

SABCCI SHOW 2013

Show Managers Report

This was a big celebration for us as it is the Club and Show's 60th Anniversary; I wonder if the founders ever thought to see this day arrive! We tried to make it extra special and put on lots of events to celebrate, starting with holding the Show in the Maldron Hotel. This seemed to be popular with exhibitors as they could stay at the hotel and very convenient for the judges – they were right on the spot.

We put on some special events to celebrate our anniversary;
On exhibition – past BIS winners and 'Golden Oldies' titled cats over 7 years
Beautiful and elegant cut glass trophies for BIS and Overall BIS
Special anniversary classes including star signs – who'd have thought so many cats were Taurus!

Best decorated pen which had some stunning entries, (the well deserved winner was Zivele Useckaite)

The Kids Corner including a teddy bear competition which was so popular the teddies overflowed the table, decorated cat masks and a drawing competition. (Results all published elsewhere)

Every committee member awarded a rosette to his or her favourite cat of the day and what a difficult choice that was

We also had a craft fair with a great selection of stalls (I have to say my favourite was the hand made chocs)

The pot draw was a great success as the top prize was a wonderful climber courtesy of Maxi Zoo – who also supplied the orange cat man wandering around the shops on our behalf.

The Anniversary draw with generous voucher from the Maldron hotel
But the reason we were all there – the cats! Some real beauties there, including a magnificent 24 non peds. The winners were –

BIS PERSIAN

Mrs Wall's Exotic Male INT GRCH SHEERBLISS ENRICO

BIS S L H

Mr Noonan's Ragdoll MN GR PR POPPYLOVE GASPY MENELIK

BIS BRITISH

Mrs Wren's Black Silver Tabby Kitten LIMATZ SUPER-MAN

BIS FOREIGN

Ms Lastauskiene's Devon Rex Female JASMINE PALMARIS*PL

BIS BURMESE

Mrs Sluiters' Lilac FN GR PR &TARA GR CH ALDEBIZ GINCHIKARA

BIS SIAMESE

Miss Baker's Lilac Point MN JOMESE JUPITER

BIS NON PED

Mr & Mrs O'Galligan's Ginger & White – TIGGY

OVERALL BIS

Mrs E Lastauskiene's JASMINE PALMARIS*PL – Devon Rex Adult

RESERVE BIS

Mr C Noonan's GRPR POPPYLOVE GASPY MENELIK - Ragdoll Neuter

Every show stands or falls by the efforts of so many people; the wonderful SABCCI committee, each with their own job; Alison who keeps the money in order, Gloria who sorted out the stalls then went on to organise Best in Show;

Karen in charge of publicity, Dionne our 'new girl' and what an addition she is!
Our 'Facebook' expert then organising the popular Anniversary draw,
Elizabeth for that most boring of jobs – the litter bags in every pen; Aedamair
busy helping at vetting in, Hugh for presenting the cups, gleaming in all their
glory; Alice, hard at work on the information table, filling in anywhere help was
needed, then working out the Publics Favourite cats – not an easy job!
The non-members without whose support we could never manage; Betty who
organised vetting in then answered all the awkward questions on the
information table – after very generously sponsoring the Kids Corner; Imelda
Andrews, who organised and ran the Kids Corner, which proved to be hugely
popular; Carmel who ran the results table with her wonderful band of helpers
– and sponsored those beautiful BIS rosettes; and our President Rhona
Sullivan who presented the BIS winners with their cups and rosettes.
Margaret Baker who stewarded then went on to introduce the Best In Show
Our vets John Bainbridge and Mark Heffernan who turn up year after year
giving of their precious time with never a complaint
But mostly chairman Tony who did the 'grunt' work – everything from
designing the cover of the catalogue, sorting out everything with the hotel,
organising the road signs and local publicity, drumming up sponsorship and
trouble shooting during the day
Finally a huge THANK YOU to you the exhibitors and your amazing and
beautiful cats for making it all worthwhile

Ronnie Brooks