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Lancashire Cat Club
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My thanks to Chris, Janet and Committee for once again inviting me to this popular and well organised show. The entry was high and my book contained some high quality cats. My thanks, as always, to Mark for accompanying me and stewarding so well. I usually get my reports in within 2 or 3 days of the show, so my apologies this one has taken a little longer

Judging the Siberians today really made my day - the quality of this breed is definitely 'on the up' and it was indeed very enjoyable judging them. The adults were all under one year of age and of extremely good quality which certainly augurs well for this delightful breed - I would have been hard pressed not to have awarded a CC to any of them! The young adult male BoB winner however really blew me away ... what a stunner!!

NORWEGIAN FOREST

ADULT MALE

1 CC n/a Mrs L Grant, NOYNAROCK ZAC, (NFO as). M, 6.4.14.

A large well grown youngster of overall excellent type. Head of very good type and overall balance, though maybe just a little broad across the eyes. Ears of very good size and shape, well set and held well. Good even profile, correct bite and good depth of chin. Eyes of good size and shape. Body of excellent length and correct type. Good length tall strong legs. Tail of very good length. Coat of fair length and showing ruff, but unfortunately the coat texture was far too soft, lacking the distinctive coat required in this breed. I was concerned about his coat texture and sought the opinion of another Senior Judge, who concurred with my opinion. Though there is so much to like about this handsome lad I felt that his coat texture was so far removed from the required standard, and as it is a listed withholding fault I was unable to award the CC. But for his coat texture I would, without any hesitation, have awarded the certificate. Hopefully his coat is transitory

ADULT FEMALE

1 & CC Mrs Y Millward, NOYNAROCK ETHEREAL ASA, (NFO gs 09 21). F, 6.7.13

A large well grown lass of overall pleasing type. Head overall of good type and balance, though I thought her head a little broad for perfect balance. Ears of good size and shape, correctly set and held well. Profile basically correct, but showing just a slight change of plane at the brow. Eyes very good size and shape. Good muzzle shape, correct bite and firm chin of good depth. Excellent length body of super type, tall well boned legs, bushy tail of very good length. Coat of good length, good dense undercoat; texture of topcoat just a little soft. A very attractive lady shown in excellent condition. I was happy, with absolutely no hesitation, to award the CC to this lovely natured lass.

2 Mrs L Grant, NOYNAROCK LIGHTNING, (NFO f). F, 29.10.13.

A delightful lass of overall pleasing type. Head of overall correct type. Ears of very good size and shape, correctly set but held rather low out of the pen. Profile a little angular. Well set eyes very good size and shape. Long body of excellent type carried on good length legs, long bushy tail. Coat of good length but very soft in texture. Excellent body condition & temperament and what a showy girl on the table!

3 Mrs Y Millward, NOYNAROCK SASSI SURI, (NFO fs 09 21).

Unfortunately this lass was absolutely terrified and was rigid with fear when removed from the pen; because of her fear I did not fully assess her and cause her more distress - despite her fear there was absolutely no indication of any aggression at all. Head of overall very pleasing type, ears large and very well set. Very good profile. Long body with full coat of very good length and texture. A pity she was so nervous and so very different in texture to her sister.

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Considered for BoB:

BoB : Mr A & Mrs A Whittle, CH NORSPIRIT TEDDYBEAR, (NFO a 09 22). F, 14.2.14.

What a delightful lady! A large strong cat of overall excellence. Head of very good type and shape and in correct balance. Tufted ears of excellent size, shape and set. Excellent profile, correct bite and firm chin. Expressive eyes of excellent size and shape. Long strongly built body with elegance; tall legs with well tufted paws, good length bushy tail. Coat of excellent length, good dense undercoat, topcoat rather soft. A very attractive lady with an outgoing temperament, showed superbly.

KITTEN MALE

1 Mrs A Murray, NOYNAROCK SCOMBRINI, (NFO n 03 22). M, 18.11.14

Now, if there's one thing I know it's that I definitely do know "cute" when I see it and Oh Boy this "little lad" really was as cute as they come!! A very well grown kitten for his age, and of overall excellent type. Head of excellent shape, type and overall balance. Tufted ears of excellent size, shape and set. Very even profile, correct bite and firm chin. Excellent eye shape and set. Long neck, excellent length body of the desired type; tall strong legs and long bushy tail. Coat of very good texture, just a little short **BUT** exactly as I'd expect in a kitten of this age. Excellent temperament and condition. This lad really appealed to me I just loved him! Mark & I were very tempted to leg it out of the hall with him!!! A very promising kitten indeed! Unfortunately when it came to BoB I reluctantly, difficult as it was, had to look past his cuteness!!

2 Mrs A Murray, NOYNAROCK WINTER VALENTINE, (NFO n 23). M, 18.11.14.

Litter brother to the above ... a lovely chap but he lacks his brother's cuteness and appeal - I feel quite sorry for him having to live in his brother's shadow!! Head of very good type and overall balance. Ears of excellent size, shape and set. Excellent even profile, correct bite and strong chinline. Eyes of very good size and shape, well set. Body of very good length and type overall, but unfortunately he has rather short legs and therefore appears unbalanced. Long bushy tail. Again an excellent temperament and shown in wonderful condition. Both these lads were real 'time wasters' ... but such a pleasure to judge!

KITTEN FEMALE

1 & BoB Mrs M Higab, NOYNAROCK JOLENGEL, (NFO es 21). F, 28.9.14

A lovely girl of overall excellent type and balance, and definitely of 'superior' quality - she impressed me greatly. Head of overall excellent type and correct balance. Excellent muzzle shape. Absolutely spot on length/width balance to head. Large ears of excellent size and set. Excellent profile, correct bite and wonderful depth to chin. Head carried well on long strong neck. Excellent length body of correct type and strength. Tall legs with large well tufted paws. Excellent length bushy tail. Coat of excellent length and texture for age, and (yes, I know it's unimportant!) of excellent colour. Excellent condition and temperament, a joy to handle and well deserving the BoB.

2 Mrs Y Millward, ADIFTON BODACIOUS BOUDICCA, (NFO f). F, 6.11.14

A very pretty kitten of good type overall. Head rather broad for overall balance. Ears very good size and shape, well set and held correctly. Eyes good size and shape. Good muzzle shape, head rather too broad at the eyes. Good profile, firm chin. Body of very good length carried on tall legs. Tail rather short. Coat very good length and texture for her age. A very pretty lass with much to like about her.

NEUTER MALE

1 & PC Mr D & Mrs E Coward, NOYNAROCK IGOR, (NFO es 09 21). MN, 11.9.13.

A large strongly build lad of overall very pleasing type, a pity he was just a little timid and didn't show himself to better advantage. Head of very good type overall. Ears of excellent size, shape and set. Skull a little flat giving a

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slightly angular profile, slight dip to nose. Strong chin. Eyes very good size and shape, correctly set. Strongly built body of excellent length and correct type. Tall legs with large well tufted paws. Long bushy tail to balance. Excellent coat length and texture. Excellent condition, unfortunately he was rather timid and lethargic and didn't show to best advantage and though I considered him to be a lovely cat of correct type and well deserving the PC he did pay the penalty when it came to the BoB. I understand that this was his third PC, congratulations to owners on his title.

2 Mrs H Porter, NOYNAROCK ASLANN, (NFO es 22). MN, 29.10.13.

A large well-built lad of overall good type. Head overall a little too broad for perfect balance. Ears of excellent size and shape, set well but held far too low. Excellent profile, good even bite and strong chin. Eyes good size and set. Body of excellent type, long and strongly built held on tall well boned legs with large well tufted paws; long bushy tail. Coat of very good length and texture, very attractive cream silver colour and pattern. Excellent temperament and condition.

3 Mr D & Mrs E Coward, NOYNAROCK KINGOLAV, (NFO n). MN, 1.4.14.

A large black lad of overall good type. Head overall rather broad for balance, compounded by his ear carriage. Ears large and of good shape, set appeared to be correct but he persisted in holding them way too low. Profile rather too angular, correct bite and good firm chin. Eyes very good shape, size and set. Body of very good length and correct type, tall well boned legs, long bushy tail. Coat of very good length, just a little soft in texture. Shown in excellent condition.

CNH Mr B & Mrs A Benner, NOYNAROCK REGINALD STILL, (NFO ns 03). MN, 6.7.13

Considered for BoB:

BoB: Mr J Hobson, PR NOYNAROCK SHERMAN, (NFO n 09 21). MN, 6.4.14.

A large impressive lad of overall very pleasing type. Head of overall excellent shape, type and balance. Large ears of excellent shape, perfectly held and set correctly. Eyes of very good size and shape. Excellent profile, correct bite and good strong chin. Head held on strong neck of very good length. Long strongly built body of excellent type. Strong tall legs with good bone and large well tufted paws, long bushy tail. Coat of excellent length and texture. An impressive lad shown in excellent condition, lovely temperament and the character to stroll onto the table and say "I will not let you ignore me"!!! A fine example of the breed well deserving the BoB.

Also considered:

Mr A & Mrs A Whittle, PR NORSPIRIT SILVER SHADOW, (NFO ns 09 23). MN, 14.1.14.

Another large lad of overall excellence. Head of excellent type and balance. Large ears of excellent shape, well set and held correctly. Eyes of good size but slightly full. Excellent profile, correct bite and firm chin. Body of excellent size and length, carrying just a little too much weight. Coat of excellent length and texture. He is fine example of the breed with so much to commend him.

NEUTER FEMALE

1 & PC Mr J Hobson, SNOWROCK MALIN, (NFO ns 03). FN, 20.8.13.

A very attractive lady of overall excellent size, substance and general type. Head of very good shape and type with excellent overall balance. Large ears of very good size and shape, excellent set. Eyes of very good size and shape correctly set. Profile just a little uneven. Excellent length body, large and well filled and of superb type. Tall legs, large well tufted paws; long bushy tail. Coat of excellent length and texture. A lovely lady shown in excellent condition. She showed extremely well and obviously enjoyed the attention, only a smidgeon away from the BoB.

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2 Mr B & Master F Benner, NOYNAROCK VIOLET PIXIEDUST, (NFO f 09). FN, 4.4.14.

A very grumpy lady who nearly blotted her copy book! Head of excellent shape and overall balance. Ears of very good size, well-shaped and set to perfection. Excellent profile. Eyes of good size and shape. Body of excellent type, size and length carried well on tall legs, long bushy tail to balance. Coat of very good length and texture. Excellent condition. This stroppy exhibit had temperament issues on the day and blew her chances of the PC - had she been more willing to cooperate she could easily have been rewarded, a pity.

3 Mrs H Porter, NOYNAROCK MELISSA, (NFO n). FN, 10.6.14.

A smaller lady of overall good type. Head of good type overall and well balanced. Ears very good size and shape, well set. Good even profile. Correct bite and firm chin. Well-shaped eyes of good size and set. Body of good length and type with tall legs and long tail - she is rather small and needs to grow on, which with age she most probably will do; her body is of correct type and balance, just lacking that little size. Coat of very good length and texture. A lovely tempered lass, I will look forward to seeing her when she's grown up!

SIBERIAN

ADULT MALE

1 CC & BoB Lady A Saye, MAGELLAN ONIX GLORIA (IMP), (SIB n 21). M, 23.5.14

What can I say about this stunning young chap! At a mere 10 months of age he really does show tremendous promise. Head of overall excellent type conforming so well to the requirements of the sop. Ears of correct size and shape, with excellent width between. Correct forehead and excellent profile. Excellent cheekbone placement and definition. Beautiful muzzle shape with developed whisker-pads, even bite and correct chin line. Large eyes of correct shape and set ... though for most of the time he preferred to close them whilst purring at me! Head held on short very sturdy neck. Excellent size and type body of superb substance and weight, solid legs at each corner ending with massive rounded, well tufted, feet. Broad well coated tail of correct proportions. Coat of excellent length and texture for his age. Excellent condition and temperament. I see that he has made the journey all the way from Moscow - he can only be an asset to the breed here in UK. A really impressive youngster well deserving of the CC & BoB and if there's any doubt, I really was very impressed with him!!

2 Mrs C Staveley, BELKATON KOSTYA, (SIB n 03 21). M, 29.3.14.

Another youngster showing overall excellence of type. Head of very good shape and conforming well to the standard. Well placed medium size ears of correct shape, well set with good width between. Excellent profile, though nose just a little long at present, hopefully he will develop into it. Very good muzzle shape. Cheeks well defined and correctly placed. Eyes good size and shape. Excellent neck. Strongly built body of excellent size and shape. Good solid legs with large well tufted paws. Tail of good shape and length. Coat of very good length and texture. Excellent condition and temperament. A quality chap of overall excellence, in the absence of the winner I would without doubt have awarded him a CC - not that that is any consolation no doubt!

ADULT FEMALE

1 & CC Mrs C Staveley, BELKATON KIRA, (SIB n 21). F, 29.3.14.

What a delightful young lady ... showing superb type and overall balance. Head of excellent shape and type. Medium well-shaped ears correctly set with excellent width between. Eyes of excellent size and shape. Excellent profile, very good nose length and shape. Excellent muzzle shape running into strongly defined cheek bones. Neck short and strong. Excellent size and substance for her tender age. Body very strongly built and of correct length proportionate to her size. Strongly boned legs with large round tufted paws. Excellent tail shape and length. Excellent quality dense coat of correct length and texture. This youngster is a very beautiful exhibit, sweet natured and in super condition. I was delighted to award her a CC, pity there couldn't be two BoB's!!

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2 Ms M Metcalf, SKAUTROLL KALULA, (SIB f 03 21). F, 29.3.14.

Another attractive young female of overall very pleasing type. Head of excellent shape and type overall correctly balanced for the breed. Ears of correct size and shape well placed with very good width between. Excellent profile. Muzzle of very good shape showing some whisker-pad development. Correct bite and strong chin. Excellent cheek bones. Eyes of good size and shape. Head held well on sturdy neck. Excellent sturdy body of good size for age and just as required. Well boned strong legs of correct length, large well rounded paws. Coat of very good length, in texture I felt it was a little on the soft side. I would seriously advise that the owner changes the litter used at shows: unfortunately when I judged her in the morning she had been sleeping in her tray and her coat was full of litter pellets, I have never seen this in any SLH to such a degree, and Mark and I spent some time removing before I judged her!! An excellent tempered lass who showed well. Again I would happily have awarded a CC to this lovely exhibit.

KITTEN

1 & BoB Mrs S Powney, WITCHFYRE KRASNI KIRILL, (SIB d 21). M, 10.9.14.

What a stunning and very impressive "little" chap!! A strongly built kitten of overall excellence. Head of excellent shape and balance for age. Ears of correct size and shape, excellent set. Excellent profile. Muzzle of very good shape. Cheekbones showing good development. Correct bite, chin could be a little deeper. Short sturdy neck. Excellent body type, size and substance for age ... a real chunky lad. Solid well boned legs of medium length in proportion with body and size. Excellent dense coat of wonderful length and texture - surprising in a six month old kitten. Excellent temperament and condition. I hope I have the opportunity of judging this extremely promising kitten when he is adult. I was very impressed with him. It was absolutely no surprise that he later went on to BOV SLH Kitten.

A C ORIENTAL PREMIER

GR PR - Mr P & Mrs G Masters, PR ENIGMATIC HES SOVAIN, (OSH n). MN, 5.3.14.

A well grown chap of overall excellence. Head of excellent shape and general type. Large ears of excellent shape, well set with good width between. Skull tending towards being just a little flat making the overall profile just slightly angular. Eyes of excellent size, shape and set, colour appeared to be a clear light green. Very good muzzle shape with good lines to the wedge. Bite appeared OK and he has a good firm chin. Long elegant neck. Long elegant body of correct Oriental type, well-muscled and firm. Long well balanced legs. Long whip tail. Coat just a fraction long for perfection but very sleek and close lying, an excellent dense glossy black and as sound to the roots as you can get. A beautiful chap shown in excellent condition, I was quite taken with him, except for his extremely mouthy attitude! He handled OK but would look a lot better if he was more relaxed ... maybe he didn't like me, I know he'd not be alone in that!! Well deserving the Grand for all that!

ORIENTAL BLACK NEUTER

Considered for BoB:

BoB to Mr P & Mrs G Masters, PR ENIGMATIC HES SOVAIN, (OSH n). MN, 5.3.14.

ORIENTAL BLUE KITTEN

1 & BoB Mrs J Atkinson, LITTLEWILLOW LASTINGLEGACY, (OSH a). M, 24.9.14

A well grown lass of overall pleasing type at just under 6 months of age. Head of very good size and shape, well balanced. Ears of very good shape, large and well set with very good top of head. Excellent profile. Muzzle showing slight teething pinch, otherwise excellent lines to wedge. Chin just ever so slightly shallow. Well set eyes of very good size and shape, coloured appeared in the hall lighting to be a clear green. Super elegant body of excellent length; long dainty legs with delightful spoon feet; tail of very good length and taper. Coat of very good

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length and excellent texture, very close lying. Colour appeared to be rather dark in colour and rather uneven showing very heavy ghosting on the sides and tail - I am fairly optimistic that with maturity her colouring will even out. A lovely natured girl in excellent condition who the judging in her stride and purred her way through the ordeal! I considered her to be a very attractive youngster of really pleasing type and without any hesitation awarded her the BoB. I hope I get the opportunity of seeing this lovely natured lass as an adult, hopefully with a much improved coat!

ORIENTAL BLUE NEUTER

1 (PC & BoB n/a) Mr K & Mrs J Grainger, SHIMILEETA MEMPHIS BLUE, (OSH a). FN, 21.10.11.

This lady wasn't the happiest of chaps and really didn't enjoy being judged; she was rather tense and didn't show to best advantage. My examination of her was rather brief so as not to cause more anxiety. Head of fairly good shape and type overall. Ears a little small for balance, though they appeared to be well set he persisted in holding them way down. Unfortunately her profile is rather uneven. Fairly good muzzle shape, I didn't check her bite and her chin looked to be correct. Body appeared to be reasonable length and type though it was really difficult to assess. Tail of fairly good length and taper. Coat of good length and texture, close lying. Colour appeared rather a dark shade of blue with lighter tipping. Unfortunately I did not feel that she reached the required standard for the award of the PC

Side classes, names only - thanks to catalogue provided as .pdf!

A.V. S.L.H. NOVICE ADULT

- 1 Miss L Jamieson, MERCHEYDOLLZ EN VOGUE, (RAG a 04). F.
- 2 Mrs T Hassett, SPIRITDANCERS TUMBLERAG, (RAG n 04). M.

A.V. S.L.H. MAIDEN KITTEN Part A

- 1 Mrs M Higab, NOYNAROCK JOLENGEL, (NFO es 21). F
- 2 Mrs K Hope, REDSKY MARTHA MUFFIN, (SBI h 21). F.
- 3 Mr F & Mrs H Wilson, JULESCOON MERLINN, (MCO d 22). M.
- 4 Miss H Dunn & Mrs B Evans, ELMCOON SILVERADO, (MCO ns 03 22). M.

A.V. S.L.H. MAIDEN KITTEN Part B

- 1 Mrs A Blades, ISHCUS OTIS OF ALISIKA, (MCO n 03 22). M.
- 2 Ms D Adams, RAGADEE CELESTITE-SPARKLE, (RAG b). F.
- 3 Mrs A Murray, NOYNAROCK WINTER VALENTINE, (NFO n 23).

A.V. S.L.H. LIMIT NEUTER

- 1 Mr J Hobson, SNOWROCK MALIN, (NFO ns 03). FN.
- 2 Mrs A Davies, ANGLEZARKE BLUE JASPER, (MCO a 09 22). MN.

Not Judged: Mrs B Drummond, SNOOZICOONZ AGENT MCGEE, (MCO d 03 22). MN.

CNH: Ms K Loxley & Mr P Lambert, MERCHEYDOLLZ TIME TO SHINE, (RAG n 04). MN.

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A.V. FOREIGN LIMIT KITTEN

- 1 Miss H McRae & Mr R Gabb, CAGARAN KEEKERS, (ALH bs 11 31). M.
- 2 Mr S Goodger, SOOSTEE GAUDETE, (BEN n 22 33). F.
- 3 Mr Hutchinson, TOBYSDEN HARRY HOUDINI, (BEN n 24 33). M.

A.O.V. FOREIGN KITTEN

- 1 Miss H McRae & Mr R Gabb, CAGARAN JULIE-JO, (ASH hs 12 31). F

Class 693 - A.V. FOREIGN MAIDEN NEUTER

- 1 Ms C Burrows & Mr G Felton, DADDYO DIRTY GERTIE, (DRX fs 21 33). FN.

A.C. ORIENTAL JUNIOR ADULT

- 1 Mrs J Hirst, TOGHAR YANKEE DOODLE DANDY, (OSH b). M.

A.C. ORIENTAL SENIOR ADULT

- 1 Ms H Keoghan, IMP GR CH ALDERSTAR ANDRO, (OSH em). M.

A.C. ORIENTAL MAIDEN KITTEN

- 1 Mrs J Bauerfeind, MICHANT MUSTOPHA, (SIA w 67). F.

A.C. ORIENTAL NEUTER NOT BRED BY EXHIBITOR

- 1 Mr P & Mrs N Webster, IMP GR CH & GR PR FIORDILISO NANPEMA-NUAGE, (OSH n 03 33). FN.
- 2 Mr P & Mrs G Masters, ENIGMATIC STANDING OVATION, (OSH e). MN.
- 3 Mr K & Mrs J Grainger, SHIMILEETA MEMPHIS BLUE, (OSH a). FN.