

Judge Mrs Jane Tackley

The Essex Cat Club 24th Championship show Saturday 10th April 2010

My thanks to Helen Hewitt and the committee for the invitation to judge at the Essex, it is always the same... A friendly atmosphere with good lighting and that wonderful lunch! Karen Guidera came along to steward for me today, I hope you enjoyed your day Karen and thank you for marking up my catalogue.

Grand Champion Birman Female

1st GCC Simmonds **GR CH GAYEMAUDI RINGARINGA ROSY** (13c11) F 01.04.2005

A mature 5 year old well grown seal tabby point female Birman of very good Birman type, she is long in the body and being shown in good condition. Excellent width to her broad and rounded skull. Well placed medium size seal brown ears showing thumb prints. Slight dip to profile, the bite is level, chin strong. The muzzle is strong and rounded, she has pink nose leather outlined in seal pigment. Clear 'M' to the forehead, pale eyeliners and spotted whisker pads. Rich seal tabby markings to the face mask, these extending across her wide and rounded cheeks. Almost round expressive eyes of medium blue. Pure white paws, the front gloves low across the angle formed by the paw and leg. Medium length back socks and full gauntlets, these taper towards the hock. Medium length thick set legs, the points colouring to the front legs showing clear seal tabby markings. The area around the gauntlets on the back legs are solid seal brown Full length beige body coat, there is a some attractive 'toasting' across the lower back, still generating excellent contrasts. Clear underbody, good length well furnished tail, pale seal brown showing several tabby markings underneath, tail tip solid seal. Still managing (at this time of year) to maintain a good length neck and chest. Excellent show presentation and a delightful friendly nature. I do like this lady, just love her type.

2nd RGPC Adam's **GR CH AREZZA MY FAIRLADY** (13c14) F 22.02.2006

A 4 year old lilac tabby female Birman of good type, she is a good weight and long in the body. Broad and rounded head, neat medium size ears set well apart. Almost round expressive eyes of deep blue, they are not bold. The bite is level, fairly strong muzzle, she has pink nose leather outlined in lilac pigment. Medium length nose, slight dip to the profile. Fairly wide cheeks, these are covered by lilac markings on a pale beige agouti background. Spotted whisker pads, pale eyeliners there is a clear 'M' to the forehead. Full fairly well matched white gloves. The back socks almost match and the gauntlets taper half way up the back of the legs. Medium length thick set legs. Faint lilac tabby markings to the front legs. Medium length well prepared off white body coat, quite a short ruff today. Clear and well groomed underbody and slightly curled tummy fur. Medium length well furnished pinkish tail to balance, showing a few soft tabby markings underneath, the tail tip is solid lilac. Nicely presented feminine exhibit.

Norwegian Forest Adult Male

1st CC & BoB Tipper's **LIR GATTA** (Imp) (67 20) M 23.04.2008

Almost 2 years old brown tabby Norwegian of very good type and size, he is large and heavily boned yet retaining elegance. Broad but triangular head shape, the profile is long and straight, the bite is level. Slightly rounded forehead and a

strong chin. The green eyes are large and oval in shape, they are obliquely set and expressive. Large well placed ears, good lynx-like tufts and furnishings. Long and strong body, he has a deep chest and a powerful neck. The back legs noticeably longer than the front legs, large well tufted paws. Long and bushy tail easily reaching to the shoulders. Excellent length and texture to the body coat, showing a distinction double coat. The woolly undercoat covered by a smooth water-repellent overcoat. Longer coarse guard hairs apparent to the sides and back. The coat pattern shows attractive black tabby markings on a warm copper agouti ground. Masculine shirt front and full knickerbockers, expertly presented for the show today. A quiet and confident nature to this impressive young Norwegian, I admire his boning.

Norwegian Forest Adult Female

1st CC Candler's **FAIRYBELLES DAISY CHAIN** (67 20g) F 14.06.2009

Almost 10 months old blue tortie tabby Norwegian female of very good type, she is long in the body and of substantial boning. Excellent long and straight profile, level bite and strong chin. Triangular head shape, slightly rounded forehead, fairly large ears wide at their base with good tufts and furnishings. Large oval shaped eyes, these are golden in colour and oblique in their set. High on her legs, the back legs noticeably longer than the front legs. Good well furnished tail for length this balancing her young body well. Medium length body coat, the desired slightly coarse texture coming in. the undercoat is developing well. Blue tabby markings on a beige agouti ground, attractively overlaid with shades of cream. Pretty shirt front and good length knickerbockers. Temperament and presentation first class, the lady did not stop purring. A most promising young exhibit.

2nd Marsala's **ADNIOLO FAITH** (67 20) F 20.04.2009

Almost 1 year old brown tabby Norwegian female of quite good type, clearly going through a development stage at present. Triangular head shape, showing a slightly rounded forehead. I would prefer a little more length to the muzzle, however the profile is long and straight. She has a level bite, the chin could be stronger for balance. Good ear set, today I felt the ears needed to be larger, however to be fair, this balance may improve as she matures. Expressive green eyes, these are slightly oblique in their set. High on her legs, the back legs noticeably longer than the front legs, the paws are large and well tufted. Very good body coat for length the texture still a little 'kitten soft' at present. Attractive feminine shirtfront and knickerbockers. Good length well furnished tail easily reaching to the shoulders. Excellent friendly and confident show temperament.

3rd Marsala's **TUYET HEIDHI** (67 20) F 26.06.2007

2 years 9 months old brown tabby Norwegian female of only fair type, she is well boned and a good size for this breed. The body is long and strong. Triangular head shape, for me however her muzzle is too short, and therefore not generating the typical elegant Norwegian look. The profile is straight, the bite level she has a strong chin. Well opened oval green eyes, these are slightly oblique in their set. Well placed ears, but these need to be larger for balance. The back legs longer than the front legs, she has large well tufted paws. The body coat is a good length

and texture, thick woolly undercoat. Heidi has a full length shirt front and knickerbockers. The long well furnished tail, easily reaches to the shoulders. A little more attention to the underbody grooming is needed. Another well mannered and gentle exhibit.

Seal Point Birman Neuter Female

1st & CC Pikes **CAROONA CENTREOFATTRACTION** (13c1) FN 29.03.2001

A 9 year old seal point female of excellent size and weight, showing good boning and long in the body. Broad and rounded skull, well set seal brown ears placed wide apart on the head. Correct slight dip to the profile, level bite and firm tapering chin. The muzzle is strong, the nose leather is seal brown. Rather brindled seal brown mask today, this covers her cheeks and these could be wider for better balance. Almost round eyes of a good clear blue. Clean white paws, full front gloves, behind the right glove white trickles up to but not past the stopper pad. Medium length back socks, full and well tapered gauntlets. Medium length well boned legs, the seal brown points colouring to the front legs a little uneven at present. Quite a good length body coat for time of year, this is pale beige in colour, there is minimal surface shading. Short neck and chest ruff, clear underbody all well prepared for the show. Gentle temperament. I learned later this was her first show as a neuter, she handled very well.

BOB to Finch's **CH & GR PR SNOWITCH AMARYLIS** (13c1) FN 05.06.2002

A mature lady, excellent width to head, nice full cheeks.

Blue Point Birman Neuter Male

1st & PC to Izzard's **PR DUBROVA SUMATRA** (13c2) MN 12.08.2008

A 1 year 7 month old blue point male of very good type, massive in size and long bodied. The skull is broad and rounded, blue-grey medium size ears are placed well apart on the head. Desired slight dip to the medium length nose when viewed in profile, level bite, with fair strength to the chin. Almost round expressive eyes of medium blue. The muzzle is rounded and still developing, the nose leather is slate grey. Full blue-grey face mask, this extends across the wide and rounded cheeks and is connected to the ears by tracings. Clean white feet, the front gloves are full and finish across the angle formed by the paw and leg, behind the right glove white trickles towards the stopper pad. Medium length back socks and long tapering well shaped gauntlets. Medium length thick set legs and strong white paws, points colouring to the legs a uniform blue-grey. Full length bluish white body coat, this is cold in tone and the contrast to the points colouring most attractive. Good length neck and chest ruff, clean well groomed underbody. Good length well furnished blue-grey tail to balance his long body. He liked the attention and showed himself well. I do like the tone of his coat colour, so nice to see.

Blue Point Birman Neuter Female

1st PC & BOB to Murton's **CH & PR PRIDNJOY SIROCCO** (13c2) FN 14.08.2000

A stunning 9 year 7 month old blue point female of excellent Birman type. she is well grown and long in the body shown in excellent physical condition. Broad rounded skull, wide set blue-grey ears. The bite is level, slate grey nose leather and

firm chin. Required slight dip to the nose when viewed in profile, she has a strong and rounded muzzle. Full deep blue-grey mask, this extends across her wide and rounded cheeks. Expressive deep blue eyes, they are almost round but not bold. The white front gloves are full and finish across the angle formed by the paw and leg. Almost matching back socks, good length well tapered gauntlets. Medium length thick set legs, the points colouring to the legs a uniform blue-grey. Full length bluish white body coat, a little shading across the shoulders and lower back, but still generating good contrasts. Full neck and chest ruff, clear well groomed underbody. Well furnished blue-grey tail to balance her body.

2nd Semos **CH PRIDNJOY SARABANDE** (13c2) FN 20.08.1999

A 10 year 7 month old blue point female of good type and substance. Broad and rounded skull medium blue-grey ears set wide on the head. Medium length nose showing the desired slight dip to the profile, level bite and slate grey nose leather. I would prefer a little more strength to the chin, the muzzle is strong and rounded. Almost round expressive pale blue eyes. Blue grey mask, a little pale across the whisker pads at present. Full pure white gloves and good back socks. The gauntlets are medium in length, the right gauntlet more blunt than left. Medium length legs, the points colouring to the legs are blue-grey. The body coat is bluish white, this noticeably improved in condition since I last judged her, feeling silky to the touch. Clear well groomed underbody and medium length neck ruff. Well furnished blue-grey tail that balances her body length. Much more confident and relaxed today, nicely presented. Unlucky to meet the winner.

Chocolate or Lilac Point Birman Neuter Male

1st PC & BOB to Hatley's **BIRMOON CHAMPAGNE FIZZ** (13c4) MN 07.07.2009

A large well grown 9 month old lilac point Birman of good type, he is long in the body and clearly going through a growth spurt at present. Fairly broad head, well placed lilac coloured ears. Rounded muzzle, the cheeks are still developing, level bite the nose leather is lilac, strong chin. Pale lilac mask, and at this age not yet extended across the whisker pads. Almost round expressive eyes of a very good blue. Clean white feet, full front gloves finishing across the angle formed by the paw and leg. Medium length back socks and long well tapered gauntlets. Medium length thick set legs and strong paws, the points colouring to the legs pale lilac and rather uneven at present. Good length well furnished pale lilac tail to balance his long body. Magnolia body coat, this is medium in length and has been nicely presented. Clear underbody. A gentle nature to this exhibit, once he stops growing and matures, hopefully the balance will return.

Red or Cream Point Birman Neuter Female

1st PC & BOB Tarrs **CH TARKUSHA ALLURE** (13c8) FN 19.04.2003

A most attractive 7 year old blue cream Birman of very good type, she is long bodied and substantially built. Broad rounded skull, medium size ears placed well apart on the head. Medium length nose, showing required slight dip to the profile, the bite is level. Strong rounded muzzle and fairly wide cheeks, strong chin. Full blue-grey face mask, this is intermingled with shades of dark and light cream. Almost round expressive eyes of clear medium blue, she has a lovely feminine

expression. Clean white paws, the gloves are low and scalloped, medium length back socks. The left gauntlet is shorter than the right, both taper. Medium length well boned legs, the points colouring blue-grey, all points including her tail, show intermingling of the required shades of dark and light cream. Full length off white body coat, minimal shading to the flanks. Clear unshaded underbody with slightly curled tummy fur. Medium length neck and chest ruff, this has been well prepared for the show. A pretty and gentle exhibit.

Tabby or Tortie Tabby Birman Neuter Female

Here we go, 3 lovely ladies and only one best of breed and all groomed to perfection...

BOB to Bell's **GR PR ARCADY MOPSA** (13c13) FN 01.05.2000

I took it down to overall balance, length of body and tail. Type-wise I really could not separate these veteran beauties.

AV SLH Novice Adult

1st Motts **JANDOUGLEN KAITLYN** (13c14) F 02.07.2009

Good type and weight on this 9 months old lilac point female Birman, her tail could be longer for better balance.

2nd Stanton's **RAGADDICT BRIAR ROSE** (66) F 03.06.2009

A 10 months old seal colourpointed Ragdoll female, looking unbalanced today and lacking width to her face.

AV SLH Special Limit Kitten

Watson's **ISADORYOU FIRE AND ICE** (64 41dsw) F 04.08.2009

An 8 months old red silver tabby and white Maine Coon of quality. A golden eyed handsome stunner, fabulous type, excellent muzzle, most promising.

AV SLH Breeders Kitten - as always these classes give me a headache!

1st Grants **VANAHEIM KEIKO** (67 20a) F 02.08.2009

For me this kitten was an outright winner in this strong class, a blue tabby Norwegian of outstanding type, today she has the balance and elegance this breed demands. Excellent coat for texture.

2nd Pikes **CAROONA DUMPLING** (13c1) F 30.09.2009

A well grown strong boned kitten of very good type, broad skull and a strong rounded muzzle. Her asymmetrical feet markings put her into 2nd place today.

3rd Allen's **EMPURRER MELCHIOR** (64 41f) M 28.12.2009

Jut old enough for the show today, a cream classic tabby Maine Coon, promising exhibit, more attention to grooming needed underneath.

AV SLH Grand Premier Neuter

1st Stanton's IMP **GR PR AZERPASHAN BOBBY DAZZLER** (66a) MN 25.04.2001

8 years 11 months old blue colourpointed Ragdoll of quality.

2nd Bell's **GR PR ARCADY MOPSA** (13c13) FN 01.05.2000

3rd Semos **UK GR CH & GR PR PRIDNJOY ARABESQUE** (13c1) FN 20.08.1999

AV SLH Debutante Neuter

1st Tarrs **CH TARKUSHA ALLURE** (13c8) FN 19.04.2003

2nd Barlettas's **COONTASTIC HUFFLEPUFF** (64 15d) MN 29.05.2009

3rd Hatley's **BIRMOON CHAMPAGNE FIZZ** (13c4) MN 07.07.2009

AV SLH Not Resident in Essex

1st Passfield-Taylor's **PR HAZELSDOLLS PYEWACKET** (66tw) MN 02.04.2008

A stunning tabby mitted Ragdoll of very good type, he is 1 years old.

2nd Finch's **CH & GR PR SNOWWITCH AMARYLIS** (13c1) FN 05.06.2002

3rd Trickett's **GLEDEKATT SKULD** (67 31ts) FN 09.10.2008

AV SLH Adult (Essex Cat Club Class)

1st Stanton's **CH RAGADDICT MIAMORIO** (66 31) F 02.10.2007

2nd Finch's **CH SNOWWITCH KINGDOMOFSUMMER** (13c2) F 25.06.2007

3rd Stanton's **RAGADDICT BRIAR ROSE** (66) F 03.06.2009