

## **West Country Cat Club**

### **Mrs Val Anderson**

Thanks to Elaine, John & Lisa for the invitation to judge, excellent hospitality and gift of very tasty cheese & cider. Many thanks to my steward Saffi Rabey for her excellent company and careful handling of the cats.

I had the pleasant task of choosing Best Foreign kitten. Close contenders were the Asian Ticked Tabby boy SUMERJIZ ASLAN & the Brown Spotted Bengal BARIJKA VALENTINO but I couldn't resist the charms of the delightful Sphynx kitten NOBILERO RUAIDHRI SEANIN, a cute little boy with a very big purr!

### **OPEN CLASSES**

#### **AOV SLH PREMIER MALE**

GPC NEWMAN'S PR COONTASTIC ARTHURPENDRAGON (64 41w) MN  
27.09.9 Brown Classic Tabby & White Maine Coon

A well-grown young boy of 15 months with strong bone. Unfortunately he was a bit tense & took a dislike to his neighbours so not showing at his best though I was able to assess him fully enough to be able to award the certificate. Broad head of medium length & slightly longer than wide with uniform width to the nose. Square muzzle & high cheek bones, his cheeks are probably still filling out. Lovely profile with a shallow concave curve, deep chin that rounds off a fraction at the tip & level bite. Tall tapering ears with tufts & a broad base, set high yet wide apart though he kept flaring them when he was agitated. Lovely large expressive eyes, full & round in a slightly oblique aperture & set. Long rectangular body with strong limbs to balance & long flowing tail. Dense silky coat, the brown tabby pattern contrasting with clean white on his feet, chest and tummy. Black tabby markings on a copper agouti base, the classic pattern visible. Shown in lovely condition and nicely presented, a pity he wasn't doing himself any favours. I remember him as a 3 month old kitten at the same show a year ago and I am pleased to see he has turned into a handsome young man!

#### **NORWEGIAN FOREST ADULT MALE**

BOB HANDY'S GR CH SONNY BLUE TANIS (IMP) (67 14a) M 06.07.09

A beautifully groomed white boy of 1½ years who was sitting proudly in his pen when we got to him. Triangular head with all sides equal and lovely long straight profile. Deep chin that rounds off a touch, bite a little messy as he has several incisors missing but acceptable. Tall ears with tufts and inner furnishing, set high and open and following the lines of his head. Expressive eyes of oval shape, greeny rather than orange but no points for his. Elegant & muscular body carried high on strong limbs, bushy tail that could be a fraction longer for balance. Dense coat with a ruff, shirtfront and knickerbockers. Coat double with a woolly undercoat, topcoat developing on his lower back. Shown in excellent condition, he was a little spitty but not a problem to handle.

#### **NORWEGIAN FOREST ADULT FEMALE**

1<sup>ST</sup> CC HANDY'S FORESTSHADOW FRIKKA (67 31ts) F 21.03.10

A pretty black silver tabby & white girl of only 9 months. Triangular head with an almost straight profile, level bite & deep chin that could be a fraction stronger. Well-set reasonably large ears that follow the lines of her head & expressive eyes of good

shape & set though they could be a fraction larger. Elegant body with reasonably strong bone, she is only young and needs to fill out her frame. Large round feet with tufted paws & long bushy tail. Well-prepared silky coat with a woolly undercoat, the topcoat yet to develop. Good length to the coat with a ruff, shirtfront and knickerbockers. A gentle girl who was easy to handle and shown in lovely conditions.

**AOC MAINE COON KITTEN, MALE**

1<sup>ST</sup> & BOB LYLE'S TASSARE RED SEREN (64 41dw) M 18.08.10 Red Classic Tabby & White

A very well-grown boy of not quite 5 months with lovely strong bone. Lovely strength to his head which is broad, of medium length & slightly longer than wide with a well-placed nasal bridge. Broad square muzzle & uniform width to the nose. Shallow concave curve to the profile plus a small nose bump. High cheek bones, cheeks yet to fill out. Tall ears set high yet wide apart with a broad base tapering to tufted tips. Greeny coloured eyes of good shape & set. Long rectangular body, strong limbs & large feet with tufted toes. Long tail to balance. Coat still rather babyish & needing to develop, the length coming with the beginnings of a ruff. Lovely rich overall colour with red markings on a bright apricot agouti base. Subtle pattern on the body though oyster markings visible. Tabby "M" on the forehead and narrow lines on the cheeks. Lovely clear leg markings and ringed tail. Shown in lovely condition and a pleasure to handle, a promising kitten.

**AOC MAINE COON KITTEN, FEMALE**

1<sup>ST</sup> FORD'S COONASTIC FORGET ME NOT (64 41gw) F 05.06.10 Blue Tortie Classic Tabby & White

A very well-grown girl of 7 months with strong bone. Head of medium length & slightly longer than wide with a well-placed nasal bridge. Almost uniform width to the nose & square muzzle though the white on his face disguises it. High cheek bones & good cheeks. Shallow concave curve to the profile, deep chin that could be a fraction stronger & level bite. Large ears with a broad base & tapering to small tufts on the tips; set high yet well apart. Large eyes of a greeny colour, full & round in a slightly oblique aperture & set. Lovely long rectangular body with a well-fed tum! Substantial limbs with large feet & tufted toes. Long well-furnished tail. Nicely prepared coat with a silky texture, white on her feet, chest & tummy as required. Lots of tortie with blue markings overlaid with shades of cream which tends to mask the tabby pattern on the body. A sweet girl shown in lovely condition but not such an outgoing character as the boy.

2<sup>ND</sup> HUNTER'S TASSARE CIDERWITH ROSIE (64 41ew) F 07.09.10 Tortie Classic Tabby & White

A sweet girl of 4 months. Head of medium length with a well-placed nasal bridge. Concave curve plus a nose bump in profile, level bite & deep chin that rounds off a touch at the tip. Her ears are set high yet wide apart but I would prefer them to be larger at this stage of her development. Lovely deep gold eye colour but her eyes could be more expressive. Long rectangular body of a good size for her age but I would prefer stronger bone. Round feet with tufted toes & long tail. Lovely tortie colours of black & shades of red with the classic tabby pattern visible. White on her feet, tummy & chest. Her coat was a little spiky & could have done with mores preparation, especially on the underparts. Her coat is still babyish with lots of very long guard hairs and needs to develop.

### **USUAL ABYSSINIAN ADULT**

1<sup>ST</sup> CC & BOB FISKE'S FLAMSTONE REKSIF BALLERINA (23) F 05.04.10

A well-grown young girl of only 9 months with a lively & alert nature. Despite her age she has a lovely balanced head, a moderate wedge with good width between the ears tapering via a whisker break to a rounded muzzle. Good profile & level bite though I would prefer a deeper chin. Well-set, quite large, cupped ears & expressive eyes of lovely shape & set. Elegant & muscular body though she has a well-fed tum! Elegant limbs with small paws & long tapering tail. Dense coat that lies close though it could be finer. Black ticking on an apricot base. Creamy-coloured chin, chest practically clear with just a faint well-broken necklet. Slightly darker spine line which extends down her tail to a black tip. Short black heels. Very sweet nature and shown in super condition.

2<sup>ND</sup> MISKELLY'S PONTABY ELVIRA (23) 08.02.10 F 08.02.10

A slightly older girl of 11 months of a good weight for her size but not such a balanced look as the winner at present. Head a moderate wedge with rounded contours. OK nose break in profile, whisker indentation present & rounded muzzle that could be a fraction broader. Level bite. Large cupped ears set a fraction close. Greeny coloured eyes of oval shape, the right slightly smaller than the left. Elegant muscular body with a straight back, elegant limbs with oval paws and tapering tail to balance. Short fine, dense & close-lying coat clearly ticked with black on an apricot base. Good facial markings & pale "specs" around the eyes. Good colour to her chin & unmarked chest. Darker spine line extending to a black tail tip but short black heels. Shown in lovely condition and easy to handle.

ALSO CONSIDERED FOR BEST OF BREED

MISKELLY'S CH GLENDAVAN SPELLBOUND (23) F 03.10.07

An older girl of 3 years who looks young for her age. Head a touch long & narrow with cupped ears and large greeny-coloured eyes. Long slim body with long legs & a long tail. Her coat was a touch open, very rich overall colour with subtle black ticking on a bright apricot base. A gentle girl who was easy to handle.

### **SORREL ABYSSINIAN ADULT**

1<sup>ST</sup> (CC Withheld) DAWSON'S GLENDAVAN STRANGWAYTOTELL (23a) M 19.03.10

A strong well-grown boy of only 9 months with a lovely rich overall coat colour. Head a moderate wedge with rounded contours, whisker indentation and rounded muzzle. Typical Aby look face on but in profile he has a very slight curve plus a nose bump and his chin is shallow and falls away. Level bite. Large cupped ears with a broad base & set wide apart. Good shape & set to his eyes but they could be larger. Strong muscular body with long limbs to balance & long tapering tail. Lovely coat, short fine & close-lying with chocolate ticking on a bright apricot base. Creamy-white chin and faint fuzzy necklet that is just about broken. Darker spine line extending to a chocolate tail tip. Shown in lovely condition. Sorry to withhold the certificate but this was due to the absence of a firm chin.

2<sup>ND</sup> FISKE'S KAZIZKATZ REKSIF HESALOOKA (23a) M 13.03.10

Another young boy, a few days older than the winner but looking very much the baby in comparison. Head a moderate wedge with rounded contours with a whisker indentation and rounded muzzle. Rounded forehead, slight nose break in profile plus a small nose bump. Level bite but his chin could be stronger. Well-set, quite large ears and greeny-coloured eyes of good shape & set but they could be larger. Elegant

neck & strong muscular body with limbs to balance. Long tapering tail with a chocolate tip. Dense coat that is a little woolly in texture but lies close to the body. Clearly ticked with chocolate but rather pale overall colour. Cream-white on the chin that extends onto his throat. Darker spine line. Shown in lovely condition and easy to handle.

### **CHOCOLATE OR LILAC ABYSSINIAN ADULT**

**BOB MISKELLY'S GR CH GLENDAVAN PURPLE HAZE (23d) M 17.09.09**

A strong well-grown muscular boy of 15 months who was not in the best of moods & not keen on being out of his pen. Head a moderate wedge with rounded contours, whisker indentation and rounded muzzle. Slight nose break in profile, deep chin that falls off slightly at the tip and level bite. Large cupped ears set wide apart and greeny-coloured eyes that could be a little larger. Muscular body of medium build & size with limbs & tail to balance. Dense coat that lies close to the body. Lilac ticking on a rather pale base on the body though good colour to the underparts. Good colour to his chin, faint broken necklet and darker spine line that extends to a dove-grey tail tip.

### **CORNISH REX ADULT**

A nice class of 4 litter sisters

**1<sup>ST</sup> CC & BOB ARNOLD'S GR CH PAPAVER ANDROMEDA (33 31s) F 20.09.07**

A very sweet black smoke & white girl of 3 years shown in super condition. Head a medium wedge with high cheek bones & narrowing to a rounded muzzle. Flat skull, rounded forehead, straight profile, good chin & level bite. Large ears set rather high and oval eyes of medium size. Elegant neck & very elegant body, I would prefer a little harder muscle but she is of a good weight for her size and stands tall on long slender limbs with oval feet. Quite long, fine tapering tail. Lovely coat, short silken & dense with good ripples on the flanks. Long curvy whiskers.

**2<sup>ND</sup> ARNOLD'S CH PAPAVER ARIADNE (33 36b) F 20.09.07**

An elegant chocolate smoke girl with a very gentle nature and shown in lovely condition. Head a medium wedge narrowing to a rounded muzzle. High cheek bones. Flat skull, rounded forehead and straight profile. Level bite & deep chin that falls off a fraction at the tip. Large ears set rather high & eyes of medium size but they are a touch rounded in shape. Elegant body carried high on long slender limbs but the muscle could be a little harder. Tapering tail but it could be a fraction longer for balance. Dense silken, quite short coat with deep waves on the body. Long curvy whiskers.

**3<sup>RD</sup> ARNOLD'S GR CH PAPAVER ARTEMIS (33 36) F 20.09.07**

A very elegant black smoke girl with a lovely feel to her coat. Head a medium wedge with high cheek bones & tapering to a rounded muzzle. Level bite but her profile could be straighter and her chin falls away a little. Large ears set rather high and eyes of medium size but they are slightly rounded in shape. Muscular body carried high on long slender limbs and long tapering tail. Dense silken coat with good ripples on the body, a small patch of stud tail though clean. Shown in lovely condition and easy to handle.

**4<sup>TH</sup> ARNOLD'S CH PAPAVER APHRODITE (33 31s) F 20.09.07**

A sweet black smoke & white girl though she could be a little larger overall & carry a little more weight. Not so typy as her sisters, her head could do with a little more length and her profile could be straighter. Deep chin & level bite. Large ears set rather high and medium eyes though they are a touch rounded. Elegant body carried

high on long slender limbs with tiny oval feet. Long tapering tail to balance. Well-covered with silky coat that is a little long & slightly untidy. Loosely waved but the evidence of rexing is there. Long white whiskers. A shy & retiring girl who prefers the security of her pen but not a problem to handle.

### **SPHYNX ADULT**

1<sup>ST</sup> IC & BOB REED & CUBLAITH'S ARCHANGEL VONTESSE TALLULA (84 31t) F 17.04.08

A mature girl of 2½ years of a good weight for her size but a little small for her age overall. Head a modified wedge slightly longer than wide with prominent cheekbones, distinctive whisker break, prominent whisker pads and rounded muzzle. Slightly rounded skull & flat plane in front of the ears. Slight stop in profile & level bite. Large ears with a broad base set at a little close together. Large lemon-shaped eyes set on a slight slant. Elegant neck & muscular body with a rounded chest & abdomen. Muscular limbs in proportion & oval feet with long slender toes. Very long, slender tail. Fine down on the body & slightly thicker down on her nose, back of the head & feet. Lots of bad language from her when she was handled which is unusual for a Sphynx.

2<sup>ND</sup> REED & CUBLAITH'S ADECISH COCO CHANEL (84 15) F 29.03.10

A young girl of only 9 months but very well grown for her age. Head a modified wedge slightly longer than it is wide with a distinctive whisker break but her whisker pads could be more prominent. Slightly rounded skull & flat forehead but a rather straight profile. Level bite & shallow chin. Large ears with a broad base & set at an angle. Lemon-shaped eyes but they were a little sore and needed attention. Long body that needs to fill out & mature. Long legs with oval paws & long slender toes. Long slender tail. At first sight she has the distinctive lack of coat but the fine down on the body is more perceptible than I would expect. Thicker down on the nose & well-covered backs of the ears with slight curly muffs. A gentle girl who was easy to handle.

### **USUAL ABYSSINIAN KITTEN**

1<sup>ST</sup> & BOB MISKELLY'S GLENDAVAN VICTORIA (23) F 03.09.10

A cute little girl of 4 months who is nicely grown for her age. Head a moderate wedge with rounded contours. Good width between the ears tapering via a whisker indentation to a rounded muzzle of reasonable breadth. Slight nose break in profile, level bite & deep chin that rounds off a touch. Very large ears that are a fraction flared at present but I expect she will grow into them! Expressive eyes of good shape & set, the colour developing but with a promise of a deep colour to come. Elegant body of medium build with a straight back & rounded rib cage. Elegant limbs with oval paws and long tapering tail though it could be thicker at the base. Lovely coat developing, fine & close-lying with black ticking developing well on a rich apricot base. Good facial markings, creamy-coloured chest and clear chest. Darker spine line extending to a black tail tip, short black heels. Super condition and temperament.

### **SORREL ABYSSINIAN KITTEN**

1<sup>ST</sup> (BOB WITHHELD) DAWSON'S GLENDAVAN TALIHNA SKY (23a) F 28.04.10

A well-grown girl of 8 months. Head a moderate wedge with a rounded muzzle but I would prefer more of an indentation. Good nose break in profile, level bite but her chin could be a fraction stronger. Cupped ears that are set a fraction high & greeny-

coloured eyes of good shape & set but they could be larger. Well-fed body with a large tummy that makes her tail look a fraction short. Her limbs are a touch heavy & could be longer so she lacks the typical elegance of the breed. Dense coat with a warm overall colour but it is a rather long and could lie closer to the body. Chocolate ticking developing on an apricot base. Pale fur around the eyes and quite good head markings. Clear chest but short heels. A sweet girl with a gentle nature. Sorry to withhold the Best of Breed but too many faults for me to justify making the award.

### **MISCELLANEOUS CLASSES**

#### **AC MAINE COON, NORWEGIAN FOREST OR SIBERIAN BREEDERS**

##### **ADULT**

1<sup>ST</sup> BEST & MATTHEWS'S TASSARE LORETTA LYNN (64 41sw) F Black Silver Classic Tabby & White Maine Coon

A young girl of not quite 1½ years who was a rather naughty tortie when she was returned to her pen. Head of medium length & slightly longer than wide with high cheek bones, square muzzle & almost uniform width to the nose. Shallow concave curve to the profile & deep chin. Tall ears set high but wide apart and round eyes that are set a little deep. Lovely long rectangular body with tail to balance. Quite strong limbs & large round feet. Silky coat with a ruff & breeches & a mixture of tortie & tabby with black markings overlaid with shades of red on a silvery-white base. White on her feet, chest & tummy. Shown in lovely condition.

2<sup>ND</sup> HUNTER'S GR CH ACOONAMATATA QUIFF RILEY (64 43fsw) M Cream Silver Shaded & White Maine Coon

An extremely large, mature boy of 3½ years with very strong bone. Strong masculine head of medium length with a broad square muzzle. Large ears set a fraction too wide and he was tending to flare them a little. Large eyes set a little deep. Thick neck & long rectangular body with limbs to balance & long tail. Full coat with a ruff, shirt front & breeches. Cream shading on a silvery-white base but the white on his feet showed some staining.

3<sup>RD</sup> MCCRIRRCK'S CATHMAWR PRINCESS BLOSSOM (64 41ew) F Tortie Classic Tabby & White Maine Coon

A young girl of only 9 months who needs to mature. Shorter coat length at present but very rich tortie tabby colouration contrasting with sparkling white.

#### **AC MAINE COON, NORWEGIAN FOREST OR SIBERIAN NON-BREEDERS ADULT**

1<sup>ST</sup> HANDY'S GR CH SONNY BLUE TANIS

2<sup>ND</sup> HANCOCK'S CH JULESCOON JOE COONZACKI (64 41w) M Brown Tabby & White Maine Coon

A well-grown boy of 2 years with lovely strong bone. Masculine head of medium length & slightly longer than wide with uniform width to the nose & a square muzzle. Slight concave curve plus a nose bump in profile. Tall tufted ears set high yet wide apart & expressive eyes though they are more oval than round. Long rectangular body with limbs to balance and long well-furnished tail. Well-prepared coat, soft dense & double. Clear classic tabby pattern with black markings on a rich ground colour towards his head but paler elsewhere. Clean white on his feet, chest & tummy.

3<sup>RD</sup> NICHOLSON'S RUMTUMTUGGER TALLAHASSEE (64 41gsw) F Blue Tortie Silver Classic Tabby & White Maine Coon

A young girl of not quite 1½ years with a well-prepared silky coat with a very attractive coat pattern.

### **AV SLH LOCAL NEUTER**

1<sup>ST</sup> COLLINS'S CH & PR DUBROVA ROMANY RED (13c5) MN Red Point Birman

A mature fellow of 5½ years. Masculine head, broad & rounded with a medium length nose & slight dip in profile. Lovely full fat cheeks. Medium ears set wide apart and almost round blue eyes though they could be a little deeper in colour. Strong body of good bone with limbs & tail to balance. Long silken coat with rich red points contrasting with a pale cream body colour with a slight golden hue. Well-matched pure white feet markings. Shown in super condition and easy to handle.

2<sup>ND</sup> CHILCOTT'S EMANAN NANUQ (63e) MN Fawn Somali

A well-grown young man of 1½ years with a strong muscular body and legs & tail to balance. Broad head, a moderate wedge with rounded contours. Well-set cupped ears and large expressive eyes. Nicely prepared coat of a good length with a ruff & breeches. Subtle fawn ticking on a pale mushroom base & attractive overall colour

3<sup>RD</sup> SHEPPERD'S SNOSHU JACARANDA (13c5) MN Red Point Birman

### **AC RUSSIAN, KORAT OR THAI BREEDERS ADULT**

1<sup>ST</sup> KAYE'S SITHEE SASSY SAFFAN (16a) F Russian Blue

Although this girl is over 2 years of age she still looks rather kitten like. Her head is a little long overall & I would prefer a shorter wedge. Quite prominent whisker pads though a little pinched behind at present. Flat skull & slight curve to the profile. Deep chin that rounds off a fraction at the tip. Tall ears set vertically and they follow the lines of her head and good green eye colour. Long elegant body with limbs to balance & long tapering tail. Soft fine coat but it was lying a little flat. Even blue colour apart from a slightly darker spine line. Probably not looking at her best on the day and not helped by her being rather cross when handled!

### **AC RUSSIAN, KORAT OR THAI BREEDERS ADULT**

1<sup>ST</sup> KAYE'S LARKSONG LUVIN LORD SITHEE (16a) M Russian Blue

A well-grown elegant young man of only 10 months with a gentle nature. Good Russian expression, his head has a flat skull, short wedge and prominent whisker pads. Level bite & OK chin. Well-set ears though they could be a little larger and green eyes of almond shape though they are set a little deep. Long muscular body with elegant limbs to balance & long tapering tail showing some faint rings. Soft double coat & reasonably plushy. Good colour of an even medium blue with good colour at the roots & a silvery sheen. A gentle boy who was easy to handle and shown in lovely condition.

2<sup>ND</sup> FISKE'S ADECISH REKSIF PANDORA (16a) F Russian Blue

A well-grown young girl of only 9 months with a nice Russian look when she is alert. Angle yet to develop with a rounded forehead and her profile is rather straight, her chin rounds off a touch. Well-set ears but her eyes are a little small and could be a deeper green in colour. Elegant & muscular body with limbs to balance & small oval paws. Long tapering tail showing some faint rings. Soft fine coat, dense & plushy and of medium blue with a well-developed silvery sheen.

3<sup>RD</sup> HIPKIN'S GLASNOST PASHENKA (16a) M Russian Blue

**AC OCICAT, BENGAL OR SNOWSHOE BREEDERS ADULT**

1<sup>ST</sup> HEDLUND'S SPRINGMEADOW HOT PEPPER (76 30) M Brown Spotted Bengal

A strong muscular boy of 1½ years. Masculine head with well-developed jowls, large nose & broad muzzle. Well-set ears that are not too large and deep green eyes of oval shape set on a slant. Long muscular body with limbs to balance and good tail. Lovely dense coat of a warm overall colour and large rosetted spots of black and shades of brown on a golden base. Shown in lovely condition.

2<sup>ND</sup> HEDLUND'S SPRINGMEADOW GOLDUST (76 20) M Brown Marbled Bengal

An older boy of 3 years who was happier in his pen. Head of medium length with a large nose & broad rounded muzzle. Medium ears set wide apart and green eyes of oval shape. Long muscular body with limbs to balance. Slightly tapering tail that is thick at the base. Soft dense coat of a rich overall colour with a high degree of rufousing and distinct marbled pattern.

3<sup>RD</sup> HEDLUND'S SPRINGMEADOW AMETHYST (76b 30) F Snow Spotted Bengal

A young girl of 1½ years shown in excellent condition. Expressive deep blue eyes though her ears are a little large. Soft dense coat with a lovely distinct spotted pattern on an ivory base.

**AC OCICAT, BENGAL OR SNOWSHOE NON-BREEDERS ADULT**

1<sup>ST</sup> TURLEY'S KORSHKI JUNGLEROOTZOF-TRIBAL GEM (76 30) M Brown Spotted Bengal

A young lad of only 9 months & only just into adulthood. Head a medium wedge and still developing as befits his age. Large nose & broad muzzle though his ears are a little tall and set a fraction upright. Large oval eyes set on a slight slant. Long muscular body with limbs to balance. Good tail though with a blunt tip. Soft dense coat with a lovely pattern of rosetted spots on a pale background with a dark outline to the spots.

2<sup>ND</sup> O'NEILL & FINCH'S NEVAEH BHUPALI (76 30) F Brown Spotted Bengal

A gentle girl of 12 months with a soft dense coat. Head a medium wedge slightly longer than wide with a rounded muzzle. Well-set ears and greeny eyes of oval shape. Muscular body with limbs to balance and ringed tail with a dark tip. Large arrowhead spots on a pale background and some linkage in places. Spotted tummy & well-marked limbs.