

GENERAL MEETING OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF THE CAT FANCY
(Meeting of Full Council)
AGENDA



To be held on Wednesday, 26 October 2011 at Conway Hall, Holborn, London at 1pm

	PRESENTED BY	PREVIOUS REF
C1808 WELCOME TO DELEGATES	CHAIRMAN	NEW
C1809 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE		NEW
C1810 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING		
1. The Draft Minutes of 23 June 2011 are enclosed and proposed for acceptance.	OFFICE M	NEW
C1811 MATTERS ARISING FROM COUNCIL MEETING 23 June 2011 - Only items not included elsewhere on the agenda		
C1812 MINUTES OF MEETINGS FOR INFORMATION ONLY		
Note: The information contained in these Minutes may be superseded by the Minutes of subsequent meetings		
Board of Directors (Executive Committee) : 03 May 2011, 26 July 2011 (enclosed)		
Finance Committee: 06 April 2011, 08 June 2011(enclosed)		
C1813 PROPOSALS TO REVISE SHOW AWARD SYSTEM		
The following two proposals for modifying the show award system were debated at the June 2011 Council Meeting but further debate was required before a vote could be taken. The proposals are therefore re-presented in the form they were in the June 2011 Agenda.		
1. National Cat Club proposes a revised class structure based on the current system. See attached. To be presented at the meeting by a representative of the National Cat Club.	CHAIRMAN NCC DELEGATE	C1800.5 C1800.3
2. The West Country Cat Club proposes a revised class structure based on the current system. See attached. To be presented at the meeting by a representative of the West Country Cat Club.	WCCC DELEGATE	C1800.4
C1814 FINANCE		
1. Financial Report – The O'Hara Wood Report for the first 6 months of trading will be available to collect on arrival at the meeting.	OFFICE M	NEW
2. The Finance Committee outline of the new financial overview system.	OFFICE M	C1789 1.11
C1815 ELECTION OF VICE-PRESIDENT		
1. Vacancy for post of Vice-President has become available.	CHAIRMAN	NEW
C1816 BUSINESS PLAN		
1. Mid Year Review (enclosed)	VICE- CHAIRMAN	C1791 1.1
C1817 IT REFRESH PROJECT		
1. Project Update	OFFICE M	EC2676 2 2.13
C1818 JUDGES		
Additional proposals accepted up to Friday 21 October 2011 will be notified on the website www.gccfcats.org and a written list will be available at the start of the meeting.		
1. Judges for approval		
Abyssinian BAC		
Probationer Judge		Mr S Morris

Asian BAC

Full Judge	Mrs J Francis-Wilson	Mrs L Fryer
Probationer Judge	Ms S Dewhurst	

Birman BAC

Probationer Judge	Mrs A Lyall	Mrs P Perkins
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British Shorthair Group Committee

Full Judge	Mrs P Beard Smith	
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Burmese BAC

Probationer Judge	Mr M Pearman	Miss J Tonkinson
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Colourpoint Persian BAC

Full Judge	Mrs J I Green	
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Cornish Rex BAC

Full Judge	Mrs D Stone	
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Devon Rex BAC

Full Judge	Mrs N Johnson	Mrs S Rose
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Egyptian Mau BAC

Probationer Judge	Mr P Cornish	Mrs S Amor
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Exotic BAC

Full Judge	Mrs C Wren	
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Norwegian Forest BAC

Full Judge	Mr J Hansson	
Probationer Judge	Mrs W McQuilken	

Ocicat & Ocicat Classic BAC

Full Judge	Mrs V Anderson-Drew	
Probationer Judge	Mrs J Tonkinson	

Oriental Self BAC

Probationer Judge	Mrs J Haggart	
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Persian Tabby BAC

Full Judge	Mrs K Board-Allam	
Probationer Judge	Mrs J Wilkinson	
1 yr ext	Mr N Carter	

Self Persian BAC

Full Judge	Mrs L Dutton	Mrs C Gainsbury
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Selkirk Rex BAC

Full Judge	Mrs B Prowse	
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Siberian BAC

Probationer Judge	Mrs W McQuilken	Mrs V Anderson-Drew
	Mrs C de Martino	

Singapura BAC

Probationer Judge	Mrs M Buckeridge	
1 yr ext	Mrs N Johnson	

Somali BAC

Full Judge Mrs E Culf
 Probationer Judge Mr M Pearman Mrs C de Martino

Tonkinese BAC

Full Judge Mrs D Stone

Turkish BAC

Full Judge Mrs D Butters
 Probationer Judge Mrs L Grant

2. Judge withdrawals

- a. The Joint Rex BAC on behalf of the Cornish Rex BAC request that Ms Jean Clare's name be removed from the Cornish Rex list of judges. JR BAC NEW
- b. Mr J Walker has requested that his name be removed from the Self Persian BAC list. SP BAC NEW
- c. The Turkish BAC has requested that Mr M Brace's name be removed from their list. T BAC NEW

C1819 CORRESPONDENCE REGARDING JUDGES

- 1. Report from the Judges Guild about The National Cat Club request for clarification about the requirements for Judges reports and confirmed at the meeting. See attached. GOGJ C1795.1.6
- 2. The Old Style Siamese Cat Club ask that the Council discuss and consider their letter regarding their feeling of a conflict of interest of the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman being serving judges first submitted at March 2011 Council. See enclosed OSSCC C1770.1

C1820 PROPOSAL FOR NOTIFICATION OF COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS

- 1. The Celtic Longhair & Semi-Longhair Cat Society propose that all nominations for GCCF committees are published on the GCCF website 30 days before the June meeting at which voting takes place. This will enable clubs to give these nominations due consideration. CLHSLHCS NEW

C1821 RULE CHANGES

Deletions shown ~~thus~~, additions shown thus.

- 1. When the new Bye-laws document was produced it was based on the 2008 Constitution. The two amendments agreed since 2008 were not incorporated. These need to be included in the latest version of the Bye-laws. To be correct in procedure these need to be voted on by Council. Once agreed it is proposed that a new edition of the Bye-laws is issued with a free copy being included in the February 2012 Delegates posting but available to purchase soon after the October meeting. OFFICE M EC2710
- 2. The amendment of clause 8.1 is proposed. This is in line with item C1755.4 of the 27 October 2010 Council Minutes.

8. OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS OF COUNCIL

Original 1 relating to Trustees deleted

- (1) The Honorary Officers of the Council shall be a Chairman, Vice-Chairman and such other Honorary Officers (including a President and up to ~~three~~ four Vice-Presidents) as the Council may from time to time decide. With the exclusion of (remaining text unchanged)

NEW

3. The following amendment of clause 13 of the Byelaws is proposed. Parts a and b are unchanged from the original text approved by Council in item C1707 on 14 April 2010 with the addition of the bold and underlined sub-sentence. Item c is added to reinforce the administration element of the clause.

Original text:

13. BYE-LAW CHANGES

The Council shall have power to amend the Rules for the registration and exhibition of cats by resolution passed by a majority of two-thirds of those present and voting at a meeting of the Council, of which not less than twenty-eight days notice of the intended alteration has been given, setting out the amendments which are to be proposed. Amendments to the Bye-Laws shall take effect immediately after they are approved and the effective date of any amendment to the Rules shall be stated as an integral part of the amendments.

Change to:

13. BYE-LAW AND RULE CHANGES

- a. The Council shall have the power to amend these By-laws by resolution passed by a majority of two-thirds of those present and voting at a meeting of Council, of which not less than twenty-eight days notice of the intended alteration has been given, setting out the amendments which are to be proposed. Amendments to the Bylaws shall take effect immediately after they are approved.
- b. The Council shall have the power to amend the Rules by resolution passed by a simple majority of those present and voting at a meeting of Council, of which not less than twenty-eight days notice of the intended alteration has been given, setting out the amendments which are to be proposed. The effective date of any amendment to the Rules shall be stated as an integral part of the amendments **and recorded in the minute of the decision.**
- c. **The number of those against and those abstaining shall be recorded in the minute of the decision.**

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C1822 REGISTRATION POLICIES

- 1. The Australian Mist Cat Society and Australian Mist Cat Club propose the acceptance of their Australian Mist Registration Policy. See enclosed. AM CS / AM CC NEW
- 2. The Board of Directors proposes the acceptance of the Variants Policy agreed by the Genetics Committee. See enclosed. VICE-CHAIRMAN NEW

C1823 APPLICATION FOR AFFILIATION

The Board of Directors proposes The Russian and Abyssinian Cat Club of Scotland application for affiliation for acceptance. CHAIRMAN NEW

C1824 BAC MATTERS

- 1. Update on discussion document proposing revision to system issued previously. BACG C1798.1
- 2. Letter received from the Joint Rex BAC regarding BAER testing. See attached. JR BAC NEW

C1825 POLICIES

- 1. The Board of Directors bring to the attention of the Council that the following policy regarding pricing has been adopted:
The GCCF will set its prices at a level that provides income to at least cover its costs with due recognition to all financial factors in place at the time. The prices will be reviewed as appropriate. After review by the board, the individual prices may be raised, may fall, or remain at the same level. OFFICE M NEW

2. The Board of Directors bring to the attention of the Council that the following policy regarding the environment and paper use has been adopted

The GCCF will actively seek ways of reducing its impact on the environment.

In line with this the GCCF will seek to reduce the amount of paper it uses in its service through the use of email and websites and any other means of electronic document transfer whilst still maintaining the needs of its customers and its position as a quality provider of information.

The GCCF will not exclude a person from taking a role in the GCCF, either directly or indirectly by its systems, because they will not accept electronic information. The GCCF will take all reasonable steps to provide its information in the form required by its customers or officers.

The GCCF expects its member organisations and individuals to comply with this policy also.

C1826 STANDARD OF POINTS

1. The Russian BAC request amendment to their Standard of Points as follows:

Under EYES - add ***with a slight upward slant***

The whole sentence will then read: Eyes - Vivid green. Set rather wide apart, almond in shape ***with a slight upward slant***, not small and deep set. In kittens allowance should be made for eye colour.

Under COAT - add ***and stands away from the body***

The whole sentence will then read: Coat - The coat is double with a very dense undercoat ***and stands away from the body***; the whole coat is very fine, short and soft with no harsh feel to it, very different in texture from any other breed and the truest criterion of the Russian.

Justification - These small changes are to assist judges in the interpretation of the SOPs.

OFFICE M NEW

C1827 APPLICATIONS FOR PROMOTION

1. The Board of Directors recommends Promotion to Provisional Status of the Russian Black & White.
2. The Board of Directors recommends Promotion to Provisional Status of the Colourpointed & White British Shorthair.

RBAC EC2711.1

RBAC EC2712.1

BSHGC EC2712.2

C1828 SUPREME SHOW

1. Update.

SSM NEW

C1829 CAT WELFARE TRUST

1. An update shall be given at the meeting. (June 2011 report attached.)

CWT NEW

C1830 WORLD CAT CONGRESS

1. Update

CHAIRMAN NEW

C1831 GCCF INTERNATIONAL

1. Update

CHAIRMAN NEW

C1832 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

C1833 NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 22 February 2012 at 12 noon in the Main Hall at The Conway Hall, London. NEW

End of Agenda