

STEVE CROW – SUPREME SHOW – 24th October 2015

Many thanks to the Celia and the Committee for the invitation to judge this year, I had a very enjoyable day with time to talk to people and enjoy the great atmosphere. My thanks also go to my team – Emma, Barbara and Peter for their support, hard work and cheerful company.

Brown or Blue Tabby/Tabby & White Maine Coon Grand Champion: One boy entered. IMP GCC & BOB. AGGETT'S GR CH ISADORYOU DEAR DARLIN. Brown Classic Tabby & White. 7/10/2013. A very handsome boy, mature, masculine and of good overall type. Long heavy body is rectangular in form, feeling firm and muscular with strong underlying boning, square rump, broad rounded chest and sturdy well shaped legs ending in large round paws in proportion with snowshoes. Head is of medium length with good width to high cheeks and broad square muzzle which feels strong. Quite large broad based ears are of good shape, well-spaced yet held correctly high to give alert stance, good inner furnishings and lynx-like tips. Large yellow eyes are full and round in shape, set wide apart and slightly obliquely to give typical expression. In profile shows good depth to skull, gentle concave curve in profile line to nose, chin is level, of quite good depth and fairly firm. Coat is of good length and top coat flows smoothly over some soft woolly undercoat, slight resilience evident along his back, good ruff and breeches; in beautiful condition and super preparation and presentation today. Good definition to black Classic Tabby pattern which contrasts with warm slightly copper-toned agouti ground, clear "butterfly" motif across shoulders and good oysters. Tail is of good shape and well-furnished, length just reaches to shoulder-blades to just about balance. Calm, alert and very good natured.

Brown or Blue Tabby/Tabby & White Maine Coon Champion: Two boys entered. GCC. COLLINS'S CH JULESCOON SNOWBOOTS. Brown Classic Tabby & White. 20/11/2014. Handsome boy who is developing well, looking suitably mature for eleven months old and of pleasing type. Solid rectangular body is of very good weight and substance, feeling firm and muscular with good strong boning, square rump, deep rounded chest and sturdy well-shaped legs ending in large round paws in proportion with some snowshoes. Head is of medium length with good width to high cheeks although yet to fill out fully, quite good breadth to square muzzle which

feels fairly strong, I'd like just a bit more strength here which will hopefully come as he reaches full maturity. Quite large broad based ears are of good shape, spaced well apart yet held correctly high when he is settled to give alert stance, inner furnishings and lynx-like tips. Large expressive rich yellow eyes are full and round in shape, held well open and set wide apart and slightly obliquely. Very gentle curve to profile line which I'd ideally like a touch deeper, chin falls back very slightly and is of fairly good depth and fairly firm. Coat is still lengthening but top coat is clearly evident and flows as well as it can over some soft woolly undercoat, small ruff and some breeches. In superb condition and well prepared and presented. Black Classic Tabby pattern is defined and contrasts well against a warm coppery toned agouti ground, pattern is a little solid on lower back; snow white inverted "V" from bridge of nose to cover muzzle, snow white chin, chest, underparts and four clear white socks on feet. In super condition and well prepared. Tail is well furnished, bushy and of good shape, length reaches to shoulders to balance. Talkative, good natured boy. Borderline for the Grand certificate today, but I felt him just worthy. 2.

BURGESS'S CH COONARIA HERCULES. Brown Classic Tabby & White.

25/11/2014. Handsome young man, still maturing and showing pleasing type. Long rectangular body is a little slender at present and very slightly lean along the spine, of very good weight and feeling muscular and firm with solid underlying boning, square rump, broad rounded chest and sturdy shapely legs ending in large round paws in proportion with slight snowshoes. Head is of medium length with quite good width to high cheeks which need to fill-out fully, square muzzle is of sufficient breadth but I'd like it a little broader and to feel stronger. Medium large broad based ears are of good shape, well-spaced yet held correctly high, inner furnishing and lynx-like tips. Large expressive warm hazel yellow eyes are round in shape and held well open when he is alert, set wide apart and slightly obliquely. Very gentle concave curve in profile line to nose, which I'd like deeper, chin is level and of fairly good depth, I'd like it a little firmer. Coat is still lengthening, especially down the sides, top coat flows as well as it can over a minimal amount of soft undercoat, slight ruff and some breeches. In very good condition and well presented. Black Classic Tabby pattern contrasts well against warm coppery toned agouti ground, a little solid on lower back; pristine white chin, chest, tummy and four white socks on feet. Tail is well furnished and bushy, of good shape and length just balances. Quiet, gentle boy, very good natured.

Brown or Blue Tabby/Tabby & White Maine Coon Pre-Champion, Male: One boy entered. 1CC. HAYNES'S CAESAR SKY BEYROUTH. Brown Classic Tabby. 24/1/2015. Handsome young man, just ten months old and looking typically adolescent at present, showing pleasing type. Long slightly slender body is of rectangular form and is of very good weight, feeling firm and muscular with solid boning, square rump, rounded chest and sturdy shapely legs ending in large round paws in proportion with slight snowshoes. Head is of medium length with high cheeks of quite good width, but which need to fill-out, square muzzle is of sufficient breadth and feels fairly strong. Large ears are broad at the base and of good shape, well-spaced yet held correctly high to give alert stance, good inner furnishings and lovely long lynx tips. Large expressive eyes are round and hazel yellow in colour, held full and well open and set wide apart and slightly obliquely. Gentle concave curve in profile line, level chin is of quite good depth and feels fairly firm. Coat is still lengthening, especially down the sides, top coat is clear evident and flows as well as it can over minimal soft undercoat, slight ruff and breeches, well-furnished tail is bushy. In very good condition and well prepared. Defined black Classic Tabby pattern contrast against a warm slightly coppery toned agouti ground, "butterfly" motif across shoulders and oysters on flanks are quite clear. Tail is of good shape and is a very good length to balance. Calm friendly boy, he needs time to mature and reach his full potential.

Brown or Blue Tabby/Tabby & White Maine Coon Pre-Champion, Female: One girl entered. 1. CC withheld. MCLEAN & WEIR'S COONTIPS WINTERS KISS. Brown Tabby. 24/1/2015. Pretty young lady, ten months old and looking a little immature, of moderately pleasing type. Long slightly slender body is of good size and very good weight, feeling firm and well-muscled, boning is quite solid, gently rounded chest and fairly sturdy shapely legs ending in large round paws. Head is of medium length with quite good width to high-cheeks, which are yet to fill-out, muzzle is a little lacking in "squareness" and I would like it broader and much stronger. Large broad based ears are of good shape, well-spaced and held correctly high when she is settled, good inner furnishings and long lynx tips. Large expressive yellow eyes are round and held quite well open, set wide apart and slightly obliquely. Very little curve to profile line, chin is just level and needs more depth and to be firmer. Coat is a little fluffy in places, top coat is evident with some resilience along

the back and flows as well as it can over minimal undercoat, very slight ruff and breeches, tail is fairly well furnished. In good condition and well presented. Tabby pattern is rather solid on her back and contrasting agouti ground is a little cool in tone; “butterfly” motif visible across shoulders and blurred oysters on flanks. Tail is of good shape and length just balances. Slightly nervous out on the table, more relaxed back in her bed, good natured. Sorry to withhold, but she has too many faults for me to award her the CC.

Red, Cream Tortie Tabby/Tabby & White Maine Coon Imperial Grand Premier or 1 UK Grand, Male: One boy entered. UK GPC. AGGETT’S CH & IMP GR PR ISADORYOU TOM DALEY. Red Classic Tabby & White. 13/6/2012. Large handsome gentleman, mature, masculine and of good overall type. Long balanced body is rectangular in form, heavy and substantial and feeling firm and muscular with strong underlying boning, deep rounded chest, square rump and sturdy well-shaped legs ending in large round paws in proportion with snowshoes. Head is of medium length and good proportions with good width to high cheeks and nice breadth and strength to square muzzle. Quite large broad based ears are of good shape, well-spaced yet held correctly high to give alert stance, good furnishings and lynx-like tips. Large rich yellow eyes are full and round in shape, held well open and set wide apart and slightly obliquely to give typical expression. Gentle concave curve in profile line, level chin is of quite good depth and quite firm. Good length to top coat with resilient texture evident along his back, flows over some soft woolly undercoat, full ruff and shirt-front, breeches, well-furnished tail is quite profuse. Shown in lovely condition and very well prepared and presented. Rich red Classic Tabby pattern is well defined and contrasts against a paler warm red agouti ground, clear “butterfly” motif across shoulders, slightly blurred oysters on flanks; pristine white chin, chest, underparts and four clean white socks on feet. Tail is of good shape and length reaches to shoulder-blades to balance. Majestic boy with impeccable manners, a pleasure to judge.

Red, Cream Tortie Tabby/Tabby & White Maine Coon Grand Premier, Male: One boy entered. Would Not Handle. LUBY’S GR PR WESTLAKES SABRE. Red Classic Tabby. 5/6/2014. Unfortunately this boy was not at all happy to see me and despite three separate attempts, I was unable to assess him today.

Red, Cream Tortie Tabby/Tabby & White Maine Coon Imperial Grand Premier or 1 UK Grand, Female:

One girl entered. UK GPC & BOB. BURGESS'S OG & IMP GR PR COONARIA SEQUOIA. Brown Classic Tortie Tabby. 23/4/2009.

Lovely mature lady, stylish and nicely finished and of good overall type. Long well balanced body is rectangular in form, heavy and substantial and feeling firm and muscular with strong underlying bone-structure, square rump, deep rounded chest and sturdy well-shaped legs ending in large round paws in proportion with snowshoes. Head of medium length is balanced and of very good proportions, full rounded cheeks and broad square muzzle which feels strong. Large broad based ears are of good shape, spaced well apart yet held correctly high to give alert stance, good inner furnishings and lovely lynx-like tips. Large lustrous hazel yellow eyes are full and round in shape, held well open and set wide apart and slightly obliquely to give typical "grumpy" expression. In profile shows good concave curve in profile line, chin is level, of good depth and firm. Good length to coat with top coat flowing over a fair amount of soft dense undercoat, good resilient texture along her back, full ruff and shirt-front, breeches, well-furnished tail is quite profuse. In superb condition and beautifully prepared and displaying a glossy shine. Classic Tortie Tabby pattern in rich vibrant red mingled with jet black contrasts with corresponding warm paler red and copper-toned agouti ground. Classic pattern is rather diffuse. Tail is of good shape and length reaches to shoulders to just balance. Calm, confident girl and very sweet natured. It was a pleasure to award her the UK Grand and BOB.

Red, Cream Tortie Tabby/Tabby & White Maine Coon Grand Premier, Female:

One girl entered. IMP GPC. JONES'S CH & GR PR PERSY LARENDA. Brown Classic Tortie Tabby & White. 8/6/2013. Attractive mature girl, well developed for her age and of very pleasing type. Balanced rectangular body is heavy and of very good substance, feeling firm and muscular with strong boning, square rump, rounded chest and sturdy well-shaped legs ending in large round paws in proportion with snowshoes. Head is of medium length with good full high-cheeks and square muzzle of good breadth and strength. Large ears are broad at the base and of good shape, well-spaced yet held correctly high and tall, good inner furnishings and lynx-tips. Large warm hazel yellow eyes are full and round in shape, held well open and set wide apart and slightly obliquely to give typical expression. In profile show gentle concave curve in profile line, chin is level and of quite good depth and quite firm.

Coat is of fairly good length, top coat has resilience and slows fairly well over some soft woolly undercoat, good ruff and breeches, well-furnished tail is bushy. Shown in super condition and very well prepared. Classic Tortie Tabby pattern is a mix of jet black and warm rich medium red over corresponding paler red and copper toned agouti ground colours; snow white muzzle, chin, chest, underparts and four pristine white socks. Tail is of good shape and length just balances. Slightly shy girl, very sweet natured and easy to judge.