

CORK CAT CLUB

11TH September 2022

Miss Louise Garcia

Many thanks to Carmel Byrne for inviting me to judge the household pet section, and to Ilona Zatowska, who stewarded for me, handling the cats with gentle assurance and keen interest.

Best Non-Pedigree Pet was Ms J. Twomey's CHARLEY, a well-grown tabby and white shorthair kitten of just under five months.

Best Pedigree Pet was Ms. J. Twomey's MARLEY, a well-nourished six-year-old of Russian Blue appearance.

NON-PEDIGREE PET SHORTHAIR

SELF WITH OR WITHOUT WHITE

1st and BOC O'Dea's CHARLIE

A beautiful boy of 1 year and 4 months, with sleek jet-black fur contrasting with pristine white gloves on his fore-paws and handsome white boots on his hind-paws. Two evenly-sized dabs of white either side of his nose give his face a very cute bow-tie effect. He is a handsome and appealing cat, well-presented and in excellent condition. Unfortunately, the stresses of the day overwhelmed him a little and he was not at his most sociable while being judged.

TABBY OR TABBY AND WHITE

1st and BOC O'Dea's TIMMY

A fabulous mackerel tabby boy of 1 year and 4 months, showing a dense, well-prepared coat. His elegant tabby markings are set off by a clean white bib and a pair of snowy gloves on his fore-paws. His beautiful green eyes add to his attractive appearance. He is a fine well-grown lad in great condition but the strain of the big day put him out of sorts, and we did not see his temperament at its best during judging.

SHORTHAIR KITTEN

1st and BOC Twomey's CHARLEY

A very well-grown kitten in excellent condition, just under five months old, of classic tabby pattern with beautifully ticked agouti fur. He has a sweet expression with paler tabby rings setting off his round amber eyes, and even white colouring around his nose. His fore-paws sported white gloves which were clean and bright, and his friendly and agreeable temperament together with his impressive size and fine condition resulted in him moving up to the Best Non-Pedigree Pet pen at the front of the hall in the afternoon.

2nd O'Riordan's SOX

This petite tabby and white kitten is just over 4 months, and presents a dainty and elegant appearance. His white fore-paws, bib and flanks are most attractive and he was very relaxed on the day, tucking into his food bowl and taking the sights and sounds of show day in his stride. His sweet, laid-back, happy-go-lucky personality radiated through. He has plenty of growing to do but if he steps out again to meet the judges an extra wipe inside his ears would help present him at his best.

PEDIGREE PET LONGHAIR / SEMI-LONGHAIR

1st and **BOC** Twomey's HARLEY

I was delighted to meet this four-year-old, red and white bicolour Persian boy. He has a rounded head, cobby body and large rounded, tufted paws. His full, smooth clean coat showed that he is attentively cared for and he is a good size and weight, in marvellous condition. His copper eyes are round and expressive but some tearing around the eyes marred his inscrutable gaze. He impressed as a placid and friendly fellow, a gorgeous pet and companion, but if shown again an extra wipe around the eyes before judging begins would help to show him at his fabulous best.

PEDIGREE PET SHORTHAIR

1st and **BOC** Twomey's MARLEY

A very well-grown six-year-old blue boy with a head shape and fur colour similar to a Russian Blue. He has a wedge-shaped head, stunning green eyes and a dense coat that showed a pleasing shade of blue. He was agreeable and friendly and a pleasure to judge. For such a large boy (he obviously likes his dinners!) his sweet little miaow came as a surprise. A most appealing character, well-shown. Marley's combination of condition, presentation, temperament and personality meant he upgraded to the Best Pedigree Pet pen at the front of the show hall in the afternoon.

AC KITTEN

1st Twomey's CHARLEY

2nd O'Riordan's SOX

JUNIOR CAT (UNDER 2 YEARS)

1st O'Dea's TIMMY

2nd O'Dea's CHARLIE

SENIOR CAT (2-7 YEARS)

1st Twomey's MARLEY

2nd Twomey's HARLEY

DEBUTANTE CAT OR KITTEN (never been shown before)

1st Twomey's MARLEY

2nd Twomey's CHARLEY

3rd O'Riordan's SOX

LIMIT CAT OR KITTEN (never won 1st prize)

1st Twomey's MARLEY

2nd Twomey's CHARLEY

3rd O'Riordan's SOX

RESCUED CAT OR KITTEN

1st Twomey's MARLEY

2nd O'Riordan's SOX

3rd O'Dea's TIMMY