

Maine Coon Cat Club 27.06.09

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Many thanks to Daphne & David for the invitation to judge at this very friendly show. I had a lovely day amongst the Maine Coons and I am very grateful to the exhibitors for giving me the opportunity to judge their lovely babies. Thanks too to my husband Keith for stewarding, keeping me company and helping with the driving.

OPEN CLASSES

BROWN/BLUE TABBY WITH WHITE (14 WKS – 5 MTHS) KITTEN, MALE 1ST CANNELL'S MALBAKAT LOUIS WAIN (64 41w) M 23.02.09 Brown Tabby & White

A baby boy of 4 months of a reasonable size for his age. An attractive kitten with white on his muzzle that emphasises the squareness. Head medium in length with a well-placed nasal bridge but his head needs to broaden with age. Square muzzle a little pinched at present but probably due to teething. Uniform width to the nose & high cheek bones. Shallow concave curve to the profile, deep chin and level bite. Large tall ears with a wide base & tapering, set high but not very wide apart as limited by the breadth of his head as yet. Lovely ear tufts & inner feathering. Expressive eyes of lovely shape, full & round and spaced wide apart. Rectangular body that needs to fill out with strong limbs & large rounded feet but his tail could be a little longer for balance. White on the limbs, underparts and chest. Very much a kitten coat at present especially on the body where it appeared to be developing with dark colour at the roots and long rusty-coloured guard hairs. Tabby pattern visible on the head with a tabby "M" on the forehead & his tail is ringed but the pattern on the body developing at present. Easy to handle with a gentle nature, a promising baby.

BROWN/BLUE TABBY WITH WHITE (14 WKS – 5 MTHS) KITTEN, FEMALE

1ST CALVERT'S PURDYSTON TEXASROSE (64 41w) F 09.01.09 Brown Tabby & White

An extremely well-grown girl of 5 months of a lovely size for her age. Head a little out of balance at present; good breadth to the head but her muzzle is a little short and could be squarer. High cheek bones but her nose tapers a little. Level bite and deep chin that rounds off at the tip. Wide-set ears held high when she is alert, reasonably tall but they could be larger especially for her age. Small tufts but lovely inner feathering. Large eyes, full & round but the aperture & set could be more oblique though not helped as she was looking a little scared. Long rectangular body with strong bone & substantial limbs. Long tail but the tip is a little swollen. Shorter coat on the body at present that emphasises the tabby pattern, longer fur on her tail. White on the chest & feet and a small patch on her tummy. Classic tabby pattern with black marking on an agouti base with some warmth to the ground colour. Pencil lines on the face and tabby "M". Clear oyster markings on the flanks and the beginnings of a butterfly across the shoulders. Shown in lovely condition and good coat quality.

BROWN/BLUE TABBY WITH WHITE (6 – 8 MTHS) KITTEN, MALE

1ST & BOB SYKES'S DARAQUIST CHUBBY BROWN (64 41w) M 17.11.08 Brown Tabby & White

A strong well-grown boy of 7 months. Head of medium length and slightly longer than wide with good proportions. Shallow concave curve to the profile plus a small nose bump. Level bite & deep chin that rounds off very slightly at the tip. High cheek bones & uniform width to the nose. Large tall ears with a broad base & set wide apart though they could be a fraction higher and he holds them forwards at times. Large eyes full & round in a slightly oblique aperture & set. Well-grown rectangular body of a good weight for his size with strong limbs & large feet with tufted toes. Long flowing tail. Good length to the coat with the length increasing down the body & the beginnings of a ruff. Silky texture to the coat. Classic tabby pattern with black markings on an agouti base. Good head and leg markings and ringed tail but a little solid down the lower back as yet. White in all the required places. A little grumbly when out but not a problem to handle.

2ND PASSEY'S CELTICOON CHARLIE BROWN (64 41w) M 30.10.08 Brown Tabby & White

A handsome young man of not quite 8 months with lots of presence. Very well-grown with a strong muscular body. Head of medium length though his muzzle is a fraction short and could be squarer. Shallow concave curve to the profile and level bite but his chin could be deeper and it is slightly rounded at the tip. Uniform width to the nose. High cheek bones & fairly full cheeks. Reasonably tall ears with a broad base, set high and quite wide apart. Good shape and set to the eyes but they could be a little larger. Lovely body shape, rectangular with a square rump. Strong limbs to balance with large feet and tufted toes, long flowing tail. Short coat on the head and shoulders that emphasises the tabby pattern but not his look. Classic tabby pattern with a rich colour especially on his body and limbs but his tail is a little solid. Black markings with 3 lines down his back, a butterfly across the shoulders and oysters on the flanks. White on his chest, tummy and feet. A gentle fellow shown in lovely condition and he shows himself very well.

BROWN/BLUE TABBY WITH WHITE (6 – 8 MTHS) KITTEN, FEMALE

1ST LISTER'S COONARIA SANDPAPER KISSES (64 41w) F 10.12.08 Brown Tabby & White

An elegant girl of 6 months with a long rectangular body but she needs to fill it out. Broad head of medium length and slightly longer than wide but her muzzle could be squarer. Uniform width to the nose. Slight curve to the profile, level bite and deep chin that rounds off a touch at the tip. Lovely tufts to her ears which make them look tall but they could be larger, reasonably broad base to the ears but they could taper a little more, some inner feathering. Her eyes are a little deep set and could be larger, she had some litter in her left eye and consequently it was a little sore. Good body shape with strong limbs and large feet with tufted toes. Long flowing tail. Silky coat, the length developing with the beginning of a ruff. Warm overall colour the tabby pattern is a little diffuse on the body. Good head markings, barred limbs and ringed tail. White on her chest, tummy & feet and small spot on her nose

2ND BROOM'S MYNDMACOONS CRISSMISS EVE (65 41w) F 24.12.08 Brown Tabby & White

A slightly younger girl of 6 months with a lovely feel to her coat though she had lots of litter in it when we took her out! Broad head of medium length & slightly longer than wide. Uniform width to the nose & high cheek bones but her muzzle could be stronger. Good profile with a shallow concave curve. Level bite and deep chin but it rounds off at the tip a touch. Lovely tall ears though exaggerated by large tufts, broad base to the ears and inner feathering. It was difficult to see the set at she kept holding

her ears down. Round eyes in an oblique aperture & set but they are set a little deep and could be fuller. Rectangular body with strong limbs and long flowing tail. Dense silky coat with rich colour to the head and shoulders. Black classic tabby markings but rather solid down her back. White in all the required places. A gentle girl but she was a little apprehensive and didn't show to her advantage.

**TORTIE-TABBY OR BLUE-CREAM TABBY +/- WHITE (14 – 21 WKS)
KITTEN**

1ST BARLETTA'S COONTASTIC MELIKAH (64 41ew) F 28.02.09 Tortie Tabby & White

A very attractive kitten with lovely rich colouring of black & red markings on a copper agouti base and a white spot on her nose in contrast. A well-grown girl of a good size for her age of not quite 4 months. Broad head of medium length, slightly longer than wide with good proportions. Square muzzle, uniform width to the nose and high cheek bones. Slight curve to the profile, good chin deep and firm and level bite. Large tall ears with long tufts and inner feathering. Quite large eyes of good shape & set and a lovely deep amber colour developing. Rectangular body with strong limbs and large feet, reasonably long tail. Coat developing with the beginnings of a ruff and her tail is quite well-furnished. Tabby markings a little masked by the tortie colouration but good facial markings. A sweet girl shown in lovely condition and a pleasure to judge.

2ND SHAW'S MOONENCIA PALOMA PICASSO (64 41ew) F 03.03.09 Tortie Tabby & White

A young girl of nearly 4 months with a good body shape but she is a little lean at present and needs to fill out & muscle up. Head longer than wide with reasonable breadth. Square muzzle, high cheek bones & uniform width to the nose. Slight curve to the profile, deep chin that rounds off a touch at the tip & level bite. Large ears set high & wide with a broad base, with tufts & long inner feathering. Expressive eyes round & full in a slightly oblique aperture & set. Rectangular body with strong limbs and large feet. Long tail but the tail fur needs to develop, not very profuse as yet. Still wearing her baby coat with lots of long guard hairs. Rich overall colour on the body but tabby pattern rather diffuse as the coat is developing. Good facial markings, red tabby "M" on her forehead and lovely colour to the ears of mingled tortie with a thumb print. White on her feet, chest and tummy. A sweet baby girl who was easy to handle.

3RD GREEN'S BEELZEECOON JEZEBEL (64 41ew) F 27.01.09 Tortie Tabby & White

An older kitten of 5 months, a very elegant girl with a sweet purry nature. Head of medium length and longer than wide though it could do with a little more width. Uniform width to the nose, high cheek bones and reasonably square muzzle though the white on her face doesn't help. Good profile & deep firm chin but unfortunately her bite is slightly undershot. Large ears with a broad base, set high and quite wide apart. Large expressive eyes, full & round and set wide apart. Long rectangular body of a good weight for her size with long limbs & tail but I would prefer a little more strength to her limbs. Short coat on the body, dense & a little woolly but long profuse fur to the tail. Rich overall colour with a mixture of tortie colouration and classic tabby pattern with oysters visible on the flanks. Well-marked limbs but little tortie colouration there. White in all the required places.

**TORTIE-TABBY OR BLUE-CREAM TABBY +/- WHITE (22 WKS – 5 MTHS)
KITTEN**

1ST HEWITT'S CHATTACON DOLLY MIXTURE (64 31et) F 13.01.09 Tortie Tabby & White

An attractive girl of 5 months. Broad head on medium length and slightly longer than wide with uniform width to the nose and a square muzzle. Shallow concave curve to the profile & level bite. Quite deep chin but it is rather rounded at the tip. Large tall ears with a broad base & tapering, set high & wide with tufts and some inner feathering. Large eyes in a slightly oblique aperture & set but they could be a little rounder. Good shape to her rectangular body but she needs to fill it out and muscle up. Substantial limbs with large feet and long tail with profuse fur. Dense silky coat of a rich colour with black markings on a copper agouti base overlaid with shades of red & lovely colour to her tail. Good head markings and barred limbs but rather a subtle tabby pattern on the body. White on her feet, chest & tummy and an askew inverted "V" on her face. Easy to handle and shown in lovely condition.

2ND LISTER'S COONARIA FLORENTINE (64 41ew) F 01.01.09 Tortie Tabby & White

A well-grown girl of nearly 6 months. Head of medium length & slightly longer than wide with uniform width to the nose and a square muzzle. Slight concave curve to the profile & deep chin but it could be stronger, level bite. Large tall ears with a broad base and tapering to red tufts. Large eyes full & round in a slightly oblique aperture and set. Long rectangular body but it needs to fill out and muscle up. Strong limbs with large feet and very long tail that is reasonably well-furnished. Coat of a lovely rich overall colour but of a shorter length on the body at present and little ruff. Lovely feel to the coat which is soft & dense. Black tabby markings overlaid with shades of red, classic tabby pattern with oyster markings on the flanks. Pencil markings on the cheeks and tabby "M". White on her chest, tummy and feet. Shown in lovely condition and easy to handle.

3RD ALLEN'S EMPURRER MEMPHIS BELLE (64 41g) F 07.01.09 Blue Tortie Tabby

A large girl of a good overall size for her 5 months but a little lean & bony on the body at present, she needs to fill out and muscle up. Head of medium length and longer than wide. Full square muzzle though a little pinched behind but probably teething at this age. Uniform width to the nose and high cheek bones. Shallow concave curve to the profile but a small nose bump detracts. Deep chin but it is rounded at the tip, level bite. Large ears with broad base set wide apart but a fraction low, large tufts and long inner feathering. Large expressive eyes of a greeny colour, full & round and set wide apart. Long rectangular body with long limbs of good bone and large feet with tufted toes. Long flowing tail. Coat length developing, of a shorter length on the body at present. Classic tabby pattern with blue markings on a beige agouti base overlaid with shades of cream but subtle pattern on the body and rather solid down the spine. Well-marked limbs and ringed tail. A gentle girl who was easy to handle.

**TORTIE-TABBY OR BLUE-CREAM TABBY +/- WHITE (6 – 8 MTHS)
KITTEN**

1ST & BOB BARLETTA'S COONTASTIC COPACOBANA (64 41ew) F 12.11.08 Tortie Tabby & White

Stunning colouration to this well-grown girl of 7 months. Broad head with good proportions, square muzzle and uniform width to the nose. High cheek bones & fairly

full cheeks. Shallow concave curve to the profile, level bite & deep chin but it could be stronger as it rounds off at the tip. Large ears set high & wide with a broad base and tapering, tufted tips and long inner feathering. Large eyes, full & round in a slightly oblique aperture & set. Long rectangular body with super boning. Substantial limbs with large feet & tufted toes, long flowing tail with profuse fur. Excellent preparation to her dense silky coat increasing in length down the body with beginnings of a ruff. Very rich colouration of black & red contrasting with sparkling white but the classic tabby pattern is hard to see. White on her chest, underparts & limbs. Shown in excellent condition. A very regal girl who shows herself so well & is a pleasure to judge.

2ND DUNN & EVANS'S ELMCOON WILDFIRE (64 41ew) F 08.12.08 Tortie Tabby & White

A well-grown girl of 6 months with attractive colouration. Head longer than wide with a well-placed nasal bridge but could be a little broader. Uniform width to the nose & square muzzle but it could be a little broader. Shallow concave curve to the profile plus a small nose bump. Good chin and level bite. Tall ears with impressive tufts set high & wide apart. Large eyes full & round in a slightly oblique aperture & set., the colour developing at present. Long rectangular body that needs to fill out with strong limbs of good bone, large feet with tufted toes. Quite long tail, flowing with profuse fur. Coat developing & classic tabby pattern rather diffuse on the body. Black markings on a copper agouti base overlaid with shades of red with white on the chest, tummy and feet. Good head markings & barred limbs. Shown in good condition and ok to handle but not keen on her neighbour.

3RD LONGLEY'S LONCOON CARRIE (64 41e) F 23.12.08 Tortie Tabby

A 7 month old girl with reasonably strong bone, rectangular body but she could be heavier. Head of medium length & longer than wide with a well-placed nasal bridge. Square muzzle and almost uniform width to the nose. Slight curve to the profile, deep chin that rounds off at the tip and level bite. Large ears set high & wide with lovely tufts. Good shape to the eyes but they could be a little larger. Long body with limbs to balance but her tail could be a little longer though flowing with profuse fur. Dense coat with a good classic tabby pattern overlain with shades of red and tortie extending through the coat but the overall colour could be richer. Slight rings on the tail. She too was a little grumbly when handled but not a problem.

MISCELLANEOUS CLASSES

AC JUNIOR ADULT

1ST SMITH'S COLORDALE HARLEY (64 41) M Brown Tabby

A young boy of 17 months with a strong powerful body & masculine look. Broad head of medium length slightly longer than wide with a square muzzle and uniform width to the nose. Shallow concave curve to the profile, bite messy but level and his chin could be deeper. Large ears with small tufts set wide apart, difficult to get him to put his ears up and he was holding his left ear a little low. It was also difficult to get him to open up his eyes; they are full & round but could be a little larger. Strong rectangular body with substantial limbs to balance and large round feet with tufted toes. Flowing tail but it could be a little longer for balance. Well-prepared coat with a glossy topcoat, slight ruff at present. Classic tabby pattern with black markings on a pale copper agouti base but the overall colour could be richer. Good head markings & clear marking on the body with a butterfly across the shoulders & oyster markings on his flanks. A gentle fellow shown in lovely condition, he was feeling a bit fed up in the heat when I reached him but who can blame him?

2ND MASKELL'S JEMAHAN MAGIKAL MERCURY (64 43fs) M Cream Silver Shaded

A strong powerful young boy of only 14 months, lovely boning but elegant too. Broad masculine head of medium length and slightly longer than wide with an almost square muzzle. High cheek bones & fairly full cheeks. Shallow concave curve to the profile, level bite but his chin could be a little stronger. Ears set high & wide apart, they could be larger but with good tufts. Large eyes full & round with good depth of colour. Rectangular body with substantial limbs to balance and long flowing tail with profuse fur. Coat developing with the beginnings of a ruff, shorter length on the body though increasing in length down his back. Silvery-white base coat with cream shading but it is a little patchy. A gentle fellow who was easy to handle.

3RD SAVILLE'S ISHCUS MELISA (64 41ew) F Tortie Tabby & White

AC CHAMPION OR GRAND CHAMPION

1ST ASSINDER'S CH GEBUHRCOONS' DREAM DATE (IMP) (64 41) F Brown Tabby

A strong, very well-grown girl of 2 years. Broad balanced head of medium length & slightly longer than wide with a well-placed nasal bridge. Uniform width to the nose & square muzzle. Shallow concave curve to the profile plus a small nose bump, strong chin and level bite. Large ears set high & wide with small tufts and some inner feathering. Lovely expressive eyes, round & full in a slightly oblique aperture and set. Heavy rectangular body with strong bone & substantial limbs to balance. Large round feet with impressive toe tufts. Long flowing tail with profuse fur. Well-prepared coat with a glossy topcoat. Clear classic pattern with black marking on a copper agouti base and rich colour down the back. Good head markings, well-marked limbs and ringed tail. Pale colour to the chin. A gentle girl shown in lovely condition.

2ND EDWARDS'S OLTOMAINE DARKTOWER DJ (64 41dw) M Red Tabby & White

A young lad of 19 months but well-grown, strong & powerful of a lovely rich overall colour. Broad masculine head of medium length & slightly longer than wide with a square muzzle and uniform width to the nose. Shallow concave curve to the profile, very strong chin and level bite. Large ears with a broad base & tapering with slight tufts but little inner feathering, set quite high and wide apart. Large round eyes but they are set a little deep. Rectangular body with very strong bone & substantial limbs to balance but his tail could be a little longer for balance but flowing with quite profuse fur. Moulting heavily on the day & shorter length to the coat on the body and only a slight frontal ruff. Classic tabby pattern with rich red tabby markings on a bright apricot agouti base, clear pattern with a butterfly & oysters on the body. White on his chest, tummy and feet. A gentle fellow though he was reluctant to come out of his pen to be judged.

3RD SYKES'S CH DARAQUIST BETTY BOOP (64 41esw) Tortie Silver Tabby & White

AC DEBUTANTE KITTEN, FEMALE – PART I

1ST BARLETTA'S COONTASTIC MELIKAH (64 41ew) F

2ND BENT'S RUMTUMTUGGER QLAUDIA (64 44gs) F Blue Tortie Silver Tabby & White

An attractive girl of 8 months with lovely colouration, a well-grown kitten but nearly adult. Head of medium length and slightly longer than wide and almost square

muzzle. Shallow concave curve to the profile & level bite but her chin rounds off a little at the tip. Large ears set high & quite wide apart with tufts & inner feathering. Large expressive eyes, full & round in a slightly oblique aperture & set. Rectangular body with limbs to balance, large feet with tufted toes and lovely long tail with profuse fur. Silky coat with a lovely feel to the touch and nicely prepared. Blue markings on a silvery-white base overlaid with shades of cream & mackerel tabby pattern on the body. Well-presented and shown in lovely condition.

3RD HEWITT'S CHATTACoon DOLLY MIXTURE (64 31et) F

AC DEBUTANTE KITTEN, FEMALE – PART II

1ST CANNELL'S SPIRRITZ TARTAN TREMBLER (64 22) F Tortie & White
A very attractive girl of not quite 7 months, very well-grown & with a lovely coat with rich tortie colours. Balanced head of medium length & slightly longer than wide with uniform width to the nose and a square muzzle. Shallow concave curve to the profile, level bite and good chin. Tall tufted ears set high & wide apart. Eyes full & round & in a slightly oblique aperture & set but they could be a little larger. Long rectangular body with long limbs of good bone & a lovely long flowing tail. Beautifully-prepared coat with patches of black & shades of red and good colour to the roots. White on the feet, chest and tummy. A gentle girl shown in excellent condition and a pleasure to judge.

2ND DUNN & EVANS'S ELMCOON WILDFIRE (64 41ew) F

3RD SHAW'S MOONENCIA PALOMA PICASSO (64 41ew) F

PRETTIEST FEMALE

1ST COLE'S GR PR BEARDWOOD LILI SAVAGE (64 31ets) FN

2ND CARDEN'S SHEERCLASS MOONSHINE MISSY (64 41w) F

3RD ROBERT'S JEMAHAN CRYSTAL FIRESTAR (64 41ew) F