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Chairperson's

Chat



An update from our Chairperson, Tony.

After three years we finally managed to organise a Club Show. There had been concern over the numbers who would attend so the show managers decided to hold a joint show with the Somali Cat Club at Wythall. In the event the Show was oversubscribed and entry was closed early. The show itself went smoothly with a good entry of fine Norwegians present, as you will see from the photographs. The Committee are looking for a different format for next year, especially as the present venue is not ideal, watch this space! Please make a note of the AGM which is to be a virtual meeting at 2pm on the 23rd April 2023. It would be nice to see as many of you as possible, especially as the virtual meeting avoids the necessity of travelling. If you wish to attend please let Fiona Hermon know so she can send the link and papers

Best wishes to you all,
Tony Brewood



Eastcroft Lady Evie Oddly and her rosette- photo Tabatha Brown

COMMITTEE NEWS

YOUR CLUB UPDATES

The admin work of the Committee rolls along routinely most of the time as you can imagine but I think you will all agree with the advent of Annie Rees, our Newsletter Editor and general "wiz kid" on the media side of things, the Club website and newsletter has taken on a professional, dynamic and aesthetically pleasing modern look lately. We are happy to say that Annie is receiving valuable assistance from our latest additions to the Committee, Michele Davison – Kitten List, Nicola Carrick – Annual Points Awards and Vix Rose – Social Media Co-ordinator, as there is much to do to help keep up the communications with the membership and in keeping the Club in the forefront of the public "eye".



“ *The website and newsletter has taken a professional, dynamic and aesthetically pleasing modern look....* ”

Fiona Hermon, is smoothly settling into her role for the Club as Hon Secretary and we are all well pleased with the Club staying strong and relevant in the post Covid days and the uncertainty that produced. Latterly, Fiona has presided over the changes the Committee felt were necessary with regard to our Breed Show. The Committee had decided that post-Covid the prospect of holding the annual Club Show by ourselves was no longer feasible nor sustainable, the Club having made losses, albeit modest ones, even prior to Covid.

The decision was taken after conversations with one of our former Show Managers, Di Taylor, to perhaps share with the Somali Club after they expressed their interest in sharing with us as they also had worries regarding the post-Covid situation. Many Clubs were following the same route of sharing a venue, sometimes multiple Clubs. Brian Gregory, who had been partnered by Di Taylor, had decided to retire as Show Manager after many years of looking after our Annual Show. Originally, his wife Anne Gregory, a prominent GCCF Judge and distinctive figure in the Cat Fancy had partnered him and successfully run the Club's Breed Show for many enjoyable years. Brian's health has not been the best lately and we send all our thanks and best wishes to him.

Di Taylor stepped aside as Show Manager for the new venture as she wished to show her own cats at our first joint venture and fulfilling both roles of Show Manager and exhibitor was not permissible. We thank her sincerely for stepping into the breach and helping out after the sad loss of Anne Gregory, her late friend a few years ago.



If you would like to write something for the next newsletter please direct enquiries to Annie at seidrkat@ gmail.com

COMMITTEE NEWS

The first joint show took place (in February) and proved very successful especially as far as not running at a loss was concerned and how the teams worked extremely well together. The only fly in the ointment came from the fact that the venue sadly is no longer proving to be fit for purpose (being closed down for a long period had done no favours for the venue!) nor was it large enough to accommodate the two Clubs. Unfortunately, some prospective attendees of both Clubs had needed entries to be returned because of the surprisingly larger entry numbers than had been anticipated and the hall had soon reached capacity. This has necessitated the search for a new, affordable venue that will take more cats and exhibitors, and have all the necessary facilities required. Our diligent Show Managers and the Committee are already on the case and have one in their sights. Enquiries are in hand, and plans are being made so those that were disappointed this year please be assured that next year we will accommodate all, with bells on!!

Some of you have expressed your willingness to attend next year at a new venue despite your disappointment and your continued loyalty and support of your Club's Breed Show is much appreciated. Those of you who do not actually show would of course be more than welcome at a good day out and we have the added interest of household pets and lovely Somalis who come within the same category as our beloved Norwegians. We also hope to have first rate catering available so no worries about refreshment! Volunteers to help out on the day are always very welcome too. This is your Club, all are welcome, exhibitors or not. This Committee recognises and acknowledge that former Committees and members put great effort into achieving Show status and we of the present must do all we can to honour the efforts of those gone before us to make our Club what it is today. Of course one or two of us old stagers are still kicking around!! The Committee has been heartened by the recovery of membership numbers in 2022.

We were quite disturbed at an unprecedented drop in 2021 but this appears to have been across the board affecting the GCCF Clubs because the Office of the GCCF directed that we could use numbers from earlier years (pre-Covid) on our Annual Returns. The Committee is making a continued concerted effort to encourage new memberships. We tentatively commenced an idea in 2022 of subsidised membership for the first year for kitten buyers (from our official Breeders only). The idea is that our Breeders promote membership to their kitten buyers at the subsidised rate of £3.50 single, £5 joint/family at the time of purchase. Many of these will fall by the wayside at the year-end but those numbers will assist membership annual figures and then more than likely will be replaced by the following year's kitten purchasers. We hope to establish a rolling programme. Some may well continue their membership with the Club which would be great as we are here to provide continued support should they require help or advice concerning their growing kitten on its journey to mature cat.

COMMITTEE NEWS

NOTICES

The Committee has decided to change Banks because of the charges HSBC instigated in 2022. They are charging the Club a £5 per month maintenance fee on current accounts; we have three, and a fee for each cheque banked. This is unacceptable and we shall be moving Banks probably by the end of April so that anyone wishing to make payments direct to the bank should not do so after Friday, 28 th April. After that date please contact the Hon Treasurer, Jenny Thomas.



IMPORTANT NOTICE

Please note any member wishing to make payments (for subscriptions etc) direct to the Club's bank account please contact Jenny Thomas, Hon Treasurer, to ascertain correct details, especially during the week approaching the deadline of 28 th April as reported in Committee News.

NOTICE RE SUBSCRIPTIONS: If you have not paid your subscriptions for 2023 please do so as soon as possible. Amnesty is in force regarding rejoining fees, please just get your subscriptions in, £7.50 for single membership and £10 for joint membership. These have not changed for many years and to me and I hope to you all, even in these days of rising cost of living, are still very reasonable from both aspects, the Club's and your own!
Jenny Thomas
Hon Treasurer & Membership Secretary



GCCF NEWS

New legislation – compulsory microchipping for cats 21 March 2023

Microchipping is now mandatory for cats

New legislation was introduced in England on 13th March 2023 and all cat owners must have their pets microchipped by June 10, 2024. Owners who don't get their cat microchipped will be given 21 days to have one implanted and if they don't, they could face a fine of up to £500.

This change is part of the Government's flagship Action Plan for Animal Welfare, and campaigners hope it will mean more lost or stray cats can be reunited with their owners.

How do vets insert a microchip in a cat?

Microchipping a cat isn't dissimilar to them receiving their vaccinations. The microchip is inserted via a quick injection between the cat's shoulder blades and they should experience little to no discomfort.

Once in place, the cat won't feel the chip. The actual chip sits inside a special capsule which won't break down and is designed to last for a cat's entire life.

When should I get a kitten microchipped?

There's no minimum age to have a kitten microchipped although it should be done before they go out for the first time. Many owners will do it at the same time as they're having their pet neutered when they're already under general anaesthetic. Most rescue centres will microchip kittens by the time they're eight weeks old. In any case they should be microchipped before they are let outside to explore.

Whether you're buying a kitten or welcoming an older cat into your home, microchipping them should be top of your priority list because it gives you the best chance of being reunited with them if they're lost or stolen. If you're moving house, always remember to change your address and/or phone number on the microchip.

If you move home or change contact details, it's vitally important that you get your cat's microchip updated. Contact the database where your pet is registered to change your contact details. If you know the database your pet is microchipped with, you can check details online or by phone.

If you don't know the database your pet is microchipped with, take them to your local vet or rescue centre. They'll be able to do a scan and give you the number.

CAT REHOMING

Since my last update in November there have only been two cats needing a new home together – six-year-old brothers – Odin (Silver Tabby male neuter) & Alf (Brown Tabby male neuter).

Their breeder (who is a member of the club) contacted me at the beginning of March when she was emailed by their current owner. Sadly, their owner had been in hospital for 3 weeks and would not be able to return home, as she was going to need full time care in a residential home, once she was discharged. A friend was currently caring for the cats in the owner's bungalow and though she would like to have taken them herself she was caring for her elderly mother so it wasn't possible.

Odin and Alf have been settling together into their new home,



Their breeder too was also unable to take them back. Fortunately, I had a family on our waiting list that lived relatively close by and they were ideally situated to take the two cats at very short notice. Alf & Odin have settled into their new home and updates are being sent to their previous owner as requested.

Fiona Hermon
NFCC Welfare Officer

We rely on
Donations to our
welfare fund



If you would like to make a donation to the Welfare arm of the NFCC you can do so via our paypal

For all up to date information on the NFCC Welfare scan the QR code.



We rely on genuine cat-lovers coming forward to offer homes for the cats, so if you are able to help give a Norwegian Forest Cat the life he or she deserves, please contact our Welfare Co-ordinator:
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Showing Newcomer



"Will you bring her to a show?"

No! Absolutely not! Images of cats being paraded round rings flooding my mind. Crazy cat ladies in abundance. Chorus of various pitched meows.

Two days later. Ok how do I enter?

Antonia is our first Norwegian Forest Cat. I wanted a cuddly cat, a best friend who was excited to seeme when I got home. In comes Antonia. Tail swishing, sassy struts, this cat was made to show off. The house was her runway.

Her breeder encouraged us to enter the Yorkshire and Cumberland 2021 joint show in the kitten class. If nothing else it would be great to meet up with her and show how much Antonia had grown. She told us how to prepare her, what to pack and lent us some show whites. Antonia sat very patiently whilst we trimmed her nails, cleaned her ears and gave her a good brush, she was meant for this.

So on 13 th November 2021 we walk into Doncaster Dome. Well some of us were carried in fancy carriers. I was beginning to question my decision at this point whilst carrying a very heavy kitten, all her supplies and mine too. Luckily her breeder was on hand to help with vetting in, setting up the pen, reading the catalogue and the results board. Antonia took to it whilst I was incredibly nervous.

What if the judges were mean and she hated it? And what was I going to do for three hours!? (I have now learnt breakfast is an important part of a cat show day).

Antonia did amazingly well. She came first in her open kitten class for both shows and got best of breed for the Yorkshire Cat Club Show. When we were allowed back in the hall at 1pm she was at the front of her pen, trilling to people walking past. I had nothing to worry about, she was having the best time and because she is such an attention seeker she helped me to talk to other people which I would never have done.

I now go to shows independently. Antonia is Grand Premier Calenevis Ursula and just got best female neuter at the NFCC 2023 show. It is such an honour to know on the day the judges thought she deserved to be up there. But for me I genuinely go to shows for the enjoyment and the connection it gives me to my cats. To me she is my little girl with an abundance of sass and for as long as she enjoys going, we will be there.

It is daunting showing for the first time. Even filling out the application, my second one took me eight hours! I can confirm, no cats are ran in a ring with their servants being dragged in all directions.

There are plenty of crazy cat people armed with brushed and excellent conversation. And puppy pads are not just for puppies and a necessity on car journeys.

Antonia has her own Instagram page now where I post for her and her brothers. Sometimes life gets in the way but Antonia poses for a picture and reminds me I need to post something.

You can follow us on @toni_and_floyd.

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IMPERIAL WINNER




Presentation



for Showing

Presenting a Norwegian Forest Cat for judging By Nadine Duffin

Stewards can assist a judge by presenting the cat in a manner that helps them view the hallmarks of the breed. Norwegians are a large, long strongly built breed that still maintains its elegance. They should have a deep chest and a powerful neck. To show this to the best advantage a Norwegian should be held in a slightly stretched position, with a hand under the chest just behind the cats front legs. The other hand should be placed on the upper part of the rear legs of the cat. Be careful not to put any pressure on the cats bladder, in case the cat has a full bladder as it will be uncomfortable for the cat and cause them to wiggle.



This slightly stretched position shows off the cats coat and the owners grooming. Care should be taken not to crush the cats coat by hugging the cat. This position also allows the judge to easily check the cats tail length which should reach to at least to the shoulders but preferably the neck.

From the front, the judge can see the cats head shape, showing off the equilateral triangular that is one of the hallmark of the breed. The large, oval, obliquely set eyes and the alert aristocratic expression. The judge can use a teaser to get the cats attention and to get them to hold their ears in the correct position where their ears follow the line of the head.'

Though Norwegian Forest Cats do like to have 4 paws on the floor, this is a comfortable safe position for them. Ideally exhibitors practice with their kittens into 'show pose' from a young age and rewarding them with a treat or a game with a teaser whilst in this position at home

Even large male cats can be comfortable held in this position as you can use hip to rest your elbow on of the hand holding the front of the cat and your other forearm resting on your other hip. Care should also be taken not to over stretch larger cats as their back will start to sag causing the 'washing line' look; which can put pressure on the cats spine.

Norwegian Forest Cat Club Show 2023





NFCC SHOW



Daphne Butters: The NFCC & SOMALI SHOW 18th February 2023

I would like to start by thanking the show managers, committee and exhibitors for a highly enjoyable day at the recent show. I have judged at this venue previously when it was solely used by the NFCC so had a good idea of the parking, hall layout etc. Stepping into Di and Brian's shoes as show managers, Shelagh and Kit did an amazing job. They are so very experienced and consequently the joint shows ran like clockwork. I would like to thank them personally for the tremendous amount of hard work that they did behind the scenes.

Parking here is excellent, very close to the hall so not too far to carry heavy cats, which is always a bonus. I was particularly impressed at how the two clubs (Norwegian Forest Cat Club and Somali Cat Club) worked so well together, resulting in, amongst other things, a very well run catering section – some lovely looking cakes for sale – and the judges were really well looked after, both before judging and at lunch.

Thank you to everyone who supported the show, either by entering, working or visiting. Post Covid, any breed clubs holding a show have so much to consider, most of all, would people actually support by bringing cats? Everything needed to run a show has increased in price, not least the penning/transport costs to hire the cages and a crystal ball is needed to see whether an event is actually viable and not going to suffer a huge loss. I was very pleased to learn that the event was so well supported that it was full before closing day, thank you everyone for entering!

I think that the clubs had both done a fantastic job on advertising the event and consequently the hall was particularly busy and buzzing during the afternoon with lots of visitors as well as exhibitors present. One small comment regarding this, it was very difficult to manoeuvre the trolley down the aisles in the afternoon as some people had chairs beside their pens, which made things really tight and slowed things down somewhat. At times we had to ditch the trolley, and really, the Norwegian Forest is much happier with all four feet on the table as well as it making it much easier to assess the cat. If a hall is busy and space is tight,



please consider your judges and stewards and make room for them to get the trolley through.

The quality was superb, so many lovely cats to handle. I did not envy Sandra Moore having to choose the Overall Best in Show with so many beautiful cats being in those "top" pens. Any one of them could have won the Overall Exhibit. I judged the Prefix Pairs Class, and wow, what a class that was! Nine pairs of cats entered, sadly one pair not able to be judged since one of the two cats was absent. With sixteen cats to assess as eight pairs, you may wonder how I did it. Well, I assess each cat individually and give it a "Daphne Grade", something I have used for many years, a series of ticks, pluses and minuses. Then I add up the grading for each pair to evaluate both how nice each cat is and how well they do as a pair. This enabled me to place the top three pairs in order. I really do enjoy judging the Prefix Pairs Class.

I had some great classes, my AOC Neuter Class was "a belter" and I think that I needed a lay down in a darkened room after finishing it, so many stunning cats, and on this occasion choosing BOB was really challenging. I went back and forth several times before making my final decision.

The range and quality of stalls was excellent, plenty to choose from, I'm glad that I was occupied judging or I could have come home with an empty purse! I hope that the raffle raised lots of funds for the show.

The 2023 Show was a "baby step" back into holding cat shows for both the NFCC and the Somali and I think that people probably held their breath, keeping fingers crossed and hoping that it would be a success. Well it was a massive success so huge congratulations to all involved! Together the two clubs made a great show, so much so that perhaps the time has come to look at a bigger venue. Of course, looking for a suitable venue is always such a headache for all involved, it's so difficult to find a hall that ticks all the boxes. Over the years I have been involved in evaluating numerous halls for other clubs and there is always something that could be better. I am sure that the committee, aided by the show team, members and exhibitors will come up with ideas to make the show go from strength to strength.

Young Club members Ethan Haynes & Olivia Rees volunteering on the NFCC Stall





Norsvana Solveig Vilrose

So many cats I could have taken home on the day. One was WOODS NORSVANA SOLVEIG VILROSE, an eight months old kitten, who ended up becoming Overall Best in Show, she is a real cracker with a wonderful expression. Another was my Female AOC Neuter, ROSE'S PR BOSTINFOREST TYRA, so close to getting BOB, but the one that stole my heart, definitely my "take home neuter of the day". And I fell in love with DINSDALE'S MAYSULA SMARTY PANTS, he was a real entertainer when we had him in a side class, I think he had his eyes on taking my teaser home with him after the show. My list could go on and on.

I have attended the NFCC show for more years than I can remember, as a judge's steward, committee member and judge, it is always a very special show for me, not least because of the wonderful NFC owners and breeders who go the extra mile to ensure that a good day is had by all. Thank you everyone, the 2023 Show was as good as any I have attended in the past. I loved my day out with you all. Now get planning for 2024!!!!

Daphne Butters



Bostinforest Tyra



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Pedigree Results

Olympian classes Olympian classes

Class N5: Imperial Grand Premier (Olympian class) Male - Judge: Mrs D Butters

1st ON - Gaskell's IGrPr NORMAGIKATT MATHIS, (INFO a 09) MN 17.08.2015

2nd RON - Digweed's IGrPr FORESTSHADOW YOGI, (INFO ns 09 22) MN 21.05.2018

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Class N7M: A.C. Grand Champion (Imperial class) Male - Judge: Mr J D Cohen

1st IGC - Rees' GrCh NOYNAROCK WINSTON, (INFO n 09 22) M 15.03.2016

Class N7F: A.C. Grand Champion (Imperial class) Female - Judge: Mr J D Cohen

1st IGC - Rees' GrCh NOYNAROCK MABEL, (INFO f 01 21 62) F 15.07.2015

2nd RIGC - Brewood's GrCh ENGELNORD PENELOPE, (INFO g 09) F 07.03.2018

Class N8M: A.C. Tabby or Tabby & White Champion (Grand class) Male - Judge: Mrs S Moore

1st GC - Gaskell's Ch TINGOSKATTENS WALTER, (INFO n 24) M 04.03.2019

Class N8F: A.C. Tabby or Tabby & White Champion (Grand class) Female - Judge: Mrs S Moore

1st GC - Carrick's Ch SEIDRKATTS WITCH-HAZEL, (INFO f 09 22) F 03.06.2021

Class NgM: A.C. Silver Tabby or Silver Tabby & White Champion (Grand class) Male - Judge: Mrs V

A Anderson-Drew

1st GC - Carrick's Ch VAIDURYA PERRY AGENT P, (INFO ns 09 22) M 15.07.2019

Class NgF: A.C. Silver Tabby or Silver Tabby & White Champion (Grand class) Female - Judge: Mrs V

A Anderson-Drew

1st GC - Brown's Ch MYSCHYFKITZ AMBER, (INFO ds 09 22) F 29.03.2021

Class N10: A.O.C. Champion (Grand class) - Judge: Mrs S Moore

1st GC - Gaskell's Ch BOSTINFOREST FREYA, (INFO f 09) F 13.05.2019

2nd RGC - Rees' Ch NOYNAROCK FREYDIS, (INFO as 09) F 18.09.2018

Class N11: A.C. Junior Tabby Adult - Judge: Mr J D Cohen

1st C - Handy's NORMYSTIC LADY AVALON, (INFO a 22) F 22.02.2021

BoB - Handy's NORMYSTIC LADY AVALON, (INFO a 22) F 22.02.2021

Class N14M: A.C. Senior Tabby & White Adult Male - Judge: Mrs S Moore

1st C - Handy's NORMYSTIC MR HAPPY, (INFO n 09 22) M 04.04.2020

BoB - Rees' GrCh NOYNAROCK WINSTON, (INFO n 09 22) M 15.03.2016

Class N14F: A.C. Senior Tabby & White Adult Female - Judge: Mrs S Moore

1st C - Carrick's EASTCROFT LADY EVIE ODDLY, (INFO n 09 22) F 05.06.2019

Class N15: A.C. Junior Silver Tabby or Silver Tabby & White Adult - Judge: Mrs S Moore

1st C - Handy's TINGOSKATTENS SINIA, (INFO fs 22) F 05.03.2022

BoB - Brown's Ch MYSCHYFKITZ AMBER, (INFO ds 09 22) F 29.03.2021

Class N16: A.C. Senior Silver Tabby or Silver Tabby & White Adult - Judge: Mrs V A Anderson-Drew

BoB - Carrick's Ch VAIDURYA PERRY AGENT P, (INFO ns 09 22) M 15.07.2019

Class N17: A.C. Junior A.O.C. Adult - Judge: Mrs D Butters

1st C - Gaskell's BOSTINFOREST POPPY, (INFO f 09) F 30.09.2021

2nd - Brown's MYSCHYFKITZ FROUFROU, (INFO fs 09) F 27.03.2022

BoB - Gaskell's BOSTINFOREST POPPY, (INFO f 09) F 30.09.2021



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Class N21M: A.C. Tabby & White Kitten (14 weeks to 6 months) Male - Judge: Mr J D Cohen

1st - Adams-Everitt & Everitt's BOSTINFOREST FRODO BAGGINS. (INFO n og 22) MN 24.10.2022

BoB - Adams-Everitt & Everitt's BOSTINFOREST FRODO BAGGINS. (INFO n og 22) MN 24.10.2022

Class N21F: A.C. Tabby & White Kitten (14 weeks to 6 months) Female - Judge: Mr J D Cohen

1st - Rees' SEIDRKATTS ERIKKA. (INFO e og 22) F 12.09.2022

2nd - Westmoreland & Smith's GALDRKATT YRSA TABITHA. (INFO n og 22) F 22.08.2022

Class N24: A.C. Silver Tabby or Silver Tabby & White Kitten (6 months to 9 months) - Judge: Mrs S

Moore

1st - Dinsdale's MAYSULA SMARTY PANTS. (INFO as 23) MN 03.07.2022

2nd - Cox's BOSTINFOREST MAGNUS. (INFO ns 22) MN 07.06.2022

BoB - Dinsdale's MAYSULA SMARTY PANTS. (INFO as 23) MN 03.07.2022

Class N26M: A.O.C. Kitten (6 months to 9 months) Male - Judge: Mrs D Butters

1st - Cox-Davies' BOSTINFOREST TORBEN. (INFO ns) MN 07.06.2022

2nd - Gaskell's BOSTINFOREST JORGEN. (INFO ns) M 07.06.2022

3rd - Whittingham's SANNVENN DONATELLO. (INFO a og) M 08.07.2022

Class N26F: A.O.C. Kitten (6 months to 9 months) Female - Judge: Mrs D Butters

1st - Wood's NORSVANA SOLVEIG VILROSE. (INFO ns og) F 15.06.2022

BoB - Wood's NORSVANA SOLVEIG VILROSE. (INFO ns og) F 15.06.2022

Class N27M: A.C. Grand Premier (Imperial class) Male - Judge: Mr J D Cohen

1st IGP - Currie's GrPr NORSVANA FORSETTI. (INFO ds 11) MN 05.09.2018

2nd RIGP - Brewood's GrPr ENGELNORD GABRIEL. (INFO e og 22) MN 07.03.2018

Class N27F: A.C. Grand Premier (Imperial class) Female - Judge: Mr J D Cohen

1st IGP - Leeming & Lodge's GrPr CALENEVIS URSULA. (INFO gs 22) FN 10.05.2021

2nd RIGP - Rose's GrPr LANDSKER CALYPSO'S RAINBOW. (INFO fs og 23) FN 19.08.2016

Class N28: A.C. Tabby or Tabby & White Premier (Grand class) - Judge: Mr J D Cohen

1st GP - Handy's Pr NORMYSTIC LORD KALIL. (INFO d og 22) MN 23.05.2015

Class N29: A.C. Silver Tabby or Silver Tabby & White Premier (Grand class) - Judge: Mrs V A

Anderson-Drew

1st GP - Duffin's Pr CATTICUS MALAYA. (INFO fs 23) FN 17.04.2019

2nd RGP - Duffin's Pr CATTICUS BELLONA. (INFO as og 22) FN 25.05.2019

Class N30: A.O.C. Premier (Grand class) - Judge: Mr J D Cohen

1st GP - Rose's Pr BOSTINFOREST TYRA. (INFO f) FN 21.08.2020



BEST IN SHOW REPORTS

Overall Best In Show & Best Kitten

WOODS NORSVANA SOLVEIG VILROSE (INFO ns 09) F, 15.06.2022

Black Smoke & White. This female just oozes NFC type and expression, she is a really lovely example of the breed. She later ended up becoming Overall Best in Show, congratulations to her owner/breeder. Large well furnished ears and I loved her white eyebrow lashes, they contrast so well with the black forehead. The ear outer edges follow the outer lines of the clear triangular head. She has a beautiful expression and really looks down at you, just what I love! Oval shaped green gold eyes, sitting in a wonderful true oblique setting. Long straight line to the nose, just a tiny hint of a bump at the tip. Firm chin. Long large well muscled body, very well grown and felling really substantial especially for a female kitten. Very well boned legs, she stands slightly taller on the back legs as they are slightly longer. Large round white paws, wonderful tufts between the toes. Tail easily reached the shoulders, it was very well furnished and bushy. Well developed coat, especially for a kitten, she has a woolly undercoat and lots of longer water resistant guardhairs which are of good slightly harsh texture. A true "Sylvester Cat", predominantly black with white up the nose, bib, underbody and paws. She is a solid black rather than black smoke, however, there are no points for colour so I did not take this into account when judging her. Lovely to handle and a fine example of the Norwegian Forest Cat and breeder.

JUDGE DAPHNE BUTTERS

Overall Best Adult

REES GRCH NOYNAROCK WINSTON (INFO n 09 22) Smashing Brown

Classic Tabby & White. A big lad of generous proportions, almost seven years of age and on the day looking truly majestic and a real ambassador of the breed and his temperament was second to none. In full coat with a ruff framing his large and impressive head, a well nourished body of shall we say, ample proportions thick neck and broad in the beam with solid well boned legs ending with large tufted paws. Thick double coat with a weatherproof top coat, the tabby pattern is well defined with white to a blaze chest tummy and legs, his long and flowing tail completes what is a lovely example of the breed, and breeder.

JUDGE SANDRA MOORE

Overall Best Neuter

OLY, GASKELL'S IGRPR NORMAGIKATT MATHIS, (INFO a 09), MN.17.08.2015

Blue & White. Lovely triangular head shape with a long ruler straight nasal profile and quite firm chin when viewed from the side. Large ears, very well furnished and sitting high and well opened, the outer edges follow the outer headlines well. Large oval shaped green eyes, sitting in a very pleasing oblique set which really does make him look down his nose at you, a lovely NFC expression. Wonderful large long muscular body, supported by well boned limbs and big round tufted paws. His back legs are clearly slightly longer than the fronts when he stands on the table. Long bushy tail reaching the shoulders. Currently in full winter coat with lots of woolly undercoat and very pleasing topcoat of slightly harsher water repellent glossy guardhairs. Full ruff and knickerbockers. Attractive mid blue and pristine white bicolour coat. In a class full of lovely males, it was his clear triangular head and ruler straight profile, as well as the coat development that won him the certificate today. I see that he later became Best Male Neuter in Show, my congratulations to his owner and breeder.

JUDGE DAPHNE BUTTERS



BEST IN SHOW



**OVERALL BEST IN SHOW:
NORSVANA SOLVEIG VILROSE,
(INFO ns 09)**

Best of variety
Best Norwegian Forest Kitten
**NORSVANA SOLVEIG VILROSE, (INFO
ns 09)**

Tracy Wood of Norsvana: commented on her cat Norsvana Solveig Vilrose: "We had a lovely day at the nfcc show and were thrilled by the results. Thank you to all the club organisers and judges.

Solveig was bred by myself and is the sweetest of girls, I'm hoping to breed from her in the future. She takes everything in her stride and I'm exceptionally proud of her"





BEST ADULT



OVERALL BEST ADULT
GrCh NOYNAROCK WINSTON,
(INFO n 09 22)

Best of variety
Best Norwegian Forest Adult
GrCh NOYNAROCK WINSTON, (INFO
n 09 22)

Annie Rees of Seidrkatts commented on her cat GrCh Noynarock Winston: "We are absolutely thrilled for our cat Winston to win the Best Adult, it was so exciting seeing him up in the pens at the front and he certainly put on a show, he also along with his sister Gr Ch Noynarock Mabel, both bred by Linda Grant won the 1st place for prefix pairs. Absolutely brilliant day for us."





BEST NEUTER



OVERALL BEST NEUTER
IGrPr NORMAGIKATT MATHIS, (INFO
a 09)

Best of variety
Best Norwegian Forest Neuter
IGrPr NORMAGIKATT MATHIS, (INFO
a 09)

Rachel & Stewart Gaskell of Bostinforest commeted when asked. "He was very proud of himself and wanted to keep the bottle of bubbly. But we told him that was for his human slaves. He backed down and said OK, I'll just keep my special blanket. Bred by Jeannete Hughes. He also won Best in show neuter in 2019!"





SHOW Gallery







BREEDER LIST

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SUSSEX	CASMEXKATTS	ANNETTE SWIERS	www.casmexkatts.co.uk
SOUTH YORKSHIRE	GALDRKATT	ROBERT WESTMORLAND	www.galdrkatt.co.uk
STAFFORDSHIRE	ZIVANNAZ	ANN MORGAN and JULIE GRAHAM	www.zivannaz.co.uk
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CAT POISON

Continued...

There's a reason why cats are known for their curiosity and it can sometimes get them into trouble. While they are more careful eaters than dogs, they can be poisoned by licking things off their paws or coat, and common things around the house can be toxic. Here are the top cat poisons to look out for.....

Painkillers

The way a cat's body works is very different to humans, so you shouldn't ever give your cat any drugs meant for people. Painkillers are particularly dangerous, especially paracetamol and ibuprofen. Although vets do sometimes prescribe human medicines for cats, the dosage is very complex so don't try it at home.

Mice and rat poison

Rodenticides can be toxic for your cat, either by coming into contact with the poison directly or by eating a mouse that has been poisoned. If you have a pet, it's much safer to find another way to get rid of your unwanted house guests.

Flea or tick products

Spot-ons, flea collars, powders and shampoos are a common cause of poisoning in cats. This is usually down to using a treatment that was meant for dogs, giving them the wrong dose or using two types of treatment together. It's always better to buy your products from a vet but, if you do get a shop-bought product, make sure you follow the directions very carefully.

Lilies

Even a dusting of pollen on a cat's coat is enough to cause a reaction to many types of lily, including Easter, tiger and oriental lilies. Cat owners should avoid having lilies in the house. While most cats tend to ignore plants, kittens and indoor cats are more prone to chewing them so, if you have an indoor cat, you might want to consider avoiding houseplants all together.

Antifreeze

If you use antifreeze make sure your cat is out of the way and store it safely and securely away from prying paws. Don't forget to mop up any pools of spilled antifreeze so your cat won't come into contact with it.

Paint remover

Keep your cat out of the room when you're using products like white spirit and turpentine and, if your cat does get paint on their fur, don't try to take it off yourself – that's a job for the vet!

Slug pellets

If you want to get rid of slugs, it's best to either use a non-toxic form of slug control or cover treated areas with chicken wire so your cat can't get to them.

Coal/tar-based products

This includes things like creosote and disinfectants that turn cloudy when mixed with water. Most diluted cleaning products are fine if the directions on the label are followed properly, but keep them out of the way to be on the safe side and contact your vet if your cat drinks a significant amount.

Onions

Onions contain a substance that can be toxic for cats and, even when it's just used as flavouring in food, it can cause problems. Either way, onion or no onion, giving your cat scraps from the dinner table seems like a nice treat but they might not thank you later when they're suffering from a poorly stomach. If you want to use treats, for example during training, stick to ones made especially for cats and remember that most treats are high in calories and fat.

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GCCF NEWS

UPCOMING SHOWS

North of Britain Longhair & Semi Longhair Cat Club
The Venue, Stocksbridge 650 Manchester Road, Stockbridge, Sheffield
Sharing with Siberian Cat Club / Northern Birman CC
Entries close 27th March
SAT8
8 April 2023

Shorthair & All Breed Cat Club of Scotland
Lomond Centre Woodside Way, Glenrothes, Fife
Entries close 20th March
SAT8
8 April 2023 @ 8:00 am - 5:00 pm
Lomond Centre Woodside Way, Glenrothes, Fife
Entries close 20th March
SUN 9 April 2023

Essex Cat Club
Crook Log Leisure Centre Brampton Road, Bexleyheath, Kent
Sharing with London CC
Entries close 21st March
SUN9
9 April 2023

London Cat Club
Crook Log Leisure Centre Brampton Road, Bexleyheath, Kent
Sharing with Essex CC
Entries close 21st March
SAT 15 April 2023

Black & White Cat Club
Cricklade Town Hall High Street, Cricklade, Swindon, Wiltshire
Entries close 28th March
Entries accepted to 4pm on Sunday 2nd April
SUN 16 April 2023

SABCCI & GCCFI Shows
Ballinteen Community School Broadford Road, Ballinteen, Dublin 16
Schedule available after 16th January
SUN16
16 April 2023

Gwynedd Cat Club
George H Carnall Leisure Centre Kingsway Park, Urmston, Manchester, Lancashire
Sharing with Manchester & District CC / British Ragdoll CC
Entries close 31st March 2023
Upgrades accepted until 5pm on 9th April 2023
SUN 23 April 2023

Manchester & District Cat Club
George H Carnall Leisure Centre Kingsway Park, Urmston, Manchester, Lancashire
Sharing with Gwynedd CC / British Ragdoll CC
Entries close 31st March
Upgrades accepted until 5pm on 9th April 2023
SUN 23 April 2023

NorEast of Scotland Cat Club
The Caird Hall, City Square, High Street, Dundee, Tayside
Sharing with Siamese CS of Scotland
Entries close 10th April
SAT 29 April 2023

Bedford & District Cat Club
Luton Sports Village Butterfield Green Road, Luton, Bedfordshire
Sharing with Bucks Oxon & Berks Cat Society
Entries close 10th April
SUN 30 April 2023

Central All Breed Cat Club
Perdiswell Leisure Centre Bilford Road, Worcester, Worcestershire
Sharing with Midland Counties CC / Progressive Ragdoll Breed CC
Entries close 12th April
SUN 7 May 2023

Midland Counties Cat Club
Perdiswell Leisure Centre Bilford Road, Worcester, Worcestershire
Sharing with Central All Breed CC / Progressive Ragdoll Breed CC
Entries close 12th April
SUN 7 May 2023

Suffolk & Norfolk Cat Club
The Equestrian Centre, Moulton Equestrian Centre Pitsford Centre, Gate 4, Moulton, Northampton, Northants
Sharing with Burmese CS
Entries close 3rd May
SAT 27 May 2023

Durham County Cat Club
Temple Park Centre John Reid Road, South Shields, Tyne & Wear
Sharing with Northern Counties CC
Schedule available after 27th February
SAT 27 May 2023

Northern Counties Cat Club
Temple Park Centre John Reid Road, South Shields, Tyne & Wear
Sharing with Durham County CC
SAT 3 June 2023



GCCF NEWS

UPCOMING SHOWS

Bristol & District Cat Club
Thornbury Leisure Centre Alveston Hill,
Thornbury, Bristol
Sharing with Cambria CC
Entries close 12th May
SAT 3 June 2023

Cambria Cat Club
Thornbury Leisure Centre Alveston Hill,
Thornbury, Bristol
Sharing with Bristol & District CC
Entries close 12th May
SAT 3 June 2023

Merseyside Cat Club
Sutton Leisure Centre Elton Head Road,
Sutton, Saint Helens, Merseyside
Sharing with Devon Rex Owners Club /
LaPerm CC
Entries close 19th May
SAT 10 June 2023

Kensington Cat Club
Sports Connexion Leisure Club & Venue
Leamington Road., Ryton on Dunsmore,
Coventry, Warwickshire
Sharing with Herts & Middx CC
Schedule available after 17th March
17 JUNE 2023

Lakeland & District Cat Club
Kendal Leisure Centre Burton Road, Kendal,
Cumbria
Entries close 1st June
SAT 17 June 2023

Herts & Middx Cat Club
Sports Connexion Leisure Club & Venue
Leamington Road., Ryton on Dunsmore,
Coventry, Warwickshire
Sharing with Kensington CC

Colourpoint & All Breed Society of Great
Britain
Thornbury Leisure Centre Alveston Hill,
Thornbury, Bristol
Sharing with Wiltshire & District CC /
Colourpoint & All Breed Society of GB
Schedule available after 1st April
1 July 2023

Wiltshire & District Cat Club
Thornbury Leisure Centre Alveston Hill,
Thornbury, Bristol
Sharing with Colourpoint & All Breed Society
of GB / Wiltshire & District CC
Schedule available after 1st April
1 July 2023

Scotia Cat Fanciers
Lawrie & Symington Ltd. Lanark Agricultural
Centre Muirglen, Hyndford Road, Lanark
Schedule available after 8th April
15 July 2023

East Sussex Cat Club
Lockmeadow Market Barker Road, Maidstone,
Kent
Schedule available after 15th April
16 July 2023

Suffolk Breed Cat Club
Sports Connexion Leisure Club & Venue
Leamington Road., Ryton on Dunsmore,
Coventry, Warwickshire
Sharing with Short haired CS plus other breed
clubs
Schedule available after 29th April
29 JULY 2023

Wessex Cat Club
Fleming Park Leisure Centre Passfield Avenue,
Eastleigh, Southampton, SO50 9NL
Sharing with Three Counties CS / Tabby
Pointed Siamese CS
Schedule available after 12th May
SAT 12 August 2023

Three Counties Cat Society
Fleming Park Leisure Centre Passfield Avenue,
Eastleigh, Southampton, SO50 9NL
Sharing with Wessex CC / Tabby Pointed
Siamese CS
Schedule available after 12th May
SAT 12 August 2023

Chester & North Wales Cat Club
Th Northgate Arena Victoria Road, Chester
Schedule available after 12th May
SAT 19 August 2023

Teesside Cat Club
Spennymoor Leisure Centre 24 High Street,
Spennymoor, Co Durham
Sharing with Northern British Long & Shorthair
CC
Schedule available after 26th May
SAT 26 August 2023

West of England & South Wales Cat Society
Thornbury Leisure Centre Alveston Hill,
Thornbury, Bristol
Schedule available after 26th May
SAT 26 August 2023



GCCF NEWS

UPCOMING SHOWS

Northern British Long & Shorthair Cat Club
Spennymoor Leisure Centre 24 High Street,
Spennymoor, Co Durham
Sharing with Teesside CC
Schedule available after 26th May
SAT 26 AUGUST 2023

Wyvern Cat Club
Sports Connexion Leisure Club & Venue
Leamington Road., Ryton on Dunsmore,
Coventry, Warwickshire
Sharing with Exotic CC / Tonkinese Breed Club
Schedule available after 2nd June
SAT 2 September 2023

Somerset Cat Club
Thornbury Leisure Centre Alveston Hill,
Thornbury, Bristol
Sharing with Sphynx CC / West Country CC
Schedule available after 9th June
SAT 9 September 2023

West Country Cat Club
Thornbury Leisure Centre Alveston Hill,
Thornbury, Bristol
Sharing with Somerset CC / Sphynx CC
Schedule available after 9th June
SUN 10 September 2023

Cork Cat Club
Scoil Mhuire Gan Smal Old Blarney Road,
Shean Lower, Blarney, Co. Cork
Schedule available after 10th June
SAT 10 September 2023

Cheshire Area Cat Club
Sutton Leisure Centre Elton Head Road,
Sutton, Saint Helens, Merseyside
Sharing with Selkirk Rex CC
Schedule available after 16th June
SAT 16 September 2023

Edinburgh & East of Scotland Cat Club
Queen Margaret University Queen Margaret
University Drive, Musselburgh, East Lothian
Schedule available after 16th June
SAT 16 September 2023

South Western Counties Cat Club
Wellspring Leisure Centre Cheddon Road,
Taunton, Somerset
Sharing with South-West British Shorthair CC
Schedule available after 23rd June
SAT 23 September 2023
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Kentish Cat Society
Lockmeadow Market Barker Road, Maidstone,
Kent
Schedule available after 14th July
SUN 15 October 2023

Siamese & All Breed Cat Club of Ireland &
GCCFI Support
Schedule available after 15th July

Supreme Show
Stoneleigh Park Kenilworth, Warwickshire
Schedule available after 21st July
SAT 21 October 2023
ailable after 26th May
SAT 26 August 2023

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