

LANCASHIRE CAT CLUB – 9.3.2013 – MRS ANNE GREGORY

I really enjoyed my time in Wigan in very good company with lots of laughs – my skills at iPad games are really developing! I am very grateful to Lizz Benson for stewarding; she handles the cats beautifully and is excellent company too.

AC BRITISH CHAMPION, FEMALE

1 GCC SINKINSON'S CHAMPION LOUREWZ MISS GUCCI, 30s, F, 16.9.2010

A very pretty female with a wonderfully confident and friendly personality who showed herself off to great advantage. The head had breadth with a round face and full cheeks. Her ears were small, rounded at the tips and placed well apart in the contours of the head. She had a short, broad nose of uniform width and a reasonable chin. Her eyes were large, round and well-opened. They were an excellent, clear green. She was really cobby and compact with breadth across the shoulders and rump. She stood low on short, sturdy legs. The tail was thick, rounded at the tip and balanced well. Her coat was short, dense and had a crisp texture. She was an excellent silver with well-defined black markings and well separated spots. She was shown in excellent condition.

RES: BROWN'S CHAMPION LYNBRO HERMIONE, 28, F, 18.10.2010

A well-balanced female of good type and quality; she had a broad head and a round face with full cheeks. Her ears were set well apart but a little prominent. She had excellent eyes that were large, round, well-opened and expressive. They were a bright orange. Her nose was broad, short and of uniform width. Her chin was acceptable. She had a cobby, solid body with excellent muscle tone and stood low on strong legs with round paws. Her tail was thick, rounded at the tip and a good length to balance. She had a dense coat that was marginally soft but an attractive medium blue with soft cream intermingled. There were a couple of patches of cream. She was shown in excellent condition and had a lovely temperament.

AC BRITISH/SELKIRK REX GRAND PREMIER, MALE

1 IGP/WH PALMER'S GRAND PREMIER ZINGFRO LEO, 17, M, 26.7.2006

This cat was very good when judged bit by bit, but overall, he was out of balance with the head appearing small in relation to the body which appeared rectangular rather than compact and square. His head had breadth of skull and he had a round face with neat ears set well apart. His eyes were well-opened, round and expressive. The eye-colour was an excellent copper. He had a short nose and good chin. The body was well muscled with strong legs and a short, thick tail but it was too long in relation to the head. His coat was short, dense but rather soft. It was a dark, hot cream. He was in excellent condition and had a lovely temperament.

USUAL SOMALI ADULT

1 CC + BOB MELIA'S ASTROKINI RUBY MURRAY, 63, F, 30.4.2012

A truly beautiful Somali female who I admired greatly as a kitten, and she is fulfilling all that promise and potential! She had an excellent head that was of medium length with width at the cheeks and a generously rounded muzzle to give a sweet Somali smile. Her ears were large, well-furnished and

tufted. They were set well apart but not low. She had a slight dip to the profile, a straight nose and good depth to the chin. Her eyes were almond shaped with an oblique setting. They were a brilliant hazel tone. She had the black eye-liner with the paler spectacles to enhance the shape and her facial markings were well-defined to highlight her beauty. She had an elegant neck and a lithe, muscular body with slender legs and tufted paws. Her black heels extended to the hocks. She had a full brush that was an excellent length and she stood proudly with her tail erect in true Somali manner. The coat was very soft and fine. It lay flat along the spine and fringed down the sides. She had a pretty ruff to frame her face. She was an excellent golden brown made up of a rich apricot base coat and well-defined black ticking. She was shown to perfection and had the sweetest personality – a delight to meet and judge.

USUAL SOMALI NEUTER

BOB LINDGREN'S GRAND PREMIER BRIZLINCOAT FORCE MAJEURE, 63, MN, 25.3.2009

A handsome Usual Somali of excellent type and style. He had a very good expression. He was golden brown with excellent ticking but I did note some seasonal grey roots.

AC SELKIRK REX NEUTER, MALE

BOB CREATON & WALKER'S GRAND PREMIER CRINKLES JACK FROST, MN, 2.5.2007. A gorgeous long-haired Selkirk Rex of outstanding type and quality. He was presented to perfection and has a dense, soft coat that was really well curled and waved. He is really affectionate and enjoys a good cuddle!

RUSSIAN BLUE ADULT, MALE

1 CC OAKLEY'S KREMLINKATZ KAZAN KHAN, 16a, M, 13.2.2012

A handsome cat of good type and balance overall; he had a short wedge with prominent whisker pads to give good breadth at the bottom of the wedge. His ears could be larger but were pointed and set vertically to the head. The forehead was straight and he had a good angle and a straight nose. His eyes were set well apart and of almond shape. They were very expressive and a beautiful vivid green. He had a long, elegant body with very good muscle tone. His legs were long with neat oval paws. The tail tapered to a rounded tip and was a good length to balance. The coat had density and was fine in texture. It was soft and an attractive medium blue with a silvery sheen. He was shown in excellent condition and had a lovely temperament.

2 STARK'S DUSHENKA GABRIEL, 16a, M, 5.4.2012

This young male had excellent ears that were large, pointed and set vertically to the head. His wedge was of medium length but he had the prominent whisker pads to give a good finish. He had a good angle and a straight nose. His eyes were rather small and they were deep set although a good green. This completely ruined the gentle expression so important for a Russian in my opinion. He had a very good body with slender legs and the tail balanced well. His coat was reasonably dense but was resilient rather than soft and plush. He was a dark blue but had a silvery sheen. He was in excellent condition and had a good temperament.

I considered **JOHNSON'S GRAND CHAMPION DUSHENKA CZAR KORESHKI** for the BOB award but noticed he had very clear silvery stripes on both sides of his body.

RUSSIAN BLUE ADULT, FEMALE

BOB JOHNSON'S GRAND CHAMPION KORESHKA ROKSANA RUSINA, 16a, F, 7.7.2010

A very attractive female with a short wedge finished with prominent whisker pads. Her ears were large, pointed and set vertically. She had beautiful, green, almond-shaped eyes and a soft, gentle expression. I thought her coat was really soft, fine, dense and plush as well as being a medium blue with a distinct silvery sheen.

I also considered:

PHILLIPS' CHAMPION MEKELTER MISS JEMIMA – I liked her type and expression but the coat was lacking density and was rather flat.

OAKLEY'S GRAND CHAMPION KREMLINKATZ KARA KARIZMA – She was elegant with beautiful eyes and a lovely coat texture but she would not puff her whisker pads which made her appear snipy.

STARK'S GRAND CHAMPION DUSHENKA ZIVABELLA – I liked her type but her coat was rather harsh and resilient to the touch rather than soft and plush.

USUAL ABYSSINIAN ADULT

BOB LOCKWOOD'S CHAMPION BRUNNBACKENS LEON, 23, M, 20.6.2011

A handsome male of very good type and expression; he was well balanced, lithe and muscular. The coat was resilient and a rich golden brown made up of an apricot base and well-defined black ticking. He was shown in excellent condition and had a friendly, confident temperament.

SORREL ABYSSINIAN ADULT

1 CC + BOB LINCOLN'S PONTABY LEONESSA, 23a, F, 6.10.2011

A very pretty female of good type and balance overall; she had a moderate wedge with gently curving contours and large ears that were well-cupped placed well apart but not low. Her eyes were of almond shape with an oriental setting. The facial markings emphasised their beauty and her expression. She had a slight dip to the profile and a good chin. She had an elegant neck and excellent head carriage. Her body was lithe and muscular with slender legs and neat oval paws. Her tail tapered to a rounded tip and balanced well. She had a short coat with a resilient texture. She was a good sorrel with an apricot base coat ticked with chocolate. She was shown in excellent condition and had a sweet temperament.

USUAL ABYSSINIAN KITTEN

1 + BOB LINCOLN'S LINCZOZO CATS PYJAMAS, 23, F, 28.9.2012

A very attractive Usual kitten of very good type and promise; she had a moderate wedge with a rounded muzzle. Her ears were large, well-cupped and spaced well apart. Her eyes were large and

expressive, of almond shape in an oblique setting. They were a bright hazel tone. She had a slight dip in the profile and a good chin. Her facial markings were well defined and enhanced her head type. She was lithe and muscular with very good legs and tail. She was a golden brown made up of rich apricot base coat that was well ticked with black. She was confident and friendly and shown in excellent condition.

CORNISH REX KITTEN

1 (BOB W/H) SHEPLEY'S DAKI OLIVE, 33 22A, F, 8.8.2012

An attractive kitten beautifully presented in excellent condition and with a lovely temperament but not of good Cornish type and poor quality rexing. The head was a little long and rather fine in the muzzle. Her ears were large, wide at the base and rounded at the tips. They were set very high on the head. The top of the head was flat and there was a gentle curve at the brow with a straight nose and good chin. Her eyes were very round and rather prominent giving a startled expression. She had an elegant neck and a medium length body that was well muscled. Her legs were long with neat oval paws. Her tail was long, fine and tapering. Her coat was short, dense and silky. There were a few shallow waves on her lower back. I felt it would have been too harsh to withhold the first prize but I did tell the owner later she was not of show quality particularly because of the lack of rexing.

RUSSIAN BLUE NEUTER, MALE

1 PR/WH CLOUDSDALE KORESHKA ANDREI NICOLSKY, 16a, MN, 31.5.2011

This boy was really nervous. We managed to take him out of the pen but he was very frightened, tense and not wanting to be judged. I was not able to assess his bite. He was elegant and muscular with long, slender legs and a good tail to balance. His ears could be larger and he was holding them low. He had almond eyes that were a good green. I was not able to judge him further as I felt it kinder to let him return to the pen. His coat was reasonably dense, a dark blue with a silver sheen. It felt resilient rather than soft and plush. He was in excellent condition.

RUSSIAN BLUE NEUTER, FEMALE

BOB HALL'S GRAND PREMIER MEKELTER ZAROVSKINA, 16a, FN, 17.2.2010

I had been having problems with the Russians and was delighted to meet this mature, beautiful female as she restored my faith! She had large ears that appeared pointed and were set vertically. Her eyes were a vivid green, excellent in shape and with that unique expression that is so endearing. She had a good angle and her whisker pads were prominent, giving a defined finish to the wedge. She had an excellent body, legs and tail. Her coat was short, fine, dense and plush. It was a very attractive medium blue with a silvery sheen. She had a lovely temperament and was shown in excellent condition.

1 PR WHITE'S DUSHENKA FENELLA, 16a, FN, 5.4.2012

Another attractive female of very good type with a short wedge and prominent whisker pads; her ears were large, pointed and set vertically. She had a good angle and chin. Her eyes were of almond shape, a very good bright green and expressive. Her body was elegant but muscular with good legs

and tail. Her coat was dense, soft and fine in texture and she was a good, medium blue with a silvery sheen. She was shown in excellent condition and had a good temperament too.

I also considered **Hamilton's UK & IMPERIAL GRAND PREMIER DUSHENKA XARIA BELLA** for the BOB award. She has good type and is of excellent quality but was not at all happy.

USUAL ABYSSINIAN NEUTER

1 PC/WH LINCOLN'S LINCZOZO ADAM, 23, MN, 26.4.2011

A handsome cat of good type and expression; his wedge was moderate with curving contours. The ears were large, well-cupped and set well apart. He had expressive eyes in an oriental setting. They were of almond shape and a rich hazel tone. There was a slight dip to the profile and the chin had depth. He was lithe and muscular with good legs and tail. The coat was short with a resilient texture. It was a rich golden brown made up of the apricot base and beautifully ticked with black. His facial markings were well defined. Unfortunately there were a number of rings on the tail. He was shown in excellent condition and had a superb temperament.