Linda Vousden - Judge Report for Bedford & District CC Show 23-04-2016

Congratulations to Sally and both Committees for such a well-run and most friendly joint show. I was delighted to be invited to judge - and had a lovely day! My thanks also to Mike, my ever gentle and considerate steward.

Breed Class B423 – Snowshoe Kitten - One in class. 1st & BOB – Gee's SAPPHIRESTAR YETI (SNO n 05) M 08.08.2015.

Overall impression of a well grown, attractive coloured kitten with good Snowshoe type and a well-defined mitted coat-pattern. The top of his head is nicely rounded between broadbased, medium-sized ears that are well-set, pricked forward and oval tipped. The gentle plane of his forehead leads to a good profile showing a slight nose break then a straight nose down to a level bite with a chin that is a little shallow in depth. From the front the head shows a balanced and nicely rounded broad wedge with high cheek-bones, a moderate muzzle and defined whisker pinch that is neither pointed nor square. The medium-sized walnut shaped eyes are well set with the outer edge in line with the base of the ear, the lower lid a little more rounded than the upper. The eye colour is already a good clear blue. The medium-long body has good weight and is firm-toned, showing balance and strength. The hind limbs are slightly longer than the forelimbs, with neatly shaped oval feet. The tail tapers very slightly and has a rounded tip, the length balances the body length well. The coat is soft and dense in texture, rather full and fluffy at present. The warm dense seal colour of the points contrasts well with the golden beige of his body; there is some acceptable seal shading over his lower back, flanks and rump that matches the colour tone of his points. His mask is nicely restricted to the eye and muzzle areas, his chin is a clean white. The coat shows a good expression of the mitted pattern, less than a third of the overall coat being white. The toes of the forepaws are a clean white and the degree of white on each foot matches the other well. The hind limbs have matching boots of white extending nicely up to the hocks with rich seal above. He has a little patch of seal on the underside of his left rear foot. He has a small bib of white on his chest, a small patch of white on his underbelly and a little seal shading on the lower stomach. The leathers all match in tone. A calm and gentle male who enjoys his cuddles and is easy to handle. Very well groomed and beautifully presented.

Misc. Class B764 Foreign Breeders Adult

1st Caunters Ch THICKTHORN BALTI (OCI b) M 10/04/15

A most stylish warm chocolate Ocicat. A well balanced large strong body, a good moderate wedge-shaped head with a broad top between well set medium-large ears with round, tufted, tips. In profile he has a slight nose break, level bite and chin of good depth. Lovely deep gold almond shaped eyes. His coat is short, close-lying and well spotted, I especially liked the spotting over the shoulders. The typical tabby markings on head, chest, tail and limbs are all present and well defined. A gentle cat in excellent condition, well presented and a pleasure to handle – so friendly.

2nd Eames's GRCH ABYDREAMES SPECSAPPEAL (ABY a) F 22/02/15

Well balanced and good Abyssinian type. Lovely blue colour with warm undertones, very good clear ticking. Good moderate wedge shaped head, profile shows clean nose break, rounded muzzle, level bite and firm chin. Beautiful eyes. Just a touch of white under the chin, coat is clear of tabby barring, short, soft but resilient in texture. A lovely girl, in beautiful condition. A little grumpy but easy to handle. Well presented.

3rd Warrener's GRCH REXIRU TOKYO DRIFT, (DRX hs) F 30.07.13

Attractive chocolate tortie smoke Devon Rex with a sweet little pixie face. She has a short wedge-shaped head with flat skull, high cheek bones, defined whisker pinch, clear nose break, level bite and a very slightly receding chin. Eyes of pale yellow well shaped and set. Strong balanced body, broad chest, slender legs and tapering tail of good length. Coat has good rexing both visible and to touch. A very wriggly girl but most friendly once on the table. Well presented and in lovely condition.