GCCFI DUBLIN CHAMPIONSHIP CAT SHOW. 16 Oct 16.

Sincere thanks to **Ronnie** for so kindly inviting me to judge at this prestigious show & first time back-to-back event with the Siamese & All Breeds CC show held at the Royal Dublin Society Exhibition Centre as part of their Pet Expo. Everything seemed to go very smoothly, so if there were any hiccups they were quickly smoothed over. There was so much for the public to see & there seemed to be an excellent gate, which would have been added to by another 150 who would have come in to see the cats had there been a crèche for their dogs! Thanks also **Ronnie** for the lovely hanging stained glass which now catches the sun in our south facing lounge. We will treasure it. Colin & I had a wonderful time & particularly enjoyed seeing something of Co Dublin as well as the fair city itself. Being rather fond of Guinness it was fantastic to be able to drink it in its ancestral home (though' these days I gather it's owned by Coates Gamers, the "Babycham" magnates). To **Simone Roper** my friend & steward, a million thanks for so kindly making the journey across the water specially to assist me & for bringing **Chelsea** to help the show team. You are real troopers & the Cat Fancy could do with more folk like you, so thank you both (& Colin too).

AV REX, SPHYNX or LaPERM CHAMPION. 1 present. Gd Ch & Best Foreign Adult

HENSON's Ch SPHYNXANTIQUUS X-CLUSIVE. Male. 84 20. 3 yrs, 11 mths. Super modified wedge its length being greater than its width, carried on a long elegant muscular neck has high prominent cheekbones, lovely rounded contours at the outer brow bone & muzzle, distinctive whisker breaks, prominent whisker pads. Profile shows flat plane to forehead & between ears, slight nose break, chin is level but very shallow, level bite & some wrinkles on his forehead & muzzle. Lovely large ears with some coverage on the backs are well sized, shaped & set. Large lemon coloured & shaped eyes are well set. A fine upstanding chap in his prime his medium length muscular body is of very good size & weight, with a nice broad chest & rounded abdomen, stands tall on sturdy muscular legs, lovely oval paws have thick cushion like pads on his toes, long fine slightly whip-like tail is covered in rather bristly feeling down. Super peach-bloom feel with the desired resistance to the body & limbs of this gorgeous boy who has a modicum of allowable coverage of thicker down on his nose & feet. A soppy ha'p'orth shown in splendid condition & to whom it gave me great pleasure to award the accolade of Best Foreign Adult. My compliments to all his connections.

AV FOREIGN GRAND PREMIER. 3 present. HIB WELDON'S Gd Pr NOBILERO MORRIGAWN RUA. FN. SPH d 03 21. 2 yrs, 10 mths.

An elegant muscular neck supports a modified wedge its length being greater than its width, has high prominent cheekbones, rounded contours at the outer brow bone & muzzle, distinctive whisker breaks but her muzzle is a little too fine for perfection & her whisker pads lack the desired prominence. Profile shows flat plane to wrinkled forehead & between ears, slight nose break, chin is very shallow & receding but her bite is level. Lovely large ears – real jugs - with some coverage of thicker down on the backs are well sized & shaped but slightly high set. Large expressive yellow eyes are rather rounded in shape. A mature lady just reaching her peak has a medium length muscular body of very good size & weight, with a nice broad chest & rounded abdomen, stands tall on sturdy muscular legs, lovely oval paws have thick cushion like pads on her toes, long fine slightly whip-like tail has rather a bristly feel. Super chamois leather feel with the desired resistance to this lovely lady's body who

has some allowable coverage of thicker down on her nose & feet only. Shown in splendid condition, this lady shared some choice words with us but handled well.

Res DIXON's **Gd Pr ARABOTH MIRABEAU DIAMOND.** FN ASH as 11 31. 4 yrs, 8 mths.

Short blunt wide wedge has good width to flat top of head, ears are well sized, shaped & set. Profile shows rounding to brow, flat forehead, well defined break, chin is shallow & recedes, bite is level. Large lustrous yellow-chartreuse eyes enhanced by eye liner around the rims are well sized, shaped & set with typical expression. Mature lady of good size has weighty but muscular body, shapely limbs, tail of good length has a lovely paint brush tip. Coat that could be shorter for perfection is rather dense with a plush feel (LH carrier?), has a lovely sparkling undercoat colour & is so lightly shaded with bale blue as to be tipped; her head has the M shape & her tail has a few faint rings but otherwise is clear & free of tarnish. Shown in very good condition, she handled well.

ORIGINAL FOREIGN PREMIER. 1 present.

This was a tad confusing since the Catalogue stated that the class was cancelled as there were no entries, but there most certainly was!

Gd PC SCARLETT's Pr ABIGAIL ARMANI. MN. RUSa. 2 ½ years.

Typical look to this handsome chap. Good head is flat between the ears, has a short wedge, but his muzzle could be broader & his whisker pads more prominent. Profile shows a very shallow concave curve in the line from bridge of nose to tip & a quite well defined angle, chin has depth but recedes thus is not in the same vertical plane as the tip of his nose, his bite however is level. Lovely large pointed ears with wide bases are set vertically to the head. Vivid green eyes are well sized & spaced apart but are more oval in shape than almond. A gentleman almost in his prime of very good size, but his long muscular body is carrying a trifle too many pounds today thus lacks the desired graceful lines, long muscular legs, neat oval paws, tapering tail balances. Gorgeous dense double coat of darkish blue with silvery sheen has the softest texture on his upper torso but was rather flat & harsh near the rump. Happier in his pen but shown in good physical condition he just needs fining down a little.

DEVON REX ADULT FEMALE. 1 present. 1st CC & BoB

ZMETNAJA's

ALICE DODULAND. DRX f 33 61. 18 months.

Short broad high cheek boned wedge set on a long elegant muscular neck, skull is wide & flat between her ears, muzzle is quite strong, has well defined whisker breaks & short wavy whiskers & eyebrows. Profile shows flat skull at forehead, a super strong stop to her short nose, chin has depth but recedes, bite is level. Huge well shaped ears with tufts & muffs are quite low set & have wide bases. Beautiful blue eyes are large & lustrous, oval in shape, spaced well apart & have that typically naughty expression! Adolescent lass just a little unbalanced still has a slender muscular body of good size & weight for age, nice broad chest, stands tall on sturdy muscular legs, long tapering tail is well covered & rexed. Coat that is free of guard hairs covers her completely but has some acceptable areas of regrowth, is soft, fine & dense, rexing where present (on her tummy too) is in close waves. Shown in splendid condition I could have taken this adorable girl home. She gave the Sphynx boy quite a run for his money when it came to BOV.

ASIAN TABBY ADULT. 1 present.

1st CC & BoB

<u>LENIHAN's</u> <u>COOMAKISTA ASCINNFULLAS EVE.</u> Female. <u>ASH o 25.</u> 12 mths all but 6 days.

Immature as yet – short bunt wedge of good width looking slightly square in the muzzle today, wide gently rounded top of head, ears are well sized, shaped & set. Profile shows rounded brow & forehead, break to short nose could be stronger, super deep level chin & level bite. Gorgeous strongly coloured deep toned gold eyes have typical expression. Immature queen of acceptable size for age has well shaped & muscled body of good weight with muscular athletic feel, shapely limbs, well shaped tail prefer longer to balance. Super sleek, fine, shining coat with satin-like texture is of warm but light cinnamon brown ground colour distinctly ticked with rich warm toned medium brown, there is the typical "skull cap" & M shape on her forehead, darker dorsal area & tail tip & warm medium cinnamon brown heels up her hind legs. Shown in splendid condition it gave me great pleasure to make this award to this little sweetie as her "mum" is to blame for me judging Asians!!

SPHYNX MALE ADULT. 1 for BoB only.

BoB awarded to

HENSON's Ch

SPHYNXANTIQUUS X-CLUSIVE. 84 20. 3 yrs, 11 mths.

See report above.

SPHYNX FEMALE ADULT. 1 present. 1st & CC

HENSON's

WRINKLESKYNS BAMBINOCCINO. SPH w 61. 2 yrs, 5 mths.

An elegant muscular neck supports a modified wedge with high prominent cheekbones, rounded contours at the outer brow bone & muzzle, distinctive whisker breaks, but her muzzle is a little fine today although her whisker pads are quite prominent. Profile shows flat plane to wrinkled forehead & between ears, slight nose break, chin is very shallow & receding but her bite is level. Lovely large ears that have some coverage of thicker down on the backs & around the edges, are well sized, shaped & set. Expressive eyes of beautiful blue are large, lemon shaped & spaced well apart. A young queen just reaching her peak with a medium length muscular body of very good size & weight, has a nice broad chest & rounded abdomen, stands tall on sturdy muscular legs, lovely oval paws have thick cushion like pads on her toes, tapering tail that needs an inch or two for perfection has an acceptable amount of thicker down on it. Super chamois leather feel with the desired resistance to this lovely lady's body skin but has some thicker down on her nose that encroaches onto her face & under her eyes with some down on her legs & paws. A lovely lass shown in top condition & with the sweetest disposition – I debated about giving the cert because of the down on her face but gave her the benefit of the doubt in view of her excellent type.

BROWN SPOTTED BENGAL KITTEN. 1 present.

1st & BoB and Best Foreign Kitten

MacDONALD's **RAKASTA EXPRESSO.** Male. BEN n 24. 7 ½ months.

Lovely broad medium head set on a thick muscular neck has the desired rounded contours, his muzzle is slightly fine still but he has prominent whisker pads. Profile shows a slight concave curve at the bridge of his broad nose, deep level chin & level bite. Well set & shaped ears could be smaller for perfection. Gorgeous oval shaped green eyes with lighter coloured spectacles encircling them are large, have a slight slant toward the base of the ears & are spaced well apart. This young man has reached the rapid growth phase thus looking rather long & gangly today he is however of very good size & weight, his long sleek body

having the desired heavy muscular feel, sturdy muscular legs, large rounded paws have black pads, well shaped thick tail with a black tip could be fractionally shorter for perfection. Super coat is short, fine & dense with the softest feel, the base colour is gold on his legs & chest fading to pale buff on his torso the pattern being of black on his face, limbs & tail, everywhere else being very dark brown & all liberally sprinkled with "glitter"; the pattern of large rosettes in an horizontal alignment is sharply defined having black outlines & dark gold infills, scarab on the forehead, black pencilling on his cheeks, bold chin strap, broken streaks over his head & down his neck, distinct necklets broken & unbroken, streaks on fore shoulders & hind quarters, lines on legs, spots near & on paws and rings on tail. All in all, a splendid chap shown in top condition who had a lot to say for himself but handled very well.

ASIAN SMOKE or BURMILLA NEUTER. 1 for BoB only.

BoB awarded to

DIXON's **Gd Pr ARABOTH MIRABEAU DIAMOND.** FN ASH as 11 31. 4 yrs, 8 mths.

SPHYNX NEUTERS.

BoB awarded to

WELDON'S Gd Pr NOBILERO MORRIGAWN RUA. FN. SPH d 03 21. 2 yrs, 10 mths

SPHYNX MALE NEUTER. 1 present.

1st & PC

HENSON's

SPHYNXALIENS FRANK SINATRA. 84 18. 2 yrs, 4 mths.

Modified wedge carried on a long elegant muscular neck could be slightly longer for perfection, has high prominent cheekbones, lovely rounded contours at the outer brow bone & muzzle, distinctive whisker breaks & prominent whisker pads. Profile shows flat plane to wrinkly forehead & between ears, slight nose break, chin recedes & is very shallow, level bite. Large ears (which he persisted in "bonneting") with wide bases are too low set & are flared. Large lemon coloured & shaped eyes are well set but were watering copiously so I called the Vet who (after a conversation with the owner) pronounced them as acceptable. A super chap just coming into his prime his medium length muscular body is of very good size & weight, with a nice broad chest & rounded abdomen, stands tall on sturdy muscular legs, lovely oval paws have thick cushion like pads on his toes, broad based tapering tail is slightly short. Super chamois leather feel to his body & limbs of this sweet boy who has wrinkles around his muzzle & a modicum of allowable thicker down on his nose, feet & tail. An absolute dear shown in top physical condition – I debated long & hard as to whether to award the Certificate because his head length & ears but decided to be generous today.

MISCELLANEOUS CLASSES.

PERSIAN/SLH BREEDERS' MAINE COON KITTEN. 1 present.

1st ARCHER's ISHCUS UTOPIA. Female. 64 41w. MCO n 03 22. Brown Classic Tabby & White. 5 ½ months. Medium length high cheek boned head set on an arching muscular neck is longer than its width, cheeks are fairly full,

good square muzzle, broad deep chin which marries up with the outer edges of the muzzle, level bite. Profile shows a shallow concave curve at the nasal bridge, the nose is broad with a small bump near the tip but is not of uniform width, the tip widening out to give a spatulate shape. Large tall ears with wide bases & tufted tips taper to pointed tips, have adequate width between but could be set slightly higher for perfection. Gorgeous gold eyes with a slightly oblique aperture & set are large, full & round & spaced well apart. Lively lass who has reached the rapid growth phase thus looks unbalanced & gangly today, she has a long

rectangular body of very good size for age & weight for size which is well muscled, has a broad chest & square rump, long legs are substantially boned & muscular, large rounded paws have lovely tufts between the toes, wide based tail that tapers at the tip is of sufficient length to reach her shoulder blades. Still has her baby coat consisting of mainly soft dense undercoat today with quite a lot of dead hair in it, glossy top coat is still coming in although her ruff & breeches have yet to appear; she has a lot of white to her bib, chest, legs, paws & underside, but not a great deal of coloured pattern it being restricted to her face, neck, very solid down her spine, hint of a butterfly across her shoulder blades. A sweet girl in good physical condition who could have been a little better prepared.

PERSIAN/SLH NON-BREEDERS' KITTEN. 3 present.

1st McCLELLAND's NOYNAROCK REISA. Female. NFO p 09 22. 7 months. Super triangular head to this beautiful baby girl, long straight profile, super chin & level bite. Large tufted ears are well set & shaped, large oval eyes are obliquely set & have the desired alert expression. Super size & weight to this lass whose long muscular body has a deep chest & is substantially boned, stands high on proportionate muscular legs, large round paws have super tufts between the toes, lovely long tail reaches the nape of her neck. Still has her baby coat which is developing a glossy top coat but currently lacks ruff & knickerbockers. Shown in splendid condition, I loved this girl who was happier in her pen today.

2nd RAINEY's PURRFICCGEMS AMBER RAIN. Female. 70 12 a6t. 5 months. Rounded head with full cheeks, nose is rather up between her eyes but her nostrils are wide enough not to impede her breathing and the nose leather is correct, good chin & level bite. Dinky ears with feathers are well shaped & set. Lovely large wide awake eyes but the colour is still developing. Strong cobby body of good size & weight for age, sturdy legs, rounded paws, good tail. Still has her duckling fine baby coat with soft thistledown texture showing shades of red & black, white to bib, on her face & paws the tabby pattern being evidenced in the M on her forehead, spectacles around her eyes & rings on her tail. Sweet baby girl shown in good physical condition & groomed to perfection.

3rd HARTE's TABBYORCHID MONTANA. Male. MCO d 22. Red Classic Tabby Maine Coon. 8 ½ months.

BREEDERS' NEW FOREIGN ADULT. 2 present.

1st LENIHAN's COOMAKISTA ASCINNFULLAS EVE. F. ASH o 25. 12 mths.
2nd LENIHAN's COOMAKISTA REALTNAH OICHE. F. ASH n. 16 mths, 3 wks.
A nice lass who just dropped a couple of points on her small round eyes.

AV BRITISH or FOREIGN LIMIT ADULT. 1 present.

1st <u>GROVES-GEARY's</u> <u>REGALISCATS OHLALA PARIS.</u> F. <u>BRI a.</u> 11 months. Adolescent lass of good type but her coat is a little long & flat.

BREEDERS' NEW FOREIGN KITTEN. 1 present.

1st MacDONALD's **RAKASTA FLEUR DE LYS.** F. BEN a 24. 14 weeks.

Good breadth to head with rounded contours looking slightly fine in the muzzle today owing to a teething pinch & whisker pads have yet to fill out. Profile shows the desired slight concave curve at the nasal bridge, firm level chin & level bite. Well shaped & set ears are too large & tall. Well sized oval shaped eyes rimmed in slate grey with the colour still turning have pale coloured spectacles encircling them & are spaced well apart. Well grown girl has lovely long muscular body of good weight for size, strong muscular legs, large rounded paws with mauvish-blue coloured pads, medium length tail is too fine & tapers to a

sharp point. Still has her slightly long fine baby coat with a very pale mushroom colour on her chest & inner legs while her tummy is so pale as to be almost white; the ground colour on her torso & flanks is a light mushroom against which the distinct pattern of soft blue rosettes with a paler in-fill, in a horizontal flow contrasts sharply, her tail tip is blue & there is a platinum sheen overlying the pattern. Her dark blue facial markings comprise the typical M shape on the brow & complex scarab between her ears with mascara markings on her cheeks, lines over her head & a bold chin strap. There are broken & unbroken necklets around her throat, streaks on her shoulders & hind quarters that break into spots further down her legs & onto her paws, her tail is ringed & her tummy well spotted. A cracking little girl in top condition & with the sweetest disposition. I loved her to bits.

AV BRITISH or FOREIGN KITTEN 4 - 6 MONTHS. 1 present. 1st HILL's ACCLAIM ASTRALCHARM HARLEY. F. BRI j. 14 weeks. An absolute little beauty with fabulous type & a super short dense pinky Lilac Tortie coat.

AV BRITISH or FOREIGN KITTEN 6 – 9 MONTHS. 1 present. 1st GROVES-GEARY's INDIANA MAGIC GARDEN*PL. M. BRI a. No age given. A promising chap with a lovely dense coat.

BREEDERS' NEW FOREIGN NEUTER. 1 present.

1st HENSON'S SPHYNXALIENS FRANK SINATRA. 84 18. 2 yrs, 4 mths.