



Retiring from the Committee after 15 years service, Linda was delighted to be presented with an 19th Century 'roof-cat', and honoured to be made a Vice-president of the TBC.

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**(Acting) Editor's Notes - Linda Vousden**

Well in the last issue I said that it was going to be the last issue I produced—HA!

However, Paul Watters will be taking over for the Autumn issue so please do send him some suitable articles; I hope there's something in here that you'll enjoy.  
*Cheers, Linda*

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**Chairman's Notes—Sue Amor**

Hello everybody and welcome to another year in the Tonkinese Breed Club calendar. I have been elected to serve you as the chairman and hope I can follow the lead of previous chairpersons. It was very sad that Linda Vousden finally hung up her mittens after 15 years on the committee. We will all miss her valuable input at meetings but are very relieved that she has agreed to be available as an advisor when necessary. We are lucky to have a keen committee, all of whom have different areas of expertise. I am certain the club is in capable hands.

We have had an eventful time since the last Tonkinfo. I must congratulate the Tonkinese BAC, and especially Linda, for the excellent seminar on 11<sup>th</sup> May. An excellent case was put forward for the solid and pointed coat pattern Tonkinese to be eligible for showing. It is great to see the support of the Tonk judges, breeders and pet owners who all attended the seminar. Please visit our website [www.tonkinese.info](http://www.tonkinese.info) to see how plans are progressing and to learn about our wonderful breed. Onwards and upwards!

**Hon. Secretary's Report—Anne Cox-Horton**

**Changes on the committee -** You will have seen Committee changes on page 2. Why did I agree to become secretary? Well I guess I thought I could take minutes. After I took the job on I was handed a two page list of things that the secretary has to do, including writing a report for each Tonkinfo issue. *Why did I agree to become secretary?*

**Short extracts from the AGM. -** *Our Cats* continues as the GCCF journal. The Tonkinese Breed Club website is gaining a news page which will be regularly updated. Membership fees have risen by £1 for single and joint membership (the last time they were increased was in 2001) - but Kitten list fees have been dispensed with as of 2009. Linda Vousden was elected to be a Vice President of the club.

**Rule changes at the AGM. -** Rule 9a has changed so that all AGM papers will be sent out to the membership not less than twenty eight days before the meeting. We hope this means that you will have long enough notice to put the AGM date in your diary before it is booked up with something else and short enough notice so that you don't forget all about it. Rule 5h has changed so that no committee member may serve as an officer of the club while serving as an officer of more than one other cat club. Also added to rule 5h, committee members and those standing for committee shall disclose their membership and office, if applicable, of any other cat club committee, prior to election in the case of those standing for committee.

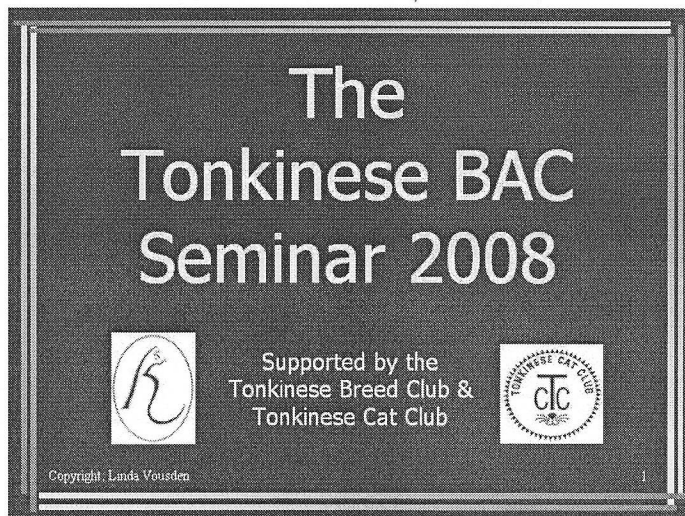
**What is going on at the Tonkinese Breed Advisory Committee -**

I attended the BAC Seminar on May 11<sup>th</sup>. Thank you Linda for a clear, interesting and informative talk about the solid, mink and pointed coat patterns, and that Tonkinese do breed true. It was a shame that no-one from the GCCF Executive was there to witness it.

**We need your help -** We need as many of you as possible to put your solids and pointed on exhibition along with your mink Tonkinese on the show bench. We need to show the public and the cat fancy that solid Tonks are *not* Burmese and pointed Tonks are *not* Siamese.

Register all your kittens, whatever pattern they are. Let Linda know about your litters also send her details of tonks entered in shows.

**Other breeds have more than one coat pattern registered, why can't we?**



The seminar was, by all accounts a great success. Although very few judges were able to attend, and we had a hiccup with the vet, the rest of the day went very smoothly. It was exceedingly hot outside, the hall was full and the only noisy cat was my own sweet brown Burmese girl, Shadow. The cats, their owners and other attendants all behaved just as you would have expected from the Tonkinese fraternity—inquisitive, friendly, eager to learn what's happening and why.

I have to commend Liz Case for rounding up so many excellent examples of the breed's colours and coat-patterns—probably the best range we've ever had at a seminar and very much appreciated by all. Also, I thank William Shepherd for taking photos for us.

The particular purpose of this seminar was to demonstrate to the GCCF Executive why we believe that it is not only time, but right, for our solid and pointed (Any Other Variety) coat-patterns to be shown in competition. The Executive declined the invitation but, in accordance with GCCF Rule 30, we have now duly complied with the first requirements of applying for the recognition of new coat-patterns for an existing breed. There is still a lot of work to be done and we require not only your support but your assistance. To start with we need you to complete and return the slip at the back of this issue (*return it to me, Linda Vousden, as per the address on page 2*). Keep an eye on the Tonkinese BAC page of [www.tonkinese.info](http://www.tonkinese.info) for periodic updates and progress reports. Put your Tonkinese AOVs on exhibition and show them to the judges.

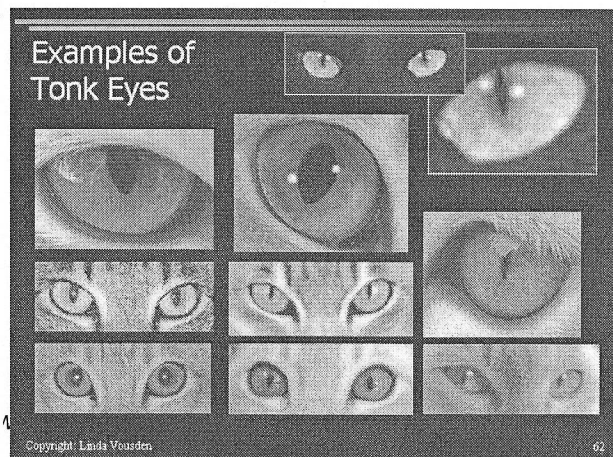
The seminar dealt with the two most common stock phrases against the breed—"They are just hybrids" and "They don't breed true", hopefully we managed to blast this trite nonsense to smithereines! We also looked at why the chocolate colour is different in behaviour from others colours affected by the albinism series & how the Tonkinese eye-colours are derived.

It was very satisfying to hear the feedback from the judges who were present, all of whom have signed our 'Commitment Form', and to see how much everyone enjoyed themselves, especially since some people had travelled for many hours & with their cats!

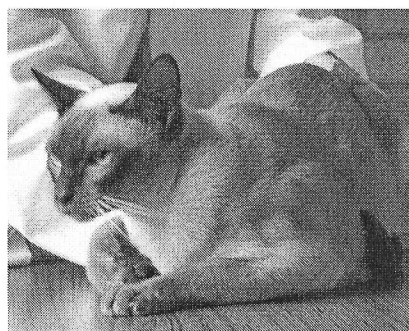
The presentation was followed with some good conversation and a much-appreciated buffet provided by Diana Bishop.

Thank you to everyone who helped and/or took the trouble to support us.

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Liz Case and Karen Durden helping Linda's presentation with the cats.

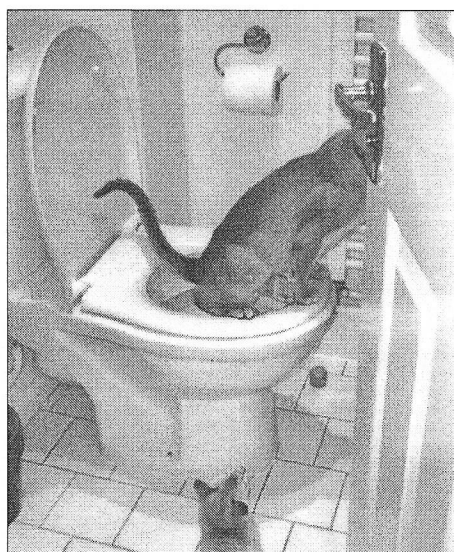
### FLUSHED WITH PRIDE

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My cat Peko, a two-year-old Tonkinese, decided to use our downstairs toilet a few days ago and I was so amazed at what I was witnessing that I never managed to get a photograph— until he did it again one evening when I did have the camera ready.

Now all I have to do is train him to flush it! His four-month-old friend Miya has been watching him, so maybe she will learn how to do it too— I could save a fortune on cat litter!

**Christine Francis**



**WRITE TO THE EDITOR**—see *Committee list for address*  
*Deadline for the next issue of Tonkinfo : 1st September 2008*

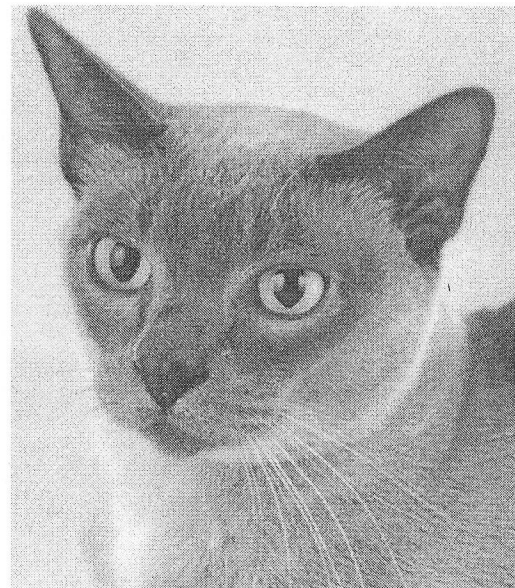
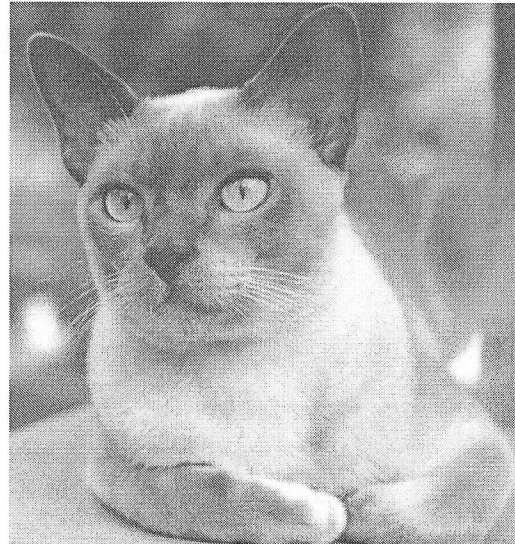
## Farewell My Sweet and Fabulous Fable

Addeish Lansdale Fable, our glorious blue boy who was known to his friends and many admirers as The Fabulous Fable, passed away on February 23rd this year.

Fable was truly fabulous—a bright, easy-going, loving cat who lived up to his name. He was born on Christmas Eve 1991, one of seven amazing kittens from our most gentle blue Burmese, Mistry. From the very beginning Fable left his mark on visitors to our home, his judges and the public who came to see the cat shows. He would spend all day in his show pen chatting to passers-by and paddling his feet in pleasure. One visitor, who saw him at the National Cat Club show said that he should have had his own piano; another came back three years in a row just to visit him in the 'World of Cats', asking for him by name.

Fable was highly successful in competition, but it was his outstanding temperament and the way he interacted with everyone that drew people to him; we had so many offers for him over the years, but he was always my own special boy. One judge described him as the best Tonkinese she had seen—he was certainly the best ambassador for the breed. He was placed 1st in a large class of 14 Foreign breeds by judge Anne Imlach; several years later she wrote to me and said how much she had admired him—and how memorable his wonderful character was.

His beautiful face has been used on the Cat World web site and in the magazine for over 10 years now—he featured considerably in the Rolf Harris 'Cat Crazy II' programme. No-one who ever met him, cat or human, failed to be charmed by him.; Mike and I miss him dreadfully, as does Shadow, his beloved Burmese companion—and the rest of the Mymystic family.



*The reason I have my Tonks today – after deciding that I really could have cats I remember reading through Cat World, Christmas edition and seeing a picture on the inside cover of a blue cat. Not being too sure what breed he was I decided this is the cat for me. I may not have come home with a blue Tonkinese a few months later, but I now have five Tonks and could not be without them. I later met with this blue Tonk I had seen in Cat World, his name was Fable and what a gentleman he was. Thank you Fable! Jo Whittington (Adoratonks)*

**Is Too Much Fish Harmful To Cats?**

Fish is a commonly used, safe, well-utilised dietary ingredient for use in balanced cat foods. This includes diets fed to neutered males. Fish is an excellent source of protein since it contains all the essential amino acids, and is an especially good source of lysine and methionine. The oil present in fish contains omega 3-essential fatty acids like DHA known to be important for brain, eye and urinary bladder function.

Feeding only fish meant for human consumption as the total diet of a cat – e.g., cans of tuna – is unbalanced. This type of “fish only” diet lacks added essential vitamins and minerals cats need. Instead, look for a fish-based cat food that is complete and balanced for the life stage and lifestyle of your cat.

**Unique Dietary Needs Of A Cats**

When it comes to eating behaviour and nutritional needs, it is essential pet owners recognize cats are not “just small dogs” and have unique and interesting needs when it comes to proteins, amino acids, essential fatty acids, water and more.

Here are 5 tidbits you may not know about your cat's diet:

1. Protein metabolism is unique in cats, requiring a higher protein intake in comparison with dogs. Animal sources of protein such as chicken, chicken meal, fish or fishmeal should always be on the ingredient list.
2. In cats, dietary taurine (a sulfur containing amino acids) is essential, and cardiac and eye problems can result if insufficient amounts are present in food. Most animal tissues contain high levels of taurine. Also, look for taurine to be listed separately in the ingredients.
3. Sulfur containing amino acids methionine and cystine are required in higher amounts by cats than most other species. A deficiency of these amino acids can lead to problems like weight loss, lethargy, eye discharge, dull coat and more. Again, these amino acids are found in animal tissue.
4. Unlike dogs, cats cannot produce arachidonic acid (an omega-6 fatty acid) and therefore require a source of animal fat in their diet, such as chicken meal or chicken fat. A shortage of these fatty acids can cause problems like fatty liver, reproductive failure, poor skin condition and impaired wound healing.
5. Cats do not adjust water intake based on their diet, and have reduced total water intake when fed dry foods only. Pet owners should encourage cats to drink water and have an adequate daily fluid intake.

The above information comes from the *Wellness* newsletter (US cat food manufacturer)



**HOW I DISCOVERED THE TONKINESE!**

The Committee agreed to each write a piece on how they came to be involved with the Tonkinese.

You may remember Nicki Steven's story, published in the Spring 2006 issue of Tonkinfo, here are a few more and, hopefully, the rest will be included in the next issue.

**VAL CHAPPLE, ANTIKPATINA (TBC Rescue Officer) -**

I first became aware of the Tonkinese breed when I got a phone call from our local Cats Protection. The manager at that time was Sarah she had been told that I "was good with Foreign cats". Sarah had homed a brown cat with an older couple, they had spent time at the shelter getting to know 'Simba' and decided he was just like their Burmese that had died; in fact they tried to make him be a Burmese. It didn't work—they had got to the stage where they could not catch him so Sarah asked if I would go and collect the cat.

Chris (my partner )and I went off to see what we could do, armed with gloves and my old leather coat. When we arrived we were taken to the kitchen, I will never forget it, everything was white except for a vase on the windowsill which I think was Coalport or Meisen; Simba had a cardboard box under the kitchen table.

This is when the fun started, Simba rushed upstairs - he was not allowed upstairs - we called, waited, down he came into the sitting room - he was not allowed in there, lots of rushing about by the lady, she had ornaments he would break them. It went on like this for two and a half hours, Simba arrived in the kitchen (this is the best bit) he came in looked around jumped onto the work top up on top of the wall cupboard and went round at head height over the eye level grill - all this at great speed, he dropped onto the worktop went over to the small window which had a Venetian blind. He climbed to the top where he hung pulling backwards, it came off the wall breaking the vase on the way down. He then turned around and did the biggest wee I have ever seen all over the worktop—he then came over to Chris and I we picked him up popped him in a carrier .

Simba stayed with us until he died, he swallowed a bee and died when we got him to the vets. He had the most amazing eye colour I have ever seen. What an introduction to Tonks!

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**SUE AMOR, AMORCATZ (TBC Chairman) -**

I first decided I'd like to take up breeding pedigree cats about 7 years ago when I had started thinking about impending retirement. I wanted a hobby that would keep me busy and stop me shopping! I have always loved cats and thought cat breeding would be for me.

I didn't know what cats I wanted to breed so read lots of books and decided to buy a Siamese and a Burmese kitten to keep as show neuters and see which was for me. I loved both cats dearly but there was always something missing. The Burmese was mischievous and pretty but very highly strung. The Siamese was lovely and played 'fetch' for ever but didn't have that special something!



I had discovered the internet by then and by chance stumbled upon Tonkinese cats and decided they were for me. Somebody recommended Jenny Ponsford to me and I went off to Boston and there began my love affair with Tonks. I had a lovely brown tabby variant to start with, Milly but soon went back to Jenny to ask her if she would entrust me with a breeding queen. That was when the lovely Kizzie, Bonzer Kiss Inthedark came into my life!

It is a wonder that poor Kizzie didn't develop a personality disorder though because she was registered as a lilac tabby. I took her to her first show (my 2<sup>nd</sup>) and proudly went to look at the results. She was the only one in her class and had w/c by her name. 'Oh bless!' I thought. 'They think she's a wonderful cat too!' Someone kindly explained that she had been wrong coloured. She went to her next show as a caramel tonk but, although not wrong coloured, came last in all her classes. She turned out to be a blue pointed! Although I was disappointed it certainly helped me to identify blue pointed kittens in the litters that followed.

I am very proud to be part of the Tonkinese community and have made some dear friends along the way. I am really enjoying my hobby but it hasn't stopped me shopping. I just buy things for the cats now!

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#### **PAUL WATTERS, VYVERA (TBC Tonkinfo Editor) -**

My first Tonkinese was Vicky who came to live with me at eight weeks of age in 1986. Having not been allowed to have a cat whilst growing up I knew that at some time a cat would become part of my life (note the singular here!) and I had long been planning my first feline companion. My original intention was to have a Siamese cat to satisfy a curiosity about the breed and I started to buy 'Exchange and Mart' eagerly trawling through the lists of kittens for sale. I knew nothing about buying pedigree cats and naively thought that buying a kitten from such a source was an OK thing to do. Anyway, having talked to a couple of Siamese breeders and after a lot of reading up, I decided that a solitary Siamese would not be a very good idea due to the breeds demanding nature and need for companionship. I felt very disappointed about this and didn't even contemplate that I could have two cats.

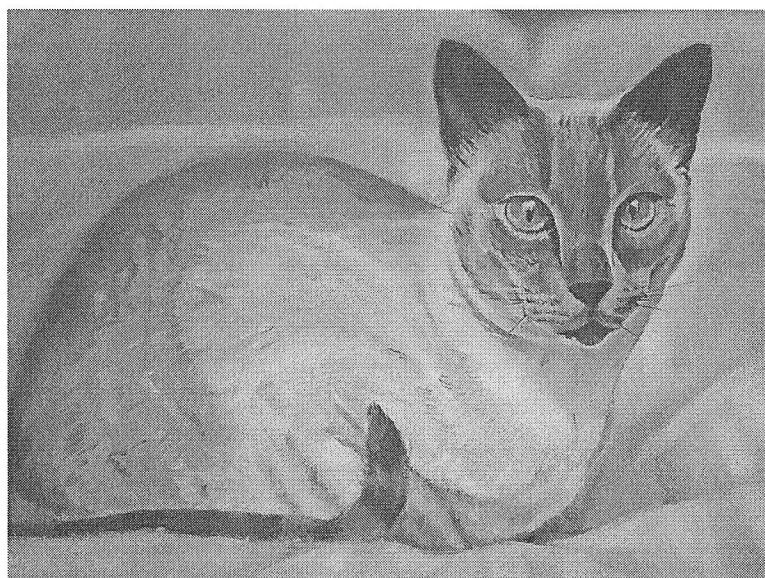
I put my plans on hold until a casual conversation with a work colleague revealed that she had just bought a 'Tonkinese' kitten which she raved about. It sounded ideal to me as it *'looked like a Siamese but was very laid back'* so I asked for the number of the breeder and got in touch. Mrs B sounded very ancient on the phone particularly characterised by her deafness. There was a lot of shouting from my end to eventually establish that she had three, four week old Tonkinese kittens and yes, I could come and see them the following week. I purchased my first major cat book in the meantime bought specifically because it had a small section on Tonkinese and as I re-read the section over and over again, I decided that this was definitely the breed for me.

I turned up on Mrs B's doorstep one sunny Sunday morning in May 1986 little realising that I was about to meet for the first time, a companion and friend who would be with me for almost the next nineteen years. Mrs B showed me into her dark and rather dank hallway where there was a kitten pen set up; in it were three kittens tumbling and playing with each other. I had already decided that I wanted a female kitten and was delighted to be told that there was one girl in the litter. She was what I later came to know as a 'blue pointed' Tonkinese (although Mrs B referred to her a 'Siamese type') and it was literally a case of love at first sight.

**How I discovered Tonkinese contd ...**

I just knew that I had to have that kitten and no other would do. A deal was struck; I could have her for the princely sum of £35 and there would be no papers as it was an 'experimental' breed, her father being a lilac Siamese and her mother a 'sable' Burmese. I could hardly draw myself away from this little bundle of fur with her beautiful eyes although when I look back now I can't understand why I didn't want to take either of the two boys with her. One was also blue pointed and the other was a sable 'Burmese type', although as I said before, I only ever imagined having one cat and it had to be a female. It was as if fate had sent me the little blue eyed girl and no other would do. I was told I could have her when she was eight weeks old.

Three weeks later I went and brought her home. For me it was akin to new parents bringing a newborn baby back from the hospital. It was so exciting to have this bundle in the house and to get to know her little ways as she grew and developed. Her box with the cut down side and sheepskin inset was abandoned on the second night when she moved into my bed. She was a great 'fetcher' and hours were spent throwing scrunched up paper balls for her to bring back to me. We bonded in a way that I could never have imagined and that bond remained intact right the way through her life. I eventually did come to understand that she needed feline companionship. I was at work most days and she obviously got bored while I was away so when she was a year old Vicky had playmate, a seal point Siamese (Cedric), followed a few years after that by a Russian Blue (Zoe). She remained however ruler of the household and forever 'my' cat. She only ever sat in my lap and although friendly to every one as Tonks tend to be, she definitely let people know that I was hers. A friend once told me that when I left the room Vicky watched the door patiently waiting for my return and that she didn't actually relax again until I was back. Partners quickly came to know that Vicky was part of the deal!



*Vicky , painted by Paul Burchall*

**THE TBC WEB SITE**

Visit the TBC web site - [www.tonkinese.info](http://www.tonkinese.info) it includes: -

The Club's primary contacts  
The Rescue & Welfare, Lost & Found Tonks & Breeder's Re-Homing pages  
Tonkinese Kitten List & Stud list  
Members' 'For Sale' page  
Report, with pictures, on the Club's shows & AGM Awards  
A list of members who breed Tonks  
Tonkinese BAC news  
A list of Titled Tonkinese  
The NEWS PAGE  
All the official GCCF policies etc relating to Tonks and much more.  
If you have an idea for the Club web site just let Linda know by e-mailing it to  
[tbc.uk@ntlworld.com](mailto:tbc.uk@ntlworld.com)

The years merged together and suddenly she was ten and then twelve and then sixteen and then eighteen. We knew each other so well and it seemed that there hadn't been life before her. She did become a little bit deaf and sometimes appeared mildly confused and she did start to drink more as her renal function progressively deteriorated yet it seemed she was immortal. Alas she wasn't and one day she looked at me and I saw suddenly saw that her beautiful blue eyes were fading and that she was tired and needed to needed to say goodbye.

Vicky died in February 2005, five years after her Siamese companion. Although she had to be put to sleep, this was carried out at home which for me meant a lot. She enjoyed a wonderful life (I presume!). She was certainly spoiled rotten and loved intensely. I didn't think I would ever want another cat; Zoe and I settled into a new routine but there was a big space in our lives. A few months after Vicky died I found myself searching through the internet for 'Tonkinese cats'.

I knew that Vicky was a Tonkinese and I knew what that meant but suddenly I wanted to know more- a lot more. I became absorbed in the history of the breed, the genetics, the websites etc. It was a bit like therapy as it became so engrossing and really helped to take my mind off the pain of losing Vicky. And of course it soon became obvious that I did want another cat and it would certainly have to be a Tonkinese! Eventually I contacted a wonderful breeder who had a litter of kittens due and because of my discussions with that breeder and the resulting kinship; I eventually came to bring home two very special girls. They in turn have both produced very beautiful kittens. Vicky lives on in my new Tonkinese family, although not genetically of course, and the first two letters of my GCCF prefix, (Vyvera), are there to encapsulate her. I feel her spirit will continue through all Vyvera kittens as it was she who brought me to love and admire this wonderful breed of cat and to want to contribute to its development. Vicky gave so much devotion and love over all those years and I feel deeply privileged to have had the pleasure of such a wonderful feline friend. She is hugely missed.

As I write this, I have a litter of five Tonkinese kittens running around the house, four boys and a blue pointed girl. This girl reminds me of my little Vicky all those years ago. Unfortunately she isn't staying but going on to a wonderful home where I know she will be loved and cherished.

*This article was to have been printed in Our Cats in November 2007. Unfortunately due to some extremely bad luck poor Liz had two major PC crashes—I was there when Steve was pulling the fluff out of her laptop to discover a completely melted circuit board! She has only just been able to retrieve her repost and photos—the results were published on the TBC web site for those who have internet access [Ed.]*

## **Tonkinese Breed Club's 5<sup>th</sup> Championship Show, 27 October 2007**

*Report by Liz Case*

An early start was called for this, a relatively local show for me, with three cats in competition and all the trophies to organise. I have to take my hat off to Ann Cox-Horton for the fantastic job she has done over the years with all the trophies – I never imagined the work that goes into organising the them and the paperwork that goes with it!

Although there were slightly less cats entered than last year there were a number of new faces with new kittens which was a delight to see. People demonstrated real commitment to the breed, travelling from as far as Norfolk and Cardiff to attend the show. It was also lovely to see the dedicated exhibitors and to catch up on their news – and there are those that are truly dedicated – Vince and Coral Macey have attended every single Tonkinese Breed Club Show! As we all settled our cats in there was a buzz in the hall – it great to have so many Tonk slaves in one place! However we would love to see a few more Tonks at this year's show on 25<sup>th</sup> October 2008.

When 10 'Clock arrived and the exhibitors left the hall it gave me the opportunity to have a look around the stalls. Valerie Chapple was selling her fantastic calendars in support of Welfare, these have become eagerly anticipated every year even selling in Italy, and this year I was delighted to see the photo of my kittens I had submitted had been included. The club table was another sight to behold with an array of useful Tonk information and Tonkinised mugs and bags, thank you Linda for pulling all this together and to Linda and Mike for donating this years Best of Breed prize, a great scratching station to go around the leg of a table – ingenious!

Every year we have a theme for the show and this year the theme was 'An English Country Garden', Anne Cox-Horton was more inventive than ever with the decorations and the hall came alive with butterflies and beetles. A number of the Exhibition Pens had made a tremendous effort and really brought the theme alive. The best decorated pen trophy went to Christine and Jo Richards for Tonkaholics Secret Destiny's beautiful pen. The number of cats on exhibition was a welcome sight, helping many people to understand that Tonkinese are Tonkinese in all three coat patterns! We even have an award for the best example of a Tonkinese in either Solid or Pointed Coat Pattern and this year it went to Gilly Wheatley's Mymystic Nestor, aka Orlando, Brown Tabby with a Solid Coat Pattern and thanks to Gilly who managed to beat her excellent record takings on the Club Tombola Table – Well Done Gilly!

Everything was organised very efficiently and the results started rolling in and I then had the puzzle of piecing together who had won which trophy!

Episcopuss Ianthe was awarded the certificate for the oldest cat in competition and her owner Diane Bishop asked 'where's the certificate for the oldest exhibitors?'



There is a huge list of people to thank, especially Gill Cornish and Kathy Wilkinson for a well organised and smoothly run show. Kathy again for the fantastic goodies she gleans from sponsors. A general thank you to the committee for all their hard work to help make the show a success, the judges and stewards for handling the cats in such a caring way, our team of runners India, Pippa and Nikita, and the final thank you must go to all the wonderful Tonks for impeccable behaviour and style! *So to the results—see page 14!*



Kathy, Gill & Mike at the Show Manager's table.



Liz at the Cup table.

### ***The Creation Of Pets— A Recent Biblical Discovery***

It is recently reported that the following edition of the Book of Genesis was discovered within the Dead Sea Scrolls. If authentic, it would shed light on the question, "Where do pets come from?"

And Adam said, "Lord, when I was in the garden, you walked with me everyday. Now I do not see you anymore. I am lonesome and it is difficult for me to remember how much you love me."

And God said, "I will create a companion for you that will be with you forever and will be a reflection of my love for you, so that you will know I love you, even when you cannot see me. Regardless of how selfish and childish and unlovable you may be, this new companion will accept you as you are and will love you as I do, in spite of yourself."

Lo, God created a new animal as companion for Adam. And the new animal was pleased to be with Adam and he wagged his tail. And Adam said, "But Lord, I have already named all the animals in the Kingdom and all the good names are taken and I cannot think of a name for this new animal."

And God said, "Because I have created this animal to be a reflection of my love for you, his name will be a reflection of my own name, and you will call him DOG."

And Dog lived with Adam and was a companion to him and loved him. And Adam was comforted.

And God was pleased. And Dog was content and wagged his tail.

Soon it came to pass that Adam's guardian angel came to the Lord and said, "Lord, Adam has become filled with pride. He struts and preens like a peacock and he believes he is worthy of adoration. Dog has indeed taught him that he is loved, but no one has taught him humility."

And the Lord said, "I will create for him a companion who will be with him forever and who will see him as he is. The companion will remind him of his limitations, so he will know that he is not worthy of adoration."

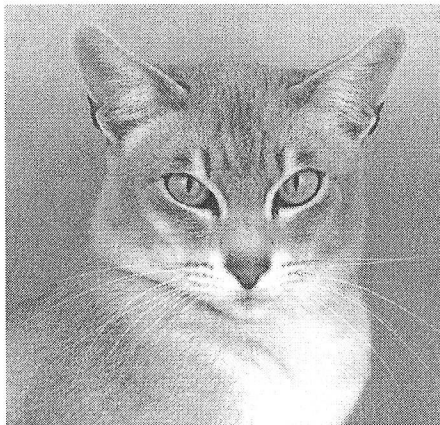
And God created CAT to be a companion to Adam. Cat did not obey Adam. And when Adam gazed into Cat's eyes, he was reminded that he was not the supreme being. And Adam learned humility.

And God was pleased. And Adam was greatly improved. And Cat did not care one way or the other.

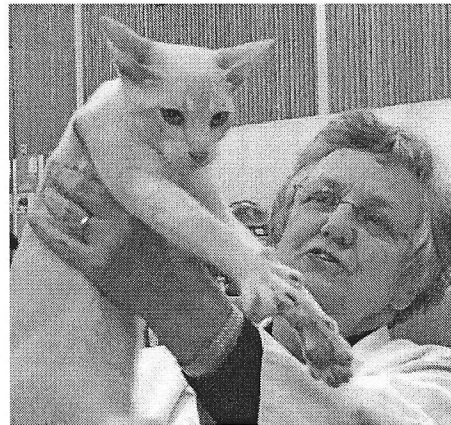
**For the Best In Shows we had one of each - a Tabby, a Self and a Tortie.**



**Overall Best in Show & Best in Show Neuter**  
GrCh & GrPr Tonkaholics Isla Tanika (74e)  
Owned/bred by Christine & Jo Richards



**Best in Show Adult & Red Card Day**  
GrCh Mymystic Pharoah (74at)  
owned & bred by Linda Vousden



**Best in Show Kitten**  
Tonkaholics Opalite (74f)  
owned by Tracey Mann  
bred by Christine & Jo Richards  
*(seen here with Diana Harper)*

**The other three Best of Breed winners were:**

**Adult** - GrCh Fecheldee Chilai Titaya, owned by Liz Case, bred by Vince & Coral Macey  
**Kitten**—Amorcatz Lara Croft, owned & bred by Sue Amor  
**Neuter**—GrPr Mymystic Pagansun, owned by Val Chapple, bred by Linda Vousden

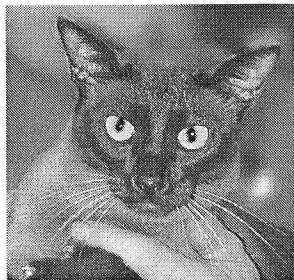
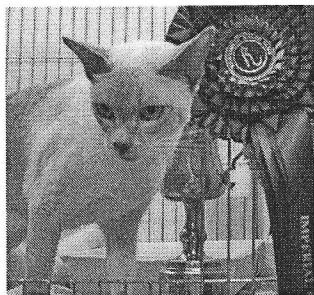
**Certificates were awarded to:**

**Imperial**—GrCh Mymystic Pharoah, GrCh Fecheldee Chailai Titaya, GrPr Mymystic Nimrod  
GrCh&GrPR Tonkaholics Isla Tanika

**Grands**— GrCh Mymystic Pharoah, Ch Tarjjika Skylark, GrPr Mymystic Pagansun,  
GrCh&GrPR Tonkaholics Isla Tanika

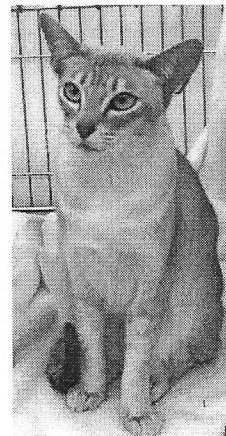
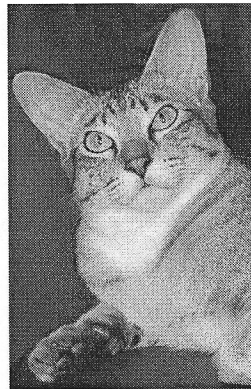
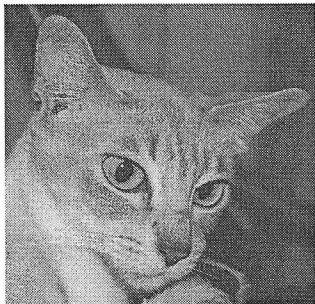
**Challenge-** Amorcatz Minnie Coopurr

**Premier**—Keroon Tegath Frociuous, IGrCh Tonkaholics Istar



**Top:** GrCh Fecheldee Chailai Titaya, GrPr Mymystic Pagansun

**Bottom:** Tonkaholics Hopenglory & Tonkaholics Orion, Amorcatz Minnie Coopurr, Mymystic Nestor, Ch Tarjjika Skylark



**Join Us This Year At The  
>>>> TONKINESE BREED CLUB's <<<<<  
6th Championship Show**

**Bracknell Leisure Centre, 25th October 2008**

Our theme this year will simply be the lovely Club colour – Aquamarine

So join us in celebrating the 3 Tonk coat-patterns with their lovely jewel-like gold/green/  
aqua/blue eyes.

The schedule will be available to print from the TBC web site in August  
or send a C5 SAE to

Mrs K Wilkinson, 5 Beltana Drive, Gravesend, Kent DA12 4BT

### ***The YUPPY'S Cat Lexicon***

My cat does not barf hairballs she is a floor/rug redecorator  
My cat does not break things she helps gravity do its job  
My cat does not fear dogs they are merely sprint practice tools  
My cat does not gobble she eats with alacrity  
My cat does not scratch he is a furniture/rug/skin ventilator  
My cat does not yowl he is singing off-key  
My cat is not a "shedding machine" she is a hair relocation stylist  
My cat is not a "treat-seeking missile" she enjoys the proximity of food  
My cat is not a bed hog he is a duvet appreciator  
My cat is not a chatterbox she is a spin doctor  
My cat is not a dope addict she is catnip appreciative  
My cat is not a lap fungus she is bed selective  
My cat is not a pest she is attention deprived  
My cat is not a ruthless hunter she is a wildlife control expert  
My cat is not evil she is badness enhanced  
My cat is not fat he is mass enhanced  
My cat is not hydrophobic she has an inability to appreciate moisture  
My cat is not lazy he is motivationally challenged  
My cat is not underfoot he is leading me to my next destination  
(the food dish!)

### ***Irritable Lap Syndrome***

**Symptoms:** The cat appears unable to settle comfortably on laps, instead treading, kneading, rearranging itself, fidgeting, vocalizing, getting up and turning around, falling off lap and getting back on again, attacking magazines, needlework, computer keyboard, telephone etc.

**Treatment:** Immediate treatment is essential. Drop whatever you are doing (literally if need be) and give 100% attention to the sufferer otherwise symptoms may escalate and become quite distressing to the lap-owner. Only prolonged attention will cure an attack of

Irritable Lap Syndrome. Like Collapsible Legs this syndrome is incurable, although attacks may be effectively treated as and when they occur.



**ANNUAL CLUB AWARDS**

The following were presented at the AGM for Members' Show Achievements during 2007. Congratulations to all, we look forward to seeing more people showing their Tonks and claiming awards next year. Remember, your claims for 2008 must be sent to Liz Case by February 2009. Claim forms are available from our web site, or send a SAE to Liz for one.

**AWARD**

- Most successful Adult Male—GrCh Mymystic Pharoah (L Vousden)
- Most successful Adult Female—GrCh Fecheldee Chailai Titaya (L Case)
- Most successful Neuter—GrCh&IGrPr Tonkaholics Isla Tanika (C&J Richards)
- Most successful Kitten—Pr Mymystic Pharoahs Gold (C Taylor)
- Most successful Brown/Blue/Choc./Lilac—IGrPr Mymystic Pagansun (V Chapple)
- Most successful Brown.—IGrPr Mymystic Pagansun (V Chapple)
- Most successful Blue.—*Not claimed this year*
- Most successful Chocolate (series) - Ch Tonkaholics Superstar (C&J Richards)
- Most successful Lilac - GrCh Fecheldee Chailai Titaya (L Case)
- Most successful Red Adult.—*Not claimed this year*
- Most successful Red A/K/N—GrPr Tonkaholics Antares (K Wilkinson)
- Most successful Cream A/K/N—*Not Awarded This Year*
- Most successful Tortie—GrCh&IGrPr Tonkaholics Isla Tanika (C&J Richards)
- Most successful Caramel or Apricot (series) - IGrPr Mymystic Mischa (K Wilkinson)
- Most successful Tabby Adult, Male—GrCh Mymystic Pharoah (L Vousden)
- Most successful Tabby Adult, Female—Ch Tonkaholics Superstar (C&J Richards)
- Most successful Tabby Neuter.—Pr Archenzo Jackthelad (C Bernard)
- Most successful Tabby Kitten Male.—Tonkaholics Amun Ra (S Sears)
- Most successful Tabby Kitten Female.—Tonkaholics Cassiopeia (K Wilkinson)
- Most successful Brown tabby A/K/N—Pr Mymystic Pharoahs Gold (C Taylor)
- The Tonk most often on Exhibition—GrCh Mymystic Pharoah (L Vousden) & Tonkaholics Secret Destiny (C&J Richards)
- Most successful exhibitor (who has joined the Club within last 2 years) - Catherine Bernard
- Member who has shown most Tonks during the year—Christine & Jo Richards

**Tonkinese BAC Commitment Form**

Please sign this form & return it to Linda Vousden (TBAC Secretary) in support of the promotion of the Tonkinese Solid & Pointed coat-patterns (AOVs). The forms will be used to support our application to the GCCF. Please encourage your friends to do the same, we are happy for exhibitors and breeders of all breeds to sign this support form—a printable copy is on the TBC web site—TBAC page ([www.tonkinese.info](http://www.tonkinese.info))

**I support the Tonkinese BAC's application to have the Solid and Pointed Tonkinese coat-patterns (AOVs) registered as new coat-patterns of an existing breed on the Experimental register (i.e. NOT as variant coat-patterns); with the right to be shown in Assessment classes.**

Print Name:

Signature:

Print GCCF Prefix if any:

Print Breeds involved with:

## TBC Recommendations For Breeders

In addition to the GCCF Code of Ethics the TBC strongly recommends that the following points are noted by owners of queens and studs.

- 1 If breeding from a Tonkinese on the REference register, ensure that it complies with the current Tonkinese Registration Policy - some cats are on the REference register because they have ancestors that are not permitted in the Tonkinese breed programme (eg. Orientals or cats of unregistered or unknown parentage).
- 2 A stud owner is not obliged to accept a queen to stud
- 3 Studs must be on the active register with the GCCF and must have their Certificate of Entirety (COE) lodged with the GCCF prior to the registration of their first litter. Stud owners should be able to show a copy of the COE to the queen's owner.
- 4 Studs, and visiting queens, should be vaccinated against Feline Enteritis and Cat 'Flu (but not within 14 days before the mating). Homeopathic vaccinations are not acceptable. Vaccination certificates should be available for inspection.
- 5 Studs must be regularly tested for FeLV and FIV, even if they are inoculated against FeLV. It is recommended that they are tested at least once per year and the documentation should be shown to the owners of visiting queens.
- 6 The stud owner **must** supply the following for the queen's owner : a). A mating certificate that complies with GCCF Section 1 Rule 3d.. b) A full pedigree of the stud showing at least three generations with full registration numbers. c) A receipt for the stud fee.
- 7 The stud owner must make clear any conditions relating to the kittens, or repeat matings, before the queen is left with the stud.
- 8 The stud premises should be available for inspection, by appointment, by the queen's owner prior to the queen being brought to stud.
- 9 Queens must be on the active register with the GCCF.
- 10 It is recommended that queens are tested for FeLV and FIV within 24 hours before visiting the stud, unless from a fully tested household, and the documentation should be shown to the stud's owner.
- 11 Unaccompanied queens should not be accepted to stud (ie. sent by train, bus etc.)
- 12 The queen's owner has a responsibility to make arrangements, including the inspection of stud premises, well in advance of taking the queen to stud.
- 13 The queen's owner should be aware that the stud fee is for the services of the stud and is not based upon results - it should be offered at the time the queen is left with the stud.
- 14 The breeder **must supply** each kitten owner with a copy of the GCCF code of ethics; a valid vaccination certificate showing that the full course has been completed for Enteritis and cat 'flu; a properly completed pedigree certificate that includes at least three generations with full registration numbers and the pink registration certificate duly signed by the breeder for transfer of ownership

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