Linda Vousden's Judge Reports Wyvern Cat Club Show 1st September 2018

Many thanks to Barbara and to her efficient team for inviting me to judge at this friendly and well run show. I also thank my husband Mike for his gentle stewarding. The air-conditioned Judges' room was a blessing.

Breed Class 351, Ocicat Kitten, one in class.

1st & BOB - Bryce's LYNGATE MYSON JUNO (OCI c) M 28-02-2018 - My first cat of the day and what a lovely start. The overall impression is of a well-balanced kitten of very good weight, size and muscle-tone for his age. Although lilac in colour, his coat clearly gave the suggestion of a little 'wild' cat - with an excellent temperament. His warm darkish lilac spotted pattern is laid over a lighter dove-grey and toning agouti ground. He has a very good head shape, a moderate wedge with gently curved cheeks, a slight whisker pinch and a good square muzzle, with a lovely set of whiskers. He has medium large sized ears, broad-based and oval tipped, set with a good width between them and pricked slightly forward. He is holding them at the correct 45 degree angle. In profile he has a gentle rise from his brow to the top of his head. The nose has the correct slight dip; it does have a very slight bump and then leads to a level bite and firm chin of good depth. His eyes are well shaped and spaced with the outer edge correctly angled upwards toward his ears. The dark lilac of his eye leather matches the colour at the tip of his tail, providing a mascara effect. His eye colour is vivid golden amber. He has an elegant but strong neck, a moderately long torso that rises slightly toward the rear and a deep chest. He has strong elegant legs and oval feet. The length of the tail balances the torso well. He has a good spotted tabby coat-pattern – slight thumbprints on the back of his ears, warm off-white colour ringing his eyes, over his lower muzzle and chin. There are clear parallel ribbons running from his eyes and cheeks and he has spotted whisker pads. From the symmetrical scarab on his forehead broken lines run over his head and down onto his neck; from there they form three nicely parallel spotted lines running along his spine. He has one almost complete necklace at his throat and a lower broken necklace over his deep chest. He has tiny spots over his shoulders and then the spots become larger and slightly elongated, at present they have some slight linkage. As the spotted pattern moves over the torso and rump the spots are well formed and defined with some occasional slight agouti invasion. On the flanks the spots appear in nicely concentric circles. The placement of the spots is symmetrical on either side of his body. The clear barring on each leg matches the other, and is interspersed with small spots. At the top of his broad-based tail small spots are evident and, as the tail gently tapers, the spots are separated with clear rings of gradually darkening colour; the tail ends in a rounded tip of solid dark lilac. His dove-grey underbelly is well spotted. His paw leathers are dusky pink, the nose is pink is with a dark lilac rim. He is very well presented and his temperament is wonderful - friendly curious and confident. I had no hesitation in awarding 1st & BOB, and hope to see him again. Extended critique for BAC.

Breed Class 405a Tonkinese Adult Male 1 in class

1st, CC & BOB Craig-McFeely's CHOCOLATEDOT RAMESES ECCO (TOS a 32) M 20-11-17. An impressive young male of excellent size, weight and muscle-tone. Very good overall Tonkinese head and body type in well-balanced proportions. Head is the correct moderate wedge with gentle rounding at the top. He has the correct slight nose break, a level bite and firm chin of medium depth. His medium-large ears are well set and nicely pricked forward. He has lovely well-shaped and set eyes, in a clear and lustrous blue/green colour. His coat is soft, close and shining in a good blue colour. His TCR coat-pattern flows well from the slightly darker points to the lighter toning torso colour and is free of barring. A lovely looking cat, beautifully presented – and his outstanding temperament was most noticeable. One of my favourite cats of the day.

Breed Class 405b Tonkinese Adult Female 3 entered, 1 absent & 1 for BOB Only.

1st, CC Withheld Craig-McFeely's RAMESES JUNO (TOS b 32) F 22-09-2017. A very attractive girl of good size and substance. Good overall type and well-balanced. Head is a good moderate wedge with correct whisker pinch, muzzle, level bite and firm deep chin. On first appearance the muzzle looks finer than it actually is, which is often the case in chocolates as the colour sits mainly down the centre of the muzzle rather than

overall. She has beautiful eyes of rich green/blue colour, they are a good size and shape. The warm chocolate coat is in an excellent TCR pattern, just a touch harsh in texture today. I was so sorry to withhold her CC as she was a strong contender for BOB; unfortunately she has a noticeable bump on her nose, which is now a withholding fault. A very good natured cat, well presented.

For BOB Only – McNally-Roberts's IGrCh TONKYWAY IO (TOS a 32) F 01-04-2012. Another girl of very good overall type with a lovely silky blue TCR coat. Good head, looking just a little slender in the muzzle. Lovely blue/green eyes. Gentle temperament and well presented.

These were three very good cats in contention for BOB.

Breed Class 407 Tonkinese (Burmese Colour Restriction) Adult 3 in class, all for BOB Only.

BOB - McNally-Roberts's IGrCh TITANTONKS NEMESIS NEAERA (TOS c 31) F 25-05-2016. A girl of very good overall type and balance. Warm-toned dove-grey lilac coat, soft and silky to touch, in a good BCR coatpattern. Her eyes are most attractive, good size, shape and set and a green chartreuse colour. Her nose break is a little slight otherwise she has a good profile. Well-presented and a lovely nature, easy to handle.

Also -

Phillips's Ch LILYPUT CAMBERWELL BEAUTY (TOS n 31) F 13-03-2017. Good overall type, and size, tail a little slender. Warm rich brown BCR coat, just slightly brindled; lustrous yellow-toned green eyes. Well-presented and good natured.

Bernard's Ch MIMAPERKS MARGOT FONTEYN (TOS f 31) F 19-08-17. Good overall type and well-toned body. She has a good brown tortie BCR coat, well mottled in very pale red tones; close lying and soft. Eyes are a good shape and size, a rather blue-toned pale green. Well-presented. An attractive cat that handled easily but was most keen to be back in her pen.

Breed Class 440 AC Tonkinese Neuter 2 in class, both for BOB only.

BOB – Bernard's UK IGrCh & Pr AMORKATZ JANE EYRE (TOS a 32) FN 11-03-2011. I'm always pleased to see this lovely girl. Her overall type is very good and well-balanced; and she looks younger than her age. Her coat quality is excellent, soft sleek and shining. Her coat is a true-blue colour and retains the definition of her TCR pattern with her slightly darker points merging gently into the lighter torso colour. Beautifully shaped eyes of clear sparkling blue-green. Well prepared and presented, and her temperament cannot be faulted. She is a credit to her owner.

Also – Davies's IGrPr FECHELDEE ORGUSTA (TOS f 32) FN 23-12-2010. A nice looking female of good overall type and size. She a warm brown tortie well-mottled with varying shades of red and showing the TCR coatpattern nicely. Light rather blue-toned eyes with a hint of green. Somewhat fractious today. Well-presented.

Breed Class 441 AC Tonkinese (Colourpointed Pattern) Neuter 1 in class for BOB only.

BOB – Phillips's GrCh & GrPr LILYPUT PARMA VIOLETS (TOS j 33) FN 26-05-2014. A very pretty lilac tortie of elegant overall type. Her dove-grey lilac and cream mottled points contrast well with her almost white torso. She has lovely vivid and clear blue eye colour. She is too good to withhold the BOB, but sadly today she was upset by something that made her hold her eyes very full. A gentle girl but she was not happy to be handled, including later at the BIS panel. Well presented.