

## Supreme Show 22.12.08

### **Mrs Val Anderson**

Many thanks to the Show Committee for the invitation to judge at this prestigious show. Thanks to my hard working team of stewards, Marlene Buckeridge, Gemma Gregson & Rita James for all their help & gentle handling of the cats. Unfortunately due to car problems I was a steward short at the beginning & I am very grateful to Connie Henderson & her friend Janey who came to my rescue and helped out for a while. Thanks to the exhibitors for a splendid entry of Abyssinians and a wonderful range of colours to judge, a real treat.

### **ABYSSINIAN UK GRAND CHAMPION MALE (BOB only)**

HANSELL'S UK & IMP GR CH, INT GR CH NILE AMUN RA (23) 02.03.03

A large, very well-fed boy! Lovely glossy coat. Head a moderate wedge with good width between the ears & gently rounded contours. Good nose break in profile, shallow chin & level bite. Quite large, cupped ears set wide apart. Nice eyes. Well-fed body of medium length & build, limbs to balance & oval paws. Lovely tail with good thickness at the base. Close-lying coat clearly ticked with black on apricot & no grey. Creamy chin, short black hocks, darker spine line. A very easy-going lad with a super temperament. His chin needs a little attention & he needs to watch his waistline but otherwise shown in lovely condition. He came very close to winning the Best of Breed and would have done so had he been slimmer!

### **ABYSSINIAN GRAND CHAMPION MALE**

1ST UKGCC & BOB PONTELLO'S IMP GR CH ONE SHOT FROM A'FAR (23a) 26.12.03 Sorrel

A strong masculine boy & lovely rich overall colour. Head a moderate wedge with gently rounded contours, whisker indentation & rounded muzzle. Good nose break in profile, level bite & rounded chin. Large, well-set cupped ears & expressive eyes set on a slant. Lovely body shape, medium build & length with limbs to balance & oval paws. Tapering tail with good thickness at the base. Fine coat, very dense with chocolate ticking on an apricot base. Creamy chin and unmarked chest. A lovely purry lad shown in excellent condition. Lovely Aby expression and a balanced boy.

2ND SHAKESPEARE-ENSOR'S GR CH WAVETAILED DOMINO (23) 11.07.05 Usual

A very elegant boy with distinct ticking. Head a moderate wedge with gently rounded contours. Good nose break in profile, level bite but his chin could be stronger. Large ears set wide apart & large green eyes of almond shape. Elegant & muscular body with long legs & oval paws. Tail to balance, tapering with good thickness at the base. Short fine & close-lying coat though a little soft to the touch. Clearly ticked with black on an apricot base. Darker spine line & unmarked chest. Shown in lovely condition with a gentle nature & typical Aby expression. Not showing to his advantage today.

### **USUAL ABYSSINIAN CHAMPION, FEMALE**

1ST & GCC CH KOPERKAT GUINEVERE (23) 11.03.06

A very feminine look to this girl. She was a little nervous & her spine line was raised. Head a moderate wedge with rounded contours. Good nose break in profile, few front teeth remaining though her bite is level. Shallow chin. Large cupped ears set wide apart, pale green eyes of rounded almond shape. Elegant body of medium build with limbs to balance & small oval paws. Tapering tail quite thick at the base. Fine dense coat with black ticking on an apricot base. Darker line down the back, short hocks, creamy chin. Not showing to her advantage but sweet & gentle in the pen. Nice Aby expression. Her overall colour could be richer but good even ticking.

### **USUAL ABYSSINIAN PRE-CHAMPION MALE**

1ST CC SHAMMAS'S MIKKAR ASHANTI WARRIOR (23) 31.12.07

A very lively boy! Strong & muscular & lovely rich overall colour. A moderate wedge with good width between the ears. Whisker indentation & slightly square muzzle. Large cupped tufted ears & large expressive eyes. Muscular & lithe body, a fraction long with long limbs & oval paws. Tail thick & very slightly tapering. Dense coat, close-lying with black ticking on a rich ruddy base. Darker spine line & black tail tip. Lovely colour to his chin. Difficult to assess as he never stops moving! Though very gentle temperament & shown in lovely condition. Unfortunately he was rather stressed in the ring pen & was returned to his main pen early to avoid upsetting him further.

2ND DESOLLA'S BRUNNBACKEN'S SAMBESI (23) 25.03.07

A very strong & muscular young man of a rich overall colour. Head a broad moderate wedge if a little short. Slight nose break in profile created mainly by a nose bump. Quite large, cupped ears set very wide apart. Lovely green eye colour though his eyes are a touch full. Strong & muscular body of medium build with

elegant limbs & oval paws. Tapering tail, thick at the base. Dense, short & close-lying coat though with some dandruff showing. Black ticking on an apricot base. Clear chest, darker spine line & black tail tip. Excellent temperament & lots of character. Lovely condition apart from the dandruff.

3RD MUSPRATT'S FLAMSTONE HADRIAN (23) 05.02.08

A young boy of only 9 months, just an adult & he looks it! He needs to mature & have more width to his head which is a moderate wedge but a little narrow at present. I would prefer more nose break & a stronger chin. Level bite. Cupped ears but they could be larger & they are set a touch close. Large expressive eyes. Elegant body with a straight back & medium build. Elegant limbs & small oval paws. Tapering tail to balance. Close-lying coat with a fine texture. Black ticking on an apricot base. Well-broken but rather heavy necklets. Rich overall colour. Lovely gentle nature & shown in excellent condition. A pleasure to judge.

**USUAL ABYSSINIAN PRE-CHAMPION FEMALE**

1ST CC & BOB MORRIS'S SALADIN SHAHIDA (23) 25.09.07

An elegant & feminine girl, clearly ticked & a rich overall colour. Head a moderate wedge with gently rounded contours. Slight nose break, OK chin & level bite. Large cupped ears set wide apart & large expressive eyes of deep amber colour. Muscular body, lithe of medium build with a long neck & elegant long limbs with oval paws. Long tapering tail to balance. Short fine & close-lying coat. Black ticking on an apricot base but pale grey next to the skin. Faint broken necklet, some inner leg barring. A sweet girl shown in lovely condition. Nice Aby look. Lots of confidence to this girl, well-suited to the Supreme way of judging.

2ND DARBY'S SILVERSMOKE MIRACLE (23) 04.01.08

A young girl of only 9 months, she needs to mature & muscle up. Head a moderate wedge but it is a touch narrow at present. I would prefer more of a nose break & her chin falls off a little. Level bite. Tall ears, cupped but they could be a little larger. Large expressive eyes. Elegant body of medium length which needs to fill out. Elegant limbs & small oval paws. Long tapering tail to balance. Dense close-lying coat clearly ticked with black on an apricot base. Double but broken necklet. Good colour on the hocks. A lovely girl a little reserved but gentle. Lovely coat & condition.

3RD DESOLLA'S WAVETAILED FIONNULA (23) 13.10.07

A feminine girl of a good weight for her size. A moderate wedge, good width between the ears, whisker indentation & slightly square muzzle. Slight nose break & nose bump. Level bite but her chin could be stronger. Her ears could be bigger but are cupped, have tufts & are set well apart. Good eye shape & set. Elegant body of medium build with limbs to balance & small oval paws. Tapering tail that could be a little longer for balance. Close-lying coat with fine texture. Clearly ticked with black on a pale apricot base. Unmarked chest, good colour to chin. She had a little bit of a grumble but was not a problem to handle. An elegant girl shown in lovely condition.

4TH LEITH'S FLAMSTONE FLEMENCA (23) 11.02.04

An older girl of 4 years. Clearly ticked though the overall colour could be richer. Head a moderate wedge with gently rounded contours & slight nose break in profile. Cupped ears set wide apart but they could be larger. Large eyes of good shape & set, good depth of colour. Well-fed muscular body of medium build. Elegant limbs & oval paws. Tapering tail, a little short for balance. Coat fine if a touch soft, close-lying & dense. Black ticking on a pale apricot base. Darker spine line, short hocks, well-broken but double necklets. A gentle girl if a little reserved. Shown in lovely condition.

**SORREL ABYSSINIAN CHAMPION, FEMALE**

1ST (GCC WITHHELD) MISKELLY'S CH GLENDAVAN SHES ELECTRIC (23a) 22.12.06

A young girl of not quite 2 years but a little lightweight on the day. Head a moderate wedge with gently rounded contours. Slight nose break plus a nose bump in profile. Very strong chin and level bite. Quite large cupped ears set wide apart & large greeny-coloured eyes. Elegant body but a little lean on the haunches at present. Straight back & elegant neck. Slender limbs & oval paws, tapering tail to balance. Rich overall colour but coat a little long & the ticking could be more distinct. Coat very dense but soft to the touch. A sweet girl but certificate withheld because of the coat length & texture & lack of muscle tone. Sorry!

**SORREL ABYSSINIAN PRE-CHAMPION, FEMALE**

1ST CC YATES'S MERRYDANCER BAILLEE (23a) 05.07.07

A well-grown young girl of a good weight with a lovely coat. Head a moderate wedge with slightly rounded contours. Slight nose break in profile, level bite & firm chin. Cupped ears set wide apart & large eyes of rounded almond shape with good depth of colour. Elegant & muscular body with limbs to balance & oval paws. Tapering tail but it could be a little longer for balance. Fine close-lying coat. Richer colour down the

spine & chocolate ticking on an apricot base. Chocolate tail tip. She had a bit of a grumble but was OK to handle. Shown in lovely condition though the overall colour could be richer.

**BLUE ABYSSINIAN CHAMPION, FEMALE**

1ST GCC BOWYER'S SILSILA HEART STEALER (23c) 19.05.01

A very wriggly girl, pale overall colour. Head a moderate wedge with good width between the ears if a little fine on the muzzle. Level bite. Large cupped ears set wide apart but her eyes are a little oriental in shape. Good nose break in profile, deep chin. Strong muscular body, a well-fed girl with limbs to balance & oval paws. Tail long & tapering, good thickness at the base. Dense coat with mushroom colour to the underparts. Slightly darker spine line, blue ticking but it could be more distinct. A sweet tempered if very lively girl. I would have preferred more ticking but it was difficult to see in the sunlight which was shining on the table when she was being judged.

**BLUE ABYSSINIAN PRE-CHAMPION, FEMALE**

1ST CC & BOB DARBY'S SILVERSMOKE SPINDRIFT (23c) 21.11.07

A well-grown young girl with a sweet temperament. Head a moderate wedge, just a slight nose break in profile plus a nose bump, whisker indentation & broad muzzle. Cupped ears set wide apart but they could be larger. Large eyes of good colour, shape & set. Elegant & muscular body with limbs to balance & oval paws. Long tail with good thickness at the base. Fine, close-lying coat of good density. Blue ticking on an oatmeal base. Broad spine line & broken necklet. Shown in lovely condition & good colour for a blue.

**FAWN ABYSSINIAN CHAMPION, FEMALE**

1ST GCC & BOB PONTELLO'S CH ABYCHAT HONEYCOMB (23e) 18.04.04

A well-grown mature girl with lovely ticking for a fawn. Head a moderate wedge with rounded contours, just a slight nose break in profile, firm chin and level bite. Well-set ears that could be larger. Large greeny-coloured eyes of rounded almond shape. Strong muscular body with limbs to balance. Tapering tail that could be a little larger. Coat a fraction long but dense & close-lying. Clearly ticked with fawn on a paler base. Fawn tail tip & darker spine line. Slight double necklet but broken. Shown in lovely condition. She complains a lot but has a gentle nature. This was her 3rd Grand certificate & I believe she is the first Fawn to become a Grand Champion. Congratulations to her owners & breeder.

**FAWN ABYSSINIAN PRE-CHAMPION, FEMALE**

1ST CC BARNES'S MAKEITSO VANILLA SKY (23e) 18.12.07

A young girl who needs to mature, very elegant. Head a moderate wedge but a little fine on the muzzle. Slight nose break in profile. Level bite & OK chin. Large cupped ears & large eyes that are a little full. Elegant body with limbs to balance & small oval paws. Long tapering tail that is quite thick at the base. Fine close-lying coat with a pale base coat. The ticking could be more distinct but good warm overall colour. Her head is a little out of balance at present due to immaturity so hopefully this will improve with time. Lovely warm overall colour.

**SILVER ABYSSINIAN, FEMALE**

1ST CC & BOB HARVEY'S DEPUSSEY TARA ALLISON (23es) Fawn Silver

A very elegant & well-grown mature girl of 3 years. Head a moderate wedge with a very slight nose break in profile. Level bite & good chin. Large cupped ears & large eyes of good shape & set. Elegant & muscular body with long limbs & oval paws. Long tail. Fine close-lying coat with a silvery-white base & clear fawn ticking. Clear chest and fawn tail tip. Shown in lovely condition & a gentle nature.

**RUSSIAN BLUE KITTEN, MALE**

1ST & BOB BOND-WONNEBERGER'S FURBELL STARGAZER (16a) 03.03.08

A very well-grown young man of 8 months. Lovely head & overall colour. Strong head, flat skull & short wedge. Lovely prominent whisker pads. Almond-shaped green eyes & large ears set vertically to the head. Strong muscular body yet elegant too. Long limbs & oval paws. Tail tapering but rather thick. Dense coat, a fraction long but double & sound to the roots. Medium blue with a silvery sheen. Shown in excellent condition with a gentle nature. A super kitten!

**CHOCOLATE OR LILAC ABYSSINIAN KITTEN, FEMALE**

1ST & BOB MISKELLY'S GLENDAVAN GETTAMAUVE-ON (23d) 16.04.08 Lilac

A very sweet girl with a nice Aby expression. Head a moderate wedge, good nose break in profile but shallow chin. Cupped ears set wide apart. Lovely eye colour but her eyes could be a little larger. Well-grown body of a good weight for her size. Elegant limbs & small oval paws. Tapering tail. Dense coat, a fraction long but close-lying though a little soft to the touch. Good ticking & warm overall colour. Lilac tail tip. A pretty girl with attractive colouration. Excellent temperament & condition.

**ABYSSINIAN GRAND PREMIER, MALE**

1ST UKGPC & BOB MAPPIN'S GR PR SYRINX SCHERZO (23) 24.09.05

A large elegant body with a lovely rich overall colour. Head a moderate wedge with good width between the ears, whisker indentation & rounded muzzle. Large cupped & tufted ears and large green eyes of rounded almond shape. Elegant body with long limbs & oval paws. Long tapering tail. Fine close-lying coat with distinct black ticking on a rich apricot base. Darker spine line & black tail tip. Shown in lovely condition. A handsome boy with a lovely coat.

**ABYSSINIAN GRAND PREMIER, FEMALE**

1ST (UKGPC WITHHELD) LEITH'S GR PR RINTINABY RED HERRING (23a) 31.05.05 Sorrel

A well-grown girl of 3 years but she was fluffing up her coat. Head a moderate wedge with rounded contours. Very slight nose break in profile. Scissor bite & firm but shallow chin. Cupped ears set wide apart & large eyes. Muscular & well-fed body of medium build. Elegant limbs & oval paws. Tapering tail that could be a little longer. Coat a little open, fine texture. Chocolate ticking on an apricot base & chocolate tail tip. Gentle nature & shown in lovely condition but not up to this high award today. Sorry but she just lacked the extra sparkle needed for the certificate.

**SORREL ABYSSINIAN PREMIER, MALE**

1ST (GPC WITHHELD) BOWYER'S PR SILSILA DANCESWITHWOLVES (23a) 15.11.04

A large elegant boy with a squeaky voice & short fine coat. His right eyes looks rather sore. Head a moderate wedge if a little long. Nose break in profile plus a large nose bump. Ears set wide but they could be larger. Large eyes set on a slant. Elegant & muscular body with long limbs & long tapering tail. Short fine & close-lying coat. Clearly ticked with chocolate on an apricot base. Darker spine line. A shy boy rather in the awe of the occasion. Certificate withheld because as he had a sore eye & so was not in top condition. He was seen by the Duty Vet who treated his eye to ease the discomfort. I have judged this boy at other shows & he wasn't keen to leave the security of his pen then so he probably found the Supreme situation rather distressing.

**ABYSSINIAN ASSESSMENT ADULT, KITTEN OR NEUTER**

MERIT AWARDED TO:

MUSPRATT'S FLAMSTONE RED SHAH (23fs) M 05.05.07 Red Silver

A strong masculine boy of a lovely weight, very powerful. Head a moderate wedge. Very slight nose break in profile. Shallow but firm chin & level bite. Cupped ears that could be a little larger. Expressive eyes with good depth of colour. Strong powerful body with limbs to balance. Tapering tail with good thickness to the base. Dense coat that lies close. Red ticking on a silvery-white base. Red tip to the tail. Shown in lovely condition. Gentle nature. Happy to award the Merit.

BARRETT'S HIGHLIGHT CREAMRUPERT (23g) M 15.10.07 Cream

A handsome boy, lovely cream colour. Head a moderate wedge, good nose break in profile & level bite. Shallow but firm chin. Cupped ears that could be larger. Eyes of good shape & set but they could be larger. Strong muscular body of medium build, Elegant limbs with oval paws & quite long, tapering tail. Dense coat that lies close & clearly ticked with cream on a paler base. Good chin colour & clear chest. Darker spine line & cream tip to the tail. I loved his colour. A very gentle boy shown in lovely condition though his chin needs attention.

MUSPRATT'S FLAMSTONE PANDORA (23t) F 02.01.07 Usual Tortie

A sweet girl, her tortie ticking is apparent. Head a moderate wedge with rounded contours. Slight nose break in profile & OK chin. Bite questionable but no bottom incisors so given the benefit of the doubt. Cupped & tufted ears though they could be bigger. Green eyes, good shape & set but they could be a larger. Elegant body though not as heavy as expected. Elegant limbs & oval paws. Tail quite long, good thickness. Coat fine if a touch long & lies close. Black & red ticking on an apricot base. Rather heavy necklets. Gentle nature & attractive colour.

HARVEY'S DEPUSSEY REBECCA CLAIRE (23ts) F 28.12.06 Usual Tortie Silver

An elegant girl of nearly 2 years of a very attractive colour & obviously a silver. Head a moderate wedge though it could do with a little more width. Good nose break plus a nose bump in profile. Level bite but her chin falls away a little. Cupped ears that could be bigger & large expressive eyes. Elegant & muscular body of medium build with elegant limbs & small oval paws. Long tapering tail with a distinctive coloured tip. Short fine & close-lying coat. Attractive tortie ticking on a silvery-white base. Slight colour on her tummy. A sweet gentle girl shown in lovely condition.