

SOUTH WESTERN COUNTIES CAT CLUB SHOW 26/09/2015; Judge:
Charis White

I started the day without a steward but Carol Jones very kindly joined me for the day which was great. She was having fun showing some Abby babies so had time on her hands – lucky me! It was good fun to have your company, Carol, and to share experience on all the breeds we saw on the day. Many thanks; I hope we can do it again sometime.

AV IMPERIAL GRAND PREMIER

MALE

OLY – SAUNDERS' IGR PR PAPAGENA YESLOW WOLSEY (BUR c)
01/09/08 He is actually quite a big lad but he is not out of balance and does not lose elegance with his size. He has a firm muscular weighty body which stands on proportionate legs ending in neat oval paws. Tail is of medium thickness at the base, ending in a tapering rounded tip. Short wedge with width at the cheekbones and tapering to a blunt muzzle. Top of his head is just a fraction flat, between medium sized ears which have broad bases and rounded tips. Nice set. Super eyes for shape and Burmese expression – they are of a lovely colour. Good depth to skull and pleasing profile, level bite and fairly firm chin. Short fine coat has a satin-like appearance and it lies close to the body. The colour is a pale dove grey with slight pinkish tone. A sweet boy in lovely condition.

RES OLY – EMMENS' IGR PR SPICESIAM COOLHAND LUKE (SIA d)
31/05/13 A stylish and elegant boy – again he is large but it does not detract from his overall balance and look. Body is long and svelte with long slim legs to balance which end in neat oval paws. Long tapering tail. He has a good wedge narrowing to a fine muzzle. Super large ears with wide bases are set to follow the lines. He tended to close his eyes up but when alert, he opened them more, making them the correct Oriental shape and of clear blue. He is just a bit heavy on the brow at the bridge of his nose and he has a very slight dip to his nose when viewed in profile. Bite is level and chin firm. His coat is short but it is a bit dense and 'thick' so it lacks the fine, close-lying appearance and the glossy look. He has a little tonal shading to the warm white body colour. Matching points colour of bright reddish gold contrasts well with the body colour. A sweet boy, well shown.

FEMALE

A tougher class than the boys because two quality cats went away with nothing – I hate that!

OLY – WILLIAMS & PALLETT'S OBIGP KENNBURY RETURN OF SHE (ASH ns 25 31)

26/08/09 Well of course she won it on the creaky purrs and twittering – and sucking up to the judge! When she came forward to the front of her pen, she came out from under her blanket, which was draped around her shoulders, and she looked very elegant, but quite funny! She is a lovely cat with a medium sized heavy muscular body which stands on slender elegant legs with neat paws. Tail balances to body. Short balanced wedge is well held and she has good width at the cheekbones. Medium sized ears have rounded tips and are broad at the bases. They are set well apart. Gently rounded top leads

to a straight nose and blunt muzzle. Lovely large lustrous eyes, the shape giving her the classic expression. Good depth to the skull, level bite and firm chin. Short fine coat lies close to her body. The silver agouti ground colour contrasts well with the rich warm seal markings – there is even ticking across the coat, extending down the hair shafts, with darker spine line and paler belly and insides to her legs. Excellent facial markings and necklaces, and she has some leg barring and tail rings. She is in super condition and on the day she had a lovely sharp vibrant look to the colours. A poppet.....obviously!

RES OLY – HOPGOOD'S SUP OBIGP PINEMARTEN TINA SPARKLE (BRI j)

27/04/12 One of my favourite cats on the show bench and we have had quite a lot of dealings over the last year or so! She really is magnificent with a large mature body which has good depth and breadth and she stands on solid well boned legs which end in large rounded paws. Medium length tail with rounded tip. Her head is lovely – broad, round and full cheeked and her neat ears are well spaced with good rounded tips. Gorgeous round orange eyes. Short broad nose, level bite and firm chin. Her coat is wonderful, especially for the time of year – a real credit to her owner. It is dense and crisp and short and the colours are amazingly sound – soft shades of lilac and cream are beautifully mingled throughout, right down to her paws. Lovely condition and good temperament.

ALSO CONSIDERED:

ARISS' IGR PR TASSARE BETTY BOOP (MCO n 22)

26/02/13 A lovely example of the breed with a medium sized very well balanced solid muscular body showing breadth to her chest and good proportions to her legs and paws. Long tapering tail balances to her body length. Medium length to head showing correct proportions and topped by large tall ears which have wide bases and tapering tips. They are set high and well apart, giving her an alert look. Full rounded eyes of good colour have pleasing expression. Fairly full cheeks with good cheekbones. Uniform width to her nose, showing correct profile, level bite in square muzzle and firm chin. The undercoat is covered by a good top coat flowing well along her body. The fur is shorter around her head and neck but she has the ruff and breaches and lovely flowing plumed tail. Super tufted paws. The black markings contrast well with the copper agouti brown generally – she has an 'M' on her forehead and stripes running from her eyes and lines across her cheeks. The lines from the 'M' run over her head to her shoulders but at that point everything becomes a bit blurred down her centre back, as if that area is still moulting out so that the lines along her back are not clear, otherwise she has oysters evident, leg barring and tail rings. A sweet girl.

LEE'S CH & UK OGIGP WILLHAVETODO OUIJA BOARD (OSH k)

21/05/06 Another one of my all-time favourites – who retired on the day, having won everything over the years! She is a quality cat of super type and she just hasn't lost that quality over the years, keeping the standard up across the Breed. Her type remains superb and her eyes a gorgeous green, even at 9 years; the expression can only be described as haughty really – she is wonderful and she knows it! Lovely short fine coat with super mingling and patching of warm brownish grey and shades of apricot, sound to the roots.

She has been a delight and an honour to judge throughout my Oriental career – good luck, Bridget and Sharon. I hope you share many years of retirement.

AC SELKIRK REX CHAMPION ADULT FEMALE

GCC – COLLINS' SNOSHU STARCHASER (SRL as 11)

13/09/14 She is just a year old and will probably always be a more compact cat but she has the right rectangular shape and she stands on well boned medium length legs which end in neat paws. Tail balances to body with thicker base and rounded tip. Her weight is fine for her size. She has a good head with breadth and roundness and the cheeks filling out well. Medium sized ears are wide at the bases and they are set well apart, fitting into the contours and rounded forehead leads to a downward slanting short broad nose. Large round eyes are well opened and have a very good Selkirk Rex expression. Level bite in a muzzle which is developing a good rectangular look. Firm chin. Her semi-long coat is dense and plush and has a loose unstructured look to the random curls and waves which are evident throughout. She has a ruff which frames her face and super plume to her tail. Broken and curly whiskers.

BRITISH BLUE ADULT

BOB – BURFORD'S CH KAROWBIST HUMPHREY BOGART

10/06/14 He is a solid cobby male with good bone and weight – he is only 15 months old and at the moment he just looks a fraction tall in the leg but it does not detract from his overall appearance. Good depth to his body and medium length tail with rounded tip. He has a broad head with cheeks filling out – it just narrows to a slightly square and youthful muzzle. Ears are a bit large and open at the bases as yet in this stage of his development. Super round deep orange eyes have good expression. Short broad nose. His bite is acceptable – could be seen by some as undershot slightly but the incisors meet. Firm chin. His coat is short, dense and crisp, with a slight sprinkling of silver tipping at the moment and he still has a few ghost spots evident from some light angles along his body but the blue is a lovely shade and it is sound. A few ghost rings on his tail.

Also considered:

CROOK'S CH ATOPKAT GRACIE FIELDS

07/06/13 She is a neat compact female but has still to reach full maturity. She has breadth of head but the cheeks are not quite full yet. Good rounded top between rather large flared ears for balance to her head. Lovely deep orange expressive eyes are round in shape and well set. Short broad nose and level bite. Chin just steps back a little. Short dense crisp coat of even, sound, medium blue just showing a few darker ghost rings on her tail. There is just a bit of silver tipping in places. Sweet girl.

SELKIRK REX ADULT

BOB - COLLINS' SNOSHU STARCHASER (SRL as 11)

CC - COLLINS' SNOSHU RHAPSODYINBLUE (SRL a)

29/07/14 A medium framed female – she is slightly four-square rather than rectangular in body shape but she is only just over a year old so this may change. She stands well on medium, well boned legs with firm rounded paws.

Tail balances to body. Broad head with cheeks filling out and muzzle developing a rectangular 'boxy' look. Rounded forehead between medium sized ears – the shape is fine but she just tended to hold them a little high. Lovely big round well opened expressive eyes. Downward slant to nose, level bite and firm chin. Semi-long coat is dense and plush. It is a bit 'fluffy' down her spinal area at the moment but otherwise she has plenty of loose random curls across the coat – which stands out from her body. Good temperament.

BRITISH LILAC KITTEN, FEMALE

1ST, BOB – HOPGOOD'S SENI SEVIYORUM LUNA

30/03/15 A very well grown kitten who is showing good development to a cobby body shape and she has well boned legs with firm rounded paws. Medium length tail with rounded tip. Her head is developing well and gaining a pleasing roundness. Ears are well set – just a bit open in appearance. Large round eyes – the colour is 'muddy' but it looks to be coming along very well towards orange. Short broad nose and level bite – she is just looking a bit muzzly at the moment which is typical at her age – and firm chin. The coat is dense and crisp but a fraction long - the colour is rather cool and pale, but even and sound, so it just lacks the pinkish tone to it as yet. She has some ghost spots on her body and slightly darker tail rings. A pleasing example.

BRITISH AOC SPOTTED KITTEN, FEMALE

1ST, BOB – McLEAN'S RYMAROSE MARIESTHENAME (BRI a 24)

04/03/15 A very promising girl – she has a lovely cobby balanced four-square body with good balance and bone to her short strong legs and round paws. Good tail. Her round head just narrows to a slightly square muzzle at the moment. She needs to grow into her ears as they appear large for balance but are of reasonable shape. Big round eyes, the colour developing well. Good profile and level bite. Super short dense coat – the ground colour is quite cool toned bluish fawn and there is brindling across the surface which cools it even more. Excellent deep blue pattern has a good contrast to the ground – there is very little linkage to the spots on her body. The spots down the spine line are breaking up and can be seen and overall, the pattern is clear and striking. She has lots of necklaces and leg bars and a spotty tummy. Pleasing facial markings and a ringed tail with blue tip.

AC BRITISH GR PR NEUTER

MALE

IGPC – COLLINS' PR SNOSHU BOMBADIL (SRL e)

04/05/13 A weighty muscular male with rectangular frame standing on medium length legs with firm rounded paws. Tail is thick at the base with a rounded tip. Broad well-rounded head with medium sized ears of correct shape. He just tended to bonnet them a bit so that they pricked forward which detracted slightly from the overall impression although he could hold them correctly on occasions. Rounded forehead leads to broad nose with downward slant. Lovely big open expressive eyes. Level bite and firm chin. Muzzle is of medium width with padded whisker pads to give a rectangular impression. Dense plush coat is of uniform semi long appearance. He has plenty of random curls on his head, legs, tummy and paws. The curls are lost

slightly on his centre back – probably seasonal – but there is still evidence of unstructured waves through the coat. He has longer ruff and a plummy tail.

FEMALE

IGPC – ABSALOM'S IGR CH & GR PR WELLMAR BALTI (BRI n 24)

16/05/09 She is a wonderful example – solid, cobby and muscular and really well grown and balanced with super maturity to a lovely round head with full cheeks and pleasing top between neat ears. Large round expressive eyes are gold in colour. Short broad nose, level bite and firm chin. Her coat is short, dense and crisp, the ground colour a rich copper brown. Super dense black pattern – she has the M on her forehead with lines running from it over her head to her shoulders. Lines and stripes on her face and plenty of clear necklaces. Apart from a small solid patch where the spots have not broken on her back, her spots are clear and fabulous. Spotty tummy well ringed legs and tail with a black tip. A lovely girl.

RES IGPC – ROGERS' GR PR JINGOROSA DIAMOND FIZZ (BRI o 33)

25/07/12 She is weighty and solid with a broad muscular frame, good bone to legs and paws and a medium length tail with rounded tip. She just looks slightly immature in that while her head is rounded with full cheeks, she has a slightly square muzzle and her ears look a little tall, open and upright in set. Large round eyes are of clear blue – I could not decide if there was a hint of nystagmus in there so gave her the benefit of the doubt. Good profile and level bite. Lovely short dense crisp coat – very little tonal shading showing on the ivory body colour. Good contrast with the cinnamon brown points colour but she has some brindling on her face and tail with ghost tabby markings also on her mask. She was quite cranky so was not showing at her best.

BRITISH CINNAMON/FAWN NEUTER, MALE

1ST, PC withheld, HOWARD'S JINGOROSA MONTGOMERY (BRI o)

16/08/14 He is a really big weighty lad but at the moment he is quite rangy – long in the body and tall in the leg but his legs are very well boned. Tail balances to body. He is only just over a year and as yet, his head is fairly rounded but the cheeks have yet to fill out. Ears are a little upright in set, and slightly tall. My reason for withholding his certificate is that in that very good hall light, his eyes are clearly green in tone, gold at the outer edges – the green might fade into a forgivable hazel and it could look very different in other hall lights. The eyes are of correct shape and set and have a gentle expression. Broad nose, level bite and slightly shallow chin. His coat is dense and crisp, fairly short. The cinnamon colour is warm and rich, fairly sound to the roots but just showing a ghost pattern across the surface and some brindling in between. He is a very sweet boy and I bet he is lovely at home.

BRITISH BLUE-CREAM, LILAC OR FAWN TORTIE NEUTER, FEMALE

BOB - HOPGOOD'S SUP OBIGP PINEMARTEN TINA SPARKLE (BRI j)

SELKIRK REX NEUTER, MALE

BOB COLLINS' PR SNOSHU BOMBADIL (SRL e)

CORNISH REX ADULT FEMALE

BOB – ARNOLD'S CH PAPAVER ECHO (CRX g)

21/06/13 A dainty feminine cat with a medium length slender body showing good muscle tone and standing on long straight legs with neat paws. Long fine tapered tail balances to her body. Medium wedge with high cheekbones is topped by fairly large ears with tapering rounded tips, set rather high on her head. Medium sized oval eyes have correct Cornish expression. Her profile is almost straight, leading from a gently curving skull. Bite is level in rounded muzzle, firm chin. Her short dense coat has a silken feel to it and there are plenty of waves and ripples across it, extending down from her shoulders onto her front legs and along her back legs and tail.

Also considered:

ARNOLD'S GR CH DU-BU EPHELIA (CRX o 11)

21/06/13 Another elegant female who has a firm muscular body of correct proportions. Nice straight long legs and correct shape and length to her tail. Medium wedge with high cheekbones. Her ears are wide at the bases and have rounded tips – she just tended to hold them a bit wide rather than fairly high on her head. Good shape and expression to her oval eyes. Her nose has a dip when viewed in profile. Level bite and firm chin with long crinkled whiskers. Lovely coat, short, dense and silken to the touch with really good waves and ripples across her body, down her legs and onto her tail.

ORIENTAL BICOLOUR ADULT, FEMALE

BOB – CLOTHIER'S CH REDFEET RIBBONS BOWS (OSH f 03 33)

01/05/13 An elegant muscular female with good balance to her body, limbs and tail. She has a triangular wedge with large wide based ears. She just tended to prick them forward slightly so that they didn't quite follow the lines. Clear blue eyes of Oriental shape slant towards her nose. Good profile and level bite. Slight whisker pinch, level bite, chin could be a little firmer. Short fine close-lying coat. She has at least one-third of white in proportion to colours. The white shows on her muzzle and whisker pads, then onto her chin and chest and it runs down to her abdomen – lower down, the white forms a very narrow 'line' and it blends with the body colour at the margins but it is definitely white. She has white on all four legs and paws with some patches of colours. The white extends up from her chest into a partial collar and from her tummy up her left flank and onto her side. Very dark seal brown points patched with red shades on her ears and mask. On her cream, body, the shading is quite strong but the colours are diffused, forming patching and 'bands' of the relevant colours. Fully coloured tail shows some brindling.

ORIENTAL LONGHAIR ADULT, FEMALE

BOB – RICE'S CH BELLAMEZE HEART OF GLASS (OLH m)

10/03/14 An elegant feminine medium sized female with good legs and paws. Long tapered tail balances to her body for length. Long well-proportioned wedge with good size and set to her wide based ears, following the lines of the edge. Eyes are just a fraction straight in set but the shape is good – they are pale clear green in colour. Straight profile, level bite and fairly firm chin. She is only 18 months old so her coat is still developing and it could be a little

longer but it is fine and silky and lies along the body. The colour is a sound even brownish blue – it just shows a slight rustiness in places.

HAVANA NEUTER, FEMALE

BOB – MILLER'S IGR CH & PR PASHTAN RHAPSODY (OSH b)

05/08/12 A large well grown elegant mature female standing well on long slim legs with small oval paws. Tail just appears slightly short for her body size but the shape is correct. Good wedge held on an elegant neck with large ears which are well set and follow the lines of her head. Clear pale green Oriental shaped eyes slant towards her nose. Good profile, level bite and firm chin. Her coat is short, fairly fine and close lying. The colour is a rich shade of chestnut brown – it is quite dark but still has warmth to it and the colour is even and sound across the coat. She has a few scattered white hairs around her shoulders across her back. Good temperament.