Many thanks to Ronnie and her team for the kind hospitality and the friendly welcome. Lovely lunch, too much too choose from but much appreciated. We also got to the airport in very good time at the end of the show. I hope that the bad storm did not affect too many of you the next day. A big thank you also to my efficient steward, Elizabeth McClelland, who looked after me well - Congratulations on your successful day with your cats Elizabeth.

AOV FOREIGN CHAMPION: GR CC LENIHAN'S CH COOMAKISTA ASCINNFULLAS EVE (ASH o 25) female. Ears of good shape and set with thumbprints to backs, slight flattening to brow. Blunt muzzle to wedge with an acceptable nose break and level chin, could be deeper, long whiskers. Warm cinnamon coat with well defined ticking, slightly darker spine line, a better colour when out of pen, the hall lighting was not particularly good for coat colour however. Coat of very good texture, short and close lying and has a shine. A dainty girl of good weight for size with slim legs and neat oval paws. Good shape to tapering tail of medium length with a cinnamon tip. A sweet, alert lass with lovely nature (calling?).

AV FOREIGN GRAND PREMIER MALE: HIBERIAN – BOWLES' GR PR ZARACATZ ZIGGY POP (ALH e 11). A "pretty" boy. Good breadth to top of head which is gently rounded between medium sized ears with furnishings. Short wedge with nose break to profile, bump to nose, level chin, some little teeth missing and bite a little untidy but level, long whiskers. A weighty lad with good length to body, medium boned legs and large oval paws. A mature lad of nearly 5.5 years of age. Warm cream colour to coat which is evenly shaded, medium long in length and lies well with a ruff, good plume to tail. A gentle boy. Was later Best Foreign, many congratulations.

RES HIBERIAN – SCARLETT'S GR PR ABIGAIL ARMANI (RUS a). Ears are upright but could be larger in sixe, with flattening to top of head between. Green eyes of a fuller almond shape, set well apart. Prominence to whisker pads, puffing pads a little. Angle to profile with a very slight contour to nose line, good depth to level chin. Coat a little long but has density, could be softer in texture, showing a silvery sheen. Good weight to slim, elegant body with slim legs and neat oval paws. Tail tapers to end and of good length. Friendly chap in pen, not overly happy out.

AV FOREIGN GRAND PREMIER FEMALE: HIBERIAN – WELDON'S GR PR NOBILERO MORRIGAWN RIJA (84 31dt). An elegant girl of good size and well developed. Large ears wide at base, fur to backs. Expressive lemon shaped eyes of good set. Strong muzzle with whisker break, prominence to whisker pads and cheek bones, some coat to muzzle. White blaze to face. Slight nose stop in profile, chin could be firmer, level bite with lovely white teeth. Muscular body of good size and weight with long slim legs and long toes to paws, a little fine coat to paws. Long tail, fine in shape. What a shame she was so unhappy, a very nice girl.

AC BURMESE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE: HIBERIAN – TAYLOR'S GR & INT CH BACKCHAT SUN CHARIOT (BUR e). Gentle rounding to top of head between medium sized ears of good set and shape. Short balanced wedge with blunt muzzle, nose break to profile, chin could be firmer. At first her eyes looked rather almond in shape and she would not open them but when out of pen and alert her chartreuse eyes were of better shape and expression, possibly helped by her "spirited" mood. A compact girl of good weight and feel to medium sized body, slim legs and oval paws. Coat lies well and of good texture, warm cream in colour. Good shape to medium length tail.

AC BURMESE CHAMPION: GR CC LENIHAN'S CH COOMAKISTA FREEDOM FIGHTER (BUR e) male. Good breadth to top of head between ears of good shape and set. Large yellow eyes set well. Medium wedge with blunt muzzle, nose break to profile and chin level, untidy teeth. Good weight and feel to body of good length with slim legs and oval paws. Very nice texture to close lying coat of

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a darker cream colour. Medium length to tail, small tension to end. A gentle, nervous lad in good condition.

AC BURMESE GRAND PREMIER MALE: HIBERIAN – SLUITERS' GR PR BACKCHAT KAPELLMEISTER (BUR e). Good breadth to top of head between moderately large ears of good shape and size. Large yellow eyes of good shape and size. Very good weight and feel to body of good size, slim legs with oval paws. Coat lies well and of good texture, some smudges at top of limbs. Tail tapers to end, of medium length. A chatterbox.

AC BURMESE GRAND PREMIER FEMALE: HIBERIAN – SLUITERS' GR PR ALDEBIZ MANEKI HOSHI (BUR h). Gentle rounding to top of head between ears of good shape and set. Large yellow eyes set well. Short blunt wedge with a nose break, level chin. A small girl of acceptable weight for size and in proportion, slim legs and neat oval paws. Coat lies well, of dark chocolate and red mingling, some red tabby markings on back legs. Medium length to tail. A gentle girl. I did hesitate to award due to her size and her markings.

AC BURMESE PREMIER: GR PC TAYLOR'S INT PR BACKCHAT ROSENKAVALIER (BUR d). Slight rounding to top of head between ears of good set and shape. Large pale yellow chartreuse eyes of good shape and set. Moderate wedge with an acceptable nose break and level chin, very untidy teeth but bite level. Good sized lad with well shaped legs and paws. Very rich red colour to coat which lies well and of good texture, broken necklace. Medium length tail. Sweet nature to this gentle boy.

USUAL ABYSSINIAN ADULT FEMALE: CC not awarded. 1. DUNNE'S (N)ORORINA'S MEI. Alert lass with lovely nature. Large ears are well cupped and set well, with tufts. Serious expression to hazel eyes with width between, would ideally like a little more oriental slant, good breadth between. Indentation to strong muzzle, profile shows a nose break, nose rounds at leather, a very strong chin, unfortunately she is undershot. Young girl with body of good size and weight, slim legs and neat oval paws. Darker golden brown coat of very nice texture with very well defined black ticking, apricot colour to base with a slightly darker spine line and a shine to her coat. Tail tapers to end with a black tip. Sorry to withhold but this was due to her being undershot, what a shame.

ASIAN TABBY ADULT: BOB LENIHAN'S CH COOMAKISTA ASCINNFULLAS EVE (ASH o 25) female.

AC SPHYNX ADULT: 1CC & BOB HENSON'S WRINKLESKYNS BAMBINOCCINO (SPH w 66) female. Large ears are wide at base and of good set, a little coat to backs. Large expressive eyes of good set with width between. Slight stop to profile with level chin and bite. Good muzzle with whisker break with prominence to whisker pads and cheeks. Good size and weight to muscular body with long slim legs and long toes to paws. Slim, tapering tail with bristle, a little more than I would ideally like. An alert lass who was rolling around in her pen and enjoying her day.

RUSSIAN BLUE NEUTER: BOB SCARLETT'S GR PR ABIGAIL ARMANI male.

DEVON REX NEUTER: 1PC & BOB HARTE'S BARGELLO MASERATI OF STANREX (DRX b 23) male. Large ears with tufts and wide at base, flattening to top of head between. Short head is wide at eye level with oval eyes of good set and shape with good width between. Profile shows a stop and level chin and bite. A weighty lad, but has a slim body when managed to stretch him out and he wasn't hunched up, slim legs an oval paws. Coat generally covers well, some areas of down on tummy and under "arm-pits". Coat is well waved and of good texture with density, just a little harsh at base of tail on spine. Medium length to thicker shaped tail, well covered and waved. Very nice boy and very close for Best Foreign.

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ASIAN TIFFANIE NEUTER: BOB BOWLES' GR PR ZARACATZ ZIGGY POP (ALH e 11) male.

AC SPHYN NEUTER MALE: CC not awarded. 1. WELDON'S NOHAIRON MR MEOWGI (SPH e 03) male. Large ears wide at base with coat to backs. Large blue eyes with width between and lemon shaped, prominence to cheek bones. Prominence to whisker pads with good muzzle, slight stop to profile with an almost level chin, bite level. Strong muscular body of good size with long slim legs and long toes to paws. A little down on body but excessive hair/coat on muzzle and face and he has eye lashes. Slim, long tail. A well behaved boy.

AC SPHYNX NEUTER FEMALE: BOB awarded to: WELDON'S GR PR NOBILERO MORRIGAWN RIJA (84 31dt).

PC not awarded. 1. HENSON'S SPHYNXALIENS PRIMA DONNA (SPH n) female. A cheeky, alert girl. Large ears wide at base and of good set, wrinkles to forehead. Lemon shaped eyes of good set. Good muzzle with prominence to whisker pads and whisker break. Slight stop to profile, no small teeth now but although gums her "bite" is very undershot. Good size and weight to muscular body with some wrinkles, long slim legs and neat paws with long toes.

BROWN BURMESE ADULT: 1CC & BOB O'SULLIVAN'S ALBA REGIA POLOSKA male. Young boy who behaved well and of very good temperament, with a lovely purr. Gentle rounding to top of head of good breadth between medium sized ears of good set and shape. Strong eye colour, would ideally like more length to upper and lower lines of eye. Short wedge with a nose break and level chin. Good weight to body of medium size, long slim legs and neat oval paws. Darker brown colour to coat of good texture and lies well with a shine. Tail balances for length. He went on to win Best in Show, many congratulations.

RED BURMESE ADULT: 1CC & BOB LENIHAN'S TIJANA OF PAMUK CASTLE female. A worried little girl of 17 months of age. Gentle rounding to top of head between ears of good set and shape. Large golden yellow eyes of good set. Short wedge with a nose break to profile and level chin, could be deeper. Slim body of good weight for size but a very "petite" girl and would like her larger. Pale red coat of medium length, lies well, just a couple of smudges at top of limbs. Medium length to tapering tail. A gentle girl.

CREAM BURMESE ADULT: BOB LENIHAN'S CH COOMAKISTA FREEDOM FIGHTER (BUR e) male.

CHOCOLATE BURMESE KITTEN: 1 & BOB MASON'S COOMAKISTA OISINOTIR NANOG male. Breadth to top of head between medium sized ears of good shape. Yellow eyes of good shape and set, looking rather worried. Blunt muzzle to medium wedge with a nose break, chin could be firmer in that it falls away slightly. Good weight and feel to body of good size at 7 months of age, slim legs and oval paws. Coat lies well, showing some contrast to points at present, gentle shading to body. Medium length tail. A gentle lad in good condition, a little worried by noise around.

RED BURMESE KITTEN: 1 & BOB LENIHAN'S COOMAKISTA ROSIE HACKETT female. An active little kitten who was constantly playing – chewing her number and into everything, at least it kept her occupied. Gentle rounding to top of head between neat ears of good set. Large golden yellow eyes of good shape and set. Nose break to profile with a level chin, could be deeper. Good weight for size with slim legs and neat oval paws. Coat a little long at present, clear pale, but bright, red colouring. Tail tapers to end and of good length. A sweet girl.

RED BURMESE NEUTER: BOB TAYLOR'S INT PR BACKCHAT ROSENKAVALIER male.

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CREAM BURMESE NEUTER: BOB SLUITERS' GR PR BACKCHAT KAPELLMEISTER male.

AOC TORTIE BURMESE NEUTER: BOB SLUITERS' GR PR ALDEBIZ MANEKI HOSHI (BUR h).

MISCELLANEOUS CLASSES: AV NON-BREEDERS ADULT: JOHNSTONE'S CH QUENTAN CHERRY LAND (BRI c) male. A handsome boy, posing well. Rounded mature head with medium sized ears, well set, rounded cheeks. Rounded orange eyes of good set. Short broad nose with good chin and level bite. A sturdy, weighty lad of good size with short strong legs of good bone and rounded paws. Short soft coat with density, even pinkish toned lilac colour, coloured to roots. Thick tail of medium length. A little unhappy out of pen.

AV DEBUTANTE ADULT: 1. JOHNSTONE'S WINNIFREDA CHERRY LAND (BRI g). Young girl of 14 months. Rounded head with small ears of good set. Large rounded orange eyes set well apart, arounding to cheeks. Short broad nose, chin could be firmer. Blue and pale cream tortie mingling to coat, all paws just about broken, coat is short with density, a little soft. Good weight and size to cobby body with strong legs and rounded paws. A pretty girl with nice nature. Was Best British later, many congratulations.

2. DUNNE'S (N)ORORINA'S MEI (ABYn) female.

AV LIMIT ADULT: 1. GROVES-GEARY'S CH INDIANA MAGIC GARDEN*PL (BRI a) male. Medium sized ears of good set to rounded head. Large round eyes of good orange colour and set well. Short broad nose with a slight bump, good chin. Not overly big for 20 months of age, still a lot of developing to do. Density to blue coat. Thick medium length tail. Not overly happy by the time we had him and he went back quickly into his pen.

AV NON-BREEDERS NEUTER: 1. KANE'S GR PR & INT PR MISSKIN GOODY GUMDROPS (BRI p 33) male. A very handsome fawn colourpointed lad with rounded head, medium sized ears of good set. Large rounded eyes of pale blue colour, with a gentle expression. Broad nose with good chin. Well developed large body, of very good weight, with strong legs and rounded paws. Pale magnolia coat showing very good contrast to delicate rosy mushroom coloured points. Coat is dense and crisp in texture. Medium length tail. Good temperament.

2. HARTE'S BARGELLO MASERATI OF STANREX (DRX b 23) male.

Extra 2. WELDON'S GR PR NOBILERO MORRIGAWN RIJA (84 31dt) female.

CLASS 551: 1. KANE'S TORRIDONIAN SPECTRE (BRIns) male neuter. Young, handsome black smoke boy of 11 months. Small ears to strong rounded head. Large rounded orange eyes with an indignant expression. Strong muzzle with rounding to cheeks, short broad nose with level chin and bite. A well developed, strong muscular body with well boned legs and rounded paws. Black coat is short and dense and shows a good silver undercoat showing very good contrast and no hint of "smoke" until you part the coat. Medium length to thick tail. Liked him very much.

AV LIMIT NEUTER: 1. MURPHY'S KAMASAKI FURRY MCPURRY (39) female. A pretty girl with medium sized ears with rounded head and cheeks. Very nice green eyes with a black outline, large and round with good expression. Short broad nose, chin could be a little firmer. Good weight and feel to cobby body, well boned legs and rounded paws. Coat is long but has density, shading a little uneven in patches. Thick shape to tail. A gentle girl.

AC BREEDERS BURMESE ADULT: 1. LENIHAN'S CH COOMAKISTA FREEDOM FIGHTER (BUR e) male.

2. TAYLOR'S GR & INT CH BACKCHAT SUN CHARIOT (BUR e) female.

AC BREEDERS BURMESE NEUTER: 1. TAYLOR'S INT PR BACKCHAT ROSENKAVALIER male.

2. SLUITERS' GR PR ALDEBIZ MANEKI HOSHI (BUR h).

HOUSEHOLD PET SECTION: AC KITTEN: Two lovely exhibits, both equally deserving first place, which I was allowed to award – thank you. 1. KELLER'S SAPPHIRE (Blue SH) female. Super kitten, showing herself off really well and charming all that saw her. Playful, cheeky and alert. Bright, clear green eyes. Dense double blue coat in very good condition. Good weight and feel to body. Lovely nature and handled well. I understand she won the public vote.

Extra 1. JASMINE (Ginger, tabby and white LH) female. A gentle girl. Well developed and very weighty. Pretty cream tabby and white bi-colour, delicate colouring to full coat, beautifully presented. Tufts to toes and a lovely plume to her tail. In fine condition.

FRIENDLIEST CAT OR KITTEN: Again, two lovely cats and a teaser – so was able to award two first places. 1. FLOOD'S SWEETIE. Tabby & White SH female neuter of 5.5 years with large bright eyes. Mackerel tabby and sparkling white patches to coat with a shine and in beautiful condition. Excellent size. A gentle girl.

Extra 1 O'GALLIGAN'S TIGGY (Ginger & White SH) male neuter. Rich ginger and sparkling white patches to coat, which was well prepared. Clear pale green eyes with an appealing expression. A weighty boy in fine condition. A gentle, timid lad of 8 years of age.