

Many thanks for Ronnie for inviting me to this lovely city for the show. We made a mini holiday of it and the welcome and time was most welcome. It was also good to meet old friends too. My thanks for to Daniel Guggenheim who kindly stewarded for me and this so helped the day. Thank you Daniel. Hopefully, if I come again then we can meet up again. There were not many exhibits of course but the quality was good and I was fortunate to handle one of the best Asian Ticked Tabbies I have seen.

AOV FOREIGN CHAMPION

1 GRAND CHAMPION LENIHAN'S COOMAKISTA MACDONAGH ASH n 25 M 26.18 I was so impressed by this boy and over the years I can honestly say I have never seen such a stunning full expression Asian Ticked Tabby who seems to have the type and quality as well as the superb temperament. He was of excellent size and balance throughout. A super top of head with gentle rounding between ears which were set so well on the head and which were of classic shape being medium/small and of triangular shape which were as much on the sides as on the top. The nose break was excellent. The nose straight. The eyes were stunning in shape being well rounded on the bottom lid and well curved to the tear ducts on the upper lid. They were of such good size neither too large nor too small – just right. The muzzle had such balance for width and depth. The chin was good for depth. The body was firm and the muscle tone was so good. He felt so good. The legs were good for length and boning and muscle tone. They ended in neat, trim, spoon-shaped paws. The fur lay so well to the body being short and fine and so well ticked. Being full expression the contrast was so noticeable between the base coat and top coat. If I was to knit-pick I would perhaps like a little richer quality to the base coat but... There was certainly no doubt about the quality of his ticking which was superb. He was presented so well for the show and he shone with health. For me he was the exhibit of the day and I was pleased to be able to judge him. He has to be the best I have seen in a long time. Congratulations to the breeder and exhibitor and well deserved.

AV FOREIGN GRAND PREMIER (HIBERNIAN GR PR)

1 HIBERNIAN GR PR HARTE'S GRAND PREMIER INT GR PR BARGELLO MASERATIE OF STANREX (INT PR) DRX b 23 MN 7.6.12

A rather nicely presented Neuter Devon Rex who showed both good type and overall good coat. The head was most typical and exuded that mischievous look sometimes associated with the breed. The head was short and he had a broad wedge and rather high cheek bones. The muzzle was indeed firm and he had a well defined whisker break. There was a short nose with a very noticeable stop. The skull was flat and the brow curved on to it. The ears were large though they could be just a little wider; they were set well. The ears for perfection could have started just a little higher than the corners of the eyes. The ears were well covered with fine fur. The eyes were of good shape, were wide set and oval in shape sloping as required toward the outer edge of the ears. For perfection perhaps they could be just a little larger. The neck was slender and the body felt muscular with well-developed toning. The bite was good. The tail was of good length tapered well and was covered with short fur. The legs showed good length and were slim yet well muscled ending in small oval paws. The coat which does carry maximum points and is a major characteristic of the breed, showed excellent coverage even though generally it was perhaps a little longer than I have seen. It was therefore acceptable for length and dense and quite even. There were no bare patch but typical the throat had short, fine hair. The hair on the upper and lower flanks was a little flatter, though still

waved in appearance but when stroked with a dampened hand showed a much more typical wave. In the main this neuter possessed much more waving than strong curls. Again, for perfection I would like the waves but be a little more defined but realise the standard accepts both waved and curled Devons. He was presented well for the show and behaved so well.

ASIAN (TIFFANIE) ADULT

LENIHAN'S COOMAKISTA ROISE DUBH ALH ns F 1.6.15 A small but a lovely typed female Tiffanie adult. While I do think her type was really good I would have preferred the muzzle to be just a tiny fraction longer to give a more balanced view in my opinion but I have to admit she fitted the standard quite well. She had a super head overall. The ears were of excellent shape and well apart and in no way dominated the head. They were of good shape and as much to the sides as on top. The nose break was excellent and her eyes were of excellent shape and size. The body was firm and showed good muscle toning. The legs too, were firm and well muscled and the paws were spoon-shaped and showed how much care had been taken as in Tiffanie's the last characteristic to fall into place appeared to be the feet. They were good. The tail was of good length and so well furnished and it had a good length and it tapered. The coat was of good for length and it lay quite well. She had a good amount of fur for this time of year. For preference I would have liked the coat to be a little more typical of the SLH in having not quite as much density. She handled so well and was well prepared for the show. Most attractive.

ASIAN TABBY TICKED ADULT

BOB LENIHAN'S COOMAKISTA MACDONAGH ASH n 25 M 26.18 (SEE ABOVE)

EGYPTIAN MAU ADULT

1 CC and BOB ERVINE'S GEB YA MAOSI MAU ns 24 M 24.12.18 An attractive Mau who particularly excelled in the quality of his coat. He showed a good head with ears which were most typical and sat well on the head and were of good shape. The eyes were almost as good just needing a more or a slant to the lower lid but give the more typical unique worried look as he did tend to hold them a little rounded. The dip in profile was good and the muzzle was of good shape and flowed gently. The body was of good length and was graceful as required. He did have a hard muscular feel. The legs were of good length and gave him good poise on the bench. The feet were small and dainty and almost rounded in shape. The tail was good for being moderately thick at the base and tapered well. The coat, which was a strength on this boy was very good for possessing and muted ticked base coat showing the dark spots so well. They were so well defined. He was free of any tarnishing. The silver being quite pristine in the base coat. The coat was also resilient and quite dense but it lay so well. I thought him particularly impressive in this area. The agouti markings were also well defined with a complex scarab on the forehead and lines over the head break up as they did into the well-defined spots. His tummy was well spotted too. The necklaces were broken. An attractive and cooperative boy who deserved his CC today being well turned out for the show.

ASIAN TIFFANIE KITTEN

LENIHAN'S COOMAKISTA ASHANDSOME ASADAM ALH 0 11 M 19.5.19

This was a beautiful typed kitten and with excellent looks. An excellent head typified by ears which sat so well on the head and were so nicely shaped. They had a pleasing forward tilt. He had such good eyes that were of good size, were well placed and had the correct shape. He was so Burmese in desirable looks. The nose break was strong, the nose straight and he did have a chin of pleasing depth. The body was firm and showed a good developing muscle tone to it. The legs were slim and very Burmese and they were of good shape, muscle and boning. They ended in neat small, spoon-shaped paws. The tail was similarly very good for length and pluming being quite a semi-longhaired coat. The coat could have been a little fuller but given his age and time of year that was certainly allowable. Clearly there was more on the tail and the ruff. It had good length and lay well. It was silky and fine. My only concern was at the moment the bite is not clearly level and I do make allowances for kitten of this age. If I had been overally concerned I would have had the Vet check her over but I was not. I do hope this temporary misalignment is just that, for she is such a promising kitten Prepared well for the show.

DEVON REX KITTEN MALE

1 and BOB ZMETNAJA'S EXTREME GOOD LUCK EMIJORA (DRX) 15.2.19 Here was a lively, little pixie-like kitten. The type of this young male was good and perhaps due to developmental reasons was stronger than his coat coverage as yet. The head was short and he had a broad wedge and showed high cheek bones. There was a flatter area on top with a rounding from the eye level. The stop was strong and good with a short nose. The chin was very acceptable and the bite firm and even. The ears were very good and they started just above the corner of the eyes and widened out with good height and setting. The good sized oval eyes were set well apart and were of good shape and they sloped toward the outer edge of the ears. He had high cheek bones which emphasised the ears. He had a slender neck with good length. The legs were muscled but slender and the paws were quite small and oval and appropriate for his age. The coat needs more time to develop. He did have a few more guard hairs on the coat which made the feet feel slightly more rough and made the coat a little less soft in texture. The coat did show a slight waving but as yet there was insufficient length to the coat to make a definitive observation. There were no bare patches. Time will perhaps show whether is develop of coat of quality. Certainly on type I found no difficulty in awarded the first place and the BOB. Presented well for the show.

DEVON REX NEUTER

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HOUSE HOLD PETS

ANY S H KITTEN MALE Here was a very affectionate tabby boy who was so well present and appealing. He handled so well at the show and seemed to enjoy his day. He looked so well groomed and cared for. No doubt he is a much adored and pampered pet.

ANY SH KITTEN FEMALE This young kitten though well grown so not that little was very much a Russian look-alike and was slightly retiring and I am sure she is much more confident at home than she is within her pen. She was well groomed and was lovely clean girl. I imagine she enjoys sitting on her owner knees and does not enjoy the fuss a show can bring. An attractive girl.

RED OF RED AND WHITE LH/SLH CAT This has to be the largest cat and certainly he would do credit to any Maine Coon Class as a pedigree. After the show I found out his rather checkered career from his owner. He was imported and she thought this was I think his third home. He was not happy at the show, a boy this size can be intimidating really. He was impressive in size. He was presented so well and well done his owner for the care and love given to this large boy. Thank you for giving him a home.

ANY OTHER PATTERN LH/SLH CAT

This female of just over two years was such a lovely looking lady and she was very much like a Birman in pattern. Her eyes would be the envy of many a Birman as they were so deep blue and of

such a nice size. She was incredibly well groomed and she appeared to know she was special and cooperated so well.

ANY COLOUR SELF SH CAT

This young man of just over two year was very like a pedigree Sphynx and Cream in colour. He was so well cared for and so cooperative. Obviously, I could not say how well he was groomed but the down was clean and so was he. Cats like this are special and have the need of dedicated owners. He was a delight to handle and show himself to perfection.

ANYOTHER PATTERN SH CAT

This seal and white was also well looked after and presented well and was of such a lovely nature. He handled so well and cooperated on the bench though I dare say he preferred to be at home. He was lovely and clean and I am sure enjoy the attention he gets. He certainly enjoyed playing with my teaser.