

## SUPREME SHOW 07. 04. 2019

It was wonderful to be judging again, and I thank Ronnie and Gloria for the invitation to their well organised and friendly show. Thanks also to Pat McCrea, a gently efficient and attentive steward, and to Cork Show manager Geraldyn Bowles for her help and her good company. Apart from one Breed Class, I judged Presentation classes in which exhibitors brought their cats up to me, we discussed them and I then had the difficult task of placing them. I was impressed with the good temperament of all the cats, non-pedigree and Pedigree Pets - but this was a reflection of their charming owners, who I enjoyed meeting.

### SEAL POINT SIAMESE PRE-CHAMPION

CC and BOB, Mr and Miss Zhurava's SIAWYE UNION-JACK, M. 9 mths. Young cat looking quite mature with sturdy body and slim legs, spoon feet. Strong masculine head in balance to limbs and body, eyes of good shape and medium- to deep blue colour. Pricked ears, adequate size and well set. Slightly undulating profile, firm chin. Tail of good length, tapered and straight without fault. Coat felt a little oily down the back, not quite silky enough, but good in other parts and close lying. Unfortunately very shaded down the back as often happens, but preserving contrast on head and other areas. Lovely quiet temperament, very sweet and tractable. He missed being top class, but in the absence of any withholding faults he earned his award.

### PRESENTATION CLASS 1

- 1, I. Kisieliene's XIRO, M. 5 month old British Blue, baby coat still a bit fluffy in texture but colour true to roots. Lovely round face, full cheeks, green-amber eyes with an expression of wonderment.
- 2, Mr. K. & Mrs. L. Taylor's CHANCER, 7 months. Lively Burmese boy, creamy-red in colour. Lovely head with beautifully shaped wide-awake eyes, gorgeous coat texture. Otherwise known as Backchat Scarlet Dragon. These cats were appearing under their

pet pseudonyms and were being judged on their own terms of appeal, without reference to a Standard of Points.

3, C Weldon's JODY, cream/white Sphynx, MN, rising 3 years. Lovely wrinkled forehead, large ears, beautiful green eyes, little bump over profile, long fine tail.

### PRESENTATION CLASS 2

1, B. O'Callaghan's MAXIMUS, MN, 2 yrs 6 mths. Massive red tabby with more than a touch of Maine Coon about him, white bib and paws, sweet tufted ears, green eyes with intense expression, long coat and magnificent full tail.

2, Mrs. A. Groves-Creary's GINO, MN, 4 yrs. Jet black Exotic with superb quality coat sound to roots, lovely wide head with short nose on flat face, neat little ears, gorgeous round green-hazel eyes, very active tail. Presented with obvious love by delightful sisters Abigail and Michelle. He did very well in his show class.

3, Mr. M. Kierans' TAYO, MN, 2 years. Birman beauty with well presented coat, beautiful blue eyes, well furnished ears, magnificent tail which he flounished proudly, Most attractive colouring, seal points with white socks and stockings, excellent contrast to warm fawn body. Fabulous temperament, he loved everybody - what a cat to have for a pet!

4, B. O'Callaghan's VINCENT, MN, 1 yr. 9 mths. Blue classic tabby Maine Coon with white bib and facial markings, tufted white paws. Strong head with stepped profile, deep even chin, lovely far-seeing green eyes, a lot of prep work had gone into his luscious coat, good length of body. So hard to separate these entries, they were all beautiful.

### PRESENTATION CLASS 3 MN,

1, Dr C. Wagner's FRENCH KISS, 13 mths. Classic brown tabby Maine Coon, sparkling white socks on his forelegs and white stockings on the rear, with a white bib. Well tufted ears, strong muzzle and deep chin, lovely golden-green eyes with earnest expression, excellent coat length and texture, his markings well defined. Lovely temperament, rolling around luxuriantly, a big baby who loved all the fuss.

2, J. McLoughlin's CHIPPY, M, nearly 3 years old. Entire boy, very calm and confident. Lovely big solid British Blue, beautiful rounded head with full cheeks, wide forehead and small neat ears, strong muzzle. Gorgeous round orange-amber eyes with serious expression. Sound even blue coat of excellent crisp texture.

3, M. Browne's MELVIN, MN, 1 year 4 months. Another fabulous Maine Coon, red tabby with white bib and extremities, full coat of even length just looking a little disturbed, could have fallen more nicely, long full tail. Lovely depth of colour in golden-green eyes, very relaxed, good to see such steady temperaments in these cats.

#### PRESENTATION CLASS 4

1, J. Curtin's JEMIMA, FN, 6 years. Nearly all white except for attractive black markings on her head, including a charming smudge on the nose, and a black tail. Lovely clear green eyes, interested in everyone and everything going on. A little treasure who her owner says has brought joy to the household. Rehomed from Dublin SPCA, she could not be resisted! So lucky to have found her forever home with her family, let's hope they all do!

2, R. Howard's PEARL, FN, nearly 2 years. Silver tabby with markings mixed between mackerel and spottie, very gentle, reminiscent of Egyptian Mau. Rounded head, large green eyes, long body with black heels, long thick tail. Silver is always glamorous and this little lady was no exception.

3, J. and E. Bell's PIPPI, FN, 4 years. Beautiful tortie and white with attractive mix of black and bright red in clear patches on head, body and paws. Very pretty face and expression, she adored being stroked and petted by her owners Juliet and Emily and their Mum. They made a charming family group with their much loved pet.

4, Mr. and Mrs. O'Galligan's KALIE, FN, 7 years. In spite of a loud protest, she loved a good cuddle. Her owners brought her from Thailand where she had been abandoned in the

street. Very sweet medium sized tabby with black mackerel markings and white on face, bib and paws, a really sparkling white. Elegant girl with short even coat, beautiful large eyes. 5, Mr. and Mrs. O'Galligan's ROCKY, FN, 10 years. Also rescued from Thailand - this is a genuine Siamese cat! Short coat with well defined large patches of unusual dark chocolate over snowy white. Large eyes almost aquamarine in colour, lovely white V marking on face, rather short but shapely tail, excellent condition. Would have placed her higher but she was up against some serious opposition.  
My thanks to all the exhibitors who showed under me.

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