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N.B.
There are at present (due to resignations) three vacancies on the Committee: One Breeder Committee Member and two Associate Committee Members. Would any members interested in serving on Committee please get in touch with one of the above and their names will be put forward at the next Committee Meeting.

WHAT AM I?

My first is in KITTEN and also in CAT;
My second's in MOUSE but never in RAT;
My third in ENCHANTING you always will find;
For my fourth just remember I'm KING of my KIND;
My fifth is in INNOCENT, IDLE and WILD;
My sixth is in NEVER UNKIND to a child;
My seventh in SEVEN is EASILY SEEN;
My eighth is in PRINCESS but never in QUEEN;
My ninth is in NINE, but right at the END
And my whole is a wholly adorable friend -

WHAT AM I?

D.B.

CHAIR'S NOTES

Well, here is the second Journal - and the most important news since the last one is that we have made it to Preliminary Status; we now have everything to work for, in more ways than one. Some of these appear in other parts of the Journal.

Of course, most of us have had litters of kittens this year and some of you have asked me as Kitten List Holder to help with finding suitable sales to wonderful homes. Please remember when you do this that it is helpful to me to know colour and sex, and either date of birth or when ready to leave home. It would also be nice to know when they are all sold to new owners, as then I will not have to make you answer the 'phone to say: "Sorry, no kittens left."

Next is the question of Recording/Archives of pedigrees. This will have to be done for the next stage of our progress; the reason being that, when we go into Provisional Status, the GCCF office can only trace the details of the original registration, and we need all five generations (see our Registration Policy). Hence where I come in, and, of course, you - you need to help by sending me your cat/kitten's pedigree so that I can keep it on file for the future.

I hope you will also find the two articles on Registration and Entering Shows will be of help to some of you.

On the Show front, we need to show as often as we can, as all Merit awards count for us all, one day, to get to the third stage: Championship Status.

I am sure the Editor/Secretary will tell you of changes we have had and of our future needs and I thank the Committee past and present for all their help, which I'm sure will continue.

I shall stop now, so that you and I can read what else is in here.

Mary Hodgkinson.

HELP ON REGISTRATION OF CATS OR KITTENS

First, having got the Registration Form from GCCF, a lot of it is simple - or is it?

A look through the notes on the back is helpful; but, taking the one on 'Prefix', for example: I know most people would use the phrase 'Cattery Name'. You have to realise that a prefix can only be used when you have sent up three possible names (with the fee specified on the Application for Prefix form) and been notified that one of these names has been granted.

Sire is, of course, father and 'dam' is mother, so therefore the grandsire and granddam are the grandparents. Now to Note 6 - the Breed Number for Tonkinese is 74 and the colours are shown by the letters after 74; for example, if you had a Blue, it would be 74a and a Brown Tortie would be 74e. If, at a show, a colour is found not to be the right one for a cat or kitten, it can be changed by two judges, and a correction fee paid; but this will only happen when Tonkinese have classes in a Show where colour is stated, i.e. at Championship Status. At this stage, if you are showing a Blue which you have registered as Lilac - Help!

The three boxes at the end of the form are the hardest. If you tick 'Active', it means that the cat can be used for breeding and showing because it has no faults which could be inherited. (If you need to know what these are, ask one of the Committee). The 'Non-active' box is for cats that may not be bred from, and, for Tonkinese, may not be shown. The reason for this may be that the breeder does not want a male to be used as a stud, or it may have a genetic (able to be inherited) fault. Or, if a pair should be bought, a brother/sister mating could happen, which is not always desirable; if the male is on the Non-Active it could solve this problem. So, care should be taken when ticking this box: if a mistake happens, it can cause an upset, and the correction fee, unlike the one mentioned before, is quite a big one.

The last box is used when the breeder only wants to register one or two kittens out of a litter, and 'declare' the rest. If, at a later date but within two years, the breeder or new owner wish to register one of the 'declared' kittens, the GCCF know that it is a brother or sister of the kittens originally registered. Also, when registering cats/kittens, if in doubt on Variance ask other breeders' help in deciding, but, if still in doubt, 'register down' - i.e., as Variant. This can also be changed at a later date if necessary.

Mary Hodgkinson.

SHOW ENTRY FORM

Now, having decided to enter a Show, you have either heard of a Show from someone (perhaps your breeder or Club secretary) or seen it advertised in a Cat magazine. Anyway, you send for the thing called a 'Schedule', and it comes back in your stamped addressed envelope (size 9" X 7") and you look at it and say "Help!"

Well, first fill in the Entry Form with all the details from your GCCF Registration Certificate for the cat you are entering: i.e., Name of cat - that is the Registered name he/she was given by the breeder; the Sire and Dam are also on the Registration Form, as are the Date of Birth (the day the cat was born) and the breeder's name. The Registration number is on the top right of the form

and starts CS, some more letters, and then a number. Now fill in your name and address and sign it. (Remember, if your cat is registered under joint ownership, you must both sign.

Now we come to Classes to enter; well, you are obliged to enter the Open, which, for Tonkinese, is found in the Foreign Section and is the Tonkinese Assessment Class for whichever kind of cat you are entering: Adult, Kitten or Neuter.

In the Side Classes (nearly always referred to in the Schedule as 'Miscellaneous Classes') it is harder to choose. Most Shows demand a mimimum of 3 Miscellaneous as well as the compulsory Open, making 4 in all. Look for the Foreign section under 'Miscellaneous Classes' and you will see things like AV (Any Variety) Foreign Male, Limit Male or Female, Visitors, Breeders, Non-Breeders etc. etc. Then 'Club Classes' - you think 'Oh Dear!' BUT - in the beginning of each Schedule you will find, headed 'Definition of Classes', a list of these which explains them quite clearly. So you will see which ones you are eligible for, and you then look at who is judging them. What kind of cat does each judge breed, and does the judge like our Tonkinese? Are they on our accepted list of judges? As it is the first time you are entering any of these Classes it might be wise to ask either the breeder of your lovely cat or me, your Chair, if they can give any guidance as to who is best to judge our Breed. We have a great number of the best judges who like our Tonkinese. Make an informed choice, fill in the Class Numbers chosen and post your entry with cheque or P/O as well as a stamped addressed envelope (if asked for on the Entry Form) and/or stamped addressed P.C. for acknowledgment of your entry.

Mary Hodgkinson.

SECRETARY'S NOTES

And Editor, anyway for this issue only, I hope. Why don't we all take turns to produce an issue of our Journal? Volunteers for next Spring, please!

Similarly, the Club Logo needs to be chosen by all of us together, voting at the next AGM. We think it should be an outline rather than a photo, as it should represent all colours of Tonkinese. Do please get out pen and paper and send the result to me, to be pinned to a board and voted on next April. (I've already had a splendid entry from Hayley Cuthbert).

The Club is thriving, despite a hiccup earlier this year: some differences of opinion which left three vacancies on Committee (see inside cover). Membership is building steadily (4 applications in the last 5 days!)

and we are already scoring Show successes: well done Doreen Burke, Helen Carter, Mary Hodgkinson, Diana Waters (and two Episcopuss cats) who have won Merits and/or places in side classes. (And possibly others I haven't heard of yet.)

We do hope to see as many as possible of you at our all-day Breed Seminar/Members' Workshop on Sunday, November 3rd at Diana Waters' Cattery near Hastings. We have GCCF permission for 24 cats to be present to study and discuss; the cost is £5 per person (to cover lunch, tea and vetting-in costs). Do bring your Tonkinese if possible, but try to come anyway! We need to discuss our Standard of Points, look at each other's cats and plan for the future. Please book your place with Diana Waters (0424 882129), as soon as possible, and send her your cheque. First come, first served!

We shall discuss at this Workshop the latest news from GCCF: we are negotiating with Mrs Pring the possibility of allowing some carefully researched exceptions to the 5 generations Siamese/Burmese/Tonkinese Registration rule. (See Pauline Tarrant's 'Wrong Number' in this issue). It will need much thought and a Members' Referendum (which costs a lot of postage, so PLEASE continue the good work of fund-raising!) and still has to be negotiated with the Executive, but Mrs Pring's suggestion, confirmed by letter after a very helpful telephone conversation, would give the Club a great deal of control over our own Registration and give us the opportunity to act virtually as our own BAC at this early stage of the Club, over two years away from the earliest possible affiliation. Meanwhile, would every member be as conscientious as Pauline? - do please check your pedigrees, and if they don't conform put a covering letter with your Application for Registration to GCCF and make quite sure that your kitten buyers know exactly what they are buying: PET ONLY! On this subject, would all our less experienced members please remember that when they buy a kitten (especially a male, although this applies to females, too) they MUST tell the breeder if they are going to keep the cat as anything other than a neutered pet. Breeders plan their breeding programme very carefully and do not want the wrong cats used indiscriminately; if you think you may want a litter later, say so: you will get help and advice and the right stud suggested. Otherwise, 'doing your own thing', you may end up with a litter of kittens you cannot register because the cat you bought is on the Non-active Register (not for breeding - see Mary's article).

Mary, Tommy and I are going to Cambria to set up a Club table and try to convert the Welsh to Tonkinese. We hope to see West Country members there - it was great to meet so many of you at Somerset Agricultural. We are planning a similar assault on Scotland - not with a Club table, but at least ourselves and our cats!

We are so very sorry to learn that our Committee colleague Joanne Elkington is not at all well, and has had to give up her cats for the time being. Luckily, she feels up to staying on Committee to give us the benefit of her skill and experience; get well soon, Joanne!

Many thanks to all our splendid contributors - what a literary and hard-working Club it is! I've actually had to keep some contributions for next issue, so if something isn't here, don't worry, it hasn't got lost.

REMEMBER, IF YOU WANT TO BE PART OF PLANNING OUR BREEDING PROGRAMME, BOOK NOW FOR THE SEMINAR.

Diana Bishop.

WHEN CATS AND KITTENS HAVE THEIR 'HAWS' UP

Several years ago, when I was breeding Rex cats, I had several litters of kittens which persistently had their 'haws' up (correctly termed 'protruding nictitating membranes'), and also persistent, mild diarrhoea. Naturally I took the kittens to my Veterinary Surgeon, who took blood-tests, faecal samples and swabs. But NOTHING showed up! I felt very helpless, as all I could do was to boost the kittens' general health with doses of Vitamin B12, as well as giving the usual treatment for diarrhoea - usually Neosulphentrin - at that time. After several weeks the kittens would return to normal, the diarrhoea ceased and the 'haws' disappeared. I never felt satisfied, although the kittens grew to be normal, healthy, fertile cats. My Vet was as puzzled as I was, but I can remember him saying that "One day the cause will be found."

Now, in a recent issue of the 'Veterinary Record', the indefatigable Dr Tim Gruffyd-Jones, together with P.Muir, D.Harbour, C.Hopper, P.Howard, E.Gruffyd-Jones, H.Broadhead, C.Clarke and M.Jones, have written an article which appears to give the answer to this worrying syndrome. Since I know that many other breeders have had kittens with similar symptoms, I decided that I would write this brief article, in the hope that it will help other breeders.

Tim Gruffyd-Jones writes that many General Practitioners have reported this syndrome, but that, apart from noting that protruding nictitating membranes accompanied the persistent diarrhoea and general debility, nothing definite had been found. So he, with his colleagues, decided to undertake an extensive study. Fifty cats and kittens showing the typical symptoms, nine cats with only symptoms of diarrhoea and seventeen healthy cats took part in this study. Of these cats, nine were actually studied at Langford, Bristol, and, for the others, samples and detailed clinical histories were

sent to Langford. The samples consisted of faecal samples and blood serum samples.

Extensive tests were carried out, many by Immune Electron Microscopy. Eventually a novel Toro-virus-like body was found in the blood serum, from cats showing both protrusion of the nictitating membranes AND diarrhoea. These cats also had significantly higher haemagglutination-inhibition titres to rat red blood cell haemagglutinating agent than in healthy cats.

The actual role of these viruses is still not clear, but work is continuing on the subject. The group of distinguished Vets state that the prognosis of affected cats is good, and that, at the moment, it is only necessary to treat the symptoms, rather than to use antibiotics. They hope to publish further findings of these Novel Toro-viruses, and of the aetiology (history of the cause) of this syndrome.

Since this work is still in the experimental stage, it is unlikely that many Vets will be aware of the significance of the combination of protruding 'haws' and diarrhoea. If any readers have kittens so affected, I suggest that they take this article to their own Vet. Apart from giving histories of my own kittens, I have had no part in this work, and would not wish any Veterinary Surgeon to think that I am claiming knowledge that I could not have.

Alison Ashford.

WRONG NUMBER

Some years ago my interest in cat breeding was brought about through the purchase of a blue Burmese male, a dear little boy named Freddie. He was born in Sydney. Freddie arrived in England by air from Australia. How we missed him, we made frequent visits to see him and have a cuddle during his long stay in quarantine. Freddie had the true temperament and grand nature of the Burmese.

These points and many endearing ways in addition to the outstanding beauty of the Siamese; also embracing such a variety of colours with the density and quality of coat, go to make a superb combination for the recipe of our Tonkinese cats. Surely, an all-round winner for type and temperament to be admired by all discerning cat fanciers.

At present, I am breeding first cross Tonkinese for PETS ONLY. The reason I say 'pets only' is not because my babies would not come up to the required standard of points on the show bench, but entirely due to the Breed Numbers 29 and 29c in Clare, my Siamese Queen's pedigree. This is not acceptable to either the GCCF or the Tonkinese Breed Club, who are, not unreasonably, seeking lines of purity in Tonkinese. At this point, may I draw

your attention to Si-Rex and Birman cats, these are not permitted in the pedigree of a Tonkinese cat.

When this decision was revealed, the news came like an unexploded bomb - my breeding programme appeared to be at a standstill, Quite suddenly I had to review the situation. Not only did I have this problem, but, from a previous litter I had already sold in good faith a Tonkinese girl as being suitable as a future breeding Queen. This certainly placed me in a dilemma. My client was, thankfully, an extremely understanding lady who had by now fallen love with dear Tilly. I offered to have Tilly back and suggested I find another suitable Tonkinese girl for my purchaser. However, the bond combined with Tilly's outstanding beauty and compatibility meant she was to remain in her new home, where she is happily settled. I know I am not alone in this predicament. I share the upset and feelings with other breeders similarly placed. If you are in any doubt as to the suitability of your pedigree you are invited to submit it to the Tonkinese Breed Club for clarification, they are only too happy to give advice on this and any other matter relating to Tonkinese.

Well, what to do? Take heart, the purchaser of your kittens will definitely have the most extraordinary, beautiful and intelligent pets. We are still able to use our Queens for breeding, pets only - also to commence foundation breeding of our own chosen lines by careful selection and dedication.

At present, I am using my red Burmese stud to breed Tonkinese. Alfie is, as one would expect him to be, very cuddly. Alfie is a very relaxed cat and takes great interest in bis offspring. Together with Clare, a Seal Tortie Siamese and Amy and Susie, her Seal Point daughters, I shall now embark on an exciting adventure and develop my new line. Please do not despair. If I can be of any help, I look forward to hearing from you and having news of your delightful babies.

How very fortunate we are to have Tonkinese and to be in at the start of something truly wonderful.

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HOW MY INTEREST IN TONKINESE BEGAN

Two house moves and a change of business meant having to stop my hobby of breeding Burmese cats. Twelve years later and family growing up I was very keen to get another pedigree cat.

My husband David and I went to a local cat show to familiarise ourselves with the newer breeds we had heard

about (Maine Coon, Ragdoll, etc.) I found the examples of the new breeds unexciting until I spotted a lovely, cream, foreign-looking cat. I was told that this was a Tonkinese; I loved its elegant body shape. David was not around just then; when I found him he asked me to come and look at a brown cat which was the only one at the show he really liked. It was a Tonkinese, and I quickly explained about its being a mix of both Siamese and Burmese (an expert after a few minutes' chat with the owner of cream Tonkinese).

When we were married our first pet was a Siamese neuter. We lost him in a road accident and could not bear to have another one, so we owned a beagle dog until we started breeding Burmese a few years later. We did not breed Siamese, because we found the fashion was for a much typier Siamese, so unlike our previous pet.

The Tonkinese Breed seemed a natural choice for us, we were hooked! I spent the Summer of 1990 looking for Tonkinese kittens suitable for breeding. With good advice I now have two lovely Queens and a future stud, plus two neuters.

This summer was spent making stud pens and outside runs for all our cats. We tried enclosing the garden completely but the cats always found a loophole in our construction! It was lovely to sit in the garden and watch cats and kittens playing safely in the sun.

Pauline Wright Keo Tonkinese

DELAYED ACTION

My lilac girl was having kittens, so - what's new, one asks?

She had started about 8pm, on Friday evening, and although she was two days early it was her second litter, so I wasn't too worried. At 10.30pm a little Tonkinese girl was born. Almond was so very large, a bit like a pumpkin with four legs, so I settled down to await what I thought would be a fair-sized litter. 11.30, 12.30, 1.30 - no further events. Almond, made clean and comfy -contentedly purring and washing her baby - in fact she nearly washed her away - proceeded to settle for the night. I waited; there had to be more to come. Still I waited. By 3am, even the matchsticks which were holding my eyes open began to sag, and, now convinced that this solitary kitten was all I was going to get, I went wearily to bed.

All day Saturday Almond loved her baby, washing it until it was almost squeaky clean! Sunday she ventured out for more than a minute to wander about. Night time found her curled round her little girl, a picture of

contented motherhood. Imagine my surprise when, on Monday, checking mother and baby for the umpteenth time, I found another baby lying there! It was a Siamese variant boy. I couldn't believe my eyes - it was 60 hours since the first baby had been born. Tentatively I gave it a gentle prod, never expecting it to be alive, but it wriggled wildly and, howling its disapproval, waved its tiny paws in mid-air, then frantically made for the milk bar and latched on firmly.

I felt he was the week-end's miracle, but I was very glad I hadn't sat up and waited for his arrival.

Beti Alston

TONKINESE RELATIONS

Relations between me and my Tonkinese are warm and mysterious.

Sometimes it's the brutal simplicity of 'Tonkinese Rule O.K.', like when food is late and all five descend yelling, a rolling wave of cream. Sometimes it's the delicate harmony of all of us, in and on the bed together, the big winner taking the top spot: behind my knees.

With Tonkinese for me it was love at first sight. I hope it's reciprocal. The very first was a litle blue scrap of fur with lovely eyes. He lasted a very few days and died of one of those foul viruses: F.I.P. His ashes lie at the end of the garden, under the apple trees, in peace I hope. In the few days of his short life the world didn't treat him well, but, mercifully, he hadn't long to endure. What I learned from Thomas was that while you're shaken with crying for even the smallest dead, you become surer and surer of your love for the living.

Part of the Tonkinese charm is their straight-forward deliciousness, but there's also their eccentricity. A Norwegian foreign minister once said: 'We don't think of the British as foreigners, but only as slightly mad Norwegians.' I don't think of Tonkinese as cats, but only as slightly mad Bishops. (Hence Episcopuss.) I watched with awe a heavily pregnant queen stride up a sharply pitched roof and bestride the gable. I have received back a grinning Tonkinese from a shaken neighbour, who had caught sight of the self-satisfied stowaway in her rear-view mirror, ten miles from home. The youngest scorns the cat-flap and comes and goes by way of a high transom window, reached from the lavatory cistern. Occasionally, a riot is declared and all five Tonkinese rush round and round, from living room to hall

to kitchen to living room and round again, swerving to touch the ceiling by way of a wall-cabinet.

One or two of my younger grandchildren seem to believe that a cat is for hunting not cherishing. No Tonkinese has ever counter-attacked, which is just as well, for they are all fast, efficient hunters themselves, unlike their persecutors.

Kipling wrote of giving one's heart to a dog to tear. Children have been described as hostages to fortune. If you love, you're vulnerable. So the perfect receiver of your love is quick and strong to love you back, lives quite a long time, is scared of and nimble near traffic and is usually not too far away when wanted.

A Tonkinese.

Tommy Bishop.

CHINESE? - NO, TONKINESE!

Malaya, 1960, was the setting for the arrival of my very first Tonkinese, as I now know them to have been.

A friend, who had been breeding Siamese for many years, was also the owner of a Brown Burmese - a very handsome fellow, (why she had never had him neutered, I'll never understand). Tommy (sorry Diana, not your Tommy, honestly), being not only handsome but extremely masculine, generously bestowed his favours on the ever increasing Chimese and Malay cat population from one end of Johore Bahru to the other.

However, one day Tommy appeared to have become disenchanted with his local oriental following, and decided to turn his attentions to something much more aristocratic, as befitted his own exceedingly well-connected pedigree! Spying his opportunity, he went sneaking in to visit one of my friend's Siamese queens - the result, four Tonkinese kittens and one brown variant. Three were very quickly sold, and I had the remaining boy, a beautiful mink coloured kitten - but how could one leave behind a small brown variant girl? So home I came with my two babies.

Teeko and Tyloo were such beautiful kittens and so full of mischief - they leapt in and out of the sugar cane, finding all sorts of weird creatures, tree lizards etc., which they carried in proudly and deposited under my bed for safe keeping, to be played with later when the sun had gone down and there were no more adventures left in the day. They fished in my tropical fish tank, this was another great game and for all I had put wire across the

top, a long, elegant brown paw could often be seen waving about in the water.

The kittens grew during endless fun-filled days, and matured into magnificent adult cats, Tyloo, with her gleaming mahogany coat and amber eyes, Teeko with his mink coat like polished silk and his vivid blue green eyes. They certainly had pride of place in our household, appearing like silent wraiths whenever there was anything going on, vetting each new animal arrival with a disdainful glare from their chosen spots - one on either side of the sideboard!

Sadly, my inquisitive boy went foraging into a cement pit on a building site, he returned home with eyes full of cement. Many trips to the vet followed, but the damage was done, blindness and pain followed, so, although heartbroken there was only one decision to be made.

After that my little Tyloo followed me everywhere. By day she was my shadow, and if I had to be away she waited anxiously for my return. At night she would creep into my bed, cuddling close. Have you ever tried to sleep in a temperature of around 100 degrees with a warm furry creature pressed tightly against you?

I didn't know anything about cat breeding in those days, and they may have had flaws, they may never have made a show bench, but to me and my family they were just perfect.

Beti Alston

HYGIENE AND THE CAT IN THE HOME

A lot of the following will be common sense to most of you, but now and again we need reminding of how important hygiene is, especially if you have more than one cat.

So here are some do's and don'ts.

DO wash animal dishes separately from your own.

DON'T give them their food in one bowl, give them a dish each.

DO wash dishes when empty using a sterilising solution. This can be one of the commercial sterilising products or the most effective and cheapest is hypochlorite (or, as more commonly known, Bleach.) Correctly diluted with a squirt of washing-up liquid and well rinsed off, this is most effective against germs.

DO wipe your kitchen surfaces down regularly with the above solution as well. (Especially if your Tonks leap all over them as mine do! Editor.)

DO clean litter trays often and wash once a day with the bleach solution.

DON'T do litter trays without wearing rubber gloves.

DO worm and de-flea your cat as a routine - this will keep him in good order and stop any nasty visitors to your carpets. I do my carpets twice a year whether there are signs or not, as a precaution.

DON'T forget fleas spread disease.

DO try and keep a poorly cat separate from well cats in the house, follow the hygiene routine scrupulously and you should stop it spreading to your other cats.

Finally, keep milk bottles and jugs out of pussy's way, after all we all know what he uses to wash his private bits - yes, the same thing he licks the bottle tops with!

Diana Waters.

HERE IS A QUOTE TO BE PROUD OF FROM A LOCAL PAPER - alas, we could not use the delightful photograph of member Jean Sharratt and her cat, as photocopies of photographs (on the machine we're using) end up looking like something from the Black Hole! Editor.

"CHLOE PROVES SHE'S A TOP CAT!

Mrs Jean Sharratt's pet, Chloe, really is a top cat after winning a rosette in a national competition.

The 12-month-old chocolate brown Tonkinese was one of 10 finalists in the contest to find a very special pet cat.

It was judged at the Vanderbilt Hotel in London by TV broadcaster Johnny Morris and animal photographer Marc Henrie.

Chloe is very special to Mrs Sharratt, of Woodland Road, Elland, because the cat has helped to cheer up her spirits.

"She is very affectionate and she always comes when she is called," added Mrs Sharatt.

"She has taken to a lead as easily as a dog and she is an excellent traveller. She sat on my lap on the train all the way from London."

Mrs Sharratt is delighted Chloe got through to the final of the contest as the Tonkinese is a new breed which has

only just received preliminary recognition from a governing council which sets the standards for different breeds of cats.

The Tonkinese is a cross between the Siamese and Burmese breeds.

The national pet cat competition was sponsored by Whiskas and Cat World magazine and Chloe won a year's supply of cat food.

Mrs Sharratt has another Tonkinese, called Esme, an elderly Siamese, called Purdy, and two other cats, Dippy and Snowy."

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