

Manchester & District Cat Club 01.05.10

Mrs Val Anderson

My first visit to this show & thanks to Dorothy and her team for the invitation. Thanks too for the hospitality and to Brian Fox for the lifts to & from the station. My steward was Melanie Porter who was great company and handled the cats with care; I hope we can work together again. The hall lighting was rather yellowy and tended to wash out the colour of some cats, especially the ones showing rufousing.

OPEN CLASSES

USUAL SOMALI ADULT

1ST CC MELIA'S SUPERTOFT TIKKA MASALA (63) F 06.07.09

A young girl of only 9 months but she looks mature for her age and has a well-grown, strong muscular body. Broad head, a moderate wedge with good width between the ears and a broad rounded muzzle. High rounded forehead & good nose break in profile. Level bite & deep chin that falls away slightly at the tip. Quite large, cupped & tufted ears set wide apart and almond-shaped eyes that could be more expressive. Muscular body of medium size with limbs to balance & tapering bushy tail that could do with a little more length. Lots of coat with a full ruff, dense but rather woolly at present. Black ticking developing on a pale apricot base but the colour was washed out by the hall lighting. Good head markings & coloured chin, unmarked chest & darker spine line. Black heels & tip to the tail. She wasn't a problem to handle but a bit of a grump and not showing to her advantage.

BOB BULLIVANT'S CH BARANCHRI DISCOVERY (63) F 09.08.07

An older girl of 2½ years who looks young for her age. A very elegant lady though a touch lightweight at present, perhaps she has been calling? Head a moderate wedge with a slight nose break in profile. Deep chin that could be a fraction stronger and scissor bite. Large cupped ears set wide apart & large very expressive eyes. Elegant body with long legs & long bushy tail. Not a lot of coat at present but what she has is soft & fine & lies close along the spine. Clearly ticked with black on an apricot base. Broken chest necklet. A lively girl with a sweet nature.

MAINE COON SILVER TABBY SERIES KITTEN, MALE

1ST (BOB WITHHELD) RYAN'S FOXDAWN CRACKAJACK (64 41ds) M
12.10.09 Red Silver Classic Tabby

A big strong boy of 6 months, very well-grown with lovely bone development. Head a little out of balance at present, the nasal bridge is well-placed but his head is a little long overall. High cheek bones but his cheeks need to fill out. Uniform width to the nose but his muzzle could be broader & squarer. Shallow concave curve to the profile plus a nose bump which spoils the line. Deep chin & level bite. Large tall ears with small tufts & some inner feathering, set high & quite wide apart. Round eyes in a slightly oblique aperture & set. Long rectangular body with strong limbs and large round feet. Well-furnished tapering tail though it could be a little longer for balance. Silky coat with not much undercoat at present. Diffuse classic tabby pattern on the body with pale red markings on a silvery-white agouti base, the colour diluted by the presence of silver. Butterfly & oyster markings detectable but they could be more distinct especially as the coat is of a shorter length at present. Well-marked limbs. Shown in lovely condition & easy to handle. Best of Breed withheld because of his head type, hopefully it will improve as he matures.

MAINE COON SILVER TABBY SERIES KITTEN, FEMALE

1ST (BOB WITHHELD) GARDNER'S LIONMAINE FELLPURRS SACHA (64 41esw) F 13.10.09 Tortie Silver Classic Tabby & White

A very well-grown girl of 6 months with very attractive colouration to her coat. Head a fraction long at present but with a well-placed nasal bridge. High cheek bones but her cheeks need to fill out. Almost uniform width to the nose & square muzzle. Very slight concave curve to the profile, deep chin that could be a fraction stronger. Red gums at the moment & her bite just meets. Lovely tall tapering ears with a broad base & good tufts, set high but wide apart. Beautiful eyes, full & round in a slightly oblique aperture & set and enhanced by dark "mascara". Long body but she needs to fill out her frame & it is set a bit high on the legs at present, she is probably going through a growth spurt. Good boning to the limbs, large feet with tufted toes & lovely long tail well-furnished with profuse fur. Good length to her coat but it was rather greasy on her body & could have done with more preparation. Attractive tortie tabby colouration on a silvery-white base with white on her feet, chest and tummy and pretty tortie pattern on her face. Diffuse tabby pattern with a slight butterfly across the shoulders. A sweet girl who was easy to handle. Best of Breed withheld because of the lack of coat preparation.

2ND COULSON'S PURDYSTON GYPSY (64 41s) F 18.09.09 Classic Silver Tabby

A well-grown girl of 7 months. Broad head of medium length & slightly longer than wide with a well-placed nasal bridge. Uniform width to the nose & broad square muzzle. High cheek bones & fairly full cheeks. I would prefer more of a curve to her profile. Level bite & deep chin but it falls away at the tip. Tall ears with a broad base & small tufts, set wide apart but they could be a little higher. Eyes full & round & wide apart in a slightly oblique aperture & set. Long rectangular body with good bone development. Strong limbs & large round feet with tufted toes. Long flowing tail to balance. Silky coat with not much undercoat as yet, the length developing with the beginnings of a ruff. Black markings on a silvery-white agouti base. Subtle tabby pattern on the body but tabby "M" on the forehead and good leg markings. Some tarnishing on the face & a little on the paws though the yellowy hall lighting didn't help. A very sweet girl who was easy to handle & shown in lovely condition.

3RD FOX'S PURDYSTON TABBY WYNETTE (64 41s) F 18.09.09 Classic Silver Tabby

Litter sister to Gypsy who has the stronger head face on but Tabby Wynette (love the name!) has a much clearer tabby pattern. Head of medium length & slightly longer than wide with a well-placed nasal bridge. High cheek bones, her cheeks need to fill out. Uniform width to the nose but her muzzle could be broader & squarer. Shallow concave curve to the profile, level bite & deep chin that could be a fraction stronger. Tall ears with tufts & inner feathering; set wide apart but they could be a little higher. Expressive eyes, full & round in a slightly oblique aperture & set. Lovely rectangular body shape with strong limbs & large feet with tufted toes. Long tapering tail but with a rather swollen tip. Silky coat, the length developing with a ruff coming nicely. Black tabby markings on a silvery-white agouti base, tabby "M" on the forehead & good head markings, butterfly & oyster markings on the body and barred limbs. Shown in lovely condition and easy to handle.

USUAL ABYSSINIAN ADULT

1ST CC & BOB HARRISON'S MERRYDANCER DAISY (23) F 26.04.08

A mature girl of 2 years with a lovely coat. Head a moderate wedge with gently rounded contours. Good width between the ears but her muzzle could be a little

fuller. Very slight nose break in profile created mainly by a nose bump. Level bite & shallow chin. Large cupped ears set wide apart & large eyes of rounded almond shape set on a slant. Elegant body, strong & muscular with limbs to balance & tapering tail with a fine tip but could be thicker at the base. Close-lying coat, short & fine and clearly ticked with black on an apricot base; the overall colour appeared to be a little cool but it was probably due to the hall lighting. Darker spine line and black tip to the tail. Pale fur around the eyes & OK pigmentation lines, creamy-white around the nostrils and on the chin. Broken chest necklet. Shown in lovely condition but she was a little reserved and preferred the security of her pen.

EGYPTIAN MAU ADULT, MALE

1ST CC & BOB WHITEHOUSE'S ACCLAIM WHITECREST AZIZI (78 30s) M
04.03.09 Silver Spotted

A well-grown boy of only 13 months with a strong muscular body & lovely feel to his coat. Head a slightly rounded wedge of medium length with a gently rounded muzzle that flows into the contours of his head. Gentle contour to the profile, level bite & shallow chin that could be a little stronger. Uniform width to the nose. Well-set ears of medium size with a broad base. Large eyes of rounded almond shape set straight beneath a level brow. Good green colour around the pupil but the colour is probably still developing. Elegant neck & medium long body with a hard muscular feel & limbs to balance. Slightly tapering tail of medium length. Close-lying coat of medium length & clearly spotted with black markings on a silvery-white agouti base. Good head markings with long "mascara" lines on the cheeks. Broken spine line, spotted tummy & bars and spots on the limbs. Shown in super condition and easy to handle. Although I preferred the girl's type he gained the Best of Breed because of his condition & temperament.

EGYPTIAN MAU ADULT, FEMALE

1ST CC WHITEHOUSE'S CH MAUOLOGY ANATASE (78 30s) F 24.02.09 Silver Spotted

A young girl of 14 months who was not in the best of moods but OK to handle though she did have rather sharp claws! Lovely expressive head with the typical worried look; a slightly rounded wedge of medium length with a good profile & gently rounded muzzle that flows into the contours of the head. Uniform width to the nose & level bite. Moderately large well-set ears with a broad base & large eyes of rounded almond shape set beneath a level brow. Green eye colour that maybe still developing. Medium long & graceful body though she needs to muscle up. Elegant limbs to balance & medium length tail with a very slight taper & moderately thick base. Dense coat of medium length, close-lying though a little open down her back but this may have been due to her mood. Clearly spotted with lots of small spots on the body on a silvery-white agouti base. Spine line still breaking up, spotted tummy & lovely clear leg markings. Good head markings with long "mascara" lines. Clear silver without any tarnishing.

2ND COWE'S FELLPURRS SAFIYA (78 30) F 06.03.09 Bronze

An extremely wriggly girl of 13 months who needs to mature. Head of medium length but her muzzle is rather fine & her nose tapers so she lacks the typical look. Profile a touch straight, shallow chin and level bite. Large ears with a broad base & slightly flared with good width between them. Large straight set eyes of rounded almond shape. Medium long & graceful body but she needs to fill out her frame. Elegant limbs to balance & neat paws. Slightly tapering tail of medium length.

Lovely coat, short fine & close-lying and clearly spotted with large spots on a golden base. Spine line still breaking up, spotted tummy & well-marked limbs. She was a little spitty when handled but not a problem.

SNOW MARBLED BENGAL ADULT

1ST IC & BOB NUGENT'S ADSETSH NULA SPARKLET (76b 30) F 27.03.07

A mature blue-eyed girl of 3 years, very well-fed with a large tummy that spoils her body shape. Broad head slightly longer than wide with a large nose & broad muzzle with pronounced whisker pads. Strong chin & level bite & large, slightly puffed nose leather. Her ears are a little tall but set wide apart and held forward in profile. Large deep blue eyes of rounded oval shape but set a little straight. Long body but she would benefit from losing a little weight. Strong muscular limbs of medium length & medium length tail that tapers a little. Soft, very dense coat of medium length but it is a little open which tends to blur the pattern a little. Marbled pattern of shades of brown on an ivory base but it could flow a little more. Good head markings with spotted whisker pads & long "mascara" lines on the cheeks & "M" on the forehead. Spotted tummy & bars and spots on the limbs. A gentle girl who was easy to handle, just good enough for the certificate.

SNOW SPOTTED BENGAL KITTEN

1ST & BOB POWLEY'S ADECISH DECOSPOT JAMILLA (76b 30) F 15.11.09

A young blue-eyed girl of 5 months with a lovely feel to her coat. Head a medium wedge slightly longer than wide with a large nose & broad muzzle. Slight concave curve to the profile, rounded chin & level bite. Her ears are rather large & tall at present but with a broad base & rounded tips and set wide apart. Lovely deep blue eyes of oval shape set on a slight slant. Well-grown muscular body with limbs to balance & slightly tapering tail. Short soft coat with good contrast to the large arrowhead spots on the body. Ivory base coat with slightly darker markings on the head & limbs. Good head markings with lovely long lines on the cheeks. Spotted tummy & broken spine line. A sweet girl shown in lovely condition though she was a little shy.

SNOW SPOTTED BENGAL NEUTER

1ST PC & BOB FERGUSON'S CH INDYKATZ BIZZYLIZZY (76b 30) FN 20.09.04

A well-grown mature blue-eyed girl of 5½ years with a lovely feel to her coat. Head a broad medium wedge very slightly longer than wide with a large nose, broad muzzle & pronounced whisker pads. Rather a deep curve to the profile. Lovely small ears with a broad base & rounded tips, set wide apart and held forward in profile. Large blue eyes of oval shape. Strong muscular body with limbs to balance. Tail of medium length with good thickness & a very slight taper towards the tip. Soft very dense coat with large arrowhead spots on an ivory base. It could show more contrast on the lower back & flanks but I put it down to her age. A sweet girl shown in lovely condition.

MISCELLANEOUS CLASSES

AV SLH LIMIT ADULT

1ST INSTONE'S KITTAH HECUBA (13c2) F Blue Point Birman

A young girl of only 10 months but of a good weight for her size. Expressive face, broad head with a rounded skull & medium length nose with a slight dip in profile. Her ears are a little large & could be further apart but she is only young. Lovely deep

blue eyes. Long body with limbs & tail to balance. Silky coat with a pale body colour & blue-grey points developing. Good pure white feet markings. A gentle girl shown in lovely condition.

2ND HOPKINS'S OCEANARIA CARIBBEAN (64 41w) F Maine Coon

A young brown tabby & white girl of 11 months. Broad head of medium length & slightly longer than wide with a well-placed nasal bridge & high cheek bones. Broad square muzzle & almost uniform width to the nose. Good profile with a shallow concave curve & deep chin that rounds off very slightly at the tip. Bite slightly under and her gums were a little red. Well-set ears, large tall & tapering with tufts & inner feathering. Round eyes in a slightly oblique aperture & set on a slight slant but a little deep. Good rectangular body shape with good bone & muscle development. Strong limbs & large round paws with tufted toes. Long well-furnished flowing tail. Coat developing well with the beginnings of a ruff & shaggy tummy and increasing in length down the body. Classic tabby pattern with black markings on a copper agouti base. Good body markings with a butterfly & oyster markings, barred limbs but the top of the tail is rather solid. White on her face, chest, tummy and feet. A gentle girl but not very showy.

3RD BULLIVANT'S BARANCHRI GUINEVERE (63cs) F Blue Silver Somali

AV SLH RADIUS ADULT

1ST PULLEN'S GR CH DIZZIPAWS ZEMO (66aw) M Blue Mitted Ragdoll

A strong well-grown boy of 2 years though not as heavy as expected. Broad masculine head with a flat plane between the ears & well-developed muzzle. Gentle dip in profile. Wide-set ears of medium size that tilt forward in profile. Large well-opened blue eyes. Long muscular body with substantial limbs and long bushy tail. Dense silky coat of medium length with a good ruff & pale body colour & bluish-grey points. White chin, chest & underbody, front mittens & back legs. A gentle boy though he preferred to be handled in his pen.

2ND MELIA'S SUPERTOFT TIKKA MASALA

3RD METCALFE'S CH HIGHVIEW DIAMOND (66) M Seal Colourpointed Ragdoll

AC NORWEGIAN FOREST NEUTER

A super class with 7 lovely Norwegians to choose from.

1ST HIGHAM'S PR VESLEMOY CHARLIE CHOO (67 31ts) MN

A strong muscular black silver tabby & white boy of only 1½ years. Triangular head with a rounded forehead & long straight profile. Deep chin that could be a fraction stronger. Large ears with a broad base & set high and open; lovely long internal furnishing. Large expressive eyes of oval shape in an oblique setting. Well-grown muscular body though with a large tum! Good length to the coat with a ruff & shirtfront, coat double with a woolly undercoat & coarser topcoat developing well.

2ND COWARD'S GR PR NORDLYS GAZELLE (67 15) FN

A mature black girl of 5 years, large & very well-grown. Triangular head with all sides equal, almost straight profile & deep firm chin. Large well-set ears and large well-opened eyes. Strong muscular body carried high on long strong limbs & long bushy tail. Well-prepared double coat with a woolly undercoat covered by a coarser topcoat. A sweet girl.

3RD WAREING'S NORGESKAUKATT OSKAR (67 14a) MN

A beautifully-presented white boy of only 10 months.

AV FOREIGN ARISTOCRAT ADULT

1ST WHITEHOUSE'S ACCLAIM WHITECREST AZIZI

2ND HIBBS'S ZAWADI AKIDI (76 30) M Brown Spotted Bengal

A young boy of only 12 months but with a strong muscular body. Head a broad medium wedge very slightly longer than wide with rounded contours. Medium ears set wide apart & oval eyes. Long muscular body with limbs to balance but his tail could be thicker. Soft dense coat with a good pattern of large rosetted spots on a golden base.

3RD HIBBS'S CHRISJAY COFFEE CREAM (76 30) F Brown Spotted Bengal

AV FOREIGN VISITORS NEUTER

1ST PENNY'S GR PR HOADHILL FUNTIME FRANKIE (76 30) MN Brown Spotted Bengal

A strong muscular fellow of 3 years with a lovely coat. Masculine head, a broad medium wedge slightly longer than wide with rounded contours. Large nose & broad muzzle. Well-set ears and lovely expressive green eyes. Long muscular body with limbs to balance, tail thick at the base but tapers a little. Short soft & dense coat with a distinct pattern of large rosetted spots on a golden base. Shown in excellent condition, not keen on being out of his pen but happy to be handled in it.

2ND ANDERSON'S CH & GR PR ANNALOVA LEONID (16a) MN Russian Blue

A handsome mature boy of 5 years with a strong muscular yet elegant body. Masculine head, flat skull, short wedge and prominent whisker pads. Vertically-set ears and green eyes of almond shape. Dense plushy coat though it could be a little softer. Lovely colour of an even medium blue with a well-developed silvery sheen. Shown in super condition & easy to handle.

3RD FOUNTAIN'S PR ADTRESH CASPA CAMOUFLAGE (76 30) MN Brown Spotted Bengal