

**Linda Vousden's Judge Reports**  
**Tonkinese Breed Club Show 10<sup>th</sup> December 2016**

What a pleasure to be asked to judge at the National Cat Club and Tonkinese Breed Club shows. The show hall was bustling and bright with the beautiful rosettes. I had a wonderful range of breeds to judge at the National show, and I was delighted to see the Tonkinese turn out in force in so many colours and patterns. I don't think I've ever seen so many Blue Tonks in one place. A very big thank you to Carol, and her wonderfully efficient team, for making the day so successful; thank you to the exhibitors for trusting me with their lovely cats and thank you to Linda Whitmore for stewarding so gently and capably, making the day so easy for me.

**BREED Class T52 – Tonkinese Self Kitten - Brown, Chocolate or Cinnamon - One in class.**

**1<sup>st</sup> – Craig-McFeely's SHINARHA RAMESES MORIARTY (TOS n 32 (74)) M 13.04.2016.** A kitten of very nice type and a good weight and size for his age. A moderate wedge shaped head with gently rounded top between well-set broad based ears with oval tips and pricked forward. Slight nose break, level bite and medium depth of chin; correct muzzle slightly longer than wide and neither pointed nor square shaped with a nicely defined whisker pinch. His lovely almond shaped eyes are well-set with the correct blue/green eye colour developing well. He has a good TCR coat-pattern; his dark warm brown points merge very nicely into the lighter toning body colour. Elegant torso with level flanks, well-muscled. Strong slender legs with tidy oval feet. His gently tapering tail ends with a rounded tip and balances the body length well. Beautifully presented and prepared. A sweet natured kitten from which I was very sorry to withhold the BOB, but unfortunately he has clear barring on all four limbs.

**Misc. Class T116 – Debutante Adult – Two in class**

**1<sup>st</sup> - Craig-McFeely's RAMESES PEACH (TOS c 21 32 (74ct)) F 14.02.12.** I was smitten with this girl when I saw her at her first show, she has grown and matured beautifully. A very good head with rounded top and ears, strong muzzle and whisker pinch, level bite and medium depth of chin that all balance the overall moderate wedge of her head. Her whisker pads appear just a fraction full and rounded today but this doesn't detract from her stylish appearance. Her eyes are a beautiful blend of blue and green, her coat a warm ivory with toning soft lilac tabby markings that are correctly darker in tone on her points. The body is firm and elegant with the gently tapered tail balancing the length of the body nicely. A little reluctant to come out of her pen but handled well. I love her look and colour still.

**2<sup>nd</sup> – Goodburn's HYLILY DANCING QUEEN (TOS b 32 (74b)) F 26.05.13.** Overall impression of good type with good size for her age. Her tail appears to be a fraction short to balance the length of the well-muscled body. Her coat is soft and close-lying and a warm dark chocolate colour. However the large extent of the even-toned chocolate colouring over her points and torso, combined with eye colour that is predominantly green, is more consistent with a Tonkinese BCR coat-pattern than TCR. Sweet tempered and well presented.

**Misc. Class T126 – Visitors Adult – One in class**

**1<sup>st</sup> – Bernard's UKGr & IGrCh. AMORCATZ JANE EYRE (TOS a 32 (74a)) F 11.03.11.** I've long admired this pretty cat. She has a lovely Tonkinese type. Her head is a good moderate wedge with a rounded top between well-set medium-sized ears. She has a good profile with a gentle nose break, level bite and firm chin of medium depth. Good moderate muzzle and defined whisker pinch. Her well set eyes are a gentle almond shape and a clear light bluish-green. Her firm-toned body is elegant with a nicely rounded chest. She has straight limbs and neat little oval feet, her round tipped tapering tail nicely balances the body length. Her coat is soft, sleek and shining. An excellent example of the blue TCR with darker toning points merging gently with a lighter blue body colour that has attractive warm undertones. Leathers all matching in a blue-grey colours. Lovely temperament and well presented. Always a pleasure to see her.

**Misc. Class T144 – Kitten Over 6 Months – Four in class**

**1<sup>st</sup> Craig-McFeely's TALLICA RAMESES ENIGMA (TOS m 21 31 (74ntq)) M 21.04.16** Gorgeous lad. Friendly and outgoing kitten of excellent type. Firm-toned body of good size, weight and overall balance. Expressive greenish-blue eyes set well in a moderate wedge shaped head of beautiful proportions. His soft silky coat is a very good example of a caramel tabby BCR. The tabby markings are in a warm light caramel colour nicely even-toned over the paler agouti ground. Lovely condition, very well presented and very difficult for me to let him go back into his pen!

**2<sup>nd</sup> Hunter's TALLICA ARIZONA SKIES (TOS n 31 (74q)) F 21.04.16** Another very attractive cat, good overall type and balance, very feminine. A rich warm brown silky soft coat even-toned over the points and body in a good BCR coat-pattern, shading to a slightly lighter tone in her underparts. Rich golden green eyes. What a purrer! Lovely condition and well presented.

**3<sup>rd</sup> McNally-Roberts's TITANTONKS NEMESIS NEAREA (TOS c 31 (74cq)) F 25.05.16** Yet another lovely example BCR coat-pattern, in this case a lilac. Good overall type, weight and size. Her head is a good moderate wedge with well-set ears, and eyes of rich yellowish green. Her profile shows a rather shallow nose break, a level bite and a slightly receding chin. She has a very attractive even-toned dove pink coat that is soft and sleek. A friendly little girl, well-presented.

#### **Misc. Class T154 – Non-Breeders' Neuter Female – Two in class**

**1<sup>st</sup> Goodey's WHYOO RECKLESS (TOS b 21 32 (74bt)) FN 01.01.08** A beautiful warm chocolate tabby of good type and weight. Good moderate wedge shaped head with well-set ears to balance the shape, good muzzle and defined whisker pinch. Expressive almond shaped eyes of clear bluish green. Strong elegant body with limbs and tail to balance. Clear tabby markings, with the markings on the points a darker chocolate tone than the markings on the body showing the TCR coat-pattern well. Her coat is a lovely texture, soft and close-lying. A very stylish girl and well presented.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Chapell's RAMESES CONFORT (TOS b 32 (74b)) FN 16.10.14** A quiet and gentle cat of good type. Very nice moderate wedge shaped head with a good profile, correct nose break, level bite and firm chin of medium depth. Beautiful blue/green eyes. She has rich warm chocolate points that merge subtly with the lighter body colour. The coat is soft but a little fluffy today, perhaps the result of a bathing before the show? Although she is more comfortable in her pen than out she handles well and is well-presented.

#### **Misc. Class T160 – Adolescent Neuter – One in class**

**1<sup>st</sup> Phillips's TONKININI SPELLBINDER (TOS a (74a)) FN 18.10.15** A pretty cat of good medium type well-balanced overall. The head is a moderate wedge with a slightly fine muzzle. The coat is a good blue with slightly warm undertones in a very good example of the TCR coat-pattern. She has well-set almond shaped eyes of a rich green/blue. Interestingly she shows quite strong ticking that gives her the impression of having a silver sheen, and just a faint suggestion of tabby markings on the torso. Her coat is very soft and sleek. Easy to handle and well-presented.

#### **Misc. Class T 175 - Episcopuss Memorial, AC or Coat-Pattern Adult – One in class**

**1<sup>st</sup> Singleton's TONKYWAY TSEEN SHE (TOS a 21 32 (74at)) F 04.12.14** A shy, gentle girl who preferred to be in her pen today. Just a little slender but with good overall type. Her clear spotted-tabby markings are quite a dark blue with warm undertones; she has a good TCR coat-pattern and lovely blue/green eye colour. In good condition and well presented.

#### **Club Class T180 – AC Neuter – Two in class**

**1<sup>st</sup> Sturgess's RAMESES NAVARRE (TOS b 21 31 (74btq)) MN 16.10.14** An attractive cat of good size and type. Rich warm chocolate tabby markings, even-toned over the points and body in a good BCR coat-pattern. Head is a good moderate wedge with well-set slightly large ears; good profile with slight nose break, level bite and firm chin of medium depth. His greenish gold eyes are nicely almond shaped and a good size for his head. His coat is sleek and fine. A good natured cat and well-presented.

**2<sup>nd</sup> O'Shea's GrPr MIMAPERKS BURLINGTONBERTIE (TOS a 32 (74a)) MN 13.11.12** Another nice blue. Good overall type and size. Moderate wedge shaped head with good muzzle and defined whisker pinch. In profile

he shows a slight nose break with a small bump toward the end of his nose, a level bite and a medium chin. His bluish-green eyes are held a little full today. His soft close-lying coat shows the merging of the darkish blue points with the slightly lighter toning blue of his body in a good TCR coat-pattern. A gentle cat, easy to handle and well-presented.