

Judge Mrs Jane Tackley

**Midland Counties Cat Club 23rd May 2010**

It was the warmest day of the year, but the hall was relatively comfortable for the cats. Shirley Talboys came especially to steward for me and I am most grateful for her usual efficient guidance through the busy but pleasant day. Thank you for marking up my catalogue Shirley, until the next time.

***AC Birman Premier Male***

1<sup>st</sup> & GR PR Stevenson's **GR PR LAVALNA SUNBEAM** (13c1) MN 01.05.2007

A 3 year old seal point Birman of good type, he is substantially boned, feeling muscular and shown in excellent condition. Broad rounded head, rich seal brown ears placed well apart on the head. Almost round expressive eyes of a good blue. Full rich seal brown face mask, this extends across his rounded cheeks and chin, where there are one or two paler hairs. Rounded strong muzzle, level bite and seal brown nose leather. Medium length nose, fairly straight profile there is just a slight dip. Pure white full almost matching white gloves, The left back sock is slightly higher than the right, good length tapering gauntlets. Medium length thick set legs, the points colouring to the legs even pale brown. Quality full length pale beige body coat, silken in texture and showing a golden hue. Clear unshaded underbody and slightly curled tummy fur. Medium length masculine neck and chest ruff. Well furnished rich seal brown tail of a good length to balance his long body. Wonderful contrasts to this exhibit, outstanding show temperament and very well shown.

2<sup>nd</sup> & RGR PR Ensors **PR KITTAH ODYSSEUS** (13c5) MN 25.10.2007

Another well built Birman, a red point he is 2 years 6 months old and of good type, long in the body, feeling muscular and strong. Broad and rounded skull, medium size rich 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 medium blue. 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 the glove white travels up to and around the stopper pad. 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, quite shaded across the shoulders and lower back at present, where the coat feels a little coarse. Short neck and chest ruff. Good length well furnished flame red tail to balance the body. Excellent temperament.

***AC Birman Premier Female***

1<sup>st</sup> GPC & BoB to Sedgwick's **GR CH & GR PR CATWO ASYOULIKEIT** (13c5) FN 15.08.2002

Almost 8 years old red point female Birman of good type, I recently awarded a reserve to this exhibit and today she wins the grand. Long in the body, and shown in good physical condition, she is a good weight. 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. Correct slight dip to the profile, level bite and pink nose leather. Almost round but not bold expressive eyes of a clear pale blue. Her rich red mask almost extending across her whisker pads and wide 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 and full tapering gauntlets, these finish just below the hocks. Medium length thick set legs, the points colouring to the legs a uniform pale red. Expertly presented full pale cream body coat, under which even in the heat of the hall today, this veteran lady appeared cool and calm. Full feminine neck ruff and well groomed unshaded underbody. Flame red well furnished medium length tail to balance. Well deserved in this class of lovely ladies.

2<sup>nd</sup> & RGPC to Plants **PR MIDDLEMAY TALLULAH** (13c12) FN 21.03.2008

A 2 years 2 months old blue tabby point female Birman of very good type, size and boning. She is long in the body a good weight and carries substantial boning. Broad and rounded head, medium size blue-grey ears set well apart on the head. Medium length nose, the profile showing the desired slight dip, level bite and firm chin. Full face mask, extending across her rounded cheeks, I would have preferred them a little wider, but she is still young. Clear 'M' to the forehead, spotted whisker pads and light coloured spectacles surround her expressive blue eyes. Clean pure white paws, the left front glove is lower than the right. Medium length well matched back socks and full tapering gauntlets. Medium length legs, the points colouring to the front legs showing blue tabby markings on a light beige ground, the back leg colour surrounding the gauntlets is solid blue. Quality bluish white body coat, this is silky soft and quite a good length for the time of year. Feminine neck ruff and clear unshaded underbody. Well furnished blue-grey tail of a good length to balance her body. Several tabby markings underneath the tail, the tip is solid blue. Delightful gentle nature and well shown.

***Red or Cream Point Birman Male***

1<sup>st</sup> CC Bailey's **NICADAEMUS DANSE DEFEU** (13c5) M 23.06.2009

An 11 month old red point Birman of very good type size and boning. Long in the body, feeling strong and muscular and showing good balance for his age. Broad and rounded skull, well set flame red medium size ears. Medium length nose, the profile showing a slight dip, there is a small bump towards the nose end. The bite is level, pink nose leather, he has an excellent strong and rounded muzzle. Almost round expressive eyes, these are clear medium blue in colour.

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 patchy 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. Always a pleasure to judge this amiable young man, and pleasing to see him maturing nicely. I understand I made him up to Champion a few weeks ago, congratulations.

2<sup>nd</sup> Gardinor's **ATAKAD ALL FIREDUP** (13c5) M 27.07.2009

Almost 10 months old red point Birman of only fair type, he is shown in good condition, but for me at present does not have the boning or substance required for the Birman breed. Rounded head, flame red medium size ears set well apart on the head. Level bite, pink nose leather and correct profile. Almost round eyes of medium blue. The red face mask not yet extending across his still developing cheeks. I would prefer more strength to the muzzle. Clean white paws, the front gloves are low but a fairly good match. Good tapering gauntlets and matching back socks. Silky soft pale cream body coat and neck ruff, clear well groomed underbody. Good length rich red well furnished tail to balance his body. Looking extremely immature today, perhaps this line matures very slowly unfortunately on this day he resembled a Birman kitten, not a young strong adolescent. Excellent temperament and presentation.

#### ***Red, Cream and Tortie Point Birman Female***

1<sup>st</sup> Baxter's **CH ELMARLAY BABBLING BROOKE** (13c10) F 03.02.2009

Lilac tortie point Birman of good type, she is 1 year 3 months old and carries substantial boning. Good broad and rounded skull, the medium size ears are placed wide on the head. Required slight dip to the profile, level bite and patched nose leather. I would prefer the chin just a little stronger. Strong and rounded muzzle, fairly wide cheeks. Pinkish lilac face mask intermingled with shades of light and dark cream, the mask fully extended across the whisker pads and chin. Expressive almost round eyes of deep blue. Feet markings pure white, the front gloves are rather low across the paw line, but match. High back socks, the left is higher than the right, gauntlets long and tapering. Medium length thick set legs and strong paws. Points colouring to the legs pale lilac intermingled with shades of light and dark cream. The tail is well furnished and balances the body. The tail colour is predominately cream but showing obvious lilac colouring. Medium length silky soft off white body coat, neck ruff and clear clean underbody. A pretty tortie, with a gentle and patient nature and nicely presented.

2<sup>nd</sup> Gardinor's **CARRISMOON ATAKAD ASTAR** (13c5) F 09.04.2009

1 year 1 month old red point Birman female of quite good type, long in the body and fairly well boned. Although this is a difficult age, I would prefer she had more substance, feeling rather light weight today. Rounded skull, medium size flame red ears, these tending to dominate her facial features at present.

Required slight dip to the profile, level bite and fairly firm chin. Fairly strong muzzle the cheeks are still developing. The facemask pale red at present, but beginning to extend across the whisker pads. Almost round deep blue expressive eyes. Clean white feet, full almost matching gloves. Medium length back socks and long full tapering gauntlets. Medium length legs. the pale red points colouring to the legs, rather unsettled at present. Well furnished flame red tail of a good length to balance her body. The short but dense pale cream body coat is soft to the touch, neck ruff coming in, clear and clean underbody. A gentle natured young lady, who I really hope grows on. Well shown.

BOB to Gardinor's **GR CH PANDJANDRUM FUEGO (INT CH & TICA QGCH)** (13c5) M 13.08.2000. Quite my favourite red point Birman at present, he is impossible to fault. Groomed to perfection as always.

***Tabby or Tortie Tabby Birman Adult Female***

1<sup>st</sup> CC & BoB to Morrissey's **TIMPASMAC MINNIE** (13c13) F 26.03.2009

1 year 2 months old chocolate point female Birman of good type, she is long in the body and well grown. Broad and rounded head, medium size ears, these are placed well apart on the head. Almost round expressive eyes, two-tone in colour the outer rim a paler blue. Medium length nose, slight dip to the profile, level bite, good firm chin and strong muzzle. Full face mask, clear 'M' to the forehead, spotted whiskers pads and attractive eyeliners. Rounded cheeks, the width still developing. Clean white paws, the front gloves quite a good match, medium back socks, well tapered gauntlets the left slightly longer than the right. Medium length legs, points colouring to the front legs milk chocolate tabby markings on a light bronze agouti ground. Back legs solid milk chocolate surrounding the white area. Medium length well furnished tail, this is pale chocolate in colour, showing clear tabby markings underneath, the tail tip is solid chocolate. Ivory coloured body coat, this is short at present but quite dense and has been well prepared. Short feminine neck ruff and clear underbody. Very good temperament and nicely presented.

2<sup>nd</sup> Russell's **BOSTIN BEAUTIFUL DREAMER** (13c12) F 17.04.2009

A blue tabby point this time, she is 1 year 1 month old and quite well grown, she is long in the body and is quite well boned. Fairly broad head, her ears tending to dominate her features at present. Quite large almost round eyes of a good blue. Desired slight dip to the nose profile, level bite and firm chin. Cheek width and muzzle strength still developing. Very good blue tabby markings to the face mask, clear 'M' to the forehead, spotted whisker pads and eyeliners. Clean white paws, the front gloves rather low across the paw line. Fairly well matched back socks. The left gauntlet is quite short, right longer and tapering. Medium length thick set legs, points colouring to the front legs show blue markings on a beige agouti ground. Well furnished blue-grey tail, clear tabby markings the tail tip is solid blue-grey in colour. Bluish white body coat, quite a good length feeling soft to the touch, short neck and chest ruff developing. Clear

underbody and slightly curled tummy fur. Gentle nature to this exhibit who has been carefully presented.

***Norwegian Forest Adult Female***

1<sup>st</sup> & CC Davies **ROWGARNOR GABRIELA** (67 31 ats) F 26.04.2008

A 2 year old blue silver tabby and white female of good type, long in the body and quite well boned. Triangular head shape, forehead slightly rounded. The ears are fairly large with good width to their base, attractive lynx-like tufts. Acceptable profile, not absolutely straight and a fraction bumpy towards the bridge. Large well opened oval shaped eyes, hazel in colour and oblique in their set, alert expression. Good muzzle, fairly strong chin and level bite. High on her white legs, the back legs longer than the front legs. Well tufted large round paws. The tail is long and fairly well furnished, this easily reaching to the shoulders. Good length to the body coat, this feeling a little soft today - not too much undercoat. Medium length neck ruff and white shirt-front, short knickerbockers. Gentle show temperament, and well presented.

BoB to Porter's **CH NOYNAROCK SIGNYSVALRDATTER** (67 20) F 23.05.2008

Another 2 year old female, with a good triangular head shape generating the typical elegant Norwegian expression. Excellent long and straight profile, good rounded rise to the forehead and firm chin. Large very well set ears with good width to their base. Long in the body, fair length to body coat for this time of year, good texture and having the desired harsh texture to the topcoat. Attractive shirt-front and knickerbockers.

I would prefer both these ladies a little heavier, although I realise they are still maturing and have possibly been calling?

***Blue Point Birman Kitten Male***

1<sup>st</sup> & BOB to Horton's **NAMRIB ILIANA TANZANITE** (13c2) M 26.10.2009

Almost 7 months old blue point Birman kitten of very good type, he is well grown, of substantial boning, muscular and long in the body. Strong rounded skull, medium size blue-grey ears set well apart on the head. Level bite, strong muzzle and chin, the profile just a little straight the slightest dip. Almost round eyes of deep blue. Full blue grey mask, this extends across the whisker pads and rounded still developing cheeks. Pure white feet, the front gloves are full and finish across the angle formed by the paw and leg. Good back socks, and long gauntlets, these are rounded at the top. Medium length thick set legs, strong round paws. Points colouring to the legs pale blue. Good length well furnished tail to balance his long strong body. Bluish white body coat, medium in length this has been well prepared. Neck and chest ruff developing, clear unshaded underbody. Delightful young man with a confident nature, promising.

***Blue Point Birman Kitten Female***

1<sup>st</sup> Russell's **JEMELEY TWILIGHT MOMENTS** (13c2) F 02.02.2010

Just old enough for the show today, a 15 week old blue point female kitten of good type, she is well grown and has substantial boning. Strong rounded head, well set blue-grey ears. Good muzzle and rounded cheeks, these are still developing, level bite. The blue-grey mask is just beginning to extend across her baby cheeks. Required slight dip to the profile, adequate chin and level bite. Almost round eyes, two-tone blue at the moment, paler blue on outer rim. Full front gloves, behind the left glove white draws level to the stopper pad but not past. The left sock is higher than the right, medium length tapering gauntlets. Medium length legs, points colouring to the legs blue-grey but rather unsettled at this age. Pale beige baby kitten coat, this feels soft and has been well prepared. Excellent confident temperament and promising baby Birman enjoying her first ever show.

***AC SLH Breeders Male - a strong class of entire males, I love judging them, such characters and at a difficult time of year coat-wise, breeders take a bow.***

1<sup>st</sup> Barletta's **UK & IGR CH COONTASTIC LUIGI** (64 31fts) M 23.05.2004

But an outright winner here, I have written in my book 'oh my word'. 6 years old Cream silver & white Maine Coon. What an exhibit, massive (and I mean massive, I wondered if stood on his back legs, would be as tall as me?) fabulous type and boning, full coated, well presented and blessed with an outstanding gentle temperament.

2<sup>nd</sup> Davies **GR CH RAGSHAVEN BUSTERS LEGACY** (66 31a) M 27.03.2005

A 5 year old blue Bi-colour Ragdoll gentleman, looking good today excellent Ragdoll profile and as usual carefully prepared for the show.

3<sup>rd</sup> Bailey's **NICADAEMUS DANSE DEFEU** (13c5) M 23.06.2009

My promising 11 month old red point Birman.

X3<sup>rd</sup> Gledstone's **SWANSEARAGZ MR DARCEY** (66w) M 12.07.2009

A seal mitted Ragdoll - just 10 months old, loved his type excellent size.

***AC SLH Breeders Female Part 1***

Gardinor's **ATAKAD AKIND OFMAGIC** (13c2) F 21.05.2009

A 1 year old blue point female of quality, excellent Birman type, she is long in the body and of substantial weight. Typical Birman expression, strong rounded muzzle, lovely.

2<sup>nd</sup> Ensors **GR CH KITTAH THALIA** (13c2) F 04.07.2005

Mature blue point Birman almost 5 years old, very nice type and nice.

3<sup>rd</sup> Joiner's **STUKELIN ANGEL GABRIELLE** (64 41ew) F 05.05.2008

A 2 year old tortie and white Maine Coon, not happy today.

***AC SLH Breeders Female Part 2***

1<sup>st</sup> Davies **CH RAGSHAVEN SONNY'S SUMAMAGIC** (66 31a) F 25.06.2008

A 1 year 10 months old blue bi-colour Ragdoll of very good type, she has an excellent profile and substantial boning. Wonderful show temperament, good length coat for this time of year.

2<sup>nd</sup> Groutage **RAGSVILLE SPELLBOUND ESME** (66) F 20.07.2009

A seal colourpointed Ragdoll female just 10 months old, the youngest in this class and most promising.

3<sup>rd</sup> Allen's **CH TISANTI ALBERTINE** (66w) F 16.06.2007

Almost 3 years old seal mitted Ragdoll of good type, she is well grown and has substantial boning. Not happy being handled today.

***AC Visitors Kitten Male***

1<sup>st</sup> Griffin's **ADECILO FINAL EDITION** (63c) M 06.02.2010

A charming 15 week old blue Somali male kitten, he is well grown and confident the young body feeling lithe and strong. Moderate head, the muzzle is rounded but still developing at this age. Large well set ears showing furnishings to inner edges, the gentle crescent shape obvious when viewed from behind. He has a firm chin and a level bite, the nose viewed in profile showing the slightest break. Bright and expressive obliquely set almond shaped eyes, the colour is changing and understandably a little 'muddy' at present. Dark blue pencilling to the face, and showing good eyeliners. The body coat is still baby soft, the colour is blue, and I can just see the beginning of his ticking coming in at the roots. The chest and underbody is pale mushroom. Long strong legs, oval shaped paws, the heel colouring is dark blue. Well furnished tail, broad at the base and tapering slightly towards the dark blue tip, showing good balance to body length. Well presented for the show today.

2<sup>nd</sup> Bailey's **NICADAEMUS PERRY PIZZAZZ** (13c5) M 01.11.2009

A 6 months old red point Birman male of good type, he is well grown being long in the body and of substantial boning. Broad rounded head, I would prefer a stronger chin. Full front gloves, the right sock is lower than the left. Both gauntlets rather narrow and short.