

## Linda Vousden's Judge Reports for Eastern Counties Cat Club Show 9<sup>th</sup> July 2016

Many thanks to Audrey for inviting me to judge at this friendly show; and congratulations to the Club on its 25<sup>th</sup> Championship show. I thank my husband Mike for his usual considerate stewarding. We had a lovely time, and a delicious lunch. I was delighted to judge the Overall BIS HHP and had two lovely contenders, sweet and ever gentle little OSIGMC Heidi and MC Tiggy, a huge golden coloured lad who won me over for the prize with his rumbling purr.

### PEDIGREE SECTION

**BREED Class E414 – Tonkinese Kitten (TCR)** - One in class, absent

**BREED Class E415 – Tonkinese Kitten (BCR)** - One in class, absent.

I was sorry not to see these kittens and hope the owner is feeling better soon.

### HHP SECTION

**Olympian Class E995 – AV HP Imperial Grand Master Cat, Male – 4 entries.**

A class of very handsome, and obviously well-loved, cats. The choice between the top two was particularly difficult but Bruno's extra loving behaviour gave him the edge.

**1<sup>st</sup> & OLY – Chapman-Beer's IGMC BRUNO (Brown SH) MN, 8years old.** What a lovely nature! A very attractive cat with a rich, warm brown coat, soft and silky to touch with a little sprinkling of sunshine hairs across his back. Expressive greenish-gold eyes. Slender but with a nice muscle-toned feel to him. Overall head, body and tail well-proportioned. Lovely condition and beautifully presented. He came out on to the table easily and made good use of his time for head-bunts and cuddles – just what I want in a pet. Well groomed, trimmed and presented. A worthy winner and I was really delighted to hear that this made him up to an Olympian.

**2<sup>nd</sup> & Res.Oly – Newton's OBIGMC BANDIT (Red-Tabby CP SLH) MN, 3years 6months.** A beautiful looking cat, very well-groomed rich soft warm ivory coat with clean bright red-tabby points. A large heavy male, perhaps a little plump. Lovely china blue eyes. Confidant and good natured, very well prepared and presented. Another cat I'd be happy to have on my sofa.

**Also:**

**Kidd's IGMC MARMADUKE (Ginger-Tabby SH) MN, 3years old.** A handsome lad who looked better out of his pen. Clear tabby markings in rich marmalade gold, with golden eyes and, curiously, both black and white vibrissae.

**Kidd's OBIGMC DOMINO (Black SH) MN, 6years old –** The most beautiful soft and plush coat of dense black set off by pale green eyes. Not entirely comfortable today and preferred to be in his pen. Both cats were well groomed and presented.

**IMPERIAL CLASS E1007a – AC PEDIGREE PET GRAND MASTER CAT, MALE – 3 entries.** It was a close decision, each cat was in lovely condition and so good natured.

**1<sup>st</sup> & IGMC – Hampshire's GMC BEAU BAGGY BAGGINS (Seal-Point Bicolour SLH) MN, 1year 4months.** Beautifully prepared soft silky coat that appeared to float as he moved. Rich seal-brown points, except for his four clean white feet, with an inverted V on his face. Light clear blue eyes. An excellent temperament, he couldn't get enough fussing and was a pleasure to handle.

**2<sup>nd</sup> & Res.IGMC – Reynold's GMC SONNYS BOY (Seal-Point Bicolour SLH) MN, 1year 8months.** A very large handsome cat with a lovely temperament. Cleanly defined bi-colour markings of warm seal, one mitted foot and three white feet. Rich light blue eyes, a soft silky coat and long whiskers. In excellent condition, very well prepared and presented.

**Also:**

**Kerners' GMC BRANSTON (Silver Classic Tabby SLH) MN, 2years 3months.** Very large lad, easy to handle but preferred his pen. Gentle cat, well presented, Gold eyes and rich golden classic tabby coat.

**IMPERIAL CLASS 1007b – AC PEDIGREE PET GRAND MASTER CAT, FEMALE – 1 entry.**

**1<sup>st</sup> & IGMC - Hutchinson's GMC PING (Red SH) FN, 1year old.** A very pretty little girl, small but of good weight for her size and good muscle-tone. Medium foreign in type and well balanced overall. A most attractive diffused spotted-tabby pattern in soft red and gold tones. Coat is short, close lying and soft to touch. Lovely golden eyes. She has the sweetest nature and is confidant with it. A real pleasure to handle. In lovely condition and well presented.

**GRAND CLASS 998a – AC NON-PEDIGREE PET MASTER CAT, MALE – 1 entry.**

**1<sup>st</sup> & GMC – Gray's MC ARNIE (Ginger SH) MN, 11months.** A good size for his age, a little shy but easy to handle. Lovely rich marmalade colouring to his short soft coat that had a beautifully clear tabby pattern, especially the scarab on his forehead. Rich deep gold eyes. A sweet tempered lad in good condition and well presented.

**GRAND CLASS 998b – AC NON-PEDIGREE PET MASTER CAT, FEMALE – 1 entry.**

**1<sup>st</sup> & GMC – Fitzhardy's GIZMO (Tortie & White SH) FN, 3years.** Not at all happy today, she really didn't want to come out or be handled, not nasty just fed-up. She made a point of sitting up with her back to us. Nevertheless she is a beautiful example of a black tortie and white with bright clean colours well defined, I love her rich black front stocking and white toes. Bright golden eyes. Lovely condition and very well presented. Despite her behaviour I felt she was worthy of a certificate and hope to see her again on a happier day.

**OPEN CLASS 1012a – PEDIGREE PET LH/SLH AOC or PATTERN, MALE – 3 entries, for BIC only.**

**BIC - Newton's OBIGMC BANDIT (Red-Tabby CP SLH) MN, 3years 6months.** See class 995 for write up.

**Also (see class 1007a for write-ups):**

**Reynold's GMC SONNYS BOY (Seal-Point Bicolour SLH) MN, 1year 8months.**

**Hampshire's GMC BEAU BAGGY BAGGINS (Seal-Point Bicolour SLH) MN, 1year 4months.**

**OPEN CLASS 1012b – PEDIGREE PET LH/SLH AOC or PATTERN, FEMALE – 2 entries, for BIC only.** This was a difficult choice.

**BIC - Semo's OSIGMC BLUBELLE (Blue-Point SLH) FN, 7years 4months.** One of my favourites of the day, a perfect pet. Very pretty, gentle and extremely friendly. Lovely smokey blue points with a cool ivory body. Rich light blue eyes. Her coat was soft and flowing and beautifully prepared. Well presented.

**Also:**

**Newton's IGMC SODA POP (Blue-Tortie CP Mitted SLH) FN, 6years.** Very pretty blue tortie with a charming cream streak running down the nose. Clear blue eyes, soft silky coat. Good natured. Lovely condition and well presented.

**OPEN CLASS 1015 – PEDIGREE PET SH AC TABBY (Ex Red or Tortie) ANY PATTERN, FEMALE – 2 entries, for BIC only.**

**BIC - Cheal's OBIGMC TSARENA ANASTASIA (Brown Spotted Tabby SH) FN, 2years 2months.** What a charmer, a perfect pet. Glamorous looking girl with a fabulously soft sleek coat just glittering with gold over her vivid brown coat, clearly patterned with rosettes. Sparkling eyes of soft green colour. Virtually threw herself out of the pen into my arms and wasn't going to go back. Beautifully prepared and presented. Another of my favourites of the day!

**Also:**

**Worsley-Waring's IGMC SILVER PENNY (Black/Silver Classic Tabby SH) FN, 1year 9months.** Sadly this little lady wouldn't be taken out from under her bed.

**MISCELLANOUS CLASSES**

**CLASS 831 – AV FOREIGN DEBUTANTE KITTEN – 4 entries, 2 absent.**

**1<sup>st</sup> – Aillum's DENSON POISON IVY (SUF b) F, 20/12/2015.** This young girl ticked all the boxes for her breed. Nice type and gorgeous rich glossy chocolate coat, sleek and soft. Greenish-golden eyes, relaxed, friendly and well presented.

**2<sup>nd</sup> – Reavill's AMARTT MCKITTIES SKYE (ASH a 22 31) F, 01/01/2016.** A dinky little girl with a good solid feel to her. Unfortunately she was a little disturbed by her neighbour's behaviour and preferred to be in her pen. Good type, nice classic-tabby markings, blue colour a little warm-toned. Greenish yellow eyes. A very pretty youngster, well prepared and presented.

**CLASS 851 – AV FOREIGN/ORIENTAL DEBUTANTE NEUTER – 1 entry.**

**1<sup>st</sup> – Bandy's GrCh TROIKA RUSALKA (RUS a) FN, 24/05/13.** A nice looking girl who much preferred to be in her pen away from the eyes of her inquisitive neighbour. When in her pen she was a sweetheart. Nice type, overall well-balanced, good ear set, lovely green eyes. Rich resilient coat of soft silvery blue. Excellent condition and well presented.

**CLASS 853 – Ocicat/Singapura/Mau/Thai/Snowshoe/Aus Mist NEUTER – 3 entries, 1 absent.**

**1<sup>st</sup> – Mires’s GrPr MEMPHIS ANUBIS (MAU ns 24) FN, 21/08/14.** What an absolute darling. With a cheery greeting she strolled out onto the table and shoved her head in to me for a cuddle. Lovely clean silver tabby markings, gooseberry green eyes, face shows the typical “T” expression of the breed. Plush, soft but resilient coat. Beautifully prepared and presented – she has me smitten.

**2<sup>nd</sup> – Layflurrie’s GOSSAMYST EERIN RANGA (AUM c 22) MN, 14/02/2013.** Another beautiful cat. A large impressive lad of good type. Strong and well-muscled but very gentle. Subtle warm lilac colour in a diffused marble pattern. Light green toned eyes with just a hint of yellow. Very well prepared and presented. A pleasure to see and handle.

**CLASS 1029 – AC PEDIGREE PET 1<sup>ST</sup> TIME SHOWN AT ECC MALE – 3 entries.**

**1<sup>st</sup> – Hampshire’s GMC BEAU BAGGY BAGGINS (Seal-Point Bicolour SLH) MN, 1year 4months.**  
*See class 1007a for report.*

**2<sup>nd</sup> - Kerners’ GMC BRANSTON (Silver Classic Tabby SLH) MN, 2years 3months.** *See class 1007a for report.*

**3<sup>rd</sup> – Power’s MC MILO (Red Silver Classic Tabby & White, LH) MN, 2years old.** In lovely condition, just able to see him in his pen but he really didn’t want to come out.

**CLASS 1039 – PRETTIEST PEDIGREE PET – 5 entries.** At one and the same time this is my favourite and least favourite class, so unfair to have to choose from such lovely creatures.

**1<sup>st</sup> - Newton’s IGMC SODA POP (Blue-Tortie CP Mitted SLH) FN, 6years.**

**2<sup>nd</sup> - Layflurrie’s IGMC LAVINA GARDNER (Blue-Shaded Classic Tabby LH) FN, 5years.**

**3<sup>rd</sup> - Cheal’s OBIGMC TSARENA ANASTASIA (Brown Spotted Tabby SH) FN, 2years 2months.**