

Judge Mrs Jane Tackley

The Bristol & District Cat Club 8th Championship show Saturday 8th May 2010

I was called in to judge when Mr Gillson fell ill, I do hope you are recovering Tony and that I shall see you soon. I 'inherited' some lovely cats to judge - my husband once again stepping into the breach to steward for me, as there was no time to organise a local one. I know you enjoyed your day Barrie! and thank you for marking up my catalogue once again.

Imperial - AV SLH Gr Premier Neuter Male

1st IGR PR Stables IGR PR MERLIESIN CAISEAL BEAG (63) MN 26.10.2003

A 6 and a half year old usual Somali of quality, he is shown in excellent physical condition, displaying wonderful balance. He has a firm and lithe muscular body, with a level back. The head is a moderate wedge, the profile lines show gentle contours. Viewing from the front a shallow indentation forms the muzzle, the nose profile shows a slight nose break. Level bite, firm chin, tile red nose leather. Fairly large well furnished ears, these are pricked and well cupped. Large and expressive hazel coloured eyes, they are almond in shape and oblique in set. The eyes are accentuated by a dark surround and encircled by lighter coloured spectacles, striking black pencil lines to the face. The legs are long with black heels, the oval shaped paws have black tufts between the toes. The body coat is soft and fine to the touch, it is medium in length and rich golden brown in colour. The base coat is apricot, and today showing well defined black ticking. There is darker shading along the spine line, where the coat lies flat. The chest, belly, breeches and under the tail are a rich apricot colour. Medium length neck ruff and quite full breeches. The tail is long and well furnished it tapers slightly, the tail tip is black. What a gentleman he is, expertly presented as always.

2nd RIGR PR Newman's GR PR DAIRYMAINE KASABIEN (64 19) MN 03.08.2006

A 3 year 9 months old red tabby Maine Coon of substantial size and boning and showing good type. He has a long body with proportionate limbs, creating the typical rectangular appearance of the Maine Coon breed. A moderate length neck, this is thick, muscular an extremely masculine exhibit. Medium length head, strong square muzzle, level bite and firm chin. Large ears, wide at their base set high in the head but fairly well apart. Fairly full cheeks, medium length nose, the profile shows the desired shallow concave curve. Full and round expressive eyes, placed wide apart and slightly oblique in their set. Substantially boned legs and large strong rounded paws. The body coat is a good length for time of year, and shows dramatic rich red tabby markings on a bright apricot agouti ground. Not an easy colour especially in this particular hall lighting, the contrasts relying completely on the richness of the red which is very good on Kasabien. Full frontal ruff, shaggy breeches and tummy fur. Long well furnished flowing tail easily reaching to the shoulders. Masculine he may be, but gentle in nature and beautifully presented.

Imperial - AV SLH Gr Premier Neuter Female

1st & IGR PR to Hawes IGR CH & GR PR GLENPETER CONCERTO (13c2) FN 28.08.2001

Almost 9 years old blue point Birman lady, strong and well boned body frame, long in the body and a good weight for this breed, but retaining her femininity. She has a broad and rounded skull, the medium blue grey ears are placed well apart on her head. Strong and rounded muzzle, desired slight dip to the profile, level bite and firm tapering chin. A tiny amount of pigmentation loss inside the upper lip, the nose leather is slate grey. Dense blue grey mask, this extends across her wide rounded cheeks, the mask is connected to the ears by feminine tracings. Expressive almost round eyes of a good blue, they generate the typical sweet Birman expression. Clean pure white feet, the front gloves are full and matching, finishing across the angle formed by the paw and leg. The back socks a good match, the gauntlets are full these taper and finish half way up the back of the legs. Medium length thick set legs and strong paws, the points colouring to the legs an even shade of blue-grey. Well furnished blue-grey tail to balance the body. The full length bluish white body coat is silky soft to the touch, there is a small amount of surface shading to the lower back and shoulders, but still generating fabulous contrasts. Clear unshaded underbody and well groomed slightly curled tummy fur. Full length neck and chest ruff (how does she do this in May?). So lovely to see these mature strong Birmans. A proper 'lady' perfect manners and so beautiful with it, expert grooming - a walking standard of points - no more to say!

2nd & RIGR PR to Stables IGR CH & GR PR CANONNA MERLIESIN MELODY (63b) FN 15.07.1999

A 10 year 9 months old chocolate Somali lady of good type, she is in excellent condition for her age, her body feels firm, lithe and muscular. The head shape is a moderate wedge set on an elegant neck. She has a gently rounded muzzle, this I would not want to be any shorter. The nose viewed in profile shows the desired slight break. The bite is level and the chin is strong. The ears are fairly large, well cupped and tufted, there is good width between. The green eyes are expressive, almond shaped and oblique in their set. Attractive dark eye rims are encircled by light coloured spectacles. Clear chocolate coloured pencil markings to the face. Long legs and oval tufted feet, the heels and toe tufts are dark chocolate. Well furnished tail, this is broad at the base and tapers slightly towards the tip, the tail tip is dark chocolate. The medium length coat is dense, and feels soft and fine to the touch. The body coat is a warm chestnut brown, the base coat is apricot clearly ticked with dark chocolate. The coat lies flat along the spine line where it is darker, also darker along the upper surface of the tail. Attractive rich apricot coloured chest, belly, inside of legs and breeches. Medium length feminine neck ruff and breeches. Beautifully presented for the show, as ever an outstanding and patient show temperament.

Grand - AOV SLH Champion Adult Male

1st & GR CC Saville's **CH COONTASTIC TANGERINE DREAM** (64 41dw) M 10.03.2009

Just over 1 year old red and white Maine Coon of excellent size and substance, he is long in the body and is very well grown. A solid and muscular exhibit, with substantially boned proportionate limbs, he has the typical rectangular appearance of the Maine Coon. Medium length head, fairly full cheeks with high cheek bones, excellent strong square muzzle, this is white. Very good ear set, these are large and tall well furnished and placed high on the head. Level bite and strong chin, uniform width to the nose and correct concave curve to the nasal bridge. Expressive full and round green eyes they are slightly oblique in set. The body coat shows rich red tabby markings, there is an attractive butterfly marking to the shoulders. He has a pure white frontal ruff, strong white legs, well tufted paws and a white shaggy underbody. Full breeches, a long and flowing rich red tail, wide at the base and tapering to the tip. Very good balance to this young gentleman, a delightful temperament and well presented.

2nd & RGR CC Handy's **CH NORMYSTIC LORD BURR** (67 20) M 02.05.2009

A 1 year old brown tabby Norwegian of very good type, strongly built long and muscular and still developing! Triangular head shape, long and straight profile no break in the line. Slightly rounded forehead, level bite and firm chin. Large well tufted ears with good width to their base. Oval shaped green eyes, they are obliquely set with an alert expression. High on his legs, the back legs noticeably higher than the front legs. Long and bushy tail, this easily reaching to the shoulders. Excellent texture to the body coat, striking black markings on the copper agouti ground. Obvious woolly undercoat, covered by a smooth water repellent overcoat. Medium length shirt-front and knickerbockers. An elegant young Norwegian, he is impressive already for this slow maturing breed. Excellent temperament and presentation.

Grand - AOV SLH Champion Adult Female

1st & GR CC Saville's **CH ISHCUS FANNIE MAE** (64 41e) F 20.01.2008

A 2 year 3 months old tortie classic tabby Maine Coon of excellent type, she is long in the body and of good substance. Mae stands on strong substantially boned legs, the paws are large, round and well tufted. Medium length head, square muzzle and a firm chin. Fairly full cheeks and high cheek bones. The ears are large and tall, well furnished set high on the head but well apart. Uniform width to the nose, this shows a shallow concave curve at the nasal bridge. Level bite. Full and round green eyes, spaced wide apart in a slightly oblique set. Well presented glossy top coat showing dramatic black tabby markings on a warm copper agouti ground, this is overlaid and intermingled with shades of dark and light red. Quite a good length frontal ruff, clean well groomed shaggy belly fur and breeches. Full length well furnished beautifully intermingled flowing tail to balance her long body. A strong but feminine exhibit, with an excellent show temperament.

2nd & RGR CC Mansell's **CH FORESTSHADOW CAJSA** (67 18a) F 18.04.2008

A 2 year old blue silver Norwegian female of very good type and substance, she is well boned and a good weight for her age. Triangular head shape, good straight profile, level bite and firm chin. Alert expression to her lovely green eyes, these are oblique in their set. Ears placed high on the head, with lynx-like tufts. I would prefer the ears just a little larger for better balance. High on her legs, the back legs longer than the front. The tail is long and bushy and reaches past the shoulders. The body coat has the desired slightly harsh texture and is a most attractive colour. Quite a thick undercoat, the top coat has long and coarse guard hairs to the back and sides. Medium length shirt-front and knickerbockers. A little reluctant to come out of her pen today, after some gentle persuading she was fine. Nicely presented exhibit.

Grand - AC Birman Premier Neuter Male

1st & GR PC Ensor's **PR KITTAAH ODYSSEUS** (13c5) MN 25.10.2007

A massive well built 2year 6 months old red point male Birman of good type, long in the body, muscular and of substantial boning. Broad and rounded skull, medium size flame red ears set well apart on the head. Medium length nose, showing the required slight dip to the profile, pink nose leather and level bite. Expressive eyes of a good blue, they are round in shape but not bold. Strong rounded muzzle and firm chin. Full rich red mask, this extends across the wide rounded cheeks, whisker pads and chin. Clean white feet, the front gloves are full and matching, on the right glove white creeps up a little on the outside, behind this glove white travels up to and around the stopper pad but not past. Medium length back socks and long tapering gauntlets reaching to the hocks both gauntlets trickle off to the inside. Medium length thick set legs of substantial bone, and strong paws. Points colouring to the legs a uniform pale red. Full silky soft pale cream body coat, shaded across the shoulders and lower back but still generating good contrasts. Good length well furnished flame red tail to balance the body. A clean and well groomed underbody. Excellent patient nature to this exhibit. I have always admired this Birman, his size, type and temperament. Congratulations on making Grand Premier today, well deserved in this large class of excellent Birmans.

2nd & RGR PC Slevin's **PR ASHANNAS PRINCE OF PEACE** (13c2) MN 19.04.2005

Another massive 5 year old blue point Birman of excellent type, long bodied with substantial boning, he ran my winner very close. Broad and rounded skull, well set blue-grey medium size ears. Almost round expressive eyes of medium blue, medium length nose and excellent profile. Full blue-grey mask, extending across the wide rounded cheeks and chin, the mask is connected to the ears by tracings. Strong rounded muzzle, level bite and firm chin. Excellent symmetrical feet markings, full pure white gloves, medium length back socks. Long tapering gauntlets, finishing just below the hocks. Medium length thick set legs, strong rounded paws. Points colouring to all legs a uniform blue-grey. Well furnished blue-grey tail to balance his long muscular body. Full silky soft body coat, rather shady across the shoulders at present, clear at roots, full neck and chest ruff. Clear underbody and slightly curled tummy fur. Excellent show temperament, careful show preparation he is a most impressive Birman.

Grand - AC Birman Premier Neuter Female

1st & GR PC Hawes IGR CH & GR PR GLENPETER CONCERTO (13c2) FN
28.08.2001

2nd & RGR PC Sedgwick's GR CH & GR PR CATWO ASYOULIKEIT (13c5) FN
15.08.2002

A 7 year 8 months old red point Birman of good type. She is long in the body, and retaining good weight for her age. Broad rounded skull, the medium size flame red ears are placed well apart on the head. Strong and rounded muzzle, level bite and firm tapering chin. The medium length nose shows the desired slight dip to the profile, with a few attractive freckles. Almost round but not bold expressive eyes of a clear pale blue. Her flame red mask does not cover her whisker pads today, and this loses the definition of her rounded cheeks. Clean white paws, the front gloves are low across the angle formed by the paw and leg, right glove slightly lower than left. medium length back socks, good length tapering gauntlets, these finish just below the hocks. Medium length thick set legs, the points colouring to the legs a uniform pale red. Excellent very well prepared pale cream body coat, it is full soft and silky. Full feminine neck ruff and well groomed unshaded underbody. Flame red well furnished medium length tail to balance. Good temperament and presentation, nice to see her again.

Open - Chocolate or Lilac Point Birman Adult Female

1st CC & BoB Quentin's SHAELITH JASMINE (13c4) F 01.05.2009

A 1 year old lilac point Birman of very good type, she is long in the body and has fairly substantial boning. Broad head, medium size ears set well apart on the head. Strong and rounded muzzle, level bite and firm chin. Deep blue expressive eyes, these are round in shape but not bold. Medium length to nose which viewed in profile shows the desired slight dip. Full lilac face mask, this covers her fairly wide still developing cheeks, there is rather a tarnished effect around the outer edges of the mask. Clean white paws showing symmetrical feet markings on both the front gloves and socks. Good tapering gauntlets, these finished half way up the back of the legs. Medium length thick set legs, the points colouring to the legs rather patchy at present. Good length well furnished tail, again the colour here pale and brindled. Medium length magnolia body coat, this is clean and has been well prepared, short neck ruff and clear unshaded underbody. The points colouring to this young Birman at present are very unsettled and spoil the overall appearance of quiet a nice young Birman. I debated long and hard about awarding the CC to her today, but gave the benefit because I like her type. I wondered if she had been calling excessively which I know causes severe brindling in some Birmans. I had a long talk with her breeder in the afternoon, I do hope her colour settles as she matures. Lovely nature, she was calling on the day so thoroughly enjoyed the extra attention!

Open - Red, Cream or Tortie Point Birman Adult Male

1st CC & BoB to Bailey's **NICADAEMUS DANSE DEFEU** (13c5) M 23.06.2009

A 10 month old red point Birman of very good type size and boning, he is long in the body and showing good balance for his age. Broad and rounded skull, flame red medium size ears set well apart on the head. Medium length nose, the profile showing a slight dip, there is a small bump towards the nose end. The bite is level, muzzle strong and rounded. Almost round eyes of medium blue. Symmetrical white feet markings, full front gloves, medium length back socks. The gauntlets taper well and finished half way up the back of the legs. Medium length thick set legs, points colouring to the legs is pale red and a little unsettled at present. Well furnished flame red tail, this balances the body length. Pale cream full length body coat, medium length neck and chest ruff, clear well groomed underbody. A promising young red point Birman, possessing a playful but gentle nature.

2nd Blewitt's **PURPURITE JASPER JOHNS** (13c7) M 10.06.2009

Another 10 month old young man, this time a cream point, impressive and substantial boning he is the largest in this class, displaying good Birman type. Broad rounded skull, medium size cream ears placed wide on the head. Expressive almost round blue eyes, they are not bold. The bite is level, muzzle rounded and strong, medium length nose, the profile shows the required slight dip. Full cream mask to the face, this extended across his wide still developing cheeks. Rather asymmetrical front gloves and difficult to see in the hall lighting. The right glove is very generous and white travels up past the crease formed by the paw and leg, the left glove also appears to be too high. Good length back socks and tapering gauntlets. Medium length thick set legs, strong rounded paws. Points colouring to the legs a fairly uniform pale cream. Good length well furnished cream tail to balance the body. Thick and soft off-white body coat, medium length neck and chest ruff, clean unshaded underbody. Excellent temperament and very well presented.

3rd Davies **CARRISMOON AUTUMN GLOW** (13c5) M 09.04.2009

Another nice young red he is 1 year 1 months old, not as heavily boned as the other two, but substantial for his age and well balanced. Fairly broad head, medium size the flame red ears set well apart on the head. Strong muzzle, pink nose leather, the cheeks are still developing. The flame red mask almost extended across the whisker pads. Medium length nose showing required slight dip to the profile, level bite the chin could be stronger for better balance. Almost round expressive eyes of a good blue. Pure white feet, both front gloves low and scalloped, on the left front glove red dips on to the toes. Medium length back socks and well shaped gauntlets. Points colouring to the legs a fairly uniform pale red. Good length bushy flame red tail to balance the body. Medium length pale cream body coat, this is silky soft and has been well prepared. Short neck and chest ruff, clear and well groomed underbody. An amiable young man, needing to mature, well shown.

AV SLH Kitten (14 weeks - 6 months)

1st Rowberry's **ROWGARNOR TOLLAR** (67 31fts) M 20.12.2009

A 4 month old cream silver Norwegian of very good type, excellent profile, temperament and size.

2nd Rowberry's **ROWGARNOR RASPUTIN** (67 31afs) M 20.12.2009

Litter brother to the winner, and these 2 lovely young Norwegians are hard to separate. I simply preferred the profile on Tollar. I met their new owners, how lucky to have them both.

3rd Hancocks **COONSRUS SHAKIRA** (64 41d) F 08.12.2009

A red classic Maine Coon, 5 months old of very good type, excellent coat for colour.

AV SLH Kitten (6 - 9 months)

a large class of 10 kittens full of promise, well done exhibitors

1st Delaney's **DEENLAY SEULETUNIQUE** (13c2) M 13.08.2009

A most promising blue point Birman of very good type, he is long in the body and of a good weight. Typical Birman expression, stunning deep blue eyes, all feet markings adequate.

2nd Best & Matthews **TASSARE LORETTA LYNN** (64 41esw) F 11.08.2009

A golden eyes beauty of excellent Maine Coon type, most promising. Lovely head, fairly high cheek bones, beautiful coat colour and condition.

3rd Upham's **YENICIZGI AYSE** (13d7 od) F 12.08.2009

Almost 9 months old odd eyed cream Turkish Van kitten of very good type, she is extremely well grown. Clear blue right eye and pale amber left eye, good clear van pattern to the head.

X3rd Read's **ADECILO JIMI RED** (67 31dt) M 17.08.2009

A massive well proportioned red tabby and white Norwegian of very good type. Coat texture understandably a little soft at present.