

Judge Mrs Jane Tackley
Turkish Van Cat Club 3rd October 2009

Thanks to Kathy Wilkinson and the committee for the invitation to judge, at the club's 7th championship Show. Some lovely Turkish cats to judge. Jeni Baldwin once again my careful and attentive steward, thank you Jeni.

Non Pedigree Pet Section:

SH Tabby Cat of any pattern, with or without white

1st & MC Vousden's **MANDU** (SH Caramel Tabby) MN 1year 10 months

A well grown character, with a most attractive coat pattern. Expressive blue eyes of a most unusual tone. Strong body long and muscular. Well furnished tail to balance. Presented to perfection and a pleasure to judge.

Pedigree Pet Kitten:

1st Goulter's **NATHAN** (LH red and white) M 5 months

A stunning red and white kitten, he is extremely well grown and very affectionate. Delightful deep amber eyes, full of mischief! Clean white and red body coat semi long in length. Medium length pure white strong legs. Good length well furnished bright auburn tail. Excellent temperament, promising kitten.

2nd Goulter's **HOUDINI** (LH red and white) M 5 months

Another delightful and playful character, not such a vibrant red to his markings, but still attractive. He has odd coloured eyes, one blue and one pale amber. A balanced exhibit, although not as well grown and developed as my winner.

AC Breeders Adult Male

1st Lloyd's **TANSDALE INDIGO MOON** (13wbl) M 22.04.2005

A blue eyed 4 years 5 months old Turkish Vankedisi, what more can I write about this ambassador of the breed? A mature strong well developed solid and muscular male. The head is a substantial broad wedge, medium length straight nose has a barely perceptible dip when viewed in profile. Level bite, firm chin the nose leather is pink. Moderately large well feathered ears, they are shell pink inside, chalk white outside. Alert and expressive oval eyes of a clear medium blue. Well boned legs, they are medium in length, he has neat tufted rounded paws. The body coat is chalk white, long and silky to the touch. Masculine neck and chest ruff. The well furnished pure white tail of a good length to balance the body. Impeccable manners and expertly presented for the show. Congratulations on winning best Vankedisi exhibit.

2nd Lombard's **ADSETLO BEYAZ ASLAM** (13w) M 07.07.2007

A large impressive Vankedisi he is 2 years and 2 months old and extremely well grown. Long body, broad and muscular with a deep chest. A fairly good broad wedge shaped head, today he is puffing his whisker pads and spoiling the overall expression. Medium length nose showing a barely perceptible dip. Well placed

white ears, they are well feathered. Large oval shaped pale amber eyes, showing pink rims. Level bite, the nose leather is pink. Well prepared pure white body coat, short neck and chest ruff. Strong boned medium length legs, well rounded and tufted paws. Full length well balanced tail, this is pure white showing no trace of yellow. Not happy at the show today, very restless and upset.

AC Breeders Adult Female

1ST Upham's **YENICIZGI LADYOFTHELAKE** (13d7) F 24.08.2008

A lovely cream Turkish Van female of very good type, she is just over a year old. Well grown young lady good length to the body, strong and muscular. Substantial broad wedge to the head, moderately large well feathered ears. Cream head markings are fairly even, they do not travel beyond the back of the ears or past the level of eyeliners. The colour on head separated by a vertical white blaze. Expressive large oval eyes, these are a medium amber shade with the required pink rims. Medium length nose showing a barely perceptible dip when viewed in profile. Level bite, firm chin. Well boned medium length legs, strong well tufted paws. Full cream brush to the tail, good colour cut off to body. Chalk white body coat, this is medium in length she has a short neck ruff developing. Not happy about being handled today, so I finished my assessment talking to her inside her pen. Congratulations on Best Female Adult win today.

2nd Lombard's **IZAMBARD BEYAZ ELMAS** (13wbl) F 08.08.2008

Just over 1 year old blue eyed Vankedisi female of quite good type, she is long and sturdy in the body. Head shape a broad wedge, however I would not want the muzzle any shorter. Barely perceptible dip to the nose when viewed in profile, level bite good chin. Moderately large white ears, set high on the head. Large oval eyes rather pale blue but clear in colour, correct pink rims. Well boned medium length legs. Clean well presented chalk white body coat, quite a good length and very good texture. Good length well furnished chalk white tail. Excellent temperament and well shown.

Auburn & White Kitten Male

1st Lombard's **IZAMBARD SECILIMUS OLAN** (13d) M 20.06.2009

Baby kitten! Just old enough to come to the show today, he is a little over 3 months old and very brave. An auburn Turkish Van kitten of excellent size, type and temperament. Good wedge shape to head, the auburn head markings rather lean to the left side. The colour is clearly separated by a vertical white blaze. The ears well feathered and set high on the head. Expressive oval shaped amber coloured eyes, these still a little 'muddy' at present. Barely perceptible dip to the profile, level bite and firm chin. Well balanced auburn tail, I did not observe any thumb prints to the body. Well prepared chalk white body coat. A promising little character.

Auburn & White Kitten Female

1st Guidera's **SHADYCOMBE VANGUARDS HOPE** (13d) F 14.05.2009

A well grown Turkish Van kitten of almost 5 months old, she is long bodied with substantial boning. Good wedge shaped head, ears set high they are moderately large and well feathered. Expressive amber coloured eyes, oval in shape. Quite well balanced auburn head markings, the colour encroaching a little on to the ears. The auburn head markings are separated by a vertical white blaze. Level bite, pink nose leather. Medium length nose showing a barely perceptible dip to the profile. Medium length well boned legs, strong well tufted paws. A Chalk white nicely presented body coat, I did not observe any thumb prints to the body. Well furnished auburn tail to balance. Excellent loving temperament.

2nd Guidera's **VANGUARD ZARAFET KEDI** (13dod) F 19.06.2009

An odd eyed Turkish Van kitten of good type, she is 3 and a half months old and quite well grown. The head shows a substantial wedge, moderately large well feathered ears set high on the head. Almost balanced auburn head markings, a little more generous on the right side. The auburn colouring is separated by a vertical white blaze. Expressive large oval shaped eyes, the left is a clear blue the right is amber. Correct profile to the medium length nose, pink nose leather and level bite. Well furnished auburn tail, a small amount of colour extends onto the lower back. Chalk white body coat, this is still developing texture-wise. A happy natured exhibit, she is confident and well shown.

AC Kitten over 6 months

1st Vicks **VANSUNAMOON LARS** (13d7) M 27.03.2009

A well grown 6 month old cream Turkish Van kitten of quite good type.

AC Cat under 3 years old

1st Robertson-Munday's **CLODAGH** (SLH Auburn & White) FN 10 months

2nd Robertson-Munday's **PATCH** (SLH Auburn & White) MN 9 months

Most Laid Back Cat or Kitten

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Lombard's **IZAMBARD BEYAZ ELMAS** (13wbl) F 08.08.2008