

KENTISH CAT SOCIETY, 21 OCTOBER 2017

Judge: Ms Elisabeth Stark

My thanks to Helen, Sean, Sue, and all the show team for the invitation to judge at this well-organised and hospitable show. I loved the Halloween-themed rosettes which added nicely to the fun feel of the day. My thanks also to my steward Claire Styles for all her help and gentle handling of the exhibits – it's always a pleasure to have your company Claire. I had the pleasure of choosing the Best Foreign Kitten and had a choice of nine lovely kittens. It was a close-run thing, with my final choice being a lovely pixie-faced Devon Rex with a wonderful coat – Elfe Feerique Yasmin.

AV Russian Blue, Abyssinian or Korat Champion (Gr Ch) Male

GCC – Sinclair's Ch Sawatao Bilbil (KOR), M, 27.07.15

A darling Korat boy, now over 2 years old. He has quite a broad heart-shaped head with quite a well-developed muzzle. In profile he shows a good slight stop, a reasonably short nose with a slight downward curve and a medium deep chin with level bite. His medium-large ears have rounded tips and are set very well, giving an alert expression. His eyes are large and luminous, quite prominent and are green with a slightly yellowy outer ring. His coat is short, single and close-lying, quite fine in texture. He has good silver tipping evident throughout. He has really excellent overall build with a strong, semi-cobby medium size body, well-proportioned legs, small oval paws and an excellent medium length tail that tapers from a heavier base to a rounded tip. A very, very sweet-natured boy, just delightful.

AV Russian Blue, Abyssinian or Korat Champion (Gr Ch) Female

GCC – Ravenscroft's Ch Lubimiyeh Goluboi Sonya (RUS a), F, 31.05.12

A super big girl with huge ears to match! Her ears are very well-shaped, and she can hold them properly upright when she chooses. She has a wonderful profile with a clear angle, slight concave curve and straight nose and level bite. She has lovely almond-shaped eyes set on a good slant and nicely apart, mid green in colour. She sports super prominent whisker pads on her short wedge. Her coat is short and dense, quite fine and soft, a good mid blue with even silvery sheen. She has super overall build, long, strong and graceful with long legs and lovely little oval paws with a tapering tail to balance. She has changed a lot since I first met her as a young adolescent, but is still the sweetest and gentlest of ladies.

AV Russian Blue, Abyssinian or Korat Premier (Gr Pr) Female

1 (no GPC) – Vanns' Pr Silversmoke Lindy Hop (ABY o), FN, 20.09.14

A slightly shy 3 year old sorrel Aby girl. She has very good overall type with an excellent moderate wedge with good slightly rounded muzzle and overall good gentle rounded head contours. She has an excellent profile with a slight nose break, straight nose and a good firm chin. Her medium-large ears are set wide apart and follow the lines of her wedge very well. She has lovely large expressive hazel green eyes, an excellent rounded almond shape in an oriental setting. Her coat is short, fine and dense, quite close-lying and shows good distinct chocolate ticking over a bright apricot base throughout. She has excellent facial markings and a well-defined

chocolate spine line that continues down to a solid coloured tail tip. She also has some colour on her hocks. She has broken necklaces, but sadly she is very pale on her chin and that paleness extends too far down her neck for me to be able to award a grand certificate. She is an excellent size, albeit rather overweight at present, with slender elegant legs and small oval feet. Her tail is an excellent length to balance, thick at the base and tapering. So very sorry to withhold the certificate on this gentle lady.

Russian Blue adult female

BoB - Ravenscroft's Ch Lubimiyeh Goluboi Sonya (RUS a), F, 31.05.12

My lovely big, graceful, Grand winner

1st & CC – Hopkins' Regalrussians Staritza (RUS a), F, 06.01.17

A very nice little lady, just 9½ months old with the prettiest expression. She has lovely large ears that are well shaped and beautifully set and super almond shaped eyes set on a harmonious slant that are already an excellent shade of green. In profile she shows a good angle, slight concave curve and straight nose, a level bite and a reasonable depth to her chin. She has good prominent whisker pads on her short wedge that shows quite good width overall. Her coat is short, soft and fine with good density, medium blue in colour with a definite silvery sheen evident throughout. She is still adolescent in build, as is her right by age, with a long graceful body, proportionate slim legs, small oval paws and a good medium long tapering tail. A super-sweet and super-pretty girl.

2nd – Ravenscroft's Goluboi Tatyana (RUS a), F, 09.06.13

A mature lady of 4 years and 4 months. She has super large upright ears that are broad at the base and set very well. In profile she shows some angle and a slightly straight nose: her bite is level. She has very well-shaped almond eyes set on a definite slant that are two-tone green in colour. Her wedge should be shorter, but she has excellent prominent whisker pads. Her short coat is medium blue in colour with a good silvery sheen, and is dense and quite fine, although it could be softer. She has excellent graceful build, lovely long legs and oval paws, and a medium length tapering tail. She was slightly shy at first, but that didn't last long and she was very sweet to handle.

3rd – Young's Curtilla Maya (RUS a), F, 07.05.16

This young girl has a lovely gentle expression. She has well-shaped large, pointed ears that are just set off true vertical. Her eyes are an excellent almond shape and set nicely apart on a harmonious slant. They are greenish in colour. In profile she shows a slightly rounded brow, needs more angle and she has a bit of a bump on her nose: her bite is level. She has excellent prominent whisker pads on her short wedge. She has a very pale blue coat with a definite silvery sheen evident throughout. It is short and fine in texture, and quite dense. She has good graceful build with long body and legs, oval paws and a medium long tail that tapers to a pointed tip. Another very gentle girl.

4th – Murray-Brooks' Annusia Lyudmila Feodorovna (RUS a), F, 16.12.16

Only 10 months old, she has medium large ears of good shape that she was tending to hold slightly low today. In profile she has an angle, but rather lacks a concave curve: she has a good straight nose. Out of the pen she held her eyes large and round, then back in the pen decided to hold them tight and narrow, daft girl! They are a very attractive sea-green in colour. She has quite a short wedge and good prominent whisker pads. Her coat is medium short, a darker blue in colour with a

subtle silvery sheen. It could be finer and softer, and was lying a bit flat down her back. She is an excellent size and weight for her age. A gentle and sweetly wriggly adolescent who has time on her side.

Korat adult male

BoB – Sinclair's Ch Sawatao Bilbil (KOR), M, 27.07.15

My darling Grand winner.

Russian Blue kitten female

1st & BoB – Ravenscroft's Goluboi Czarina (RUS a), F, 03.04.17

A promising 6½ month old girl who was fast asleep when I first got to her. She has lovely large ears that she just about hoisted upright for me! She shows an angle in profile with a slight concave curve and straight nose, level bite and good chin. She has almond shaped eyes that are well-set, green in the centre just fading to a slight yellowish tone. She could show more width to her wedge at this stage in her development. Her coat is medium blue, even in colour with a silvery sheen and is short, fine and quite dense in texture. She has good overall build and a nice size for her age, with slender legs and small oval paws. Her tail is medium length and tapers to a slightly rounded tip. A promising girl - once she woke up properly she looked very pretty.

2nd – Ravenscroft's Goluboi Calina (RUS a), F, 03.04.17

Litter sister to my winner, this girl is the size of some adults already! She has huge ears that she holds quite upright and almond shaped eyes that are a definite sea green – very striking. In profile her angle is still to develop, her nose is a bit long and straight, her bite is level and she has a super deep and strong chin. She has a longish wedge at present that could be broader, with good prominent whisker pads. Her medium length coat is mid blue showing a slightly uneven silvery sheen, and a dark band of colour. It is reasonably dense in texture. She has super elegant build, all in proportion and very mature for her age, a lovely long body, long legs, and long tail to match. She also has a lovely temperament.

Asian Self or Tortie kitten female

1st & BoB – Rodwell's Jax Black Velvet (ASH n), F, 11.02.17

A striking glossy Bombay girlie, coming up for adulthood at 8½ months old. She has an excellent short, balanced wedge showing width at the cheekbones tapering to a blunt muzzle with quite good width at the jaw hinge. Her profile is super with a distinct nose break and straight nose, a good chin and level bite. She has large well-shaped ears with rounded tips that are broad at the base and set very well apart, continuing the lines of her upper face and showing a slight forward tilt. Her eyes are pretty large, a lovely lustrous gold colour, set wide apart and showing a super shape with the upper contour showing a slight curve and slant down to the nose and the bottom contour showing a lovely fuller, more rounded line. Her coat is quite short, fine, smooth and beautifully glossy, lying lovely and close to her body. It is jet black with just a couple of scattered white hairs evident. She has a very solid body (big breakfast this morning?!) that is medium length, hard, heavy and quite muscular with a straight back and gently rounded chest. She has lovely slender legs and neat oval

paws, and a balanced medium thick tail that tapers slightly to a rounded tip. Another super-sweet cat, a total darling, and I greatly enjoyed my snuggle-time with her.

Asian Tabby Kitten male

1st & BoB – Mansaray's Irrep Hahabuba (ASH n 25 31), M, 11.04.17

Oh my goodness, if best in show was awarded on temperament alone this boy would ace it! A brown ticked tabby Asian boy, coming up for 6½ months old, who was clearly enjoying his day out immensely. He has quite a short wedge with good width at the cheekbones and a reasonably blunt muzzle: he could have more width at the jaw hinge. He has quite a distinct nose break in profile, a good straight nose and an excellent firm and deep chin. His medium size ears have quite rounded tips, are broad at the base and set well apart, continuing the lines of his upper face, showing a slight forward tilt. He has good large, lustrous green eyes that are set well apart and are well-shaped with a straighter top line slanting to the nose and a deeper curve to the bottom line. His coat is short, fine, smooth and lies beautifully close to his body, although it could be a bit glossier. He shows clear sepia ticking over a cooler toned fawn base with grey roots evident, and a paler belly. He has good facial markings with clear thumb prints on his ears, an excellent dark outline to his eyes and pencilling on his cheeks. He has broken necklaces, stripes on his legs, super sepia colour on his hocks and a good dark tail tip. His body is medium length, quite slender, hard and muscular with a good straight back and gently rounded chest. His legs are quite slender and he has medium size oval paws at this stage. The sleepest, daftest lad who slobbered and purred all over me!

Russian Blue neuter female

BoB – Theakston's IGrPr Troika Oksana (RUS a), FN, 12.07.14

Super gentle Russian expression to this 3+ year old lady. She has wonderful large ears that are beautifully shaped and set. Her profile is excellent with a clear angle, slight concave curve, short, straight nose and level bite. She has a lovely short wedge with super prominent whisker pads and lovely green almond shaped eyes with such a gentle expression to them. Her coat is short, fine, soft and dense with a good silvery sheen, but just a hint of 'suntan' to the colour in places. She has good overall build with slim legs, small oval paws and a good tapering tail. A really lovely lady, Best of Breed awarded with great pleasure.

Brown Burmese Kitten female

1st & BoB – Bone's Sykris Miss Chief (BUR n), F, 04.02.17

A well-balanced Brown Burmese girl. She has excellent overall type with a good short wedge that is wide at the cheekbones and tapers to a good blunt finish at the muzzle with quite good width at the jaw hinge. She has a very good profile with a slightly rounded brow, a good distinct nose break, straight nose, firm chin and good overall depth to her head. Her medium size ears are well-shaped with rounded tips and are broad at the base. They are set very well apart, possibly marginally low set. Her eyes are very expressive, large and lustrous yellow, and well-shaped with a straighter top line slanting towards the nose and a good more rounded bottom line. They are also set well apart. Her medium length body is slender and quite heavy with a good straight back. She has slender proportionate legs and good neat, oval

paws. Her tail is a good length to reach her shoulders and an excellent shape, tapering slightly from a medium thick base to a rounded tip. Her coat is short, fine, smooth and glossy but could be more satiny for perfection – it lies nicely close to her body. In colour it is a rich, warm seal brown on her body and a shade darker on her head, legs and tail. She was expressing strong opinions about the universe, but was easy to handle!

Red Burmese Kitten female

1st & BoB – Walter’s Crystalbrook Ruby (BUR d), F, 24.01.17

An adolescent red Burmese girl, who was also quite forceful in expressing herself! She has good overall type with a short wedge that is wide at the cheekbones and tapers to a blunt finish at the muzzle: she also has good width at the jaw hinge. In profile she shows a good distinct nose break, and a slight roll off at the end of her nose. Her ears are well-shaped and set, being medium sized with rounded tips and broad at the base, set well apart and continuing the lines of her upper face. Her eyes are large and lustrous, and set nicely apart and look a good shape when she is more relaxed, with a straighter top line slanting towards the nose and deeper curve to the bottom line but she did tend to round them in excitement. They are yellow in colour. Her body is medium length and slender with a good hard muscular feel, showing a good straight back. Her legs are proportionate and she has neat oval paws. Her tail is a good length to balance and well-shaped, tapering slightly from a medium base to a rounded tip. Her coat is short, fine and smooth, but could be more satiny and glossy – it lies close to her body. It is a good clear tangerine colour, quite bright in tone over her body and shading to a paler belly that is clear in colour. She still shows some very slight shadow markings, including a vestigial faint necklace that is broken in the middle, and a hint of slight smudges to her inner front legs and thighs. She was very vocal today, but tolerated my thorough inspection with a look of grumpy superiority.

MISCELLANEOUS CLASSES - PEDIGREE

AC Foreign Adolescent Adult

1st – Maudlin’s Modi Amagitsune*RU (OCI ns), M, 18.11.16

AC Foreign Junior Adult

1st – Alger-Street’s Typhast Fairfloreance (BEN n 24), F, 30.05.16

AC Foreign Aristocrat Adult

1st – Dalton-Hobbs’ Loraston Jinny Choo (ASH m 25), F, 03.07.16

2nd – Alger-Street’s Typhast Fairfloreance (BEN n 24), F, 30.05.16

3rd – Fereday’s Yassassin Lazarus (DRX ns), M, 09.05.16

AC Foreign Titled Adult

- 1st – Ravenscroft's Ch Lubimiyeh Goluboi Sonya (RUS a), F, 31.05.12
2nd – Peters' Gr Ch Elliechlo Pixie-Trixie (ASH m 11 31), F, 04.01.15

AC Foreign Maiden Kitten

- 1st – Treacher's Saluay Saeng Lali Sawan (KOR), F, 26.05.17
2nd – Macey's Fecheldee Gertrude (TOS em 32), F, 04.06.17
3rd – Ravenscroft's Goluboi Calina (RUS a), F, 03.04.17

AC Foreign Limit Kitten

- 1st – Ravenscroft's Goluboi Czarina (RUS a), F, 03.04.17
2nd – Treacher's Saluay Malaika (KOR), F, 26.05.17

AC Foreign Limit Neuter

- 1st – Edmunds' Gossamyst Eerin Rana (AUM b 22), FN, 14.02.13

AC Foreign Veteran Neuter

- 1st – Macey's IGr Ch & Gr Pr Fecheldee Daisiemay (TOS k 32), FN, 01.12.06

AC Foreign Neuter Resident in Kent

- 1st – Mires' Gr Pr Memphis Anubis (MAU ns 24), MN, 21.08.14
2nd – Hardy's Pr Kagura Ajax 169 (ASH n 25 31), MN, 16.06.14
3rd – Vanns' Gr Pr Abydreames Graffiti Bridge (ABY n), MN, 17.04.16
x3rd – Edmunds' Pr Hildrek Dream Time (AUM c 22), FN, 18.10.14

AC Burmese Non-Breeders Neuter

My sincere congratulations to the owners of my first three cats on presenting their veteran beauties in such wonderful condition – none of them looked anywhere near their age.

- 1st – Chapman-Bear's OB IGr Ch & Gr Pr Catamarian Evita (BUR a), FN, 13.08.10
2nd – Dalton-Hobb's Gr Ch Aureus Dinah Mite (BUR c), FN, 18.01.10
3rd – Power's UK OBI Gr Pr Mainman Rajah (BUR b), MN, 11.08.03

AC Burmese Debutante Neuter

- 1st – Kempe's IGr Ch Oakenshield Misty Morning (BUR c), FN, 06.02.14