David Bissenden

It is with great sadness I am sharing the news that my good friend, David Bissenden - Talang Siamese, passed away in December 2020.

David regularly stewarded at cat shows in South East England in the 70’s and 80’s, often for Elizabeth Biggie. Although he had not bred cats for many years, David maintained his interest in the Siamese breed.

His health had deteriorated in recent years, but his dry sense of humour never wavered. For the few people left in the Fancy who knew him - please raise a glass to his memory and contribution to the Siamese breed.

Be Hamberger (Tzu Siamese)

I was saddened to hear of David’s passing.

We came in to Cat Fancy at a similar time in the 70s and over the 70/80s met up many times whilst stewarding at a time when the Siamese Section was indeed flourishing in terms of entries.

David was very proud of his breeding under the Talang prefix and bred some lovely tabbies...the pinnacle probably being Ch Talang Troubadour who was a fabulous seal tabby. I used him on one of my tortie points (yes the dreaded torbies!) and my Simone tabby girl (who sadly never bred).

I had kept in touch with David over the years via Xmas cards...the last exchange being approx.8/9 years ago.

David had a ready wit and dry sense of humour and cared for and loved his cats and the many rescue dogs he gave a loving home to.

RIP David.

Jackie Reed
Johpas Siamese

David was a member of the TPSCS for a number of years and bred cats that are behind a lot of today's cats, the best known was Ch. Talang Troubadour SIAAn 21. David was a true gentleman in all meanings of the word and will be missed by all those that knew him, the Officers and Committee send their condolences.

Ted Jones
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