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Cats are made of moon-beams, sunlight,  
pure air, and Christmas dreams.

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## Chair Chat

Christmas is just around the corner – already! I hope it is a time of joy for you and that in all the busyness, you find some time to enjoy the cats in your life and the humans who mean something to you. It is so easy to get caught up in the Christmas rush and forget to appreciate the most important things in our lives.



Meanwhile however, it is also that time of year when the EC has been working on the 2016 draft budget and considering our fees for 2016. It's very important that we continue to manage our budget responsibly and plan for a moderate surplus (as it only takes a few unforeseen expenses to change a small surplus into a deficit). This year we have benefited from some very hard work by Janice Davey successfully raising funds for the WCC Seminar and we anticipate a positive end of year result. We also need to have some leeway for new initiatives. Some expenses have been cut back in previous years and we may want to be able to consider reinstating them. And of course we are affected by inflation. It's also important to understand that our three main sources of income – membership subscriptions, benching and ring fees, and registrations and transfers – have to fund ALL of our activities including those relating to portfolios that don't have their own income stream. At the same time, we want to keep fee increases as low as possible, we know that our members have their own financial pressures. After holding most fees for two years, we have had to put in increases in full member subscriptions and benching fees (but have left registrations and transfers untouched). I don't know if it is any consolation to know that fees in other similar organisations (eg NZ Kennel Club) are still quite a bit higher than ours.

Of course part of being a registered breeder is meeting the expectations of the public that you will be providing good care for your cats and selling healthy kittens. But what about when things go wrong? In this issue you'll see an article about what happens when breeders get into trouble – and some questions about what the NZCF should do about these cases (if anything). Have a look at the article and think about the issues. There will be a link posted on the NZCF website to a survey asking for your feedback on this. We've also had a submission asking us to ensure that extreme conformations (sometimes already identified as faults in breed standards) that can cause health problems are penalised and we have also asked the BSAC to look at including guidance on these in the breeding practices guidelines that are to be developed for each breed. Considering both of these issues is part of our commitment to cat welfare and the development of a cat fancy that we can all be proud of.

I have to say that we are already well on the way to being that cat fancy. Our breeders breed cats that are competitive with cats bred anywhere and we do export overseas despite the costs involved to buyers - they think our cats are worth it. We have many dedicated and hardworking individuals, paid and unpaid, who go 'above and beyond' in the work they do to keep our organisation running smoothly. We have world class judges and we are respected members of the World Cat Congress. For a small country, we do very well.

In closing, I'd like to wish you all a very merry Christmas and a wonderful New Year!

*Zena Pigden*  
NZCF Chair

## Editor's Note

Hello to all,

With my many hats on, and on behalf of the Flashcats and Admin Teams, I would like to wish all our members a very safe and relaxing Christmas break.

Many good wishes also to those whose cats and kittens will be competing in the many shows next year.

Lots of work goes into creating Flashcats and we are always on the lookout for new and exciting articles, handy hints that may be of help to our breeders with breeding problems, and with the health and care of our all our pets.

Let us know of any topic you may wish to read about and we will do our best to source or reprint anything you send us.

Our Admin team have done an excellent job (as always) ensuring that the NZCF continues to run efficiently and with our thoughts always on how we can best work to benefit our members and their cats.

My thanks to Chris, Marion and Jane for their tireless efforts.

A very happy Christmas to you all,  
Gaynor, Linda, (Flashcats) Chris and Marion.

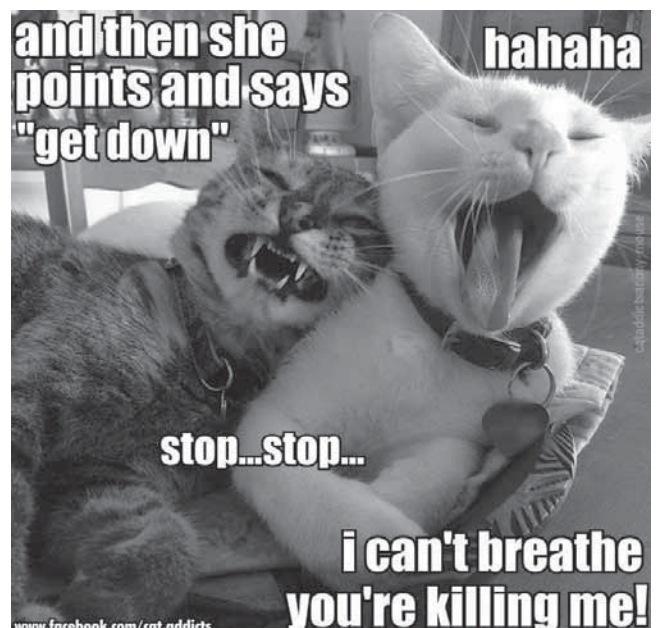


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# IT NEWS



## NEW IT PERSON

Over the past 5 years, Brendan Woodhouse has worked on a number of projects for us and has also handled all the day to day maintenance and updates needed on our database. But as his own life circumstances have changed, it's been more difficult for him to find time for our projects. This led to the decision to advertise within our membership to see if someone else might be able to take on this role. I'm pleased to announce that we have a suitable person - Peter Davidson – and that the EC has agreed to contract with him for one year (a contract which can be renewed if all goes well). The transition with regard to our main project on hand at the moment – the payment gateway, will be managed by agreement between Brendan and Peter as Brendan has already done a fair bit of work on this. Brendan has been a great person to work with, and we have appreciated all he has done for us over the years. We look forward to an equally good partnership with Peter.

## SHOW PACKAGE

The NZCF show package has had another important enhancement – it's now possible to add a cat AFTER the information from our database has been imported into the Access programme. This means that late entries can be accommodated, as can imported cats or CATZ Inc cats who are being shown under dispensation. The programme will create new documents incorporating the added cats (judges sheets, catalogue, list of breeds and colours, cage numbers etc). Instructions will be available to enable you to print out the amended documents if this is a late change, but I'm also

looking at whether we can incorporate this into our show package service so as to support less 'tech savvy' clubs who would like to use the service. Watch this space!

## LONG TERM PLANS

The NZCF is investigating options to modernise our system in various ways (eg adding the ability for members to access information about their own cats, including checking if they've already used a name, and whether they have registered or transferred a kitten, and a better online registration process that might reduce the workload for our registrars, online show entries via the website etc.) Creating a purpose built system is beyond us unfortunately as the likely cost would use up almost all of our reserves, but one possibility may be some form of partnership with the Kennel Club who have a system that already provides many of these functions, and we have made an initial contact with them to discuss this. There may also be scope to work with our current system to bring in some of these changes.

*Zena Pigden*  
IT Portfolio Manager

## NZCF NOTICES

### NZCF HANDLERS/STEWARD COURSE

**CLOSING DATE TO REGISTER 10th January 2016**

Date: 16th January & 17th January 2016

Venue: Baptist Church Hall, Teasdale Street, Te Awamutu

Time: 9.45 - 3.30 pm

Cost: 1 day \$40 both days \$60

Convenor: Sue Ford

Please email Sue Ford if you wish to register an interest in attending the course/s email [skford49@gmail.com](mailto:skford49@gmail.com)

## NZCF CALENDARS

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9	APRIL AGM 2016
6-7	AUGUST 2016
18-20	NOVEMBER 2016

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# IN LOVING MEMORY OF TWO WONDERFUL COMPANIONS

By Deb Armishaw

## ILUKA DHARK RAVEN

BORN 11/03/2006 DIED 2/11/2014.

Raven was a special cat right from the first, she was my birthday cat, as we shared the same birth date.

She was very aloof with most people though if she decided you were her friend then you got all her attention. Raven was originally destined to be a show cat and a breeding girl, she had other ideas.

Visiting and watching her grow through her early days until I could bring her home she appeared to be perfect. The day came for me to pick her up and she had decided to add a kink to her otherwise lovely long tail. Although the kink was in the last half inch of her tail she wasn't destined to be a pedigree show cat and I also decided not to bred from her, just in case.

I transferred her to the Companion section where she went on to be a Gold Double Grand Premier Companion Cat and took out first in the Companion Section in the Annual Awards in 2008.

She was beside me through my journey with cancer and would spend the early hours sitting outside with me when I couldn't sleep.

**SIL DBL GR CH PASDEZHAT  
LOULOU CACHERAL - AKA SHAY  
BORN 28/04/2007 DIED 7/11/2015**

Shay came into my world originally via Gaynor whom I had met first at a show I was judging in Wellington. We stayed in contact and when I saw pictures of her decided that she should join Raven as part of my little family.

I picked her up and brought her home after having her delivered to me at the show hall when I came north to judge.

Shay quickly settled in with us and her and Raven became the best of buddies and although they was a years' difference in their ages they became as close as litter mates.

When Shay had her first litter I would come home to find Raven sitting there, helping by babysitting whilst mum went out to hunt and bring back rabbits. Several times I came home to find live baby bunnies running around the lounge. Then I would have to catch them and do a land version of Free Willy. Not sure if the same ones visited or if we had different members of the larger family of the local rabbit population come for a visit.

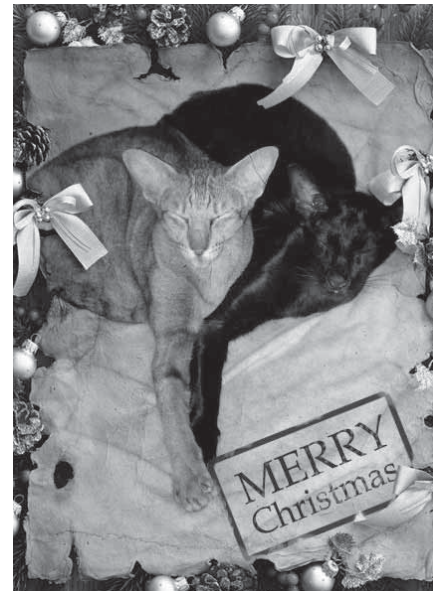
Then there was the lizards that Shay loved to bring inside on a hot Canterbury day, all the while letting me know that she had a present for me, only to let them go once inside. I would either be lucky enough to catch them straight away or spend sometimes days trying to catch them and do another version of Free Willy.

Shay went to all the shows that Raven went to and she ended her career as a Silver Double Grand Champion and took out the National Award in 2009 for the Best Siamese/Oriental.

In early 2011 the girls became international travellers when we went to live in Australia, they both took it in their stride. When we came back in 2012 they again made the journey without any problems and settled back into life in Canterbury as if they had never left.

When I moved to Wellington early 2014 they, by now old hands at this travelling lark, again they had no problems and settled into their new digs in Lower Hutt.

They were always never far from each other and if I saw one the other was somewhere close by.



When Raven left us at the start of November 2014 very suddenly, not only was I feeling the loss, so was Shay.

Shay became closer to me but didn't share the same rapport with Feegle and Zits. Midway through this year Shay started to lose weight and it was determined that she had cancer.

I decided to let Shay continue to be in my life until she was no longer in a good place. That day came on Friday 6 November. She wasn't herself that night when I got home from work so I made the decision to take her off to the vet the next morning.

Shay always one to make her own mind up, was having none of that and I woke on the Saturday to find she had passed away peacefully in her sleep. Raven and Shay are now together again across the Rainbow Bridge. I miss you both my girls and you will forever be in my heart. Until we are together again play nice, share as always, and I know that you both are always near.

*"You gave me all the love you had"  
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# HOLIDAY MESSAGES

## -Shows- Annette Dunn

Thank you to everyone who helps out within the Shows Portfolio area.

To Joan, our Honours Registrar and Sue, the Health and Safety Officer, I hope you have a fantastic break over the Christmas season. Thank you for all the work you do in keeping our systems working correctly.

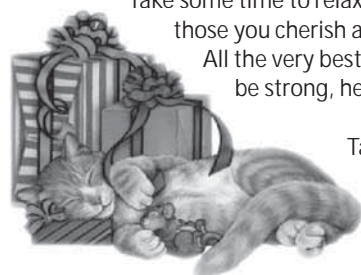
Special thanks to Janice who has handed the Portfolio Manager's Role over to me. I appreciate the work that you have put into this Portfolio over the past few years.

The shows wouldn't be successful without the cats, exhibitors, judges, workers and clubs, so thank you for all your efforts this past year. We all deal with stressful situations, whether it is in our showing life or in our family life.

Take some time to relax and enjoy the peace of holiday times. Make time for those you cherish and love.

All the very best for your kitting season and my wish for you all would be strong, healthy litters with no surgery interventions required!

Take care everyone and safe travels if you are fortunate to be going away for a break!  
Best wishes for a Happy Christmas and a fantastic 2016.



## -Judges- Deb Armishaw

It has been a busy six months since I took over the Judges portfolio and the years' end is nearly upon us.

At the last EC meeting I submitted a process to appoint Judges Emeritus which will become part of the Judges Manual, once that manual has undergone a makeover.

Basically there are some areas that don't work very well, and there are some areas that need to be moved around and put in context. Other areas need clarification and it is proposed to actually incorporate steward and handler training into this manual. As we all know there is more than just stewards and handlers, it is proposed to call the new section 'Show Support Staff'.

I hope to have this ready to go to EC for the first meeting of the New Year.

There will possibly be some minor changes to the Show Bylaws as part of this makeover.

Central Region has just had a Judges Refresher and it is timely to remind all Judges that they are all required to attend one of these refreshers annually, as part of them continuing to hold an NZCF Judging licence.

In the New Year there is to be a Steward and Handlers Training course run, one in each of the three regions.

Sue Ford is coordinating the Northern training, Emma Kimberley the Central region and Jo Millar and Jo Woodrow the Southern region training.

If you are interested in attending please make contact with these people. The more the merrier and who knows maybe just maybe it might lead you down the path to becoming a judge.

Whilst I talk about becoming a judge, I have made a decision to cross the line, and finally do the Longhair training, however to do this and have a school, there needs to be a roll of more than one.

If any current shorthair or longhair judges want to transfer, can they please send in their expression of interest. If there are any other members of the NZCF who would like to become a judge, please also let me know.

Before the end of the year I will be emailing out an electronic version of a Judges Contract to all Clubs (and get it added to the website) that will allow the document to be filled out via a computer, saved, then emailed back.



I have also modified the Judges Annual Return to be completed in the same way and I will send those out shortly.

The Annual Returns are due back by the end of January at the same time as the NZCF Membership forms.

I want to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. If you are out and about (either locally or travelling) travel safe and I look forward to seeing a lot of you in 2016 at a show or two.

# A CAT'S LEVEL OF AGGRESSIVENESS COULD DEPEND ON ITS COLOUR, SAY SCIENTISTS

They say you shouldn't judge a book by its cover, but maybe you should judge a cat by its colour. Veterinary scientists at the University of California, Davis, may have found a link between the colour of a cat's fur and its tendency to exhibit aggressive behaviour towards humans.

In a study published in the *Journal of Applied Animal Welfare Science*, experts used an online survey to test a "common assumption" that calico (tortie) females are "significantly more often aggressive towards people" than other types of cat.

In total, 1,274 cat owners responded to the questionnaire which asked them to list the frequency and degree of their cat's aggressive behaviour during everyday interactions, when handled and when taken to the vet. Answers were used to give each cat a rating on an aggression scale.

Comparing the average aggression rating for different colour groups, scientists confirmed that calico (tortie) females, along with black-and-white and grey-and-white cats, were "more frequently aggressive toward humans".

Male tortie's are rare. Genes for orange and black fur are both carried by the X chromosome and, since females have two X chromosomes, they can carry both genes. Neither gene is dominant, resulting in a random distribution of orange and black in the coat.

The study also found that black-and-white cats were particularly aggressive when handled, grey-and-white cats had a hissy fit when they visited a vet, and tortie females became stroppy in everyday interactions with humans.

The good news for cat-lovers is that the study, led by clinician Elizabeth Stelow, suggested that, overall, puss is a bit of a pushover. But if owners really want to consult the shade chart, for maximum cuddles and minimum fuss, the ideal pet is black, grey, white or tabby.

## HOW DID TABBY CATS GET THEIR 'M'?

All tabbies have an "M" marking on their forehead, and on some this mark is very distinct. The 'M' is often referred to as "the mark of the true tabby." There are several amusing legends about how tabby cats got their "M." That "M" on the forehead of the tabby cat

The most popular of these legends tells us that when the baby Jesus was lying in the manger he started to shiver with the cold. Mary covered the baby with blankets but still he kept shivering. Mary then asked all the animals to move closer to the manger so that their body heat would warm Jesus. The animals stood as close to the manger as they could, but the baby Jesus remained cold and shivering. After a time, a small cat with tabby markings jumped into the manger and snuggled next to Jesus. Before long the baby had stopped shivering and was sound asleep, contented and warm. In her gratitude to the tabby Mary made the mark



of her own initial, upon the cat's forehead so that tabby cats will forever remind the world of how they saved Jesus from the cold.

A legend from the Islamic world recounts that Mohammed had a tabby called Muezza who once saved his masters life by slaying a snake that had crawled up Mohammed's sleeve. Later, when it was time to attend prayers the cat had fallen asleep upon the sleeve, so to avoid disturbing Muezza, Mohammed cut the sleeve from his garment. From that day on all tabbies were born with the 'M' marking on their forehead to remind all that see them, that Mohammed loved cats, and that cats should always be respected.

**What do you think?**



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# HOLIDAY MESSAGE -HISTORIAN-

If anybody has been wondering what's been happening over 2015 with the NZCF history project here's a bit of summary.

Mainly we've got things started, such as:

- an inventory of NZCF history assets;
- a timeline of NZ cat fancy history;
- a digitised history collection of things we've scanned (stud books, club show catalogues, yearbooks, and meeting minutes)
- breed histories that we can add to as we do research.

We've been back to the EC with some policy issues, most recently data retention and disposal, but previously collecting oral histories, running Facebook pages and groups, making records over 50 years old available for research, and selling duplicate items to balance the costs of the project.

The Facebook page (NZ Cat Fancy History) is proving to be a fun way to keep in touch with people and share some of the things we're working on. The Facebook group (NZ Cat Fancy Recollections) is our way of encouraging people to share those great stories that make our history come alive. At the moment we're limiting the numbers in this group as we have to transcribe the information and don't want to get swamped. (We might review this when we see how it's working.)

But by far the most exciting part of the project to date has been receiving the first minute book of the NZGCCF which goes back to the earliest meetings held in the 1930s cat fancy and then records meetings in the revived 1950s cat fancy.

Right away we photographed each page as a backup copy but over the next few weeks we have to add it to the inventory, scan each page and produce a pdf file to share, transcribe all entries and make the transcript available, and finally add the data from the minutes to the timeline and breed histories. As you can imagine we're pretty busy doing this sort of thing to all the documents that come our way!

We're looking forward to 2016 being another exciting year on the history front, and hope anybody with an interest in cat fancy history will call in and see us on the NZCF stand at the National Show in Palmerston North.

NZCF Historian Jane Webster heads the 'history team' of Emma Kimberley, Ann Skilling, and Marg Harris.

**JANE WEBSTER**  
HISTORIAN



*Chris Lowe hands over the minute book*



*Gaynor and Marion study the minute book*



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Cat's milk is characterised by having relatively high protein levels with only moderate amounts of fat and carbohydrate (lactose). The protein in cat's milk is high in readily digestible whey proteins, compared to cow's milk which is predominantly caseins. Cat's milk also contains high levels of the sulphonic acid taurine which is an essential nutrient for kittens. In cats a dietary deficiency of taurine can lead to blindness, hair loss, tooth decay and heart failure.



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# the darker side of breeding

Too many cats, overflowing litter trays, water bowls growing green slime, sick animals... dirty floors... and a breeder who doesn't seem to realise that they are not managing to provide adequate care for their cats. It's not a good scenario, but it is one that occurs more often than we'd like. Maybe you have known someone in this situation.... maybe you have been there yourself. The question is - what can we do about these breeders?

Many things can tip a breeder over the edge :  
from managing and providing good care to :  
their cats, to not managing (and sometimes :  
giving up the struggle, so they are not even :  
doing what they could be doing). Typical :  
situations include

- numbers creeping up beyond what the breeder can afford, or can physically manage to look after.
- sickness in the cattery, kittens that can't be sold, numbers go up further
- breeder can't afford the vet costs to properly treat everyone (and often with infections it is necessary to treat all exposed animals even if they don't show symptoms). Illness spreads, kittens and cats can't be rehomed
- with more cats and kittens, breeder struggles to keep on top of cleaning and the environment becomes increasingly dirty. Litter trays are not regularly scooped and cats start eliminating outside the litter box.
- things go from bad to worse. It seems just too hard to get things back to a reasonable state.
- breeder becomes increasingly isolated, doesn't allow people to visit the house as they know things aren't right and don't want others to see what is going on.
- breeder becomes unwell either mentally (depression - which is relatively common - can sap energy and motivation and also make a difficult situation seem hopeless, and more serious mental health conditions may mean a person is completely out of touch with reality), or

physically - can't manage the hands on care that is needed.

- animal hoarding is considered a mental illness. Some breeders slip into a hoarding situation. In these situations the breeder often genuinely cares about their cats and is unable to see that the animals are ill, underfed, or otherwise poorly cared for.

Currently the only options are for a concerned person to report the breeder to the SPCA, (and that may sometimes be the best thing to do.) However people are often reluctant to do this. They don't want to get a friend or fellow breeder into trouble. They may worry that the breeder will find out or guess who reported them. And a breeder who is slipping into disaster and DOES realise it, does not really have anywhere to turn.

And what about the situation where things are not at such a desperate point - but there are repeated complaints about sick kittens from a particular breeder - so clearly they have some issue going on in their cattery that they are not managing to deal with successfully? If there are 5 complaints in two years about sick kittens, we know there is a problem... but at the moment we don't really have any way to address this.

We'd like to know what you, our members, think the NZCF could or should do if we become aware, either of a serious 'breeder in trouble' situation or of an apparent ongoing issue with sickness in a particular cattery.

Should we simply do nothing? Not get involved in any way? (that's more or less the current situation. When we get a complaint about a sick kitten, we focus on mediating a solution between the breeder and the purchaser if at all possible - we don't try to get more deeply involved). Should we get rid of these breeders? Set in place rules that breeders found to be providing seriously inadequate care to their cats lose their prefixes? Make them not our problem?

Or should we consider setting up some kind of support system that breeders could tap into or be referred to, that would aim to help a breeder in trouble to develop and carry out a plan of action to deal with the issues and bring things back to an acceptable standard?

What would that look like? Could it be done in conjunction with the local SPCA? Is it likely that anyone would be prepared to get involved as a helper, and would breeders getting into difficulties accept the help (how would you feel if it was you?)

Money would probably have to be raised - a major contributing issue to problems is no money for vet treatment and/or no money for desexing cats for rehoming. If the NZCF did have some kind of support system, should there be an incentive to engage with it (eg help with vet or other costs), or a sanction for not engaging (eg either participate in the process to make things right, or have your prefix removed?) Or both? Should the NZCF establish closer links with the SPCA and have some way of working together with local SPCAS to help breeders in difficulties?

We'd like to hear your thoughts on this. A survey will be set up with a link on the NZCF homepage. But you are also welcome to email Gaynor Saxon directly at: [gsaxon@xtra.co.nz](mailto:gsaxon@xtra.co.nz)

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# MEET OUR JUNIOR MEMBERS

## ROSIE GRANTLEY

My name is Rosie Grantley. I am 11 years old. I first started coming to Cat Shows when I was about 6 years old with my Mum. The cats that we show are all our family pets. Some things that I remember before that, are going with Mum to an "All That Glitters" show with Patrick our Ragdoll when he was about 5, and I was 4 years old.

We began to show our Tabby Norwegian Forest Cat Gld Dble Gr Pr "Jaymlynkatz E'Aengus.(Angus) when he was a kitten. He was really for my sister Faith & I, but he fell in love with my big sister Hope instead. I also remember taking along our other cats to a cuddle corner at a Palmerston North Cat Club Show. They were our Ragdoll Rose the Kitty and our other Norwegian Forest Cat Freya. I think I was 4 years old then too. My Grandma & my big sister were helping run the cuddle corner.

In May of 2013 I was given a very special gift of a cat of my own. His name is Jasper. He is a Seal Burmese. In the kitten section he made me proud by finishing the year as the 4th Best Shorthair Neuter/spay Kitten in 2013. I was so excited and proud of him. I just kept hugging him. I have enjoyed showing him, and have had lots of fun with him. But the most special thing about him is that he is my own very first cat. I didn't have to share him with anyone else. I love him so much.

The things I have liked about showing cats are the people who have been kind to me and my family, and made me laugh. I like seeing all the different breeds of cats. I know quite a lot of breeds by name. There are some I would like to own when I grow up. I like travelling to different places, and going on adventures with Mum & my sister Faith. It has been fun.



*My family loves all animals. I hope one day I can be a vet. I am glad Mum took me to Cat Shows because I think I would also like to breed cats myself when I am older. At the moment my favourites are Cashmeres (I like their long coats they are so pretty), Ragdolls and Burmese. I also love Pug Dogs. (Even though I know they aren't cats).*



## PIPER HUMPHREYS

I show my cat because it is way to enjoy my pet even more. it teaches me to groom her and carefor her at a higher level than i would if i did not show her.

When we chose Bella ( JAYMLYNKATZ PORENN ) the breeder ( Denise Grace ) said we maywant to show her as she is a good example of the breed.

We are a competitive family and so it makes sense that our pet cat Bella is competitive also.I am a competitive swimmer and train up to 10 hours a week on top of school, so to have a less physically demanding hobby like showing Bella is good recovery time and also helps me bond withbella. Bella follows me everywhere around the house.

When it comes to show preparation I wash her and my mum dries her. When it comes to the early morning wake up on show day, she goes in her cage and in the car we go, After a few minutes she meows once or twice so I take her out of her cage and I put her bed on my lap and she goes into her bed curls up and goes to sleep. Sometimes she would look out the window and look at all the cows and sheep as we travel.

What ever Bella's results are after the show we are still proud of her. We take in all the comments the judges say and take that into consideration, and prep her for the next show, making sure she has met the standards that our judges have said. Around the house Bella has diva moments for example, when I am on my phone and she is laying down in front of me thinking that the phone or shall I say camera, is pointing at her, so she strikes a pose.

She is very talkative,, we say whats up and she would reply we say "hi Bella" and she would reply. Bella would sometimes wake us up in the middle of the night and want to come under the covers with me or mum in bed and she would curl up and go to sleep. She is a very beautiful cat and I am proud to have her as my pet. I have created a strong bond with Bella. I am proud to call her mine.

# MEET OUR JUNIOR MEMBERS

## ELIZABETH DALY

Hi I am Elizabeth and this is a bit about my cat Misty.

We had 2 cats at home but I wanted my own cat, we adopted Misty at the start of 2015 when she was 3 months old. Misty didn't have a great start in life she was found with her brothers and sisters abandoned at a factory in Levin, we don't know if they were dumped there or born wild as unfortunately her Mum was never found.

Misty and her family went into a lovely foster home until she was ready to go to the SPCA to find her forever home. When we went there we chose Misty as she was the most outgoing and interested in us, we didn't want a shy cat as we have a male cat at home who is very bossy!



Misty settled into our home really quickly she sleeps with me on my bed, she doesn't act wild but she does eat her food very quickly and will take food off our gentle older cat if allowed.

The reason I wanted to join Cat Fancy and do cat shows was seeing them online and wanting to see what they are like.

So far we have only been to 2 cat shows so Misty is a little shy but we hope to do more in the future.

I have found people at cat shows to be very helpful and friendly and it's great to go to new places and meet different people and see all the beautiful cats.



## ELLIE & GRACE KING

Our names are Ellie and Grace and we are 12 yrs old. We starting showing this year. The Hamilton show was our first show. Rustus is 4 years old so he has not taken to showing as we had hoped. He has his own ideas about how he should behave on show day, he showed a few of the judges his grumpy side. We wanted to try a few shows to see if his behaviour improved but sadly it did not, so we have decided to retire Rustus from the show arena. Hopefully in the future we can get another kitten to show. It's a lot of fun and we love to see all the different breeds of cats, and listen to what the judges have to say about all the cats.



# MEET OUR JUNIOR MEMBERS

## CHLOE KING



My name is Chloe and I'm 14yrs old. I have had Luna for 5 months. I wanted a white cat with blue eyes, and when researching, Burmilla is what came up. I knew I couldn't show her as a pedigree cat because her eyes needed to be green, but I found out that I could show her as a companion cat, so we entered the Hamilton cat show. Leading up to the show we bathed and brushed her so her coat was smooth. Luna did amazingly well, so we entered her in another show and on her third show she got the 'Supreme Award'. I was obviously excited about that. Luna has just discovered the outside world, and loves it. She comes in every night at dusk and sleeps in my room till morning. I enjoy going to the shows to see Luna do well, and I am very interested in listening to what the judges have to say about her.



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## BARISTACATS CAFE OPENS IT'S DOORS

BaristaCats Café has opened its doors this month in the heart of the Auckland CBD. At BaristaCats, visitors can enjoy the company of eleven fabulous furry felines, as well as great coffee and delicious sandwiches, cakes and slices. Owner Julia Whitehead, a lawyer by trade, has dreamed of starting a cat café in Auckland since visiting another such establishment in Thailand in 2014.

Cat cafés have become an international phenomenon in recent years, opening in cities across the world. With increasing numbers of apartment-dwellers, office-workers, students and tourists spending time in the Auckland CBD each day, Julia thought the time was right to bring the concept to central Auckland. BaristaCats aims to provide a tranquil refuge from the hustle and bustle of city life: the goal, Julia says, was to create a relaxed space "like your own living room", where guests could feel free to kick back, relax and get to know the wonderful cast of cats.



Cat welfare has been a paramount concern for Julia since day one. All the cats at BaristaCats have been sourced from local cat rescue shelters – SPCA Auckland, Franklin Cat Rescue in Pukekohe, Paws 4 Life in Hamilton – and have been carefully selected for suitability to an indoor and highly social environment. The cats also have their own private space at the back of the café where they can relax if they need some "alone time" away from the public. A particular pleasure so far, Julia says, has been watching the cats – many of whom came from difficult backgrounds – settle in to the café space and begin to make it their home.

BaristaCats Café is located at 95 Queen Street, Level 1 (access via Exchange Lane) and open from 10am–7pm, 7 days a week. Visits cost \$15 for an hour-long session, including a complimentary coffee or other hot beverage. To avoid disappointment, BaristaCats recommends booking online in advance. To find out more, visit [www.baristacats.co.nz](http://www.baristacats.co.nz).



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# THE LONELY MIAOW ASSOCIATION

## WHO WE ARE AND WHAT WE DO

It really is all in the name. Lonely Miaow's mission is to find new homes for those cats who have no one else to look after them. They fend for themselves on Auckland's streets, and often suffer from disease or starvation.

Peter Dormon started the Lonely Miaow journey when he found an abandoned cat in his backyard in 1990. He named it Tiger and gave him a forever home. Word got out that Peter was rescuing stray and abandoned cats and kittens throughout Auckland. Five years and several dozen rescues later, the Lonely Miaow Association was officially founded and incorporated. The rest is history.

To date, over 10,000 cats and kittens have been rescued, desexed and rehomed, and hundreds of volunteers involved with Lonely Miaow. All these volunteers are passionate about what they do, and confident that by giving their time, they can make a positive impact on the lives of thousands of stray and abandoned cats and kittens. In 2014, Lonely Miaow rescued close to 700 cats, and numbers are growing each year.

Lonely Miaow relies on generosity from vets and suppliers, grants from trusts and lotteries, and donations from the public to survive. We are an entirely volunteer-based organisation with minimal overheads, so all the donations we receive go straight into rescuing and rehoming.

Sadly, we can't help all abandoned animals we hear about, due to limited financial resources, and lack of space in our foster homes. We currently have a backlog of hundreds of Auckland cats who need help, and this is just the tip of the iceberg. Every day, we receive calls, emails and social media messages about injured and starving cats and kittens that have been left behind to fend for themselves.

## WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP: FOSTERING

The Lonely Miaow Association is always in need of more foster homes, especially during kitten season from November through to May. There is nothing more rewarding than saving the life of a cat or kitten and finding them a forever home, and the satisfaction of knowing that without the love and care you gave them, they would otherwise have spent a difficult life fending for themselves. Being a Lonely Miaow foster home will not cost you anything – all we ask for is a little bit of time to love and nurture the cats and kittens we place in your care. The organisation covers all expenses, from food and litter to microchipping, veterinary consultations and desexing.

While fostering is extremely rewarding, it can sometimes also be heart breaking. Most of the cats and kittens that come into Lonely Miaow's care have not had the greatest start to life. Many of our cats and kittens are scared, malnourished, and sick or injured - therefore our foster homes need to be prepared to deal with these situations.

These cats need a lot of attention and understanding, especially if they are unwell or very young. On top of the usual cat and kitten related chores such as cleaning litter trays, and washing and filling food and water bowls, you may need to administer medications, bathe sticky eyes, and clean wounds. You will also need to keep a very close eye on cats and kittens in your care for any signs of illness. Lonely Miaow pays for any vet consults and medications that cats in your care might need so you will not need to worry about the cost of this.

The most important thing is to care for foster cats as though they are your own pets. The greatest reward is to see a sick, malnourished and scared cat or kitten blossom into a happy, confident and loving companion.

## INFO BOX

We are looking for volunteers to help in all areas, including in cat rescue, fostering, fundraising and raising awareness of the plights of the stray cats and kittens in the community. If this sounds like you, please sign up at [www.lonelymiaow.co.nz/volunteer](http://www.lonelymiaow.co.nz/volunteer).

*Photos courtesy of SABINE KRUEKEL*





# HELPFUL HINTS IN HOT WEATHER

*During the summer heat, you can strip down to shorts and a tank top, but your cat has to wear a fur coat all year long. This can easily become a health issue. So what can you do to keep your feline friend comfortable during the summer? Here are some handy tips for a cool cat.*

## ICE BABY ICE

If you're going to be away all day and you know it's going to get warm in the afternoon, drop three or four cubes into kitty's water bowl before you head out.

## ICE BED

Fill a small soda bottle with cold water and leave it in the freezer overnight. In the morning, wrap the bottle in a towel and put it in your cat's favorite lounging spot. If she gets overheated, she'll appreciate the kitty cooling room. Don't fill the bottle to the top: Water expands when it freezes, and you could have a mess on your hands if you don't leave some air space.

## ICE BALLS IN WATERBOWLS

Fill a balloon with water to the size you want your ice ball to be. Put in the freezer for about 2-3 days. Take it out and tear the balloon rubber off to reveal your giant ice chunk! Place in a deepish dish with water and pour water on it so your pet's tongue doesn't get stuck!!!

## ELEVATE THE BED

Cloth-covered plastic frames with short legs will allow your cat to sleep in comfort during hot weather, and the air passing under her bed will help to keep her cool.

## GIVE HER A FAN

Get a small box fan and set it on the floor near your air conditioner or an open window. If your kitty gets too hot, she'll

appreciate the breeze blowing through her fur to keep her cool. For extra cooling power during summer heat, put one of those frozen water bottles in front of the fan.

## SHAVE AND A HAIRCUT

If your cat has long fur, consider getting her a lion cut to help ease her suffering on those hot summer days. But be careful: White and light-colored cats also have very pale skin and can be subject to sunburn.

Talk to your vet about whether giving your feline friend a shave could help keep her cool in the hot weather. Another option is to have only her tummy shaved: that way, she can get sun protection as well as cooling.

## APPLY A DAMP CLOTH

Take a damp washcloth or paper towel and stroke your cat with it. Most cats don't mind a little bit of moisture on their fur, especially when they notice how it can cool them off. In fact, one of the ways cats cool themselves down is by grooming, which is nothing more than wetting their fur with saliva rather than water.

## CLOSE THE CURTAINS

Close the curtains or blinds in your south- or west-facing windows. Not only will it keep your kitty cooler, it'll save you money on your a/c bills as well.

## AVOID COOLING GEL PACKS

Although gel cold packs are made with ingredients that are considered nontoxic for humans, the gel could be harmful to your cat if she happens to poke a hole in the plastic with her claw and ingest it.

## POSTPONE PLAYTIME

Even if your cat loves a rousing game of Chase the Mousie, it's best to wait until the end of the day, when it's cooler. Cats can get overheated pretty quickly by strenuous exercise on hot days.

## NEVER, NEVER, NEVER LEAVE YOUR CAT IN YOUR CAR

Not even for a quick errand. A closed car can reach temperatures well over 100 degrees in a frighteningly short time.



# HERPES TREATMENTS UPDATE

By Zena Pigden

Feline herpes is extremely common in the cat population - to the extent that some researchers have suggested that the majority of cats have been infected at some time and are in theory, herpes carriers. (However only about 40% of carriers have recurrences). This is an assertion that is impossible to test, as the tests available for herpes do not reliably identify carriers whose virus is dormant, only those that are actively shedding virus. But certainly we can agree that most cat breeders who breed for a number of years will be visited by herpes at some point.

Symptoms will vary from mild sneezing for a week or two, to severe conjunctivitis with reddened swollen conjunctivae, watery eye and nasal discharges (which may become thick discharges if a secondary bacterial infection develops), eye ulcers or ulcers in the nose causing bloody sneezing. A cat or kitten may scarcely miss a beat – or may be very unwell and very young kittens may die. Carrier cats may have relapse of symptoms when under stress and may become infectious to other cats.

Some may shed virus without obvious symptoms. So what can we as breeders do to manage herpes when it rears its head among our cats?

FIRST OF ALL – breed for health. Don't keep the kitten who nearly died, keep the one that was only slightly unwell. Building up the health and resilience of your breeding population is a big help in minimising issues from all infections.

SECOND – if you can identify that a particular cat is a carrier and is causing infections in your kittens, spay or neuter and rehome.

THIRD – ask your vet about Famvir. Famvir (famcyclovir) is a human antiviral treatment which has been found to be effective in treating symptomatic cats. We don't know if it can eliminate the infection completely – it seems possible that it might, especially if treating a primary infection. Certainly it can dramatically shorten the duration of symptoms.

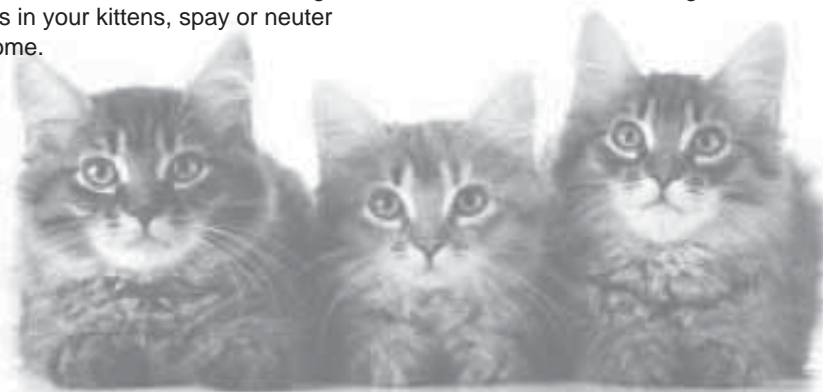
After we brought herpes home from a show, which then started travelling around my cats, Famvir treatment caused symptoms to disappear within a couple of days of starting treatment. The response was very quick (similar results have been reported anecdotally by owners of cats prone to relapse or chronic ongoing symptoms). My vet prescribed a two week course for each cat. Famvir is considered safe in pregnancy for humans and this was based on studies with rats and rabbits (no studies done on pregnant cats). I have also seen reference to its use for kittens. This is the first medication available to us as breeders that directly attacks the virus.

And finally - what about Lysine?? Many of us have used Lysine supplementation in the hope of shortening the duration of symptoms or to prevent relapses (based on two early studies which showed these effects). But a recent review of studies on Lysine suggested that it was not, in fact, effective, and might be harmful. Worry not! This review is based on a misunderstanding of the likely mode of action of Lysine (namely that it destroys arginine. It does not – but it does fool the virus into binding with it,



instead of to arginine and this reduces the replication rate – giving the cat's own immune system a chance to overcome the remaining virus). It also places a lot of weight on 'in vitro' (in the test tube) studies – because of the way Lysine is thought to work, these conditions are very different from what may actually take place in the cat's system.

Anecdotally Lysine seems to be most useful in preventing relapses rather than treating them, and because of its believed mode of action is best given as one or two large doses in the day rather than mixed with food which is eaten over a period over several hours.



# LOLA

By Jane Webster

This is Lola; she's a black and white domestic shorthair and she was a show cat for one day only at the Palmerston North Cat Club show in May. She did alright in the competition - received rosettes and prizes - but that isn't really why Lola is a 'show cat' in the minds of those who know her story. For those who know her - and those who know of her - Lola is a show cat because she was found during show set up the year before and people at the show took an interest in her welfare. Facebook updates kept everybody informed about her progress long after the show was over and it was great to be able to have her at the 2015 show to ... well to show off what a lovely young cat the under-nourished kitten had become.



## THE BLACK-AND-WHITE KITTEN

On the Friday before the Palmerston North Cat Club's big two-day 60th Jubilee show in May 2014 the committee members and helpers were busy setting up in the hall. Christine Yeung had come in to help with the rosettes and Miranda Stevens, the rep for the show's sponsor, was setting up the ProPlan stand. Out in the car park they caught sight of the little black and white kitten and were able to catch it only because she was weak and limping. A ProPlan cat carrier was on-hand to confine the kitten until committee member and vet Genevieve Rogerson arrived back at the hall. A small amount of the sponsor's food was supplied and the kitten did eat a little while it waited.

When Genevieve examined the tiny female kitten she just lay there, no hissing or growling, and worse still she just lay flat when the Genevieve and Christine took their hands away from her. It was obvious that she wasn't very well. It was thought

that she might be about nine weeks old but would turn out to weigh only half of what she ought to. There was a pause while everybody considered what could be done; what should be done. Was the knee problem going to involve expensive surgery down the line? Was the kitten already too unwell to put through anything more? People rallied around. Miranda took her home until Genevieve could set up a special area for her at her house - and named the kitten Lola. Christine supplied blankets, a heat pad and other essentials.

Lola was away from her mother and siblings for the first time in her life and it remained to be seen if she would survive the night.

Lola did survive and the next morning she had the first of what would be her regular weigh-ins; she was 514 grams. She had had flea treatment the night before and a tremendous number of dead fleas in her bedding was the result.

## LOOKING AFTER LOLA

The cat show went on, but in a hall full of cat people most soon heard about the little kitten that had been rescued the day before. People asked after her and members of the club's committee promised to put pictures up on Facebook so everybody could follow her progress. Some of the overseas judges came to Genevieve's house and peeped at the kitten. Lola would have friends all over the world. By the Tuesday Lola had gained weight, now 630 grams. She was still very much underweight but by then she felt well enough to hiss and growl at people who came near her but she never struck out at anybody. Genevieve's husband, Peter, was doing his best to handle her as often as possible since the window of opportunity to socialise her was running out fast and if she was to find a permanent home she would need to be a well-socialised kitten. Socialising Lola to People

Because Lola was in a home with other cats in the house she was being kept apart from the household cats - and Genevieve and Peter both worked. Rather than keep her separated and with limited human contact during this important time another foster



home was sought for her where there were no other cats but two people home all day. Lola was transferred to a home where her big pen could be set up in the living room, accustoming her to the comings and goings of a normal household.

For the next couple of weeks she learned about living with people. There were a few hisses to start with then one day things just seemed to click for her as she realised people were proper companions for a kitten. After that all the meowing and climbing up the sides of the pen were for one purpose - to be allowed out to snuggle with her humans. She experienced the normal things that go on in households and everybody who visited got to handle her so she learned to be friendly with a lot of people, and not just those she knew best. Everybody who was interested in Lola's progress was kept up-to-date through Facebook postings and photos. This included cat lovers from all parts of New Zealand who had attended the show, and even the cat show judges from overseas who had been there that weekend.



Lola had friends in the UK and Europe as well as closer at hand. But she still didn't have a permanent home.

### SOCIALISING LOLA TO DOGS AND OTHER CATS

Once Lola had learned to love people (and she learned it very well!) it was time for her to go back to Genevieve's and learn to get along with other pets - cats and a dog. It was hoped this would help her by making her suitable to find a home with other cats and with dogs, as well as teaching her about playing nicely with other animals which a kitten would normally learn from being with its litter-mates.

By the beginning of June Lola's weight had reached 1 kg and that meant she could be desexed. Regardless of what home Lola went to she was going to be safe from going through what her mother had in having unwanted kittens that nobody was taking care of. Genevieve told those following Lola's story on Facebook that said Lola 'was the best behaved of my surgical patients and purred the whole way through her anaesthetic induction'. It seemed all that time getting her used to people and other pets was starting to pay off.

### A PROPER HOME FOR LOLA

A week after her operation Lola found a home. She would be going to a reliable, cat-friendly home with an older cat and a human of her own and the best bit was that they were connections of Genevieve's so everybody would be able to keep up with Lola's story. There was one more week at her foster home enjoying the company of her cat and human friends including visits from those who wanted a chance to see her before she went off to her permanent home. Then it was off to her new life where everybody was thrilled to hear that she settled in like she had been born there.

### VISITS FROM LOLA

That wasn't the last everybody heard of Lola. People were too interested in the fate of the little rescue cat and there was a quick photo when Lola's new human brought her in to the vet for her next vaccinations. Then Lola came back to Genevieve's for a couple of weeks while her new human was on holiday. It was a great opportunity for the people who had been involved with Lola's 'rescue' to catch up with the lovely teenage cat she had become.



When a year had passed and it was show time again in Palmerston North Lola was once again at the venue - this time as a domestic exhibit and then a couple of months ago Genevieve again had a visit from Lola, now 18 months old and a very confident, happy cat, and (except for her quirky markings) quite unrecognisable as the 'show kitten' from 2014.





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# HOLIDAY MESSAGE

## -Registrations-

Diane Holtom



We would like to wish everyone a very Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year and we hope you, your families and your cats/kittens stay happy, healthy and safe over the Xmas period and throughout the coming year.

*Kindest Regards from: Diane, Avon, Sue, Kaye and Joan.*



# CHRISTMAS CATS

*In my search for appropriate Cover Cats, I sent a message out to our membership for their best Christmas Cats and Kittens photos. Only a few members replied which was rather dissapointing as I know you all have beautiful babies worthy of being the 'Flashcats Cover Cat'.*

*Thanks to those who did send in some lovely photos, here are a couple of my favourites.*



*'Imogene' Sent in by Judy Formby*



*Mainflame Silver Illusion' Sent in by Annette Norris*

## On the 12th day of Catness my human gave to me

12 cardboard boxes

11 tins of of tuna

10 lizards leaping

9 lasers dancing

8 mice-a-squeaking

7 salmon swimming

6 catnip mousies

5 SHINY THINGS!

4 paper bags

3 scratch posts

2 belly rubs (because the 3rd I'll bite)

AND A PAWTRIDGE IN A PURR TREE



IF YOU ARE GOING ON HOLIDAY THIS SUMMER, REMEMBER

### ONLY PACK THE ESSENTIALS







## BREED STANDARDS

In the behind-the-scenes work of the BSAC there has been a bit of administrative paperwork flying around - job descriptions and guides, some getting ready for the appointments and re-appointments that will happen at the beginning of 2016.

We continue to take an interest in the current NZCF breed codes system - not in terms of overhaul but rather ironing out some inconsistencies within the system. Eventually we would like to adopt a policy document to keep things focused.

During the August EC meeting the point was raised that the policy of breed groups with a single breed section representative hadn't yet been added to the governance documents and that there were a few minor follow-on policy inconsistencies that needed clearing up. We've got an amendment in the pipeline for Registration Rules which should clarify the so-called 'identical type' breed group policy.

Breed reps have run two breed section consultations at our request since the last BSAC report - Siamese group (base colour caramel standards) and Ragdoll (two small changes). The changes approved at the EC meeting will be in the standards for 2016.

From now until the end of January is the busy time for our Standards of Points Officer as any standards which need updating (due to EC approved changes, typo or punctuation corrections, or reformatting) all have to be out in time for the 2016 show season. This also includes the Schedule of Breed Codes.

In 2016 we expect to contact a number of breed sections about developing a 'breeding practices policy' including health testing (DNA testing, x-rays, scans, etc) as well as conformation and health. It would be a great help if all our breeders could give some thought to what issues their breed has, and how they could be best managed through either voluntary or mandatory measures. (For example in 2011 the Ragdoll breed section asked the NZCF to require mandatory DNA testing for HCM.)

If any breed section would like to work with the BSAC as we trial our process for consultation and implementation of the breeding practices policy we would be delighted to hear from them.

Jane Webster  
BSAC Portfolio Manager



On behalf of the  
members of the BSAC  
I would like to wish  
the people and cats  
of the NZCF a safe and



## POSITION AVAILABLE

A voluntary (unpaid) position of 'governance documents officer' has been established to carry out and manage on-going amendments to the NZCF's reformatted governance documents.

Expressions of interest are invited from NZCF members who have access to, and are competent users of, Microsoft's Word (including the development and use of styles) and Excel.

Written guidelines, initial training, and on-going support will be provided.

A job description is available.

For more information, or to apply please email Chris Lowe at [secretary@nzcf.com](mailto:secretary@nzcf.com)

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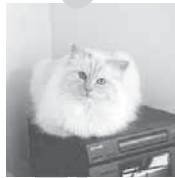
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# NZCF MEETING NOTES

## EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING: 13-15TH NOVEMBER 2015

### SUBMISSION – HEALTH INFORMATION

The EC resolved to refer the submission to the BSAC with a recommendation that conformation issues are covered in breeding practices guidelines and are addressed in breed standards.

### NZCF WEBSITE

Links will be provided on the website to a step by step guide for new Breeder's which they can download and print. Further links will be provided to cover Showing and registering.

### BREED STANDARDS COUNCIL

Congratulations to Genevieve Rogerson & Jody Robinson-Willey who have been appointed to the Breed Standards Council. Sue Gordon & Kim Mattler (retiring Members) were thanked for all the work that they have put into the Council.

### DISPUTES & DISCIPLINE PROCEDURE

From the 1st January 2016 the new procedural document will take effect. Any complaints lodged prior to that date will be handled under the old procedure.

### NEW DECLARATION ON MEMBERSHIP FORM 2016-

Personal information held by the NZCF shall not be sold or given to a third party for any purpose except that the EC Secretary may, when requested, confirm whether a person is financial member of the NZCF and that the outcomes of disciplinary processes may be shared with other registries. Members may request a copy of their details and this must be done in writing to the NZCF Privacy Officer. Members may also request that incorrect information is corrected in the same manner.

### ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES -

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**Note:** Documents for which electronic signatures are not acceptable will be annotated.

### DATA RETENTION & DOCUMENT DISPOSAL

The EC have adopted a policy (which was originally tabled by Lyall Payne) this will be subject to further review.

### STANDARD OF POINTS

amendments have been made to the colour charts in the Siamese & Balinese group relating to eye colour. And the eye colour description for Apricot has been removed from the colour standard thus bringing it into line with all the other colour standards. Minor changes have been made to the Ragdoll standard – colour charts under pointed colours and colourpoints the penalty for "chin darker than ruff" has been removed. The allowance for incomplete mask in Chocolate cats and kittens under three years has been removed.

### REGISTRATION GROUP

Groups listed in Appendix A in the Registration Rules have been redefined to reflect identical type groups only. A breed section shall be established by the Executive Council for each NZCF recognized breed or breed group (as set out in Registration Rules, Appendix A.

### DOUBLE POINTS

EC will look at developing a process, perhaps for 2017 show season. A feasibility study will be done.

### IMP NZ

The Imp NZ suffix for Catz Inc. registrations will no longer be applied as this is an operational practice for overseas imports only.

### ELECTRONIC VOTING

EC will be looking at a remit to present to the 2016 AGM for an amendment to the Constitution adding this as an option.

### NZCF BENCHING FEES

These have been increased to \$5.00 per ring (payable on the first entry only)

Chris Lowe  
NZCF Secretary

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Effective from 1 January 2016

(including 15.00% GST - GST #11-152-260)

Payments can be made by cheque, credit card or internet banking into TSB #153945-0265474-00  
(Please include payment reference when processing by internet banking)

Note: \* denotes Fee \$ changes from 2015

### MEMBERSHIP FEES (Incl GST)

<b>Payable to Executive Secretary</b>	
<i>Membership Renewals due by 31/01/16</i>	
<i>Pro-rata fees apply for new Full/Family members only at 9, 6, &amp; 3 mths</i>	
Affiliate (Clubs) - incl. \$50 contrib. for Clubs Pub. Liab. Ins	\$ 100.00
Full	* \$ 60.00
Family - 2 members	* \$ 80.00
Family - 3 members	* \$ 100.00
Junior	\$ 15.50
Associate (in NZ)	\$ 40.00
Associate (in NZ) - Family - 2 members	\$ 50.00
Associate (in NZ) - Family - 3 members	\$ 60.00
Associate (in NZ) - Junior	\$ 10.00
Associate (Overseas)	\$ 42.00
Late Payment Fee after 31/01/16 (Existing Affil. & Full/Family Mbrs only)	* \$ 60.00
<i>Each membership type includes 4 issues of Flash Cats per year</i>	

### OTHER ADMIN. FEES

<b>Payable to Executive Secretary</b>	
Agendas & Minutes ( <i>sent to members via NZCF no reply forum</i> )	-
Cattery Accreditation (Bi-Annual)	\$ 50.00
Complaints - NZCF Members only	\$ 51.00
Kitten/Cat Notice Board Fee - <i>Annual Fee paid with Membership</i>	\$ 10.00

### Governance Documents

*Downloads available from NZCF Website*

### BREED SECTION FEES

<b>Payable to Executive Secretary</b>	
All members - 1st section	Free
Breeders - All breeds bred	Free
Affiliate Members - 2nd & subsequent sections	* \$ 5.00
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Combined LH & SH with dividers & hard cover (incl. postage)	* \$ 37.00
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LH with dividers only (no cover) (incl. postage)	* \$ 8.00
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<b>Payable to NZCF Treasurer</b>	
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Combined Handlers & Stewards Course Fees	\$ 60.00

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New Prefix - incl 2 x Governance Books	\$ 85.00
Additional Owner Joining an Existing Prefix	\$ 35.00
New Prefix for Existing Prefix Holder	* \$ 40.00
Changes to Spelling of Prefix - Applicant Error	\$ 16.00

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<b>Payable to NZCF Treasurer (on receipt of debtors invoice)</b>	
Flash Cats Advertising - Refer to rates listed separately in Flash Cats	-
Flash Cats Breeders Directory - 4 Issues (invoiced)	\$ 24.00
Flash Cats Folders (Refer to Stationery below)	

### REGISTRATION FEES

<b>Payable to LH, SH &amp; PR Registrars</b>	
<b>Registrations: per Litter</b>	
Per Litter - up to 4 months of age	\$ 26.00
Per Litter - over 4 months of age	\$ 52.00
Imported Cat/Kitten Registration	\$ 41.00
Penalty Fine for Non-Registration of Litter	\$ 50.00
<b>Transfers: per Cat/Kitten</b>	
Breeding Cats & Kittens (incl certified 4-Generation Pedigree)	\$ 32.50
Non-Breeding (Pet) Cats & Kittens (incl 4-Gen. Uncertified Pedigree)	* \$ 15.00
Non-Breeding (Pet) Cats & Kittens - Transfer only	\$ 6.50
Penalty Fine for Non-Transfer - per cat/kitten	\$ 10.00

### Certified Pedigrees:

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4 Generation	\$ 26.00
5 Generation	\$ 41.00
6 Generation	\$ 77.00
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8 Generation	\$ 150.00

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Colour, Name or Sex Change	\$ 6.50
Export Documentation	\$ 5.50

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Pedigree - per exhibitor per ring (1st exhibit)	* \$ 5.00
Domestic/Companion - per exhibitor per ring (1st exhibit)	* \$ 5.00
<i>Penalty Levy for late receipt of marked catalogue to Hon. Registrar</i>	\$ 5.00 per day
<i>Penalty Levy for late receipt of Benching Fees to Treasurer</i>	\$ 5.00 per day
Shows IT Package Fee: Payable by Clubs on invoice	\$ 115.00

### Payable to Executive Secretary

*Applies to 2016 Show Year - fees payable in full by 31 March 2016*

<b>Show Application Fees:</b>	
Clubs - Show Application Fees - per Ring	\$ 50.00
Clubs - Show Late Application Fee - for fees received after 31/03/16	\$ 25.00
<i>Note: Co-operatively held shows attract separate show application fees</i>	

### STATIONERY

<b>Payable to NZCF Treasurer</b>	
Desexing Contracts (per 50) (incl postage)	\$ 14.00
Flash Cats Folders (incl postage)	\$ 25.00
NZCF Badges (Gold on Blue) (incl postage)	* \$ 6.80

*All other NZCF forms are available as downloads from the NZCF website*

Approved by EC: 22/11/14

# 2016 NZCF SHOW CALENDAR

DATE	CLUB	RINGS	VENUE	H&S
Saturday 5th March	Tosca	3	Auckland	Yes
Sunday 6th March	Shorthair Cat Breeders (Pedigree SH, Domestic & Companion)	4	Canterbury	Yes
Saturday 12th March	Burmese Cat Club NZ Inc (Central)	5	Palmerston North	Yes
Sunday 13th March	Canterbury All Breeds	4	Canterbury	Yes
Saturday 19th March	Metropolitan SHCC (All Pedigree SH)	3	Auckland	Yes
Sunday 20th March	Kapiti Horowhenua Cat Club (All Breeds)	4	TBA	Yes
Sunday 27th March	Southern Cross All Breeds Cat Club	4	Dunedin	Yes
Saturday 2nd April	Dominion Shorthair (All Breeds)	4	Wellington	Yes
Saturday 9th April	NZCF AGM -- Wellington			
Saturday 16th April	Central Districts Cat Club	3	Masterton	Yes
Saturday 16 April	NZ Siamese - All Shorthair (3 rings) Siamese specialist - (1) ring	4	Christchurch	Yes
Sunday 24th April	Auckland Cat Club 4 Auckland Yes			
Saturday 30th April	NZCF Awards dinner -- --			
Sunday 1st May	National Show & Palmerston North Cat Club Inc Show	4	Palmerston North	Yes
Saturday 7th May	Birman Cat Club & Companion	4	Paeroa	Yes
Sunday 15th May	LH Cat Breeders Assoc (SI)	4	TBA	Yes
Saturday 21st May	Taranaki Cat Club (All Breeds)	4	New Plymouth	Yes
Saturday 21st May	Burmese Cat Club NZ Inc (SI)	5	Christchurch	Yes
Saturday 28th May	Mid Island Cat Club Inc (All Breeds, Domestic & Companion)	4	TBA	Yes
Sunday 5th June	Geyserland Cat Club (All Breeds)	4	TBA	Yes
Sunday 12th June	Canterbury All Breeds	4	Canterbury	Yes
Sunday 19th June	Wellington Cat Club	6	Wellington	Yes
Saturday 25th June	Auckland Cat Club (All Breeds)	4	Auckland	Yes
Sunday 3rd July	Hamilton Cat Club (All Breeds)	4	Hamilton	Yes
Saturday 9th July	Sacred Temple - Birman & Companions	5	Wellington	Yes
Saturday 16th July	Pedigree Persian Cat Fanciers- (All LH Pedigree + Domestic &	5	Wellington	Yes
Sunday 24th July	Geyserland Cat Club (All Breeds)	4	TBA	Yes
Sunday 31st July	Nelson Cat Club	4	Nelson	Yes
Saturday 6th August	-- -- --			
Saturday 13th August	Hutt Feline (All Breeds) Domestic & Companions	5	Upper Hutt	Yes
Sunday 14th August	Shorthair Cat Breeders (Pedigree SH, Domestic & Companion)	4	Christchurch	Yes
Sunday 21st August	LH Cat Breeders Assoc (SI) Inc	4	Christchurch	Yes
Saturday 3rd September	Patches & Pointed Inc (All Breeds)	6	TBA	Yes
Sunday 4th September	Kapiti Horowhenua	3	Kapiti	Yes
Sunday 11th September	Canterbury All Breeds	4	Canterbury	Yes
Saturday 17th September	--			
Saturday 24 Sept	Hutt Feline & Pedigree Persian (All Breeds) Domestic & Com 5 Wellington	5	Wellington	
Saturday 1st October	NZ Siamese - All Shorthair (3 rings) Siamese specialist - (1) ring	4	Christchurch	Yes

*Please note:.. Not all 2016 show dates are included on this page, show dates and venues may change from time to time, please check on the NZCF Website for more up to date details and more show dates.*



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