

THE SOMALI CAT CLUB SHOW 20TH MARCH 2010

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Sincere thanks to Shelagh, Kit and the Somali committee for the kind invitation to judge again this year. Always a lovely show with wonderful cats and a superb atmosphere. I was so grateful to Peter Kilmartin for stepping in when Tania was not able to carry on due to a shoulder injury. He was a great steward. I do hope we can work together again soon Peter.

I had the great privilege of choosing the best in show line up this year, what an experience with such a fantastic line up of cats to choose from. My congratulations to all the winners, and special mention to the overall winner the most delicious little girl, Brizlincoat Blu Chantrell. Absolutely stunning female with confidence and elegance as well as the most superb type.

AC SOMALI CHAMPION FEMALE

GR CH WATTS IGR CH BRIZLINCOAT TOOMAI 63 4.9.03

A mature lady who I have had the great pleasure of handling before and today she looked as good as ever. Lovely head balance with gently curving contours. Slight nose break with large ears set nicely apart showing the desired crescent shape from behind. Expressive eyes with great definition of the dark surround, lighter spectacles and pencilling. Lovely body with super tone, elegant and balanced. Long, well furnished tail. Her coat was very nicely ticked with super base colour. Fully coloured heels. In full coat that was so well groomed and close lying. Lovely to handle and assess.

RES GR CH BULLIVANTS CH BARANCHRI GALADRIEL 63B 13.2.09

A real babe by comparison! But one of great quality none the less. Chocolate with that lovely plain tone! Very nicely developed head with gently curving contours. Large ears set well apart on her head with lovely crescent shape. Slight nose break with a firm chin. Elegant body lines with a great tone and substance. Long elegant limbs with oval feet. Long, well furnished tail. Soft coat that was dense and fine and very nicely ticked. Heels well coloured with chocolate. Very well shown and great to handle.

I was sorry I had to wrong colour the other exhibit in this class, she looked very much silver on the day not the blue she was entered as.

AC SOMALI PREMIER MALE – what a lovely class of neuters to judge

GR PR STABLES IGPR MERLIESIN CAISEAL BEAG 63 26.10.03

Another very famous Somali who I have derived much pleasure from judging on several occasions and today was no exception! He is a wonderful example of the breed and simply oozes quality. He has such a serene expression with that real Somali smile. Lovely breadth of head with gently curving contours to his face. Large, well set ears with nice furnishing. Super rise from nose bridge to forehead. Large, almond shaped expressive eyes with lovely dark surrounds, spectacles and pencilling. Slight break in profile. Firm chin. His whole demeanour and stance is one of elegance with long, well furnished tail to balance his frame. Long legs with oval close set paws. His coat was soft and fine, lying

flat along the spine. Full ruff and breeches. Very clear ticking throughout his coat with lovely apricot base coat I do feel even in the not brilliant hall light that this boy's coat colouring is absolutely wonderful. A lovely lad to handle and a real ambassador for the breed.

RES GR PR WATTS CH & IGRPR EMANAN BOOTSTRAP BILL 63c 15.7.05

Another very beautiful exhibit with lovely balance to his head with gently rounded contours. Large well furnished ears placed well on his head giving the lovely gentle crescent curve. Such expressive eyes with large, oval shape. Slight break to his nose in profile and with a firm chin and elegant neck. Lovely length of body with super substance. Long, well furnished tail. His coat was soft, silky and close lying on his back. Very nicely ticked and with quite a warm tone of mushroom. He was presented beautifully and handled well.

AC NON PEDIGREE GRAND MASTER CAT

IC WEBBS GMC ALYS longhair tabby and white 2 YEARS 6 MONTHS
A really beautiful female who oozed charm! Such an attractive exhibit with large, expressive eyes that just mesmerized us. Her coat was so soft and silky to the touch, with a clear tabby pattern so very evident against the white that just sparkled. So confident and with a wonderful calm manner about her, we just loved her. Bet she is one great girl to have at home!

AC PEDIGREE PET GRAND MASTER CAT

IC PLANTS GRMC SILVER SAM longhair tipped MN, 10 YEARS

A most eye catching cat in excellent condition His face was dominated by those large green eyes, outlined in black with that inscrutable expression. His coat was long, dense and very silky to the touch. Full marks for the presentation these coats are notoriously difficult to present so well.

AC SOMALI ARISTOCRAT ADULT

1 BULLIVANTS BARANCHRI HATHOR 63a 21.4.09

Still very much the adolescent but I felt with considerable promise.

Her head had a moderate wedge with gently curving contours I feel that her cheeks will become fuller as she matures. Pleasing lines to her muzzle and her nose in profile shows a slight nose break. Large ears, set well apart and well cupped and tufted. Her eyes were expressive, large and almond shaped, they have a dark surround encircled by lighter coloured spectacles. Pencil lines at either edge of the eye. Body of medium build, firm and lithe. Long, elegant limbs with neat, oval paws. Her tail was long and nicely furnished. Her coat was soft and fine, dense lying flat along the spine. Breeches and ruff in development. Her coat comprising a rich copper colour with a warm apricot base. It was well ticked with cinnamon. Cinnamon heels that were fully coloured. Well shown and a very nice girl to handle. Just needing that little more maturity which she has plenty of time to make up!

AV NOVICE EXHIBITORS ADULT

1 FRANCIS VANGELRE TRUFFLE 63b 12.10.06

A very appealing Somali with a real smiling expression. Her ears were large, set well apart but today she carried them a little high which I put down to being a little worried out of her pen as they did return to the desired placing when she

was relaxed in the pen. Her large eyes were almond shape and very well set and bright. Pleasing profile and developing chin. Nicely toned long body lithe with long elegant legs and oval paws. The tail was long and well furnished and balancing her body nicely. The coat was fine lying well on her back and a rich warm chestnut tone with clearly defined dark chocolate ticking against a bright apricot base. Very well shown and very sweet to handle.

AC SOMALI LIMIT KITTEN

1 MELIA SUPATOFT TIKA MASALA 63 7.7.09

I was sorry she was a little unhappy to be handled so we did not linger overly long. I felt she has got a very pleasing head shape with moderate head and gently curving contours. Difficult to assess the ear setting on the day. Large, almond eyes with correct colouring around. Her coat was nicely ticked and of good tone but a little bit thick and needed separating further.

AC SOMALI SPECIAL LIMIT KITTEN

1 POINTINGS BRIZLINCOAT BLUE CHANTRELL 63c 11.9.09

My take home of the day, I just felt this little girl was stunning. For one so young she had it all, delightful head type with gentle curving contours. Large ears that will be well spaced on her head. Expressive eyes that were large and almond shaped with correct colouring surrounding them. Elegant limbs and paws. Super body shape and with great tone already. Her coat was soft and silky and already showing fantastic mushroom base with lovely clarity of ticking. Shown so well and such a confident young lass. Best wishes for a fantastic future.

AC ADULT OR KITTEN WITH THE MOST UNUSUAL COAT PATTERN

1 DUNSTALLS PICKWICK sh seal bi colour 9 months old

I just fell in love with this lovely boy, in wonderful condition and with such an eye-catching coat with beautifully marked coat with the most symmetrical facial markings the white chevron really standing out against the dense seal mask. Groomed so well and a lovely boy to handle.