

Supreme Show 24<sup>th</sup> October 2015 Stephen Parkin

A real pleasure to be invited to judge one's own breed at the Supreme, thank you Celia. My thanks to Andrea, Carole and Helen for stewarding for me so ably and for keeping me on track over a long day. You did a great job even with all the Abyssinian exhibitors purloining all our sweets! I was a great privilege to judge the BOV Foreign neuter and my choice from a superb line-up of eighteen was the wonderful Ch. & GrPr. Icegems Ruby, a beautiful Seal Snowshoe girl.

ABYSSINIAN IMPERIAL GRAND CHAMPION (or cat with 1 UK GR)

1<sup>st</sup> UK GrCC & BoB Miskelly's IGRCH GLENDAVAN NELL GWYNN (ABY n) (F) 24.03.12.

A truly super Usual Abyssinian girl. Well balanced conformation with a good sized, medium-large body with matching legs and feet. Tail in proportion and of good shape. Really pleasing Abyssinian expression. A moderate wedge to the head with a good profile, firm chin and a level bite. Large Ears well set, expressive large eyes of good shape and set. Clear facial markings, no white, bars or necklets. Cream down the throat. Well ticked in black coat short and fine with a resilient texture. A very friendly girl who handled very well.

ABYSSINIAN GRAND CHAMPION MALE

Two very good examples of the breed.

1<sup>st</sup> ImpGrCC Barker's GRCH SURFIN TORNEDO (ABY p) (M) 17.02.14.

A very good sized Fawn Abyssinian Very muscular body with matching legs and paws. Really well balanced tail tapering from a broad base. Head has a moderate wedge evident nose break. Firm chin and a level bite. Large well set ears, a little wide-eyed out of the pen but when relaxed in the pen they were the desired rounded almond shape. No white at all, clear facial markings no bars or necklets. Well ticked in fawn on a pale warm fawn base Coat short and fine with a resilient texture. A bit of a wriggler but handled well.

2<sup>nd</sup> Miskelly's GRCH GLENDAVAN KOBAYASHI (ABY n) (M) 09.07.14.

One of the unofficial definitions of an Abyssinian is they are great wrigglers, this lad certainly is a very good example of this. Medium body with very good muscle tone. Matching legs and feet, tail of good overall shape but a fraction short for perfect balance. Very good head with a moderate wedge profile has a distinct nose break, a firm chin and a level bite. Ears of good shape and size with tufts. Expressive eyes, rounded almond shape and well set. White on lips and chin, no necklets but has faint leg bars. Coat short and fine with a resilient texture. Handled well despite the wriggles.

ABYSSINIAN GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE

1<sup>st</sup> & ImpGrCC Dawson's GRCH GLENDAVAN CALAMITY JAYNE (ABY n) (F) 18.09.13.

A medium sized usual girl with very good conformation and underling bone structure. A little lighter than I would prefer but still acceptable but I suspect she has been calling. Tail of good length sand shape, matching legs and feet. Head is a very attractive moderate wedge. Large well set ears, expressive almond shaped eyes. Profile shows a strong nose break, a firm chin and a level bite. No white, some cream on the lips and chin. Well defined facial markings no necklets a few very faint leg bars. Coat short and fine will tickled with a very good resilient texture. Handled well. She should celebrate this win with a steak dinner and the fella of her choice!

Usual Abyssinian Champion

1<sup>st</sup> & GrCC Bowyer's CH ABYCHAT HAKUNA MATATA (ABY n) (M) 05.06.13.

A very friendly and active Usual Abyssinian boy. Good length to a firm body with matching strong legs and tail. Head is a moderate wedge and shows very good Abyssinian expression. Large ears, well set.

Eyes the desired rounded almond shape, when he relaxed. Good profile chin and bite. White on lips and chin. no necklets but faint leg barring evident. Clear facial markings. Well ticked in black on an apricot base coat. Coat short and fine with a resilient texture. A bit of a wriggler but handled well.

#### Usual Abyssinian Pre-Champion

1<sup>st</sup> & CC Lincoln's LINCZOZO BEES KNEES (ABY n) (F) 28.09.14.

A very active Usual girl. Good overall conformation with a firm body, proportionate legs with small oval paws. Balanced tapering tail. Head is a moderate wedge, good shape and set to both ears and eyes. Profile shows an evident nose break and also a slight bump on the nose. A firm chin and although missing some teeth, a level bite. White on lips and chin, no bars or necklets, very clear facial markings. Coat short and fine well ticked overall with some dark roots across the shoulders, pleasing resilience to the coat. Handled well although she did like to chew on fingers in a gentle way!

#### Sorrel Abyssinian Champion

GrCh & BoB WH/H Lincoln's CH LINCZOZO STICKY TOFFEE PUD (ABY o) (F) 10.08.14.

I was really sorry to have to withhold the certificate on this girl. Although towards the lower end of the medium spectrum her type is super, proper old fashioned British Abyssinian. Very good head with large well set ears with tufts and expressive eyes of good shape and set. Good profile although the chin is a little shallow and the bite level, if rather untidy. Coat free of unwanted markings, well ticked in chocolate, a little long but a very good resilient texture. What really let her down today was the very lightweight feel to her, I suspect that she has been calling recently. Another one that I would certainly recommend a steak dinner and the fella of her choice when she gets home!

#### Blue Abyssinian Kitten

1<sup>st</sup> & BoB Eames's ABYDREAMES SPECSAPPEAL (ABY a) (F) 22.02.15.

Very good overall size for her age. Conformation shows very good Abyssinian type. Body is firm and hard Tail of good length for the body tapering from a broad base. Matching strong legs with small oval paws. Head is a moderate wedge with gentle contours. The eyes are the correct rounded almond shape Large well set ears with just a hint of tufts. Very good profile with a firm chin and a level bite. No Bars or necklets. Coat short and fine well ticked in blue. A very pleasing kitten

#### Blue Abyssinian Pre-Premier Male

1<sup>st</sup> & PC Goodyear's ABYDREAMES AEDWARD (ABY a) (MN) 07.04.14.

Very Good size for his age this young Blue Abyssinian boy has a strong, muscular body with matching legs and small oval paws Tail well balanced in length, tapering from a broad base. The head is a modified wedge with gentle contours. Pleasing profile with a distinct nose break but the chin is a fraction shallow with an untidy bite. Very good ears for shape and set. Rounded almond shaped eyes well set. Some leg bars evident and double well broken necklets. Coat short and fine, well ticked in blue with a white undercoat. A little tense but handled well.

2<sup>nd</sup> Leith's GLENDAVAN MRBLUESKY (ABY a) (MN) 25.07.14.

Sadly, this Blue Abyssinian boy was very nervous and very difficult to judge today. This is a great pity because he has a lot going for him. Good body length with a firm muscular feel to it. Matching legs and feet, tail of good length and width at the base. Head of good shape with gentle curves. Expressive eyes held wide open, making the actual shape very difficult to see. Profile shows a very slight nose break, with a slight bump on the nose. Firm chin, bite not assessed. Good facial markings coat short and fine well ticked in blue and most pleasing to see the correct mushroom undercoat. A shame that he was so upset.

#### Blue Abyssinian Pre-Premier Female

1<sup>st</sup> PC & BoB Shakespeare-Ensor's WAVETAIL AGLAIA (ABY a) (FN) 25.09.14.

Relaxed and friendly, although she became a little nervous in front of a crowd. She obviously overcame it, as when she later came to me for consideration as BIS Foreign Neuter and the very large crowd had no effect at all! I was pleased to award her the Reserve BIS Foreign Neuter. Super type with a body of very good shape and size with excellent weight, matching legs and feet. Tail in balance with the body and tapers from a broad base. Very pleasing head with good Abyssinian expression Good profile with a distinct nose break, chin a little shallow, with a level bite. Eyes expressive and of good shape and set. Large ears well set and with the best tufts I have seen for some time. Good Facial markings a hint of well broken necklets but no leg bars. Coat short and fine with very good resilience.

#### Chocolate or Lilac Abyssinian Champion

1<sup>st</sup> GrCC & BoB Lincoln's CH GLENDAVAN ARTEMIS (ABY c) (M) 28.08.14.

Well grown Lilac Abyssinian boy. Very relaxed and a good alternative to a Bendix washing machine, both judge and steward got a good licking! This boy has very good overall type, with a medium, strong muscular body. Matching legs, with neat oval paws and a balanced tapering tail. Head has a pleasing Abyssinian conformation with gently flowing curves. Expressive eyes of good shape and set. Large well set ears. Good profile, level chin with an untidy bite. Coat short and fine will ticked in lilac with a rather pale undercoat. A pleasure, albeit a damp one, to judge. I understand that he was made up today, congratulations!

#### Chocolate or Lilac Abyssinian Pre-Premier

1<sup>st</sup> PC & BoB Bowyer's CH SILSILA LETTHE LEGENDBEGIN (ABY c) (MN) 09.02.12.

This lad had the best coloured undercoat of all the dilute Abyssinians in my book today. Good muscular body with matching legs and feet, tail tapers from a broad base and is in harmony with the body. Head is a moderate wedge with gentle curves. Eyes rather deep set, large well set ears. Firm chin with an untidy if level bite. Good facial markings no bars or necklets, some with on the lips and chin. Coat rather longer than I would like but fine and resilient. A little shy but handled well.

#### Fawn Abyssinian Adult

BoB Barker's GRCH SURFIN TORNEDO.

#### AOC Abyssinian Assessment Adult

1<sup>st</sup> Merit & BoB Barrett's FLAMSTONE SUNNYHILL BOY (ABY d) (M) 29.02.12.

Very pleasing type showing the good progress for Sex-Linked Abyssinian. Good size to a medium length body with a firm feel. Matching legs with small oval paws. Tail in proportion, tapering from a broad base. Head has very good Abyssinian expression with a balanced medium wedge. In profile there is a good nose break. Chin a little shallow but a level bite. Expressive eyes, well set. Large ears of good shape and set. No bars or marks. Well ticked in dark red on a bright red groundcoat. Red spine line and dark red on the hocks. Coat is short and fine if a little softer than I would like. A little shy at first but handled well out of the pen.

#### AOC Abyssinian Assessment Kitten

1<sup>st</sup> Merit & BoB Barrett's HIGHLIGHT MATILDA (ABYfs) (F) 01.02.15.

Well grown Black Tortie Silver Abyssinian kitten. With good overall type. Strong firm body with commensurate legs and small oval paws. Tail in proportion to the body tapering from a broad base. Head shows very pleasing Abyssinian expression, well set ears with small tufts. Good nose break, a firm chin and a level bite. Eyes of good shape and set very bright amber in colour. Well ticked on a

clean silver base coat, tortie pattern very evident. Coat short and fine with a resilient feel. Handled well. The type of the sex-linked colours is really improving, keep it up.

Tonkinese Kitten

1<sup>st</sup> & BoB Bernard's AMORCATZ SHIVAMATIMBAS (TOS n 21 32) (F) 06.03.15.

A very pleasing overall Tonkinese conformation to this Brown Tabby Tonkinese girl. Elegant body with good muscle tone. Matching legs and small oval paws, tapering tail, showing good balance with the body. A medium wedge with gentle contours. Eyes of good shape and well set, blue –green in colour. Balanced profile with an evident slight nose break, a firm chin and a level bite. Coat short and fine with a super silky texture. Tabby pattern at the points merges well with the body. A well behaved, promising kitten.