



The Governing Council of the Cat Fancy

The UK's Premier Registration body

Business Achievements 2012-2017



Finances:

- A considerable amount of money has been invested in systems and equipment to take the business into 21st century.
- However, reserves have considerably increased during the same period, up by 18%.
- Club loans have been repaid on request, and
- There has been no increase in registration & transfer charges during that period.



Partnerships:

- GCCF has 2 long term business partners and benefitted from working with both.
- That with Agria has generated a substantial amount of income, and
- Royal Canin has provided both an incentive in core business and sponsorship, the volume of transfer has increased substantially.
- A partnership is at the development stage with Petsquare



Bespoke Computer System:

- Project Phoenix has been fully delivered, providing a platform for future development.
- Most registration & transfers are online
- 'STAR' (now piloted) will enable online show entry
- GEMS delivered to replace the breed numbering system that could not be extended further for new patterns and breeds.
- Additional online services available to breeders.
- New website
- Registration service provided to GCCFI (it's possibly a marketable model for other registries).



Office modernisation:

- Review of all office procedures and job roles by the Office Manager and HR Group so that staff are now trained to work in all areas of administration and customer service.
- New equipment purchased to streamline processes
- New computer software introduced for marketing & accounts.
- Internal building restructure to provide better work space



Welfare:

- Introduction of the Breeding Policy & Breeder Scheme to standardise best practice
- Influence gained with DEFRA via C&F Sector Group with a monitoring role in the roll out of the changes to the Animal Welfare Act
- Respect gained from other agencies, we have established a presence & a voice alongside other feline organisations.
- GC & VAC active in reviewing registration & breeding policies with links established to independent experts.
- Introduction of YES to involve youngsters in the enjoyment of showing.

Governance:

- Officers and standing committees now elected for three year terms to increase stability.
- Membership of Disciplinary System Committees now open to all of those within GCCF to draw on expertise outside Council.
- Show restructure, BAC amalgamation, and review of judge training underway.
- Working to ensure compliance with new laws and regulations.

