki Tosca, very good head, lovely ears, strong chin but pale, good oriental eyes with some brindling, mask a little patchy, coat colour rather cold, very nice whip tail ex 3 Folkes's Cymbeline Quanita, did not show too well, I love her type but her haws were up and she was obviously not at her best, a lovely cat and I felt I could not put her reserve even in this strong class, excellent contrast on head, good body colour and whip tail, very dainty legs and feet r Neilson's Cantarra Cherokee, rather nervous, good top of head, lovely oriental eyes, straight profile, chin a little weak, very good coat and whip tail **AC Breeders Kitten:** 1 Folkes's Cymbeline Sans Pareil, well grown kitten, lovely head, marvellous chin, good eyes, showing some brindling, long type body, good colour coat, very long whip tail 2 Dillon's Starbright Celia, very promising Blue Point, good head and body, coat a little long, nice colour points 3 Gardner's Katissimo Kardinal, quite good Red Point, well shaped head and body, fair tail r Saxby's Brymar Sabik, Chocolate Point, nice head, lovely coat, long whip tail, rather pale eyes. There were two lovely exhibits among my club classes, Denny's wonderful Seal Point kitten Pi-Den Jaimi, and Ordish's Lilac Point neuter, Pr Elmtree Snoee. **PHYLLIS LAMBERT**

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Blue Persian Cat Society's thirty-fourth championship show is a huge success

THE Blue Persian Cat Society's thirty-fourth Championship Show was very successful due to the wonderful support from the members and exhibitors. My thanks to all. The gate was excellent. We were pleased to welcome the Mayor and Mayoress of Chelsea who accepted our invitation to lunch and showed a great interest in the lovely cats and kittens.

It was also nice to have with us Mme Jansse Ottavanger from Holland who made a special journey to visit the show.

I thank the judges and their stewards, the veterinary surgeon and Mrs M Calder and Mrs L Shepard who arrived early to act as veterinary steward.

Thanks also to Mrs De Ferry, Mrs Cordell and their helpers for providing such an excellent lunch and refreshments, Mr and Mrs N Boulton in charge of the gate, Mrs C Dugdale for bring and buy stall, Mrs Green for the raffle, Mrs L McVady for all her work on day and before show and Mr Newsome and Mrs Cochrane for work on the table.

Thanks to the exhibitors who supported our one-breed show when they had to choose between the Blue Persian show and two other all breed Championship shows. Thanks also to the members who for various reasons were unable to exhibit sent very generous donations.

Lack of space prevents me from naming everyone who helped, but I would like them to know that whatever they did to help the show was very greatly appreciated. MARGARET E CRICKMORE

Principal awards

Best Adult and Best Exhibit: Mr and Mrs D A Sore's Foxavon Mandy, breeder Mrs A Newsome.

Best Kitten: Mrs A Newsome's Foxavon Sharon, breeder owner.

Best Opposite Sex: Mr C F Spooner's Ninabel Gulliver, breeder owner.

Best Neuter: Mr L Newsome's Muskoka Jamie, breeder owner

Best Male Adult: Mrs M Hall's Ch Parka Kingsley, breeder Miss M C Wash.

Mrs J Thompson

The show was the usual happy affair with Mrs Crickmore as show manager. Several of the committee revealed unexpected talents in their excellent organisation of the catering. Refreshments were available all day with ample seating accommodation to enjoy them.

Mr and Mrs Boulton as usual were in charge of the gate and catalogues. There appeared to be a good attendance of the Kings Road fraternity very interested in the kittens, especially the youngest ones. Some lovely exhibits were presented but some of the kittens which were otherwise good had a tendency to ears which were too large or too close together.

The BPCS Standard states: head (25 points) broad and round, with width between the ears. Face and nose short. Ears small and tufted, cheeks well developed.

Male Ad: 1 ch Williams's Willanbet Blair, not a massive male but full of quality, snub face, broad short nose with good stop, excellent width between neat little ears, wide awake eyes lovely in depth of colour, cobby body, low on legs, sound medium blue coat, good in texture, excellent condition and presentation 2 Bishop's Ch Lecreme Arcturus, a handsome impressive male with robust physique and sturdy limbs, long flowing pale coat, slightly lighter shadings on sides not unusual in such an abundant coat, broad masculine head with short nose and good muzzle, firm chin, ears adequate but not so neat as winner's. Both males excellent examples of their variety 3 Rippingale's Camber Rudolph, good physique, good coat in length but rather shady as he appeared to have retained some old coat, snub face, neat ears on broad skull, broad muzzle but in my opinion his chin was not in alignment r Hemmings's Annjen John **Breeders Ad:** 1 W Blair 2 Ch Lecreme Arcturus 3 Hurford Veasey's Avernoll Kelane, a charming queen, rather short of coat but she has the qualities which endure, sweet snub face and nose, good chin, brilliant copper eyes, neat ears

and a sweet expression **Senior Ad:** 1 Hall's Ch Parka Kingsley, lovely male, superb well balanced head, exhibited in best top physical condition, my nomination for best adult 2 W Blair 3 Ch L Arcturus r Sore's Foxavon Mandy, this lovely female was at a disadvantage against the three imposing males, broad head, short nose, good muzzle, firm chin, lovely eyes for size, depth of colour and placed well apart, long flowing coat, excellent condition **Leigarde Fraser Remembrance Class Male:** 1 Ch P Kingsley 2 W Blair 3 Ch L Arcturus **Limit 3-9 mth:** 1 Rippingale's Chatbleu Janine, snub face with snub nose which had a good stop, broad muzzle, firm chin, wide awake eyes good in colour set well apart, and to complete her quality neat well set ears and a short tail, coat long and a little shady due perhaps to her changing from kitten to adult coat 2 Spooner's Ninabel Gulliver, long flowing coat a medium shade of blue, well balanced head with short nose, good muzzle, firm chin, wide awake eyes excellent in colour, not such neat ears as winner, excellent condition and presentation 3 Curtis's Lecreme Alice Bluegown, lovely long dense coat, fine in texture and a sound medium blue, glorious eyes for size and brilliancy of colour, good muzzle, firm chin, short nose, I would prefer smaller ears to balance her other qualities, excellent physical condition ex 3 Prince's Crowdecote Zenobia, broad head with neat well set ears rounded at the tips, good muzzle and firm chin, coat a medium shade and fairly sound r Porter's Jacquard Burlesque. My other classes were club classes and in one of these I found the kitten which I nominated for best kitten, Mrs Newsome's Foxavon Sharon, a good kitten with a lovely coat, excellent head, snub nose, nice chin, good muzzle, wide awake eyes placed well apart and good in colour, excellent presentation and condition. My nomination for best neuter, Mr Green's Pr Oberon of Pensford, a good cat, well presented and in lovely condition. Appreciative thanks to my steward, Miss Enid Marshall, so efficient and quiet. JOAN THOMPSON

head, very neat ears, pale coated, good eye colour, lacks chin at present r Williams's Willanbet Dana, another very nice kitten, long flowing coat, short nose, good chin, full cheeks, good eye colour. M E BASTOW

Mrs D M Rees

Many thanks to Mrs Crickmore and committee for inviting me to judge. It gave me great pleasure to do this and I enjoyed every minute of it. Thanks also for their hospitality and lovely lunch which I enjoyed. Many thanks also to Mr Newsome my hard working steward, who handled the exhibits beautifully and presented them to me looking their best.

Kitten Male 3-5 mth 6: 1 Spooner's Ninabel Gulliver, very good sturdy kitten, lovely flowing coat of lavender blue, soft in texture and fairly sound, snub nose, firm chin, nice top of head with good width between small ears, cobby body, eyes also good for shape and colour, pleasing exhibit and a promising kitten, my nomination for best in show 2 Willis's Evernden Daddies Boy, a very nice kitten, not quite as typy as above, sound coat of medium blue, ears nicely placed, chin firm, short on legs but eyes rather deep set and could be bolder 3 Williams's Willanbet Dudley, another nice kitten with medium blue coat quite sound, chin firm, ears well set but a little open at base, eyes could be rounder and tail shorter, very well presented ex 3 Piner's Marpenir Marcus, very nicely presented, long pale blue coat, ears could be neater, eyes good for shape and colour, nose a little straight, chin could be firmer **5-9 mth 5:** 1 Hemmings's Annjen Solo, very good kitten, nicely balanced head, ears nicely placed but a little upright, coat of sound medium blue, eyes of good shape and colour but a little deep set, very well groomed 2 Graham's Marmsbury Lucius, attractive kitten with long pale coat of fine texture, good top of head, ears small and nicely set, eyes could be bolder, very well presented 3 Curtis's Alcmund Trident, another nice kitten with sound medium blue coat, ears nicely placed but again rather upright, sturdy on legs, very good eyes for shape and colour, chin could be firmer **Breeders Male 3-9 mth:** 1 N Gulliver 2 A Solo 3 M Lucius ex 3 M Marcus **Novice Male 3-9 mth 7:** 1 M Gulliver 2 E Daddies Boy 3 W Dudley r M Marcus **Litter under 3 mth:** 1 James's litter of three female kittens, Seamaj Silver Gleam, Narvik and Ninevar, nice kittens with fairly sound coats, type fair, pleasing expressions and nicely presented **Novice:** 1 Hemmings's Annjen John C, a sturdy cat with good top of head, snub nose, eyes round and of good colour, chin fair, medium blue coat but a little harsh on back, nicely presented **Supporters 10:** 1 Sore's Foxavon Mandy, a beautiful female cat with lovely round copper eyes, good top of head, ears well placed but a little upright, coat sound medium blue, chin firm, snub nose, tail full, very well presented, my nomination for best in show which she won 2 Brine's Annjen Tasha, another nice cat of good quality, pale blue coat, soft and silky, chin firm, good shaped eyes but not so bold as above, nicely placed ears, very well presented 3 Williams's Willanbet Blair, good type male cat, good top of head, small ears, well opened eyes, pale coat of fine texture but a little shaded r Jolly's Fernbank Sheba **Neuter Limit 1:** Wicks's Alcmund Angus, very nice neuter with fine medium blue coat, chin firm, very good shaped eyes but ears a little upright. All my other classes were club classes but I must mention my best neuter, Newsome's Muskoka Jamie, a young cat with very good top of head, well balanced, ears nicely placed, pale blue coat of fine texture, it was later best neuter in show. D M REES

Mrs M Bastow

Congratulations to Mrs Crickmore and her helpers for a very happy show. Particular mention must be made for those responsible for providing such a delightful lunch. Many thanks to Mrs Graham who so kindly offered to steward for me, she was a great help.

Female Ad: 1 ch Sore's Foxavon Mandy, long flowing coat a trifle shady, good head, very neat ears, wide awake copper eyes, strong muzzle and chnn, broad nose, with nice stop, nice brush, well presented, later best exhibit in show 2 Hurford Veasey's Avernoll Kelane, I liked this female very much, coat was short and there was a band of brown across the shoulders which was caused no doubt by going too near a radiator, however she has a round open face, neat little ears, short nose, firm chin, good muzzle, good eye shape and colour, well shown 3 Cochrane's Edelstein Ninon, exquisite type, coat fairly sound but short, snub little nose, neat ears, full cheeks and strong chin, nice copper eyes 4 Cranfield's Vigilant Amanda, coat short and dense, fairly even, lovely head, broad skull, ears a little open at base, short nose, full cheeks, firm chin, round copper eyes r Reay's Lecreme Altesse, coat fairly even, broad skull, wide open eyes of good colour, short nose, good muzzle and chin, neat ears **Junior:** 1 Hemmings's Annjen John, very nice male with fairly even coat, would like a stronger chin, full cheeks, eyes of good colour and shape 2 A Kelane 3 Bang's Radiant Heather, coat a trifle shady, ears a little open at base, short nose, wide awake eyes, good muzzle and chin, rather upset and nervous **Team:** 1 Williams's Willanbet Blair, Dudley and Gloria, a very handsome trio, well shown 2 Curtis's Alcmund Anita, Trident, Lecreme Alice Blue Gown, three lovely kittens, well shown **Radius:** 1 Rippingale's Camber Rudolph, sturdy male, coat long and fairly sound, good top of head, strong muzzle and chin, nice eyes, broad short nose, well shown **Champion of Champions:** 1 Hall's Ch Parka Kingsley, exquisite type, lovely head, neat ears, good round eyes, excellent muzzle and chin, nice textured coat **Special Limit Kitten:** 1 Spooner's Minabel Gulliver, very nice typed kitten, wide open eyes, neat ears, good strong muzzle and chin, long flowing coat 2 Jolly's Fernbank Sheba, very nice type, round head, neat ears, good strong muzzle and chin, fairly sound coat 3 Rippingale's Chatbleu Janine, long flowing coat, cobby built, neat ears, firm chin, round copper eyes, good muzzle 4 Porter's Jacquard Burlesque, pale coated kitten of very nice type, neat ears, full cheeks, firm chin, nice coloured eyes 5 Porter's Jacquard Bewitched, lovely top of

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Miss M L Rodda

Congratulations to the show manager and her helpers on a well run show. Very many thanks to my steward, Mrs Bishop, for her help throughout the day.

Neuter Premier: 1 pr Newsome's Muskoka Jamie, short nose, good chin, wide awake eyes, needs more width between ears, short tail, full coat, little shady 2 Wick's Alcmund Angus, excellent type, neat ears, wide open eyes, short broad nose, good chin, ran winner very close, shortness of coat put him down 3 Sore's Eclipse of Knott Hall, well placed ears, short nose, needs stronger chin, good eyes, full good textured coat, little shady **Premier of Premiers:** 1 Green's Pr Oberon of Pensford, excellent type, neat well placed ears, short nose, good muzzle, well balanced head, full good textured sound coat 2 Green's Pr Georgian Eowyn, lovely eyes, very short nose, good chin, neat ears, full sound coat 3 Burns's Pr Dunrobin Paul, good type, nice nose and chin, eyes little deep set, ears open at base, full coat, little shady **Special Limit:** 1 Hurford Veasey's Avernoil Kelane, excellent type, wide open eyes, neat ears, short nose, good chin, short of coat 2 Brine's Annjen Tasha, good type, nice nose and chin, eyes rather deep set, neat ears, full coat, shady 3 Bangs's Radiant Heather Rose, well placed neat ears, good eyes, full coat, rather overtyped **Limit:** 1 Hemmings's Annjen Julian, fair type, excellent eyes, needs more width between ears, lacks chin, coat shady. M L RODDA

Herts and Middlesex Mrs F Roden

SMOKE Ad Male: 1 ch White's Joyda Lochinvar, good type and eye colour, nice nose, good mask, contrast clearing well on back and otherwise good all over, little short of frill, full tail which was rather brown on top, pleasing expression, best of breed, nominated for best in show **Female:** 1 ch White's Joyda Drucilla, very good eye colour, good type and contrast, coat not yet full but lovely full tail only marred by being rather brown 2 White's Joyda Enchantress, very nice type, neat nose, good round eyes, contrast good for time of year, would like a little more width at top of head, otherwise nicely balanced and the sweetest expression, tail had brown shading. **Kitten 3-9 mth male:** 1 Hoyle's Hardendale Paolo, lovely type, beautiful eyes, very good mask and top coat, not enough contrast in undercoat which was rather grey **Female:** 1 Hoyle's Hardendale Louby Lou, wonderful type, nice eye colour, very good contrast, pale frill showing well against lovely mask, good body shape, really beautiful kitten, I admired her greatly, best of breed, nominated for best in show 2 Hoyle's Zibarang Petina, another super kitten with good mask, gorgeous type and eyes, contrast good on flanks, not completely through on back which was the only point which separated this lovely pair 3 Paul's Zibarang Petula, very good contrast for age, good mask, undercoat still to clear on back, nice top of head, would like chin

a little wider to balance r Whyte's Bianca Minuet, good mask, lovely eye colour, nose a little straight, promising contrast but not completely through, would like a little more depth to balance width of face. There were two more kittens in the class both with excellent type and eye colour, but with insufficient contrast **CHINCHILLA kitten 3-6 mths male 8:** 1 Wickham-Ruffle's Silvermist Ballerino, very good type, lovely soft long evenly tipped coat, wide short full tail, well grown with good bone structure, neat nose with good width top of head, large eyes of good colour set wide apart but would like just a fraction rounder, well balanced handsome kitten with great promise, best of breed 2 Stevens's Missylyne Tobias, very pale soft coat, lightly and evenly tipped, eyes a little pale, ears a shade large, rather pointed chin 3 Lipp's Evenlea Sasha, soft coat, tipping a little heavy and uneven, eye colour not sound, well built with good bone, nose a little long, rather weak chin **Female 13:** 1 Philbrick's Balthazar Anoushka, soft pure coat, tipping not quite even, very neat nose, wide face, good eye colour, short tail, beautiful type, very good all round 2 Jeffries's Evenlea Sapphire, very soft pure coat, good type, very sound eye colour, nice nose, wide face, short full tail, well balanced all over 3 Lipp's Balthazar Lucia, well grown, good type, nicely tipped coat, eye colour a little pale, rather pink nose leather, full tail, an overall nice kitten r Weeks's Whitlowe Wild White, pale soft evenly and lightly tipped coat, eye colour still developing, nice type, nose leather rather dark, very neat pleasing kitten. I would like to mention a club class of really superb neuters in which I wished I had five firsts to give, each so beautiful of their own variety, Nantoms Naomi, Black; Mystral Sir Echo, BE White; Goravan Snowqueen, OE White; Oberon of Pensford, Blue; Pr Moonvale Marcel, Colourpoint. All looked magnificent with hardly a whisker between them, figuratively speaking. First went to the Black, excellent all round, as were the others, but her coat was very long and sound, a combination rarely seen in this variety. My grateful thanks to Mrs R Silverman for her kind help through the day. FRANCESCA RODEN

South Western Mrs E Towe

Congratulations to Mrs Pring and her committee for a well organised and happy show.

WHITE LH Kitten male: 1 Rowe's Stroma Sylvanus, good head, firm chin, short tail, good coat, eye colour not yet determined, well presented **Female:** 1 Kirby's Donbank Cinderella, good head, eye colour not yet determined, ears little wide, tail short, nice coat, well presented **AC LH Premier:** 1 pr Munford's Pr Lohteyn Golden Boy, cream Rex, good head and eyes, well rexed coat, long legs, stylish cat 2 Fowler's Pr Kernow Vahibre, sweet Abyssinian, coat and undercoat rather dark, tail could be longer, shows neck rings, white under chin and on neck **RUSSIAN BLUE Ad male:** 2 Macleod's Arctic Tumanaeava, sorry to place so low but cat too British in type, ears should be larger and tail longer, coat colour good but texture incorrect **HAVANA Ad male:** 1 ch Shaw's Solitaire Hilo, good head, green eyes, nose leather and pads correct colour, nice tail, coat of good colour and texture **CORNISH REX Ad male:** 1 ch John's Mæmmbula, excellent type black, very well rexed coat of good quality, nice eyes, good tail **Female:** 1 ch Ashford's Annelida Carnival Queen, excellent type tortie, well rexed coat, bright colours, blaze on nose, very good green eyes, tail rather bare 2 Blount's Sunbronze Cyriad, excellent type, coat rather thin, nice eyes, good tail should improve **Kitten:** 1 John's Hephzibah Golden Aurantius, excellent colour red, well rexed coat, good head, eyes, tail 2 John's Hephzibah Alicia, dark tortie, excellent head, blaze on nose, good tail, coat rexing well, lacks red in coat 3 Munford's Martycat Blue Merle, Blue-Cream and white, markings symmetrical, white feet, good type, nice tail r Ashford's Annelida Sunshine, tinted Blue-Cream, blaze on nose, nice head and eyes, good whiskers, coat rexed, promising **AC LH Junior neuter:** 1 Willis's Brynbuboo Buster, excellent type Brown Tabby LH, coat good for colour and markings, yellow eyes, tail little thin 2 Bennett's Nilsse, good type LH Blue, neat ears, good eyes, coat long but very shady 3 Wood Roberts's Maidun William, good type Chinchilla, good head, neat ears, good coat, rather dark, nice wide open eyes, nose too pale r Phillips's Mieih Suzy, BP Colourpoint, good head, blue eyes, neat ears, good top of head, tail thin, coat very shady **AV SH Novice:** 1 Butcher's Flicky Unman, excellent black Manx, quite tailless, good head and eyes 2 Warren Hurlock's Azure Reina, good type Blue Burmese, good head and profile, lovely coat, good tail 3 Cousins's Sweethope Playboy, good type Blue British, excellent coat for colour and texture, deep yellow eyes, good tail r Powell's Mauresque Mikkis, good type Brown Burmese, good head and profile, coat of lovely texture, eye colour too green **AC LH Cat:** 1 Bundy's Ch Honeymist Snow Skier, big LH White, good head, large orange eyes, good chin, nice ears, flowing coat and

tail, well presented ex 1 Fisher's Praha Michel, lovely SP Birman, good head and eyes, correct foot markings, light coat, good tail 2 Aitken's Mechant Bourneside Lucy, small White, good coat, nice tail, well presented, lacks type but has really lovely blue eyes which is such an asset to this breed 3 Percival's Mezeto Chanelle, good type Blue LH, lovely eyes, long coat but shady r Rogers's Wityhbrook Santa Maria, Blue-Cream, lovely head and eyes, coat rather dark, well shown. A very good class **AV SH Ad:** 1 Maddocks's Mamana Prince Charming, excellent type Black SH, coat dense to roots, good golden eyes, nice tail 2 Scatchard's Duamutef, elegant Red Abyssinian, good colour coat, yellow eyes, some white on chin and neck 3 Shaw's Solitaire Hilo ex 3 Giles's Kalos Castor, well grown Brown Burmese, good head and profile, coat good for colour and texture, good tail r Pike's Linkinnye, good type Brown Burmese, nice head and profile, yellow eyes, good tail. Another very good class. I enjoyed my day very much and sincerely thank my capable steward, Mr M Lauder, for his help and attention. ELIZABETH TOWE

Yorkshire continued Mrs N Hardy

Many congratulations to Mrs Baxter and Mrs Knight and all their helpers. My sincere thanks to my steward, Mrs E Holmes.

SIAMESE Seal and Blue Point breeders male: This was a big class and I found it difficult to judge the Seal against the Blue Points. 1 Imlach's Chalmi Chieftain, very promising kitten, good pale coat, points rather brindled, good wedge, straight profile, slight teething pinch, lovely well set blue eyes, large nicely pricked ears, good whip tail 2 Stephenson's Ramonda Sandpiper, fine kitten, good head, straight profile, firm chin, well set

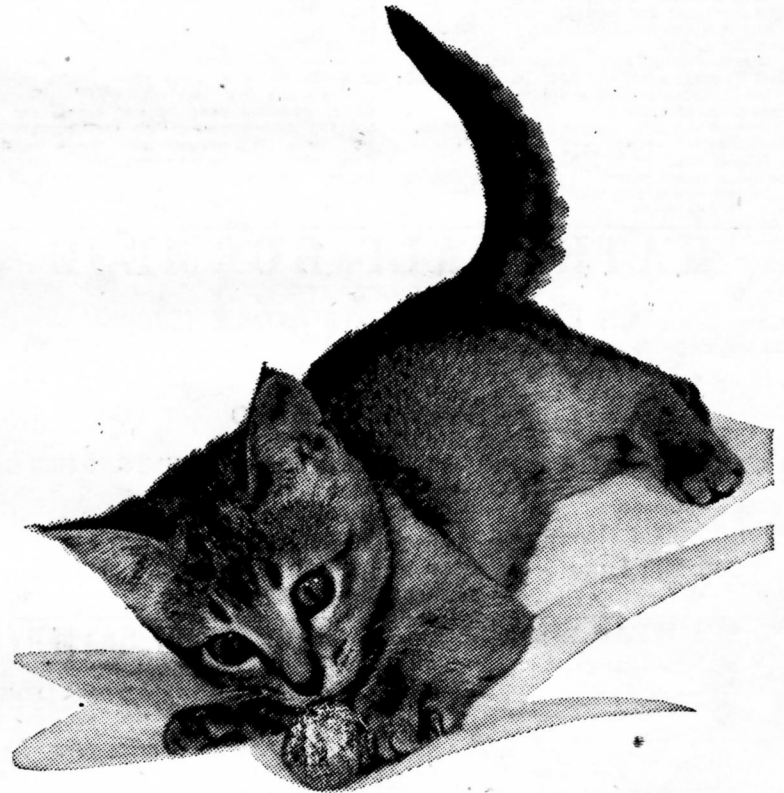
large ears, rather pale blue oriental eyes with slight spectacles, pale coat, good points, tail short 3 Rattrie's Hargill Mint Crisp, fine kitten, good wedge, straight profile, slight pinch, well set pale blue eyes with slight squint, long body and neck, whip tail, very brindled r Ferguson's Kilkerran Ivanhoe, good long body, whip tail, nice wedge, straight profile, points dark but a good sheen on the paws, coat too warm and patchy **AOC Breeders female:** 1 Spencer's Foxtwist Bush-Baby, a dainty rather nervous little Tabby Point queen, very good matching points, pale coat, rather low set large ears, good thumb marks, slightly rounded skull, well set blue eyes, good long ringed tail 2 Mallinder's Lindern Luanda, nice kitten, pale coat, points very brindled, slight spectacles, long body and tail, good wedge, lovely profile, well set ears and eyes but rather a pale blue in colour, paws rather heavy 3 Lodge's Siamber Blue Star, good wedge, well set ears nicely mottled, lovely profile, long body, good whip tail rather dark but with some mottling, one solid back paw, otherwise good mottled points and pale coat r Barker's Aethelweard Bubba, quite promising, pale coat rather open, points too dark but a nice sheen on the legs, wedge short but well proportioned, good whip tail. NANCY HARDY

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WE HOPE all concerned with the West of England and South Wales Cat Society championship show at Malvern on November 11 were as pleased as we were with our new venue. We appreciate the co-operation of exhibitors in leaving the hall so free of litter at the end of the day.

To our judges and stewards our sincere thanks for all their help, especially to those stewards who helped with best in show when getting through the crowds was extremely difficult. The crowds produced a record gate.

The office staff are to be congratulated on the efficient running of the table, getting award slips and prize cards out in excellent time. All had been cleared before 5 pm. Our thanks to them all and to Mr Furber, under whose charge best in show went so very smoothly.

Thanks are due too to all our exhibitors and their cats. We hope we shall have the pleasure of seeing as many of you as possible again next year at Malvern.

Several items were left in the office and not claimed by the end of the day. Please let us know if you lost anything. BETTY OLIVE and HELENA ROBERTS

Principal awards

Best LH adult and best LH exhibit:

Mrs L Shepard's Willowglen Gaiety Girl.

Best LH kitten:

Mrs E Hoyle's Hardendale Marquessa.

Best LH neuter:

Mrs L Shepard's Pr Startops Honeybunch.

Best SH adult:

Mr A Butcher's Flicky Unman.

Best SH kitten and best SH exhibit:

Mrs P Absalom's Brynbuboo Blue Plush.

Best SH neuter:

Miss B Munford's Pr Lohteyn Golden Girl.

Best Siamese adult and best Siamese exhibit:

Mrs L Abbey's Quintral Pirata.

Best Siamese kitten:

Mr and Mrs D McAllister's Kalaya Gilyan.

Best Siamese neuter:

Miss R Ordish's Pr Elmtree Snoee.

Best household pet:

Dr and Mrs A Boulois's Algy.

Mrs I Hancox

The club must be well pleased with the results of all the hard work involved in organising its championship show. The entry must have been a record. The day was bright and sunny and the gate colossal. After lunch it was impossible to take one's table through the huge crowds. Many thanks for the hospitality shown to the judges, which included accommodation in a lovely hotel and the gift of a delightful gilt pencil.

My most grateful thanks also to Mrs Howes for her tireless efficiency and good temper during a trying spell following lunch time.

AOC (Breed 13a) male cat: 1 Laird's Snow Leopard, although having the appearance of a shaded silver is, I think, part of a Cameo breeding programme, very good head and type, short nose, good muzzle and chin, well set ears, beautiful eye shape golden in colour, full silver coat with white undercoat, long and thick, a few darker silver shadings on legs and a slightly darker spine line, excellent condition. **LH Champion of Champions:** 1 Bourne's Ch Honeymist Cream Concord, very beautiful headed Cream male, excellent top of head, small rounded ears, short broad nose, well balanced muzzle and chin, lovely eyes, coat a pleasing shade of cream and very sound for time of year, just a little short on back, good brush, paler underneath 2 Bundy's Ch Honeymist Snow Skier, lovely headed White male with glorious copper eyes, correct short nose, well balanced muzzle and chin, good top of head but not quite so neat in ears as Concord, pure white coat but not full on back and flanks, still carrying a little old coat, very full brush 3 Beck's Ch Honeymist Tantara, lovely female Blue-Cream, very neat top of head and ears, short nose, good muzzle, chin could be stronger, some small cream patches on face and frill, two very well intermingled paws, beautiful deep copper eyes, coat not yet full and generally too blue, cream beginning to show on her back, three beautiful cats all in excellent condition. **AOC-LH kitten (breed 13a):** 1 Laird's Ladygrove Tawny Pipit, lovely headed tortie Cameo,

coat colour cream and red shadings on silver undercoat, silver shadings on frill and chest, cream patching on face and paws, neat top of head, well set ears, correct short nose, good muzzle, chin developing well, lovely type, coat full and of good texture, very attractive female 2 Faris's Trymcote Nerfertiti, beautiful type, sweet short face, chubby cheeks, pure white undercoat with silver shaded top coat, coat not quite full but of lovely texture, some darker silver markings on front legs, beautiful eyes, appeared to have some cream patching on her mouth and nose, but this could have been a trick of the overhead lighting 3 Laird's Ladygrove Silver Ware, very attractive female, beautifully shaded all over with pale silver, pure white undercoat, has the type of a typical Chinchilla and also the beautiful bright green eyes, nose could be a little shorter, a lovely shaded silver with deep brick red nose r Morgan's Holdenhurst Zameus, attractive male, deep cream tipped coat, undersides are pure white, white undercoat is just beginning to show, good top of head, good muzzle, chin developing, lovely copper eyes, another from a cameo breeding programme. **Four beautifully shown fascinating kittens. AOV SH cat male (breed 26):** 1 Gane's Burdach Naatife, the lighting made this cat look chocolate in the pen, long head, good profile and ear set, dense close lilac coat, appeared to be on the dark side, well set eyes, very nervous which made him difficult to handle 2 Fowler's Karnak Cimba, I am not very conversant with the dilute colours of Abyssinians, other than reds, so I am assuming Cimba is one of the newer blue varieties, good Abyssinian head, maybe it could be a little longer, good hazel eyes, back colouring blueish grey well ticked, all his undersides appear to be pale cream, one or two faint necklaces but no dark spine line, traces of reddish cream on his two cream back paws, good body type and stance. **Female:** 1 Benn's Seoinage Moudra, Foreign White with good profile, head could be just a little longer, good chin, beautiful deep blue eyes well set, good ear set, tail could be a little longer to balance good length body, lovely paws. **AOV SH kitten (breed 26):** 1 Sayer's Solitaire Astralis, beautiful Lilac female, long head, correct profile, good ear set and really lovely green, well set eyes, fine coat, shining and close, lovely dainty paws, good stance, lovely temperament 2 Saxby's Nikaed N'Gai, most attractive foreign type Spotted male, I wish I could have made him equal first, delightful temperament, lovely brown colouring with dozens and dozens of small dark spots, appears to have faint butterfly markings but as you move him, even those break into spots, good type foreign head, lovely expressive eyes, big and very forward for his 8½ months, he was so big I had his age checked 3 Fowler's Algol Silver Cylla, very pretty blue Abyssinian; or should I say silver? Marked in a similar way to her sire Karnak Simba, back coat and undersides are almost identical to his, good head but perhaps a little round, very attractive r Benn's Duncanesse White Cloud, attractive Foreign White, head could be a little longer, beautiful deep blue eyes, tail could be a little longer to balance her body length, good pure white close lying coat **AC LH junior cat male:** 1 Howes's Honeymist Cream Ricardo, exceptionally good head and type, neat beautifully set rounded ears, wide skull, correct short nose, balanced chin, lovely copper eyes, full perfectly presented coat, just a little shaded and paler on underside of short brush 2 Bewley's Clybet Macdoodle, beautiful head and full coat, White male, exceptional width of skull, neatest of rounded ears, short expressive face, very good muzzle, balanced chin, perfectly presented coat. Very little divided first and second. Macdoodle had a slight yellow stain on the underside of one back foot and that made the difference in these two placings, a beautiful cat 3 Everington's Lynette Don Juan, Smoke, very good head and type, beautiful silver ear tufts, good face mask although still not quite dense black, good pale silver frill on chest, not complete around head, correctly black on back with silver undercoat beginning to show, flanks just showing silver tipping r McCarthy's Dolmeg Topples, lovely headed White, full brush as wide as his body, pure soft coat but not yet full. IRIS HANCOX

wedge, good ear set, nice eye colour and shape, coat rather open, nice profile, very little colour to points **Tortie Point kitten:** One only in class May's Palantir Celebrian, well mingled points, pale coat of good texture, nice eye colour but a little too round, ears too high set, head needs to lengthen **Tabby, Red or Tortie Point neuter 4:** 1 pr Daniels's Shybu Spyridon, lovely long elegant body and legs, good long head, straight profile, lovely eye shape and colour, good ear set, dainty oval feet, typical Siamese expression 2 Hitchcock's Ridgewose Gandalf, rather dark but Siamese in type, good eye shape and colour, long head, slight pinch, nice profile, good ear set, firm chin 3 Stollery's Roundway Muscari, very nervous, rather dark body colour, eyes a little round, nice ear set, straight profile, pinch **Premier of Premiers 5:** 1 Ordish's Pr Elmtree Snoee, good long head, slightly bumpy profile, good firm chin, lovely eye colour and shape, good long body, good colouring, nice tail 2 Pring's Pr Lizanne Othello, good wedge, profile could be better, good long body and tail, nice colour contrast, good eye colour and shape 3 Nicholson's Pr Cymbaline Borsolino, lovely temperament, good top of head and ear set, slight pinch, profile could be better, nice body shape, good long legs, good whip with tiny kink, good colour contrast r Ceci's Pr Procul Tunku Abdul, points appear rather too blue, pale eyes, good profile, ears a little small for size of head, nice feet and tail **AC Novice kitten 6-9 mth 8:** 1 Roberts's Cymbeline Zaria Diane, lovely eye colour and shape, nice ear set, good profile, dainty body, good feet and tail 2 Choules's Whitertose Zara, dainty type, nice colouring, lovely eye shape and colour, good profile, nice feet and tail 3 Frecker's Zeus Nicandra, nice eye shape, good top of head and ear set, slight pinch, nice profile, head needs to lengthen, dainty feet, good body shape. I would like to mention the quality of the cats in the Society's Class which I judged. I had some excellent cats in it and found it a difficult class to judge for this reason. The first three were all CC winners and in my view, were all beautiful cats. MARY WILSON

Mrs E Lentaigne

I thank the committee for inviting me to judge at their show in the new venue at Malvern. It appeared to be an excellent gate and I do hope the final result will be very satisfactory. The hotel was very comfortable and the hall most attractive. Thanks for the useful little present and thanks also to Mrs Burton for her cheerful company and efficient stewarding.

SIAMESE Blue Point male: 1 ch Abbey's Quintral Moonsilver, very good quality cat, excellent close lying coat, very good head and wedge, excellent eye shape and colour, excellent whip tail 2 Clewes's Lizanne Oberon, excellent head, nice colour points, good eye shape and colour, good length tail 3 Frecker's Zeus Galanthus, good head, eye shape and colour, in profile showing slight nose break, good tail, lovely temperament **Female:** 1 ch Brabyn's Chalmi Takua, lovely head, eye shape and colour, excellent quality close lying coat, a little dark, excellent whip tail, very nice temperament 2 Luis Fuentes's Tamruat Blue Hyacinth, well presented, good eye shape and colour, very good head and ears, good quality coat, tail a little short 3 Seaby's Dauntsea Clare, good body length, nice colour points, well set ears, head a little short for body length, nice eyes, good tail, lovely temperament **AC Breeders kitten male 3-6 mth:** 1 Macalister's Kalaya Gilyan, excellent quality coat, well placed ears, eyes good shape and colour, good tail 2 Chapman's Galaxias Antares, good colour points, excellent tail, eyes of very good shape but a little pale, good length body 3 Biggie's Linton Ganny Boy, Lilac Point, very nice type, lovely eyes, coat and tail, very good head and ears but unfortunately in profile a visible nose break r Deakin's Nikaed Tarquin, good quality, very nice eyes, good coat, head and tail, lovely temperament **Female:** 1 Gregory's Scimitar Sedelia, most promising, very good head and ears, excellent eye shape and colour, excellent whip tail, baby coat at present 2 Papa's Papaya Samantha, good matching points, lovely eye colour and good shape, straight wedge a little short, not enough ringing on tail which is of good length 3 Gent's Koofukuna Lilac Lass, good long body and tail, eyes very nice, points colour good, well set ears r Neilson's Stokefield Solo, very good length body and tail, nice eye colour, good head but slight pinch, good points 6-9 mth: 1 Folkes's Cymbeline Sans Pareil, excellent quality coat, nice wedge and profile, good contrast points, very good tail, nice eye colour 2 May's Palantir Celebrian, good quality Torti Point, well mixed colours on all points, excellent eye shape and colour, just half of one foot lacking in colour, lovely temperament, excellent tail 3 Des-sauer's Mayfields Hassan, very good head and ears, lovely pale coat, dark points, excellent eye shape and colour, tail of very good length but a little thick, lovely temperament r Frecker's Zeus Nicandra, good head and ear set, very nice coat, good eye shape and colour, reasonably good body length and tail. EILEEN LENTAIGNE

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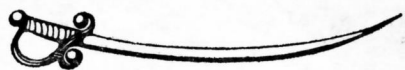
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Mrs M Wilson

The show managers and their committee are to be congratulated on a delightful show, beautifully organised and with a happy atmosphere. Thanks to my steward, Mrs K Burgess, for her help and companionship.

SIAMESE Red Point kitten: 1 George's Darling Red Treasure, tiny kitten with neat

Mrs J Merry

We received most generous hospitality. Mrs Olive and Mrs Roberts had as usual thought out a number of individual touches to help the day go pleasantly. The hall at Malvern made a very pleasing venue but had a slight echo which may have been the reason why so many of the cats were tense and not showing to advantage. Thanks to my steward, Mrs Val Jane, who brought out the most threatening of cats and handled them with great kindness and understanding.

SPOTTED Kitten: 1 Hillan's Herondale Peter Pan, male, the only exhibit, attractive blue-cream colouring, sweet disposition but has not really show calibre, wide solid band down his back and except for some clear spotting on his tummy his markings tended to run into stripes, rather large ears detracted from his British type **BROWN BURMESE Neuter 3:** 1 Saunders's Belcanto Zigeuner Baron, male, well shaped head, ears rather long, neat cat, well proportioned, bit small, tail had terminal kink, colouring a little cold, a very few white hairs, lovely coat quality, well presented, very neat paws 2 Morris's Sleekine Sultan, male, upper part of head very good but jaw rather narrow, ears a little narrow at base, eyes well set, bone generally good but tail rather too whip, colouring warm and very attractive with no white hairs, coat a little longer than that of winner but wonderfully glossy, beautifully presented **BLUE BURMESE Neuter 3:** 1 pr Cunningham's Sittang Berenice, female, lovely type, good ears, well shaped bright eyes, compact cat, good proportions except that she was overweight, very neat paws, coat colour and quality good, head and paws a lovely colour 2 Emmett's Ch Kupro Andora, female, very good Burmese type, well shaped head and ears, correct bone and tail, coat colour and quality not quite so good as winner 3 Munford's Marty, big handsome male, strong head rising well behind ears, good firm chin, well set eyes, in profile he had the typical rounded chest of the Burmese and he had a great air about him, lost out on coat which was open and very fawn, rather pale eyes. This was a strong class. I found it hard to separate the three good cats, all worthy of top honours **AOC BURMESE Neuter:** 1 Collins's Dubrovna Jerome, male, only exhibit, I liked this cat's head and general proportions except that his tail was a little short, coat was not as sound as is usually seen in present-day creams and showed some signs of spotting, he is a little immature and this will probably improve. **JOAN MERRY**

Mrs A E Ashford

The reception given to the judges at this show was really heart-warming. My very sincere thanks go to Mrs Olive and Mrs Roberts for all their consideration and for the very dainty little gold ball-point pen in its inscribed case. It will be a memento of a very happy occasion.

Thanks also to my tireless steward, Mr Michael Warde. He handled all the cats beautifully and showed considerable knowledge about all the breeds I judged.

At this show the quality of the Devon Rex was higher than that of the Cornish. In fact, I have seldom seen so many really excellent Devon cats and kittens at one show. I would like to make it clear that there was none of the much-discussed 'bareness' in the Cornish exhibits, but head type generally was disappointing. Without the very beautiful straight-profiled wedge the Cornish Rex becomes no more than a roughcoated household pet!

CORNISH REX Male 2: 1 ch John's Masambula, attractive exhibit, perfectly waved thick black coat, good length of body, legs and tail, correct straight profile, well set ears, I would have liked a slightly longer head for perfection, I understand that this cat became a Champion today, I feel that he will be an asset to the Cornish Rex breed 2 Gane's Burdach Egg Nog, nice cream male, lacked general show preparation, and the 'junk' piled under his pen could have been misconstrued as 'distinguishing features', good thick well waved coat, fair length of body, legs and tail, head too short with a definite 'stop', well set ears **Female 2:** 1 ch Lauder's Annelida Bonne Année, though this little queen was the only one in the class she well deserved her CC, excellent type, fine boned, correct straight profile, well set ears, coat thick and well waved over back and tail, would have liked deeper waves over shoulders **DEVON REX Male 3:** 1 ch Harrison's Sunbronze Magic Dragon, lovely smoke male, excellent head, correct stop, well set large ears, good length of body, legs and tail, elegant stance, coat well rexed throughout, sweet tempered 2 Harrison's Amharic Mickey Finn, blue point Si-Rex, sweet nature, head type too Cornish, lovely large well set ears, coat well rexed but rather harsh, excellent points colouring and eye colouring, fine boned **Female 3:** 1 ch Finnegan's Marisarin Voodoo, it would be hypocritical to pretend that I did not recognise this cat, as she is the most perfect Si-Rex I have ever seen, beautiful short muzzled head with distinctive stop, lovely ear set,

very beautiful blue eyes, points of correct seal colour, coat perfectly rexed, even to tip of tail, fine boned, my nomination for best in show 2 Fisher's Hephæstos Russian Empress, very lovely smoke, I debated for some time between my first two prizewinners but Russian Empress went down as her tail was not rexed and was a trifle short, otherwise she has a superb head with well set large ears, excellent length of body and legs, well rexed coat 3 Wakeford's Sirafen Bonne Magnifique, black of only fair type, coat wonderfully thick but very few waves, muzzle too long, ears set rather high **CORNISH REX Kitten 3-6 mth:** 1 Collins's Lohteyn Imperialis, lovely fine boned black male, evenly waved coat throughout, excellent head, straight profile 2 John's Hephzibah Black Masam, tiny black male, good head, straight profile, chin a little weak, good evenly rexed coat, very fine boned 3 Mumford's Martycat Pearly Oyster, good type male, evenly waved cream and white coat, excellent profile, as our Standard insists on 'symmetrical white markings' this kitten went down r Mumford's Martycat Blue Merle, blue cream and white, good type kitten, excellent waves, asymmetrical white markings **6-9 mth 1:** 1 John's Hephzibah Alicia, lovely kitten, well deserved first prize, well patched tortie with an attractive blaze down her face, evenly rexed coat throughout, excellent head, correct straight profile, large high set ears, fine boned **DEVON REX Kitten 3-6 mth:** 1 Cox's Berilleon Kuan-Yin, what a lovely kitten this is, a tiny white with a really perfect head, distinctive stop, short muzzle, huge well-set ears, fine boned, well rexed coat throughout, really super temperament, purring continuously! my nomination for best in show 2 Fisher's Hephæstos Moulin Rouge, tiny red male, ran the winner very close, failed as tummy was very bare, excellent head, short muzzle and clear stop, very large well set ears, coat evening rexed except on tummy 3 Fisher's Seajet, very lovely typy black, muzzle very slightly longer than first two, excellent stop, huge low set ears, well waved coat even to tip of tail r Wakeford's Sirafen Sumers Sun, chocolate pointed Si-Rex, lovely point colour, pale very curly coat, but head could well be that of Cornish, profile very straight, I admire Mr Wakeford for his years of hard work with the Si-Rex, he has now achieved good coats and colours and I feel he should now outcross to another Devon line to gain good type **6-9 mth 1:** 1 Harrison's Amharic Amazing Grace, blue pointed Si-Rex of good type, wide cheek bones, huge ears, fine boned, long body, legs and tail, coat too thin, little more than fine down on flanks and tummy **AV Senior Cat 9:** I want to comment on this class for two reasons. Firstly, because any one of my first four prizewinners were worthy of a CC. Secondly, because to my great shame, cat number 203 Mrs Waite's Ch Southview Dumbony was mistakenly marked as absent. I was not informed of the mistake until shortly before the end of the show, otherwise I would gladly have re-judged the class. This little queen, a beautiful type, warm coloured Havana, would have been in the first three winners. I am so very sorry about this: 1 S Magic Dragon 2 Smith's Ryelands Blue Baize, lovely type British Blue, superb cobby body, good tail, lovely little legs, massive head with correct small ears, falls in eye colour 3 Masambula ex3 Ch Dandycat Brown Bear, lovely Havana male, excellent type, good head, straight profile, good eye colour, tail a little brindled r Lauder's Ch Patshull Black Oedipus, smoke Cornish Rex male, superb, thick, evenly-rexed coat, fine boned, good length of body, legs and tail, head a little short. I was sorry to see that somebody had written 'dangerous' over this cat's number. Talkative he was, but dangerous he certainly was not. I feel that nobody but the Show Manager should write such comments on a cat's pen. **A E ASHFORD**

Mrs L J A Price

Congratulations to the show managers, Mrs Olive and Mrs Roberts, and to their committee for once more running such a well organised show. Many thanks for all that was done to ensure the comfort of the judges. To my steward, Mrs Dodd, who had come all the way from Norfolk, many thanks for her pleasant company and her efficiency as a steward, which made my task so much easier.

I was very much impressed by the high quality of the AV SH Junior cat class for males and regret that many very good cats had to go cardless as a result. The AV SH class for females, however, was of a disappointingly low standard. Another class I would like to mention is the Herts and Middlesex class for AC Siamese kittens, where the standard was of such a universally high quality that I decided it was only fair to exhibitors to give an extra second and an extra third.

SIAMESE Seal Point Female kitten 3-6 mth 8: 1 Gregory's Scimitar Sedelia, outstanding quality, showing great promise, excellent head, profile, paws and tail, wonderful temperament, beautifully presented, my best kitten and my choice for best in show 2 Durrant's Sianjo Perfidea, very good head and profile, dainty paws, very well balanced 3 Struinin's Bayard Adagio, very good head and

BROADWEIR

CHAMPION BRYNBUBOO MAXIMILLIAN (British Blue)

was delighted to win his sixth CC, all his classes and to be nominated for Best in Show at Malvern.

Maximilian is a proud fellow these days. Latest news of his son **RM TRIPLE GRAND CHAMPION BROADWEIR UNION JACK OF KALICO**, owned by Mrs Lois Varey in Winnipeg. **Union Jack** is the top winning British Blue in the American Cat Fancy Association and fifth highest scoring cat of all breeds. His score of 97.765 is the highest ever attained by a British Blue.

Maximilian's daughter

BROADWEIR DAWNGLOW (blue/cream)

owned by Mrs Anne Millman, won her second CC at Chester, her second show as an adult.

Our blue/cream female

JEZREEL JACORA

made her debut at Malvern show where she won her first CC.

The same weekend her daughter

BROADWEIR STARDUST OF KALICO (blue/cream)

made her debut at Madison, Wisconsin. Here she won three final awards of BEST KITTEN IN SHOW and one award of BOX KITTEN, finally becoming BEST OF THE BESTS KITTEN.

Stardust is the first British Shorthaired blue/cream to be shown in ACF.

Also at Madison show

BROADWEIR DAMIAN OF JEZ

another Maximilian son, was five times Best of Breed and won two final awards, BOX CHAMPION and 2nd BEST MALE.

STOP PRESS NEWS—Russian Blues: **CHAMPION HENGIST BITOCHKI** and all the Broadweir Cattery send proud congratulations and best wishes to **CHAMPION BROADWEIR TAMAROFF**, owned by Anne Millman, who won his third CC at Chester Show under Mrs P Hughes. Well done Humphrey and Annel!

RUSSIAN BLUE KITTENS NOW AVAILABLE BY BITOCHKI AND TRETCHIKOFF (two CCs).

Mrs JOY FOSTER

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CONGRATULATIONS TO PREMIER SHYBU SPYRIDON

Sire: **Maytime Blue Perri.**

Dam: **Lymekilns Djaja.**

Breeder: **Mrs S Bullock.**

SPIRO became a Premier at his first three consecutive shows as a Neuter and thanks his judges, Miss Rickson, Mrs Shrouder and Mrs Wilson.

RAYMOND and BETTY DANIELS,
The White House, Worcester Road,
West Hagley, Worcs.

KALAYA

CONGRATULATE

KALAYA GILYAN

on being awarded

BEST SIAMESE KITTEN IN SHOW

(now with Mrs Mary Williams, of The Chimes Cattery).

And also our Havana girl

SOLITAIRE SUNSLIPPER

on winning her Open Kitten class, and being nominated for Best in Show.

DOREEN and DEREK McALLISTER
9 Orchard Road - Shalford - Guildford
Surrey

Telephone: Guildford 66989.

Congratulations to JESALDING GLESDNI

(BP Colourpoint) (now at Stud)

on his success at West of England and South Wales Show—1st Open, Challenge Certificate and Best in Show nomination.

Thank you Mrs Newton.

Mrs S DAVIES

Telephone: Knighton (Radnor) 412.

LEOCRIS BLUE PERSIANS

congratulate again **LEOCRIS SAMANTHA** Best of Breed blue kitten for the third time, winning five 1sts and nominated for Best in Show.

Thank you Mrs Spiers, Mrs Rees, Miss Wilson, Miss Bull and Miss Crockett.

Mrs CHRISTINE TAYLOR, Walsall.

Telephone 021-357 3321.

LADYEGROVE

PERSIANS

CONGRATULATE

LADYEGROVE LUCINDA (13)

on winning her second Challenge Certificate and being nominated for Best in Show;

also

SNOW LEOPARD (Shaded Silver)

1st AOC (13a) Adult;

and his daughter

LADYEGROVE TAWNY PIPIT

(Cameo particolour)

1st AOC (13a) Kitten;

at the West of England and South Wales Cat Society Show.

Miss LAIRD,

Woodend Farm, Ashperton, Ledbury,
Herefordshire.

GALAXIAS

Siamese

congratulate kittens

ANTARES and GIENAH

proud son and daughter of

Trismegistos Myrrha and

Ch Karenza Lilac Domino,

on their Open Class wins at Smethwick and Malvern.

Our thanks to all concerned.

Mrs S P CHAPMAN

Thatch Cottage, Upton-St-Leonards,

Gloucester, GL4 8DA.

Telephone: Glos 66160.

CONGRATULATIONS

Lohteyn Imperialis

(33)

1st Open Kitten Malvern, 1st Open Kitten Herts & Middlesex, 2nd Open Kitten Birmingham.

Also

Dubrova Jerome

(27F)

and

Dubrova Jonquil

(27G)

(owner Mrs A Pike)

on winning their Open and BCC classes at Malvern.

Mrs PAM COLLINS, Dubrova Cats,

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Black CORNISH REX Stud

Breed No 33

Bless him, he did it in his first three shows! (Eight weeks!) Judged by Mrs Shrouder, Mrs Towe and Mrs Ashford—thank you ladies.

We of
**HEPHZIBAH
CATS**
are proud of him

He graces our home with his gentle courteous manners and sweetly loving nature, the perfect gentleman at all times. As a sire he is a great asset and from our four lovely queens gives us the most beautiful kittens of all colours, appreciated on both sides of the Atlantic.

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CONGRATULATE
SILVERMIST BALLERINO
on his recent show successes.

Winner of his OPEN CLASS and BEST OF BREED at Herts and Middlesex, Midland Counties and West of England and South Wales.

SUPREME EXHIBIT of the Long Haired Cat Club Show and winner of OPEN CLASS at the National.

Our thanks to all his judges.

ERIC WICKHAM-RUFFLE

Beaumont Kennels and Cats Inn, The Hale, Wendover, Bucks.
Telephone: Wendover 3134.

QUINTRAL PIRATA (LP)

BEST SIAMESE EXHIBIT and now a CHAMPION

Thank you judges: Mrs Holroyd, Mrs Shrouder and Dr Groom.

Thanks also to steward Mr Lauder whose expert handling helped Pirata win the climax of his great day.

Mrs L ABBEY - Burnham (Bucks) 4988

ARIANE BLUE PERSIANS

CONGRATULATE
MEZETO CHANTELE

on her success at the West of England and South Wales Show, where she was a Challenge Certificate winner and nominated for Best in Show.

Grateful thanks to Miss M Bull.

Dr and Mrs G O PERCIVAL
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Bojangles Burmese

again congratulate

SITTANG BERENICE (27a)

2nd Pr Cert at W of E and SWCS show,
1st BCC class. Nominated Best in Show.

Miss J CUNNINGHAM
(01-455 3058)

Smokeyhill Seaspray (13b)

Congratulations on winning your second CC at Malvern.

Due to postponement of export to America one excellent type SP Colourpoint female kitten is for sale.

Miss BROWN,
Smokeyhill Cattery, Crete Road West,
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Telephone: Hawkinge 2462.

profile, dainty paws, good tail, very svelte
Female 6-9 mth 7: 1 Roberts's Cymbeline Zaria Diane, excellent head and profile, dainty paws, short whip tail, though easy to handle obviously did not like it, this may have been due to the totally inadequate piece of blanket which, no doubt, contributed little to the comfort of the kitten, I think that a little extra consideration may result in a kitten who will not only cease to dislike shows but will help her to win prizes, otherwise it may become impossible to handle her when she is older 2 Choules's Maytime Shirotae, excellent head and profile, very dainty generally 3 Gibbard's Kaymenh Tomosina, very attractive, very good head and profile, very dainty paws, tail has slight, almost imperceptible (permissible) kink, very promising **Neuter 5:** 1 pr Farnsworth's Saturn Sebastian, excellent head and profile, very good paws, very good tail, very svelte and pleasing exhibit generally 2 Dessauer's Mayfields Aramis, very close second, excellent head and profile, elegant paws, tail is a little thicker, delightful temperament 3 Nicholson's Kuala Beau, good head and profile, nice paws and tail r Robbins's Circle Tigger, older cat, slightly shorter head, beautifully shown in excellent condition, wonderful temperament. L J A PRICE

Mrs D Brice-Webb

The show was very well organised by Mrs Olive and her hard-working committee. I am sure they had much to contend with judging by the milling crowds during the day. Anyway, I feel sure that the show must have been a financial success as it was most difficult to get near the pens after lunch. I thank all concerned for the sweet little gift of a golden pen complete with a chain and pearl. Mine will be very handy as I am sure all judges will say the same.

Thanks to Mr Bill Leach, my most attentive and quiet steward, who handles the cats so gently, this is a great help if one has a cat a little cross.

BLUE-CREAM Cat 5: 1 ch Laird's Ladygrove Lucinda, very lovely cat, excellent pale well mingled coat, all feet broken, excellent head, nice short broad nose, strong muzzle and chin, tiny well set ears, large well opened eyes of good colour, beautifully shown 2 Howes's Honeymist Melita, very beautiful, ran winner very close, her eye colour wasn't so good as winner but I notice she is now six years old, beautiful head with neat well set ears, neat little nose, really lovely coat, well mingled, all feet broken, nice short tail, shown beautifully 3 McGarry's Canella Chiquita, lovely queen, excellent copper eyes, quite lovely type but ears a little pricked, full well mingled coat but a cream chin, frill a little cream, excellent condition r Rowe's Stroma Camellia, yet another beauty, full coat of palest colours, beautiful tufted feet, face a little patched, good head and type. This was a difficult class as any one of these exhibits could have come first, they were so good and presentation perfect **Kitten 3-9 mth 6:** 1 Beck's Opalmist Tabetha, sweet baby, palest blue and cream well mingled coat, wonderful head, neat well set ears, nice short nose, strong muzzle and chin, beautifully presented, my best kitten 2 McGarry's Archsue Gin Bunnie, much older kitten, wonderful head, neat well set ears, coat well mingled, no cream at all on face, but this might come through with time, very short nose, good muzzle and chin, deep copper eyes which

were very damp when I judged her, all feet broken, this is a queen that could come up tops later on 3 McGarry's Archsue Amy, another very beautiful kitten but was too blue on the day, knowing this breed as I do the cream I feel sure will come through, coat full and well groomed, neat little ears, good type r Bourne's Salamander Cleopatra, very nice kitten, face and forehead very patched, all feet broken, wonderful deep copper eyes, lovely type, coat could have been better groomed on tummy. Could I please ask exhibitors to look to grooming. Exhibits will be put down for this. Grooming does make a difference to winning **AC Junior cat (except Blue) female 12:** 1 Wyant's Nantom's Azure, what a beautiful cat this is, pure white coat groomed to the last hair, nice cobby body, wee short tail, excellent head, neat well set ears, short nose, good muzzle and chin, large well opened blue eyes, perhaps a little pale in colour 2 S Camellia 3 Harding's Mingchiu Nicola, blue Colourpoint, excellent head, very neat ears, nice short nose, good muzzle and chin, full coat, tail a little thin ex 3 Goude's Pollic Devine, very lovely seal Colourpoint, excellent head, neat ears, short nose, good muzzle and chin, full coat of good contrasts, just a little dark on back, lovely condition r Silverman's Helma Patrice, Blue-eyed White, really deep blue eyes, excellent head, quite lovely type, ears a little pricked, coat could do with more grooming on tummy. The rest of my classes were club ones, but I would like to mention Mrs Lillie Shepherd's Willow-glen Gaiety Girl, to whom I awarded first in the National Club class—she later won best exhibit in show, a most lovely Black girl of excellent type and a really dense black coat. Another lovely cat was Mrs Howes's Honey-mist Cream Trudy, a beautiful Cream girl. I also liked very much Bartlett's Torcloud Robin, very beautiful Blue male of excellent type with a beautiful coat which was so sound. It is difficult to name all the lovely cats I handled, but if any cat or kitten had a card under me they were worthy winners. DORIS BRICE-WEBB

Mrs P Lauder

Mrs Olive and Mrs Roberts and their committee are to be congratulated on their new venue at Malvern. The light in the hall was very good indeed and everything went smoothly. My best thanks to Mrs Helen Cox, who handled the exhibits beautifully, and to the club, which entertained us charmingly at such a nice hotel where every window showed a lovely view. The cats were of very high quality, and exceptionally friendly.

BLUE-CREAM: 1 ch Foster's Jezreel Jacora, beautiful head, round eyes, outstandingly good deep eye colour, ears could be a bit smaller, good cobby type, colours well-mingled though could have done with more cream, but she is young 2 Hillan's Pensylva Aphrodite, nice type, good round face, not quite enough cream, very friendly, great deal too thin, suggest it might be worms **HAVANA male:** 1 ch Harrison's Harislaw Little Otter, very good coat the colour of a ripe horse-chestnut, lime-green eyes, nice type, very friendly, in fine condition 2 Shaw's Solitaire Milo, eye colour and type good, very good head, he has a scar obviously from an accident, sweet temperament, coat too thin **Female:** 1 ch Sayer's Solitaire Tiare Tahiti, lovely svelte type, narrow eyes of correct colour, coat could be a little thicker and a little lighter in colour, wonderful tail and stance, sweet temper 2 Waite's Ch South-view Duaebony, wonderful colouring, eyes a bit round, tail could be finer and there is a very faint tabby pattern, beautiful profile 3 Sayer's Solitaire Liliino Kalani, beautiful colouring, delightful temperament, the type is slightly less good than that of two. A very good class **SIAMESE Champion of Champions:** 1 ch of ch Deakin's Ch Cheongsun Janida, lovely type, perfect eyes, beautiful colouring with even points and good blaze, I could not fault her, delightful disposition, a very great pity I could not award the certificate as only six present in class, this cat is one of the most beautiful Siamese ever born 2 Critchley's Ch Elbaraka Trophimus, lovely head, eyes beautiful for shape and colour, unfortunately no gloves or stockings, fine strong cat worthy to be bred from and amazingly sweet tempered 3 Stephenson's Ch Taurus Kountry Boy, good head, lovely eye colour, nice disposition, tail thick at root and some shading, but a good, strong cat r Stephenson's Ch Ramonda Drambaue **AV FOREIGN Neuter (ex Burmese or Siamese):** 2 Wakeford's Sirafen Cancan Lad, I was very sorry that this cat was not of high enough show quality for a first, but I am sure he is well loved **Breeders kitten:** 1 Everitt's Joyous Agamemon, excellent Abyssinian with very little white, glorious eyes, lovely type and ticking 2 Munford's Martycat Pearly Oyster, really good cream Cornish Rex, pale coat, fine type and tail, head very correct, unlucky to be competing with so splendid a winner 3 John's Hephzibah Alicia, very good mingling and type, fine thick coat, good eyes r Robbins's Circle Juno, good coat and tail, beautiful colouring. This was a magnificent class. PHYLLIS LAUDER

CYMBELINE

SEAL POINT SIAMESE

CH DUNCHATTAN AYSHAH

proudly congratulates her daughter

CH CYMBELINE QUNITA

(Sire Ch Sabukia Sirocco)

on gaining her third Challenge Certificate, nominated for BIS, two firsts, one second. Her son

PR CYMBELINE BORSOLINO

(Owner Mrs Laurie Nicholson)

(Sire Ch Marshbrook Kwando)

Three firsts, one third.

CYMBELINE SANS PAREIL

CYMBELINE ZARIA DIANE

(Owner Miss Ruth Roberts)

(Sire Ch Killdown Vanguard)

on winning their open classes.

The above four Cymbeline cats were entered in 12 classes only—scoring nine 1sts, two 2nds and one 3rd. Both **Quantia** and **Sans Pareil** won once again the breeders classes. **One female kitten, same breeding as Sans Pareil, still for sale.**

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Edinburgh continued

Mrs Macalister

SIAMESE Seal Point male 5: 1 ch Currie's Ch Dezna Cometes, well proportioned, strong head, good width between well set ears, lovely profile, very good eye colour, coat colour left a lot to be desired but I felt this handsome cat well deserved the CC 2 Riddell's Alexa Deeside Toto, very well balanced, tail a little thick at root, good contrast coat of fine texture, strong head with beautiful ears 3 Forsythe's Esemias Taru, fair coat contrast, beautiful eye colour, lovely profile except for slight chin weakness, good head with a slight pinch r Bremner's Taishun Musketeer, lovely eye colour, I would have liked eyes just a little larger, very good coat colour, good stance, excellent profile, strong chin, good head, large ears nicely set, brinded mask, appeared rather immature as yet **Female 7:** 1 ch Rattrie's Hargill Raindrop, correct coat colour, lovely head with large ears attractively set, good colour, well set eyes, nice body length and tail, coat a little open 2 Clark's Douecia Rhuasiam, excellent ears and top of head, slim body and legs with neat feet, excellent eye colour, very good body colour, went to second place because of weak chin 3 Ross's Pi-Den Hourri, good head, strong chin, lovely ears, good profile, neat legs and feet, good coat contrast but coat open r Henderson's Amberhaze Aphrodite, excellent ears, eyes, colour, body length, tail, legs and feet, she had such a cold coat which put her down. Four beautiful females, I wished I could have awarded more than one **CC Tortie Point 2:** 1 ch George's Darling Destiny, good wedge, slim body and tail, most attractive legs, good body colour, points well patched 2 Lindsay's Ceedee-Ed Katrina, eyes of grand colour but very full, well patched mask and legs, rather too much patching on body **Seal Point Kitten 6-9 mth 16:** 1 Cooper's Mylen Nemone, female, very strong head and profile, nicely set eyes of good colour, balanced body length, good whip, excellent contrast, coat a little on long side 2 MacVicar and Foster's Pladda Pyracantha, male, attractive kitten, will do well when his points are more pronounced, very fine coat of beautiful texture, slim body, neat legs, good whip, chin could be firmer 3 Borthwick's Kirash Epic, male, not at his best, coat open, big with strong head, good eye colour, body and tail, ears just a little high, legs a bit heavy r Scott's Langan-ger Lee, male, nice profile and wedge, eyes rather close with tendency to squint, fair ear set, good body and tail **Chocolate Point Neuter 3:** 1 pr Coutts's Lord Sebastian, eyes could be brighter, mask and points more colour, good type, very good eye and ear set,

TANGLE PERSIANS

congratulate

JAYDEES CLASSIC (2A)

Sire: Ch Tewhit White Crest

Dam: Ch Donbank Baby Doll

ON GAINING HIS CHAMPIONSHIP AT THE EDINBURGH SHOW

Many thanks, Mr Dugdale. Sincere thanks also to the three other judges who have given him CCs.

Lancs and NW, 1st, Ch Cert, nominated Best in Show; Glasgow Show, 2nd Ch Cert, Best in Show; Cheshire Area Cat Club, 4th Ch Cert, nominated Best in Show.

Thank you, Mrs Hogan, Miss Wilson and Mrs Thompson.

Our gratitude once again to Mrs Jean Crockart for letting us have Classic, also for the very willing assistance that she has given to me over the years.

To everyone concerned, thanks so much. Classic is now at stud to approved queens and is siring healthy kittens of quality and sweet temperament.

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KIWI TED

(4 CCs) on gaining his Championship.

Also kittens

**TIKI WHITE STAR
TIKI SNOW PRINCE**

on their successes.

Thanks Mrs Towe.

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TIKI TERE (Odd Eyed),

KANGRI (Odd Eyed), grand-daughter Ted and Sheba.

MARY STRINGER,

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nice wedge head, fine in muzzle, long body and tail, good coat, worthy of his CC 2 Windebank's Siamcoll Salendor, balanced body and tail, long legs, very good eye colour, excellent texture coat, ears too high 3 Lawson's Lornly Lawlers, good even wedge, fine muzzle, fair ear set, eyes grand colour but very full, good body and tail. Thank you Edinburgh for an enjoyable show and your kind hospitality. Your little bottle of Scotch was a most appropriate gift and greatly appreciated. Grateful thanks to Violet Alexander for all her kindness to me throughout the weekend. An excellent steward. **MARJORIE MACALISTER**

Mrs L Speirs

This show was held in an ideal setting for a show. Mrs Hancox was unable to judge and at short notice I took over her classes.

My thanks to the show managers and to the committee who had arranged everything possible for the comfort and enjoyment of the judges.

A very special thank you to Heather Crockhart who stewarded for me in a most efficient way and handled the exhibits so well.

LH SMOKE male: The smokes were divided into male and female when I found two cats, male and female, of such high quality that both were of championship quality. This was done after consultation with another judge of the same breed. 1 ch Emslie's Dunrobin Poppin, young, excellent bone, beautiful head, neat well placed ears, remarkably good coat for a Smoke so early in the season, undercoat and frill of pale silver, dark back shading to silver on flanks, very good type, excellent eye colour. **Female:** 1 ch Scott's Bhan Eileen, very sweet, very good head, very nice type, excellent eye colour, long silky coat, dark on back with silver flanks, beautiful silver frill 2 Scott's Amberglow Picotee, nice but coat rather on the thin side, requires more undercoat, nice type, would like a firmer chin, quite good eye colour **CHINCHILLA Ad:** A charming class of Chinchilla females only: 1 ch Woodend's Jemari Misty Moonlight, broad head, very neat well placed ears, lovely type, very good eye colour, lovely silky coat very lightly ticked and beautifully groomed 2 Woodend's Jemari Silver Moonbeam, litter sister to Moonlight and very similar in type, eye colour and lovely silky lightly ticked coat 3 McLean's Gowlan Amanda, good head, well placed ears, quite good eye colour, coat still a little short but very evenly ticked r Bentley's Cliequot Belle Fleur, beautifully shown, very nice type, good eye colour, ears could be a little smaller, silky coat, very lightly ticked **COLOURPOINT Ad male:** 1 ch Williams's Petite-Point Prospero, very nice blue, very good type, neat well placed ears, very firm chin, good mask and points, very long silky coat 2 Sucksmith's Petite-Point Pimento, red, very nice type, eye colour could be a little deeper, ears could be a little smaller and have more width between, very nice coat, good points, very well shown **Female:** 1 ch Bentinck's Coppelstone Chestine, lovely blue, excellent head, neat ears with good width between, very nice type, silky coat, good mask and points, some old hair in tail 2 Ross's Gaylord Margaretta, seal, quite nice head, ears could be farther apart, quite good type, very good eye colour, medium length coat, good mask and points **SMOKE kitten:** 1 Zibarang Petina (omitted from catalogue but I understand is owned by Mrs Hoyle) most beautiful little kitten, excellent type, broad head, neatest of ears, already a beautiful silver undercoat, long silver ear tufts, very good frill, deep bronze eyes 2 Hoyle's Hardendale Loobylou, first class kitten, excels in type, neat ears, broad head, deep copper eyes, silver undercoat shading to silver on flanks, complete silver frill, bushy tail. A most difficult task to separate these kittens. **SILVER TABBY kitten:** 3 Duff's Sweet Nectarine, bad kink in tail, incorrect eye colour **CHINCHILLA kitten:** 1 Taylor's Taymar Titus, a very nice kitten, very silky coat lightly ticked, very good head and type, lovely eye colour, beautifully shown 2 Bentley's Cliequot Cavalier, male, quite nice type, eye colour should deepen, silky coat changing at the moment and rather heavily ticked on lower part of back, bushy tail 3 McLean's Tullis Chikeeta, rather heavily ticked coat extending over face but this may clear later, eye colour, not quite sound, fairly good type, ears could be smaller. **COLOURPOINT kitten:** 1 Bentinck's Coppelstone Betianxe, very sweet seal, lovely type, neat ears, promising eye colour, silky coat with every good mask and points 2 Sucksmith's Petite-Point Prudence, red, very sweet face, very good type, eye colour not sound, beautiful silky coat, good points **AOC LH Neuter (other than self):** 1 pr Taylor's Ch Palm Gina, beautiful Chinchilla, excellent type, neat ears, very good eye colour, long silky coat very evenly and lightly ticked 2 Menzies's Inchview Mark, large Colourpoint, very nice type, round head, neat ears, excellent eye colour, long silky coat, beautifully groomed 3 Lamb's Tonya Turkish with white coat, auburn markings on head and tail, quite attractive. The two Birman cats in the class had kinked tails. **L SPEIRS**

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COLOURPOINT SOCIETY OF GREAT BRITAIN

A meeting of members was held on November 5 at the home of Mr and Mrs White at Balderton, Newark. Mrs S M Harding gave an extremely interesting talk, lavishly illustrated by slides, on the importance of type in Colourpoints. Examples of both good and poor type, full face, profile and entire body were shown, together with examples of the apparent variation that may occur with a single individual from eight weeks up to and beyond first moult in adulthood. Of particular interest was a demonstration, by the superimposition of the Colourpoint pattern on photographs of undoubtedly excellent self-coloured Long-hairs, of the way in which the points colouring can adversely affect the apparent type, from which it was obvious that the real type of a Colourpoint must be of very high quality if it is regularly able successfully to hold its own against self-coloured cats. The talk was followed by much discussion and Mrs Harding answered a multitude of questions on the breeding of Colourpoints. Meetings such as this are undoubtedly of great value to owners and breeders of these cats. All members that attended the meeting will, I am sure, wish to join me in thanking Mrs White for organising the meeting and for providing such an excellent tea, which terminated the afternoon so pleasantly. **K W BENTLEY**

MERSEYSIDE CAT CLUB

We are holding our Christmas party on Saturday, December 9, starting at 8-p.m. It will be held at the home of Mr and Mrs Winder, Eden Brae, 30 Whiston Lane, Huyton, near Liverpool. Gifts for the raffle would be greatly appreciated. I will send a more detailed notice to all members. Annual subscriptions are due January 1 1973 and remain at 75p double, 50p single, 15p junior. **LIN COBLEY**, hon secretary, 46 Trinity Road, Bootle 20, Lancs.

NOTTS AND DERBYS CAT CLUB

Class 80 of the Notts and Derbys show on January 13 should read Any Self except Blue. Class 392 will be judged by Miss Bryce. Entry fee for all open classes of LH cats and kittens should read 'Members 40p, non-members 50p'. **IDA GEE**, show organiser.

FOREIGN WHITE CAT FANCIERS ASSOCIATION

Members and subscribers to Foreign White News are informed that the winter issue is available.

Members who have entry forms for the competition are urged to return these as soon as possible. (The Hillmount Yin-Ho competition). Members are also reminded that claims for wins on cups and rosettes must be made to the show secretary by December 30. Verified breeding records submitted on Mrs Farley's Flayre Winter Wonder have confirmed him to be of Breeding category A. Winter Wonder is therefore approved at stud for both Siamese and Foreign White queens. **K BURTENWOOD**, hon secretary.

BLUE-POINTED SIAMESE CAT CLUB

Nominations for committee members of the Blue-Pointed Siamese Cat Club and two delegates to the Governing Council of the Cat Fancy must reach me not later than January 1 1973. The retiring committee members are Mrs N G Denny, Mr R W Clarke and Mr W R Lait, the present delegates being Mrs E Biggie and Mrs N G Denny, all are eligible and willing to stand for re-election.

All nominations must have the written consent of the nominee, and also bear the signature of the proposer and seconder. The Delegates must be committee members.

Details of the annual general meeting will be published later and all members notified.

The annual subscription becomes due on January 1 (50p, Joint 75p), and should be sent to me—**G L LAIT**, Hon secretary/treasurer, 25 The Parade, Dudley, Worcs.

SUFFOLK AND NORFOLK CAT CLUB

Suffolk and Norfolk Cat Club held a very successful dance at the Alburgh Hall, near Diss, Norfolk on November 18. The dance, organised by the club's public relations officer—Mrs M Johnson, was a total sell out, but considering the music was provided by Jim West and the Texans, a leading E Anglian Country and Western Recording group this was the result hoped for. Congratulations and thanks must go to Mrs Johnson and her family and friends who were 'called up' to assist and also to Mrs G Denny who produced the Buffet which was once more up to that delicious high standard. Proceeds were for club funds. **P COPPLE**

PRESTON CAT CLUB

Will exhibitors please note the following alterations to judges for Preston Cat Club's championship show at Blackpool on December 2. Mrs Brice-Webb will judge Class 460; Mrs Burrows Classes 203, 210, 211, 227, 228, 272, 355 and 356; Mrs Crockart Class 219; Mrs Denton Classes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8; Mrs Genty Classes 136, 137, 138, 139, 152 and 153; Mrs Hogan Classes 390 and 443; Mrs Kidd Classes 146, 147, 148, 149, 230, 238, 381, 382, 420, 445 and 461; Mr King Class 357; Mrs Lentaigine Class 453; Mrs McVady Classes 34, 35, 36, 69 and 206; Dr Raleigh Class 377; Miss Rickson Classes 121, 122, 123, 124, 135, 140 and 141; Mrs Ruffell Class 311; Mrs Shrouder Class 369; Mrs Somers classes 241, 244 and 338; Mrs Towe Class 261; Mrs Vickers Class 276; Mrs Watts Classes 374 and 444. **BRENDA and FRANK WOLSTENHOLME**, Show managers

BEDFORD & DISTRICT CAT CLUB

Winners of Keep in Time with Bedford competition, drawn at the National on November 25, are as follows: Gold watch, R Jones, 24 Roestock Gardens, Colney Heath, Herts.; travelling clock, Mrs M Bray, 90 Gayton Road, King's Lynn; alarm clock, Mrs A Ferguson, Alfriston, Windmill Lane, E Grinstead, Sussex. The committee thanks all who contributed to the success of the competition, and financial results will be published at a later date.

SIAMESE CAT ASSOCIATION

Will members please return Christmas raffie counterfoils to reach me not later than first post on December 14 which is the date on which the draw takes place. Many thanks for your help for the journal and the distressed cats fund. EILEEN LENTAIGNE

RED POINT AND TORTIE POINT SIAMESE CAT CLUB

Nominations for the club delegate and the committee and also proposals for consideration at the annual general meeting should reach the hon secretary by January 3 1973. The retiring delegate, Mrs Pam Evelyn is willing to stand for re-election. Mrs Lesley Pring and Mr Ron Rimmer are the two retiring committee members and they are also willing to stand for re-election; in addition there are two further committee vacancies caused by the resignations of Mrs D Deakin and Mr K Shaw.

The autumn issue of the club journal has been sent out. If any member has not received a copy, will they please notify the editor Mr K Shaw of Kenene, Black Bourton, Oxon, as soon as possible. The committee thanks Mr and Mrs Shaw for all their help with the journal.

The 1973 subscription is due on January 1 1973, and it is a great help if members pay their subscriptions promptly. In order to save postage, receipts for subscriptions received in January and February will be included with the notice of the annual general meeting. Current rates are 50p single members, 75p joint membership. All subscriptions should be sent to the hon treasurer, Mr Ron Rimmer, Mabrouka, 15 Bell Way, Kingswood, Sutton Valence, Kent.

Please note that all nominations must be proposed and seconded and should include the written permission of the person nominated. No member may stand for the committee until they have been a member for at least a year. LESLEY PRING, Hon secretary, Slade House, Roadwater, Watchet, Somerset

Readers write

Patchy shading in Tortie Point Siamese

I READ Mrs Wagstaff's letter on Tortie Point Siamese with interest and sympathy. It echoes the sentiments of many of the Red Point and Tortie Point Siamese Cat Club members.

The main criticisms from judges during the last year seem to have been patchy shading on the back. But of course a cat with patched points will also have patched shading. Judges also seem to penalise cats with quite limited shading, when they accept a Seal Point with far more darkening on the back.

Colour and its distribution does seem to cause confusion. A well known Siamese judge criticised a blue Tortie as follows: 'presumably a blue Tortie, of good type but rather patchy on the face and body'. This statement is quite contrary to the standard of points which allows patching or mingling in all colours, and not mingling only as for LH Blue-Creams. Comments like these occur frequently in *FUR AND FEATHER* and as club secretary I always try to take up such points with judges—in person if possible.

I would suggest that any exhibitor who is not satisfied with the judging of Tortie Points should always discuss the matter quietly with the judge concerned to find out the exact reason why a challenge certificate has been withheld or a cat has not done as well as expected. Very often the exhibitor finds that they can have no complaint with the judging.

I would like to make comment on another point which is also mentioned in the same issue. Dr Raleigh states that the exhibits at the Siamese Cat Club show were not as high as he would have wished and he suggests that this is caused by experimental breeding of Siamese.

This sort of statement is becoming very common. But I wonder if there is any real truth in this idea? It would require a very careful study of pedigrees over several generations to justify such ideas and I doubt if any concrete evidence would be found. I think perhaps the fact that there were two

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HONOURED IN AMERICA

We are pleased to announce that our representative, Mrs Alison Ashford, has been elected to the Breed Committee for Devon Rex of the American Cat Fanciers' Association.

THE COMPLETE CAT ENCYCLOPAEDIA

I wish to correct one of the corrections which I made in my review of *THE COMPLETE CAT ENCYCLOPAEDIA* in *FUR AND FEATHER* of November 16. The Cornish Rex kittens pictured in the encyclopaedia, Robroy Blue Filou and Robroy Apricot Brandy were bred by neither Mrs Nottingham nor Miss Coddington. They were in fact bred by Mrs Elvie Robinson of Australia from a dam Pixko Cobweb. ALISON ASHFORD.

AN APOLOGY TO MR BOYD A LANGMAN

We apologise to Mr Boyd A Langman BVSc MRCVS for the mistake in his name in Alison Ashford's report (November 16 issue) of his talk 'Parasites and associated diseases in the cat' at the Burmese Cat Club's Social on October 21.

CH PILGRIM EUDO

The name under the obituary for Ch Pilgrim Eudo (*FUR AND FEATHER*, November 16) should read Sellar, and not as printed.

CH BRADGATE TIPPEE

Mrs Dora Clarke writes: 'Contrary to persistent rumour the above well known CP Stud is not dead. He is very much alive and resents his premature obituary notices'.

Obituary

Mrs C S COLVILLE

IT IS with deep regret that I have to report the death on November 27 of Mrs C S Colville (Sonja), for four years chairman and show manager of the Essex Cat Club. Our sincere condolences go to her husband, Charlie, on his very sad loss. F E MARSHALL, hon secretary

other shows within fourteen days of the SCC show may have had more bearing on the matter. LESLEY PRING

Experimental Siamese

DR RALEIGH commented on the low standard of exhibits at the 1972 Siamese Cat Club show, and stated that experienced breeders blamed this on experimentally bred Siamese. Mrs Kent made a similar remark. I presume they referred to Tabby, Tortie and Red Points. Siamese TYPE in Britain is judged on a common standard of points for all colours and patterns. The best exhibit at this show was a Red Point male, and first and second places for Champion of Champions went to Tabby Points, against all comers, so I hardly think these varieties could have contaminated the 'pure' Siamese.

Anyone who is familiar with pedigrees of the cats at this show will be aware that very few of the Seal, Blue, Chocolate or Lilac cats had either Tabby, Tortie or Red Siamese in their pedigree.

Although not a member of the Seal Point Siamese Cat Club, I have bred more Seal Points than any other colour and recommend, if there really is a lowering of standards among them, that Seal Point breeders follow the sound breeding principles used by Tabby and Red Point Siamese breeders to improve the situation.

Personally, I think the Seal standards are as high as ever, and always use them as a yard-stick when producing 'experimentally' bred Siamese including self-coloured cats of Siamese TYPE. MAUREEN SILSON.

Animal Health Trust

I WAS horrified by the recent report in *FUR AND FEATHER* about the Veterinary Centre at Cambridge which carried out what I can only describe as frivolous, cruel and pointless research. But I feel that Mr or Mrs Newsome is wrong to think of the Animal Health Trust in the same breath.

Readers may remember that in 1970 I was unfortunate enough to lose six cats and kittens with feline infectious peritonitis. My veterinary surgeon sent me to the Small Animal Centre of the Animal Health Trust at Kennett to see Mr Wilkinson who is not only a very good veterinary surgeon but has helped cats through the FAB for many years and is doing his best to eradicate this dreadful disease. Unfortunately my cats were not cured because as yet there is no cure. The staff at Kennett are all dedicated to the health and well being of animals and every care is lavished on patients and kindness and understanding extended to the distraught owners.

My beloved Angelique was eventually put to sleep when life became a burden—I offered a post-mortem but insisted on having her body for burial. Being an undertaker's granddaughter I inspected her body. She was in perfect condition—stitched and laid like a

perfect toy. I have no doubts at all that they not only did their best for my cats but for everyone else as well.

One year later dear little Greymantle died of lymphus sarcoma. I telephoned Dr Crighton who as usual was most understanding and agreed to do a PM to ensure that there was no FIP. Mr Wilkinson did the post mortem after which bacteriology tests and three lots of histology tests were run. This is all 'research' but Greymantle had died in the comfort of her own home after three weeks home nursing and my veterinary surgeon's daily treatment.

We should be grateful that we have the dedicated few and I feel sure that apart from not having the inclination I doubt if they have the funds to do anything 'daff'.

Insufficient is known about cat diseases and those of us who have been to Kennett trust and encourage their work, it is for our cats' benefit in the end. ANN EMMOTT (Mrs), Bishops Stortford.

Selling abroad

PLEASE BE very careful before you decide to sell a cat or kitten to somebody abroad! Most of them are really nice people who care very well for their animals. But there are others, and more than one might think, who do not care at all! Everywhere in the world there are people who do not keep their cats in the proper way. Do not agree to selling before you are perfectly sure that your kitten is going to enjoy its future life and will be loved and cared for.

Some catteries on the continent may unfortunately be described as 'cat-Bergen-Belsens', real concentration camps, where the cats are housed in small pens in the loft or in cellars, excluded from daylight and without fresh air and insufficiently fed. It sounds unbelievable but it is true. Some males are kept indoors in cages. Some catteries are filthy and full of germs; some house far too many animals which are thus deprived of the necessary attention and individual care and control. In other catteries kittens die one after another.

It is most advisable to wait a bit before you export a cat or kitten in order to get the necessary reliable information. Check it. Inquire with your cat-care committee or with reliable people in the cat Fancy or abroad.

In the end, money is not so important as the health and happiness of the cats we love. Help your kittens to a good future and protect them. They deserve it! ELIZABETH L DAMSTEEG-BLAZER

I HAVE received a letter asking if I will export to Japan. Obviously the same letter will go to other breeders. On the strength of a visit to Japan the writer states that the unfavourable publicity is exaggerated.

Before anybody considers sending their kittens please read the last paragraph carefully.

If my views are not persuasive enough, study the latest photograph issued by JAWS showing two Siamese and a SH British White in a cage. I W PEARSON, Guildford.

Nothing done

OVER six weeks ago I drew the attention of the Governing Council of the Cat Fancy to the newspaper articles expressing concern of the general public about the sewing of a kitten's eyelids together. Apart from the official acknowledgement of my letter, nothing appears to have been done.

When I wrote to an MP asking for his help he asked what your official organisation had done to help.

One cannot compare this treatment to similar 'operations' on humans. Humans can say no. I W PEARSON

Judge at Oxford

I WAS delighted to be asked to officiate at the Oxford show, taking the place of Mrs Clarke who had a prior engagement. The enthusiasm of the members of this club is so noticeable through the day. I judged beautiful cats, all beautifully prepared and in tip top condition. They all appeared happy to show off their charm and charm they certainly had. I was as thrilled as the winners when later in the afternoon the trophies and prizes were presented to the winners. Such excitement, cheers and clapping as each proud owner was handed the trophy by Mrs Hamilton, the club's former hon secretary. I heartily congratulate Miss Eltenton and her willing band of helpers on this so happy successful show. MARJORIE MACALISTER

Yorkshire report

MY REPORT on foreign Lilacs at Yorkshire (page 999, *FUR AND FEATHER*, November 16) should read: 3 Gane's Sumashi Jiru, nice male, lovely long lithe kitten, good head with green eyes, good colour and texture of coat r Allaun's Darwinnie Hedimino, rather large male, coat not fine enough, bone rather heavy. GLADYS A GENTY

Cavies

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KENT CAVY CLUB

I AM delighted to report that throughout 1972 the club has progressed in a most favourable manner. Not only has membership increased but the standard and numbers of cavies at the shows have also shown rapid improvement.

The last show for this year is on December 9 (further details in advertisement at back) and here again we entertain the Essex Cavy Club in a club challenge match. I regret that so far they have always walked away with the top honours.

In January, 1973, there will be held a general meeting which I hope all club members will make an effort to attend. An agenda will be sent out shortly informing you of the time, date and items for discussion. Any member wishing any particular point to be brought up at this meeting would they please let me have the details by December 31. Also any articles or advertisements for our Year Book by this date, please.

One show date for 1973 to be noted is February 24—the Five Clubs show in Essex, where again we have a challenge match and we will be entertained by Essex Fanciers. Watch out for further details. H WOODWARD (secretary)

SCOTTISH NATIONAL CAVY CLUB

WELCOME new members J Rough, Huntly; Mr and Mrs Dolton, Dumfermline; Miss Bettina Brown, Croftamie, by Glasgow and Mr J Toghier who has rejoined the club.

The adult stock show was a very successful event and was attended by a good turn out of members. Congratulations to all who won trophies and to one of our juvenile members George Rough who had a wonderful day winning best in show with his self black boar.

Trophy winners were: The Guinness Challenge Cup, Mills Memorial Trophy, Ascole Cup, George Rough; Esplin Trophy, Hutchinson Cup, Mrs Porteous; Simple Cup, I and D Masson; Fordyce Cup, J Weir; McKelvie Cup, D Forgan.

I now require as many advertisements as possible for the 1973 year book. Let me have them as soon as you can. The cost of a full page is 75p, half-page 50p, quarter-page 35p. Closing date for receiving advertisements is December 12. I also require a few articles.

Our new club badge is now on order. This will be a much superior badge to the previous one and is very reasonable at 25p.

Subscriptions for 1973 are now being accepted. Please let me have them along with your advertisements for the year book. Adults 50p, juveniles (up to 16 years of age) and OAP's 25p. DOUGLAS RENNIE, 1 Westgate, Bucksburn, Aberdeen AB2 9UF, Scotland.



JUDITH was very flattered by the little paragraph at the bottom of *Chit Chat* in *FUR AND FEATHER* of November 16 and thanks whoever was responsible. She would like to make a slight correction. She is actually going to Ontario, not USA.

Earlier this year she had a chance of a job in North Carolina but this did not come to anything. But she has definitely settled about the job near Toronto and will be going soon.

She will be right in the centre of a hot-bed of cavy fanciers—in the territory of the powerful Ontario Cavy Club. In fact it has already been arranged that she will be met at Toronto Airport by one of our Canadian fancier friends.

One thing I shall expect, and that is that Judith will keep us informed on cavy matters in Canada. It will be interesting to hear her comments on Canadian stock.

One small point which I have noticed—the description of Cinnamon Agoutis in USA and Canada does not tally with the cinnamon Agoutis in this country. I feel that their cinnamon seem to resemble our lemon Agoutis.

However, a pair of English Cinnamons has recently arrived in Canada, so it will be interesting to hear comments from the judges over there. Judith will be able to give us first hand information on this and other points of interest.