

Linda Vousden's Judge Reports
Bucks, Oxon & Berks CS, 31st March 2018

What a complex of shows, 6 in all and beautifully managed by the various teams! Thank you Sally, for asking me to judge again – always a pleasure. I had some super cats and all were easy to handle, which my staunch steward, Mike, also appreciated.

Breed Class B420 Aztec Kitten – One in class

1st & BOB Bryce's ANIZZ ODIN OF ALBION (AZT bs) M 26-10-2017.

I am really smitten with this young chocolate silver male. He has bags of confidence and certainly makes use of his double pen, so that I am able to see something of his 'stalking' gait. His head is a good modified wedge, a little longer than wide with rather large, broad based ears nicely set at an angle of 45 degrees out from the centre of his nose, and pricked forward giving an alert expression. They have rounded tips and slight tufts. He also has rather large but well-shaped oval feet – so there is promise that he'll grow into his ears. His top of head is gently rounded and gradually slopes down to his brow. In profile his nose shows a slight dip, it then runs in a straight line to the end. His bite is level and he has a firm chin of good depth. He has a medium whisker pinch and a moderate muzzle that looked just a touch fine but when he settled into his pen he puffed his muzzle out nicely to square it off. His cheeks are gently curved. His lustrous amber-gold eyes are a good almond shape set at a slight angle up at the outer edge. His neck is strong but elegant, and his chest deep and broad for his age. His long slender body is heavy and firmly muscled; well balanced by his long tail that tapers slightly without being 'whippy', rounded at the tip. He has long firm and straight limbs, with the previously mentioned large feet. His coat is sleek and glossy. The tabby pattern presents a notable 'wild' impression. His coat is dark warm chocolate laid on a pale silvery cream agouti ground that is paler on his face and underbelly. The ground colour is clean and untarnished. His leathers are a dark chocolate, with the pink nose clearly outlined in chocolate. His head markings are well defined with an intricate scarab, mascara lines around the eyes, eye and cheek ribbons, clear whisker spots and thumb prints on the back of the dark chocolate ears; he has a couple of well-defined broken necklets. His tail is well ringed with diamond shaped rings and a dark tip. His forelimbs are striped in dark chocolate. From a 'butterfly' effect over his shoulders there are parallel stripes along his spine and beautifully clear stripes and whorls of chocolate over his torso, with a well-ringed 'oyster' mark on each flank. The tabby markings on each side of his torso match beautifully. His paler underbelly shows slight spotting. Overall I found him to be a lovely example of his breed with a very striking presence, extremely friendly and well-prepared and presented. I was delighted to see that he went on to be BIS For Kitten at one of the other shows on the day.

Miscellaneous Class B807 AV Foreign Adolescent Adult – Five entered, 1 absent.

1st Bond's WOTMORE NIGHT-HUNTER (BEN n 24) M 20-06-17 Very attractive male, extremely chatty but easy to handle. Lovely coat for colour, pattern and texture. Overall good type, just a little heavy for his age. Clear green eyes, warm toned brown spotted coat with lovely ruddy agouti ground, evident glitter and clear markings. Well prepared.

2nd Hopkins's REGALRUSSIANS FYODOR (RUS a) M 04-04-17 Nice friendly cat. Good head with notable jowls that don't detract from overall balance. Good overall type. Coat free of shading, soft and dense and with a subtle silvery sheen. Lustrous clear green eyes. Reluctant to return to his pen. Well presented.

3rd Judge's Ch SINGANEKO APHRODITE (SIN) F 07-05-17 A very wriggly little female of good overall type and coat. Notable dark tip to her tail, warm toned coat close lying and very soft. Well prepared.

X3rd McRea's Ch CAGARAN ZERAH (ALH ds 11) M 19-04-17 Good overall type, profile shows slight nose bump. Coat is clear red silver shaded, a little harsh in texture but he may have been rolling in his spilt litter, and his coat still has time to improve. Tail a touch short for balance. Gentle young male, easy to handle.

Miscellaneous Class B826 AV Foreign Radius Kitten – 1 in class.

1st Thorogood's AROANUI DEJA VOODOO (DRX ns) F 24-07-2017. What a sweet little female, very relaxed and a proper little pixie. Good black smoked coat with clean silvery roots and dense black points. Soft and nicely rippled fur. Well-shaped yellow-green eyes. Well-presented and a pleasure to handle.

Miscellaneous Class B843 AV Foreign Visitors Neuter – 3 in class.

1st Loch's Ch&Pr TALEH KO SAMUI (TOS b 32) FN 25-08-2011. A gentle girl, large and weighty but still elegant. Good head and body type overall, just a little fine in the muzzle. Excellent example of a warm chocolate TCR pattern, well coloured with maturity but retaining the clarity of pattern. Beautiful lustrous eyes with the perfect balance of blue and green. Very well prepared and presented.

2nd Workman's EASTPOINT SOIGNE SORREL (SUF b) MN 09-09-2016. This large attractive male lives up to his name, with a superb silky rich chocolate coat, gleaming with health. Clear green eyes. Good weight, well prepared and easy to handle – but not easy to take out of the 'hooded' bed.

3rd Macey's IGCh & GPr FEHELDEE DAISIEMAY (TOS k 32) FN 01-12-2006. A lovely girl, beautiful clear aqua eyes, and an excellent coat for colour and pattern. Not as relaxed as usual and coat rather open.