

SIAMESE AND ALL BREEDS CAT CLUB OF IRELAND

Mrs Sarah Johnson – FIFE International Judge Cat I, II & IV

My thanks to Ronnie and the Committee for the invitation to this lovely show. Wonderful warm welcome and super hospitality was extended by all. The show looked to be a success despite the Rugby match (sorry it wasn't a win) which had threatened to give a low gate – the hall was certainly busy with visitors.

I was ably assisted by Oliver Noonan whose charming company I enjoyed – thank you Oliver.

I had the unenviable task of refereeing the BIS and ultimately chose the fabulous Cameo Persian male – Craig's Sunlit George – as the winner. The Reserve went to Sup Gr Pr Poppy Love Marbled Orchid and very smart Blue Tortie Burmese. It was a very strong line-up indeed.

AV SLH Grand Champion:

HIB GC to Kusmierz's GR & SUP CH BULGARI BUBU-COONS (MCO n 22)(M)(8.05.2011). A strong, well grown lad. Stands well with a typical breed outline. Tail to balance. Good bone and muscle tone. Strong neckline. Head of typical lines with good profile, well developed muzzle & deep chin. Nice forehead and top. Just a fraction narrow in the lower jaw. Medium large ears set well and with tufts. Well-groomed and presented in his summer coat so lacking some length and undercoat, but the pattern is good.

AV SLH Gr Pr:

HIB GC to Noonan's SUP GR PR POPPYLOVE GASPY MENELIK (RAG n 04) (MN) (16.05.10) Well grown with a powerful body and good bone. Tail could be a touch longer to balance. Strong neckline. Head broad with a good profile and forehead. Good flat plane with medium ears well placed. Eyes are the correct shape and with a clear, deep colour. Well presented in his summer coat. Coat of a good texture with good dense seal points and the correct white pattern. He was a tad grumbly and so not showing to his best advantage.

AC Birman Premier:

GP to Kierans' PR CARRICKFERN INSIGNIA (13c4) (MN) (22.5.2009) Well grown and with nice body balance for his age. Head is strong and well rounded, but a fraction long in the nose for complete balance yet. Nice muzzle definition and typical profile. Neat ears, well-spaced. Lovely eyes of a good clear, deep blue and typical soft expression. Points of a tonally matching mid-lilac shade. Gloves are scalloped but within limits; socks ok and gauntlets not quite matching. Good coat colour. Texture was a little open and greasy I felt that this boy could have done with a better presentation to have shown himself of to his very best advantage.

AOV SLH Premier:

GP to Swandel's RIADARAGS PEASUS (66 31) (MN) (13.11.2012) This boy was really not a happy chappie at all! He did deign to let me handle him to the bare minimum and as such I was just about able to fully assess him. Well grown boy, maturing well. Good long, powerful body, strong bone and a good length of tail to balance' head is broad and rounded with a good profile and muzzle definition. Good chin. Medium, well placed ears. Nice eye shape and clear blue colour. Well presented with a good length of coat. His pattern is correct.

2nd Res w/h Foldes' PR SHARALO ALASTAIR (66W) (MN) (24.08.3012). Another well grown and developed boy for his age. Good body and strong bone. Tail could be fraction longer for the body balance. Head developing well, good profile and top – just needs to broaden fully and the ears to drop a fraction lower to give overall balance. Nice eye shape and a good, deep colour; sadly he insisted on squinting at me and although we did leave him for a while, he was quite stressed and quite unable to relax. I was grateful for the opportunity to discuss him later with his adoring owners.

Seal Point Birman Adult:

CC & BOB Maxwell's TULLYPAWS ROXY (13 c1) (F) (28.03.2013). Pleasant young female who is typical of Birmans of this age. Good basic body dimensions, just needing to fill out. Promising bone. Tail of reasonable length. Head with

good lines but needing now to broaden to balance the length she has. Nice profile and chin. Eyes of a good deep blue but she was very tense and so held them at a rather exaggerated size. In summer coat, but with good matching tones of seal. Gloves scalloped and socks unmatched in length; gauntlets a little short and unmatched. This girl would benefit from some good grooming techniques as her coat was rather greasy and I felt she could have been much better presented for the show.

Blue Point Birman Adult:

CC & BOB Maxwell's Tullypaws Paris (13c2) (M) (30.04.2011). The same mating as the seal above I notice and being almost 4 ½ he is maturing well now so I hope that she follows his example. Good overall body type. Nice weight and muscle. Tail of decent length. Head of nice rounded contours although I would prefer a stronger forehead and more chin. Lovely eye shape although the colour could be stronger. Mid-blue points of matching tone; gloves, socks and gauntlets all OK. Again this boy could have really benefitted from a much better show preparation.

Brown/Blue Tabby Maine Coon Adult:

Kusmierz's GR & SUP CH BULGARI BUBU-COONS (MCO n 22)(M)(8.05.2011) – see above

AOC Maine Coon Adult:

Brindley & Smith's DK*Boromir Snowfire (MCO w 63) (F) (29.11.2014). Young female barely adult and with lots to commend. Well grown for her age, just now at that stage where her body development has out-run her head and she now needs time to get her balance back. Good body outline; just a fraction tall for the overall body balance today. Tail of fabulous length. Strong neckline. Head of good typical lines; tall, well placed ears with tufts; nice forehead and top; nice eye shape and placement and good cheekbones; nice profile line with a slight nose bump; well defined muzzle transition – although the muzzle needs to lengthen now to balance the skull; good chin. Beautifully presented with good length of coat for the season.

AC Siberian Adult:

Kusmierz' SOTORP BRUTUS (82 38s) (M) (22.10.2008). Such an impressive male on every level. Beautifully well grown, mature and balanced. Strong, powerful body with fabulous boning – fantastic weight of solid muscle. Thick, strong neck supporting a text book head and with such a perfect expression for this breed. Although he was in summer coat (a state which is not kind to this breed's majestic looks) he was immaculately prepared with a beautifully clear silver coat and perfect spotting. Rather soft of course being summer attire. Definitely my take home cat of the day!

AC Silver Tabby Maine Coon Kitten:

Brindley & Smith's 1st & BOB COONNECTIONS RUNNAWAY DREAMER (MCO as 21) (M) (26.03.2015) At not quite 7 months this young man is developing well. Good length of body with promising bone and long tail. Head of good basic lines; nice top and ears large and well placed; nice eye shape and cheekbones developing; profile could have a more generous curve; good muzzle transition and length. Super grooming on this lad. Coat of lovely texture and good length although I would like to see a better expression of the silver but this may become more evident after his adult coat change. Sweet boy.

Chocolate or Lilac Point Birman Neuter:

BOB to Kierans' PR CARRICKFERN INSIGNIA (13c4) (MN) (22.5.2009) – see above

AC Silver Tabby Maine Coon Neuter:

PC & BOB Frizelle's ISCUS LUCCA (64 41s) (MN) (24.05.2014) A young lad but at 18mths beginning to grown into himself. Good length of body and good bone and length of leg giving a good overall stance. Generous neckline. Head shows promise; good strong lines; ears tall and well placed; nice forehead and top; lovely eyes with super expression; cheekbones evident; good profile and chin; good muzzle transition and development. Good coat structure, well presented and with good pattern definition.

2nd Wren's TABBYORCHID JETHRO (MCO ns 03 23) (MN) (25.12.2014). A Christmas child and so at barely 10 months he is still the baby. However, he shows a good deal of promise through his awkward teenage stage. Body is developing well with good bone and a good length to height ration but of course now needs to mature and fill out to give the broadness this breed demands. Head is a good length with a nice balance between the skull and muzzle, but again needs to broaden which will happen in time. Good profile line; good top and ears large and well placed; nice eye shape and cheekbones developing; nice muzzle transition and length; could have a more generous chin and this is emphasised by the current lack of width at the jawline. Well presented with a summer coat of good texture and length.

AOC Maine Coon Neuter:

PC & BOB Harte's COLINSGARDEN ORLANDO (64 14a) (MN) (08.04.2013) Well grown for his age with a long, broad body and good bone. Tail is a decent length. Head is of a balanced proportion to the body, although I would prefer sharper lines to the features. Good top; ears well placed but could be a fraction larger; forehead could be stronger and the profile show a more definite curve; Good muzzle transition although the length could be a touch more; good chin. Well presented with good length coat.

2nd Quinn's REYESDESELVA GEAROGE (MCO d 03 22) (MN) (21.11.2013) A well grown, friendly chap. Good body type and nice bone. Head of a good length but rather narrow still and the profile is a tad straight for me. Lovely eye shape and expression. Good length of muzzle but transition could be better defined and the muzzle tapers rather towards the tip. Unfortunately, his jaw is such that he is unable to close his teeth correctly and this leaves a large and noticeable gap between the incisors through which his tongue slips to appear outside his mouth when he relaxes. Well-presented and with a nice coat texture.

AC Colourpointed/Mitted Ragdoll Neuter: *(something had upset all these Ragdoll boys and they were all very edgy and not at all happy to be handled which made life quite difficult for us all)*

PC & BOB Slater's COLINSGARDEN VIVALDI (66t) (MN) (22.03.12) Well grown and easy to handle. Whilst not the largest of Ragdolls, he had good overall body balance for his size and is certainly not small. Tail could be longer. Nice rounded head; broadening out now with a nice profile line and chin; nice forehead and flat plane with medium ears falling into place now. Lovely eye shape and good clear deep blue eyes; lovely kind expression. Good muzzle and chin. Good tabby points evident; body rather shady but he is changing coat now so hopefully the newer version will be a little clearer. Super temperament.

2 Swandel's RIADARAGS QUIQUI (66a) (MN) (03.05.2013). Good body length on this chap, just needing to broaden now at the chest and hips to balance completely. Tail a little short to balance. Head developing well for his age, but as with the body, he is still rather narrow for the length overall. Good flat plane; ears of good size but a little high still; forehead could be more rounded. Eyes of a good shape and of a clear blue but could be a little deeper in colour. Muzzle still a little narrow but good chin. Good mid-blue points of a matching tone; shady coat but of good length. Rather grumpy today and not easy to handle.

BOB Noonan's SUP GR PR POPPYLOVE GASPY MENELIK (RAG n 04) (MN) (16.05.10)

AC Bicolour Ragdoll Neuter:

PC Harte's COLINSGARDEN XANTO (66 31) (MN) (29.07.2013) Well grown chap with a long body and nice bone but still needing to broaden out to balance. Tail of reasonable length. Head of good length but again needing to broaden now to allow the full development of the top and for the medium ears to fall into the correct place. Profile line could be a little better defined. Good muzzle and chin. Well presented with good pattern definitions and nice coat texture. Again, not an easy boy to handle and assess.

BOB Swandel's Riadarags Peasus (66 31) (MN) (13.11.2012) – see above

Oriental Black Neuter:

PC & BOB Monahan's ILAND-ILANG 2 KARAT*RUS (37) (MN) (06.07.2014) An impressive and well grown male neuter. Hard muscular body of lovely length. Tail not quite the length to balance such a body. Long legs and neat feet. Elegant neck line with a very noble head. Good profile line with just a small indentation on the nose line; strong

chin. Good width to the wedge with a lovely top supporting large, well flared ears. Super eye shape and good green colour once relaxed. Short-ish jet black coat with just a few scattered white hairs around the neckline. Lovely temperament and a handsome boy!

Seal Point Siamese:

CC & BOB Aid-O'Hanlon's SIAWYE QUEEN OF SPADES (24) (F) (02.07.2014). What a complete madam! Very stylish and well grown. Good body length and nice feel to her body. Tail a smidgen short. Elegant legs and net feet. Lovely balance wedge head with good profile line and chin. Good width with large, well open ears. Eyes of a deep blue but are a trifle deep set and today a little sore. Dense seal points to legs, tail and ears; she has heavy brindling around the eyes today. Her temperament leaves much to be desired; she was exceptionally rude to both my steward and I and had I not been experienced in the manners of a seal point queen I might well have turned and run for the hills!

CC & BOB Goodison's KALISTE UDELE (24a) (F) (29.08.2013). Rather a small and dainty girl but in proportion and of a good weight. Decent body length but rather short in the tail department. Nice little head with good profile and chin. Eyes of a good deep blue but held extremely open and rounded until she finally was convinced that she was not intended for our dinner! Medium ears well open and of good placement. Darker blue tone to the points. Coat fairly short with tonal shading. A little more confidence would go a long way with this girl.

Seal Point Neuter Male:

Goodison's KALISTE VULCAN (24) (MN) (19.09.2014) Sadly this lovely boy was so extremely stressed and unhappy I was simply not prepared to press the point and left him to himself. I was grateful for the opportunity to speak to the owner later.

All Black Cat:

1st & BOB Masterson's FREDDIE (MN) (3yrs) What a stunning cat! Handsome and with a muscular body and strong legs. Lovely complementary head contours with super lustrous green eyes that just sparkled. He was wearing his very best coat today; groomed to absolute perfection – jet black and sound in colour from tip to root; not a loose hair in sight. He was easy to handle and we got a cuddle and a small purr too. Presented on a lovely set of turquoise drapes which complimented him beautifully! Super cat!

Breeders AOV SLH Adult:

1st Maxwell's TULLYPAWS PARIS (13c2) – see above

AV Non-Breeders Adult:

1st Kusmierz's SOTORP BRUTUS (82 38s) – see above

2nd Brindley & Smith's DK*Boromir Snowfire (MCO w 63) – see above

3rd Guiney's Ch Zilva Oscar Wilde (10): Young Chinchilla boy with nice development. Nice body and bone; good rounded head with lovely eyes; short nose but nostril could be a little more generous; in summer trim but with a touch of stud tail noticeable.

AV Non-Breeders Neuter – Part A:

1st Guilfoyle's SHEERBLISS ADALINE (70 7e) Well developed girl; short and cobby and with a good weight. Head of good breadth; short nose and eyes of a good colour although she wasn't always willing to open them for us! Beautifully presented soft coat.

2nd Noonan's SUP GR PR POPPYLOVE GASPY MENELIK (RAG n 04) – see above

3rd Frizelle's ISCUS LUCCA (64 41s) – see above

AV Non-Breeders Neuter – Part B:

1st Swandel's RIADARAGS PEASUS (66 31) – see above

2nd Alfred's KERNAKITZ KISSANTELL (70 8) – young female but with a great deal of promise. Good overall body type. Head very promising; short nose; good little cheeks; neat ears just a fraction high today but right for her age. Short soft coat with a super pattern.

3rd Swandel's RIADARAGS QUIQUI (66a) – see above

AV Debutante Neuter:

1st Guilfoyle's SHEERBLISS PRECIOUS MEMORY (70 6e) Lovely well-grown female. Short cobby body. Good broad head with nice top; short nose; good cheeks. Medium short, soft coat with super colours

2nd Quinn's REYESDESELVA GEAROGE (MCO d 03 22) – see above

AC Charity Class Neuter:

1st Swandel's RIADARAGS PEASUS (66 31) – see above

2nd Slater's COLINSGARDEN VIVALDI (66t) – see above

3rd Swandel's RIADARAGS QUIQUI (66a) – see above

AV Limit Neuter:

1st Slater's COLINSGARDEN VIVALDI (66t) – see above

2nd Swandel's RIADARAGS QUIQUI (66a) – see above

3rd Quinn's REYESDESELVA GEAROGE (MCO d 03 22) – see above

AV Special Limit Neuter:

1st Swandel's RIADARAGS PEASUS (66 31) – see above

AV Junior Neuter:

1st Wren's TABBYORCHID JETHRO (MCO ns 03 23) – see above

2nd Quinn's REYESDESELVA GEAROGE (MCO d 03 22) – see above

AV Senior Neuter:

1st Swandel's RIADARAGS PEASUS (66 31) – see above

2nd Swandel's RIADARAGS QUIQUI (66a) – see above

Breeders Siamese/Balinese Adult:

1st Aid-O'Hanlon's SIAWYE QUEEN OF SPADES (24) – see above

AV Non-Breeders Adult:

1st Lenihan's SLIABH ART NOUVEAU (27b) Such a lovely youngster. As yet so very young and the head is a little small for the body however, the quality of this girl is evident. Lovely chunky feel to her; hed is beautifully made with lovely profile and gorgeous eyes. She could so easily have slipped into my pocket...

AV Debutante Adult:

1st Aid-O'Hanlon's SIAWYE QUEEN OF SPADES (24) – see above

AV Special Limit Neuter:

1st Sluiters' TARA GR PR ALDEBIZ GINCHINKARA (27c) Mature and well grown lady. Quite a chunky body and he tail is a tad short. Head is of typical lines although she is just little flat on her forehead and could do with a little more

chin. Soft coat, just a fraction long. She was such a sweet thing whilst being held and spoken sweetly to, but turned into a raging tiger once returned to the pen – we have to be quite nimble-fingered with the pen door!

AV Junior Neuter:

1st Sluiters' PR BACKCHAT KAPELMEISTER (27f). Sweet young chap who sung us a sweet song. Well grown and quite well muscled. Tail could be a touch longer. Head of nice basic lines but as yet a little long in the nose; hopefully, this will correct itself as he starts to broaden with maturity. Lovely close coat of soft texture.

AV Senior Neuter:

1st Sluiters' TARA GR PR ALDEBIZ GINCHINKARA (27c) – see above

AV Junior Cat:

1st Creaven's RUA (Ginger & White). Such a cute kitten! Madly playing and as busy as a bee. Short, soft coat shining with health. Glorious eyes sparkling. Such a sweetie!

Senior Cat: *What a headache I had with these – all worthy of the win but sadly only one first place...*

1st O'Galligan's TIGGY – handsome red ticked tabby & white with glorious green eyes. Such a wonderful cuddle and head butts I had from this lad. He purred and purred and purred! Beautifully presented and in the peak of health.

2nd O'Galligan's ROCKY – brown and white (*although she is actually seal pointed and white – her blue eyes confirm that!*). Such a beautiful sweet cat. Her blue eyes look deep into you - she is a very old soul... Lovely feel to her. Soft velvet-soft coat and a purr to die for. Hard to put her away!

Extra 2nd Masterson's FREDDIE – see above

Extra 2nd Creaven's HARVEY – gorgeous semi longhair black and white with the most beautiful bright green eyes. Perfectly groomed. Friendly and easy to cuddle. Presented beautifully.

3rd Cleary's MYSTERY – Brown Tabby (although he is a classic tabby and not a mackerel!) beautifully groomed with a really handsome face. Warm brown tabby markings on his soft, semi-longhair coat and bushy tail.

Sadly we could not judge BOBBY as he was altogether too upset to come out for us.

Veteran Cat:

1st Creaven's HARVEY – see above

Friendliest Cat or Kitten:

1st O'Galligan's TIGGY – see above

2nd Creaven's RUA – see above

Extra 2nd Masterson's FREDDIE – see above

Extra 2nd Creaven's HARVEY – see above

3rd Curtin's JEMIMA MO CURTIN – Very striking lady with a predominantly white coat with fetching black splashes of colour; lovely teardrop of black on her nose; a black cap and chin; black and white tail. Groomed beautifully and as friendly as you like!

Extra 3rd Floods SWEETIE – sadly she would not come out to see us and so we had to speak to her in her pen. Lovely tabby markings and striking bright green eyes. Very attractive.