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Dear Mr Goadsby,

GCCF Delegates Meeting – 23 June 2011

I have been asked by the National Cat Club committee to forward the following proposal for discussion at the June Council meeting.

Proposal for new class structure:

- If a cat does not have a title then it enters its relevant Breed Class.
- If a cat is a Champion/Premier then it can enter the relevant Grand class and/or the relevant Breed Class.
- If a cat is a Grand Champion/Grand Premier then it can enter the relevant Imperial Grand class and/or the relevant Grand class.
- If a cat is an Imperial Grand Champion/Imperial Grand Premier then it can enter the Olympian class and/or the relevant Imperial Grand class.

We believe that this revised structure should be widened to include Breed Shows as well as All-Breed Shows:

- on the basis that the Breed Shows are the window to the world of the breed and it is expected (although not always the case in practice) that the best examples of the breed will support the Breed Shows.
- The expansion of the Olympian award to the Breed Shows will encourage the best specimens of a breed to be shown at those shows.
- Allowing an exhibit to enter two classes will hopefully encourage more entries (in an economic climate where spiralling prices are impacting every-day spending decisions) and declining show entries which may also be due in part to the belief that higher titled exhibits have been blocking lower titled exhibits.
- The competition for the higher level awards should, in theory, showcase the most impressive specimens of a particular breed.

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This should encourage the showing of cats that may not necessarily get the higher title award but whose owners enjoy showing their cats.

This revised structure makes the competitive mix in the different grades more appropriate with higher titled cats competing against each other, whilst offering lower titled cats the opportunity to compete with the chance of winning the higher title.

Will give Show Managers more income towards the increasing show costs.

As has always been the case in any class exhibits will win on merit.

I would be grateful if you would place the above proposal on the June Council meeting agenda.

Yours sincerely

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