

# ***ABYSSINIAN and SOMALI CAT CLUB Inc.***

***50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary***

***2024 CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW***

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2024**

**Onehunga Community House**

**83 Selwyn Street, Onehunga, AK1061**



**All Pedigree Shorthair Breeds, all Domestic & Companion Cats are invited to participate in our show.**

Held under the rules of the NZCF & The Abyssinian & Somali Cat Club Inc.

This is an open show with club appointed handlers.

**NZCF AWARDS: Top Ten Entire Cats, Entire Kittens, De-sexed Cats & desexed Kittens, Pedigree & Companion Cats. Supreme Pedigree and Domestic (see rule 20). There will also be an award for the top Abyssinian or Somali exhibit.**

**JUDGES:**

<b>Ring One:</b>	<b>All exhibits</b>	<b>John Smithson</b>	<b>NZCF</b>
<b>Ring Two:</b>	<b>All exhibits</b>	<b>Sue Ford</b>	<b>NZCF</b>
<b>Ring Three:</b>	<b>All exhibits</b>	<b>Lyall Payne</b>	<b>NZCF</b>

**Club Officials:**

<b>President:</b>	<b>Kathleen Horn</b>	<b>(09) 636 5954</b>	
<b>Treasurer:</b>	<b>David Crozier</b>	<b>(09) 889 8293</b>	<b>PO Box 13873, AK1643</b>
<b>Show Manager:</b>	<b>David Crozier</b>	<b>contact: 022 698 7978</b>	
<b>Health &amp; Safety Officer:</b>	<b>David Crozier</b>		

**Show Entry Clerk: contact: 022 698 7978**

**SEND ALL ENTRIES BEFORE 5th September 2024**

**To ABY Club email: [Abyccnz@gmail.com](mailto:Abyccnz@gmail.com)**

**Email or text entries are preferred otherwise post if you must to  
PO Box 13873, Onehunga, Auckland 1643**

**A mobile number or email address is required for entry confirmation.**

**There is a \$20 consideration fee for any late changes or entries, regardless of outcome, before the catalogue is printed.**

**Due to the size of our venue, we may have to limit entries.**

**Entries are accepted or declined at the sole discretion of the club.**

***As this is a half century celebration for our small club there will be a petite breakfast offering before the show and a cake to cut in the afternoon.***

**Entry Fees:** \$12.00 per exhibit, per ring, for all Rings 1, 2 & 3  
There will be rosettes for all top 10 exhibits in each ring  
**Benching Fee:** \$5.00 per ring, per exhibitor (maximum is 3 rings x \$5 = \$15 per person)  
**Catalogue:** \$5.00 pre-orders only  
**Club Membership:** \$15.00 Single and double  
\$15.00 Associate Membership for non-Abyssinian exhibitors.

DONATIONS: Any donations will be eagerly received.

Payment can be made by credit card using PayPal, or by direct internet banking.  
Abyssinian & Somali Cat Club account for Internet Banking is

**Kiwi Bank Account No. 38 9001 0847124 00**

Please include your NAME in the Particulars, the words "Show" in the Reference / Code and please note on your Entry Form how you have paid and the date of payment.

Credit card payment is available via PayPal. PayPal account email address is Abyccnz@gmail.com  
For PayPal Credit Card transactions please add the \$3 transaction fee to the total.

All fees are to be settled in advance, prior to printing the show catalogue. No fees will be accepted on show day.

### **SHOW TIMETABLE**

Hall Opens	8.00 am
Vetting	8.15 am - 8:45 am
Judging Starts	9.15 am
Show Closes	4 pm or earlier at the discretion of the show manager if all awards are out.

- **All Domestic and Companion Cats must be desexed.**
- **Kitten vaccination certificates must be presented on entry to the venue.**
- **Please no distractions during judging such as ringing mobiles or flash photography.**
- **Exhibits must remain in the show hall until the end of the show.** Early release requires written prior approval of the show manager – see NZCF Show Bylaws para 10.8
- **Only paper litter provided by the club may be used at the venue.**

### **HELPERS ARE NEEDED:**

As the number of Aby & Somali Club Members who are sane & able-bodied is reduced, we ask for assistance especially for the **set up at the venue on Friday from 4-6pm**, and at the close of the show. As the active members of the club are occupied running the show on the day, we rely on volunteers to work as stewards, handlers and scribes – please offer if you are able, even if for part of the day.

**Exhibitor's free tea and coffee, breakfast offerings. Morning tea is provided for workers. Lunch is provided for the judges only. Afternoon cake cutting.**

**Size of show cage = 600mm wide, 440mm high, 420mm deep**

## ***General Rules & Conditions for All Exhibitors***

1. This Show is held under the rules of the NZCF Inc and all exhibitors are deemed to have agreed to abide by these rules. A copy of the NZCF Show Rules and By-Laws can be downloaded from the website: [www.nzcf.com](http://www.nzcf.com)
2. By Laws for Exhibitors 4.3 (a) (i): Any registered cat exhibited at a show held under these Rules & By-Laws shall be bred by the exhibitor in whose name it is entered or shall have been transferred to the exhibitor prior to the date of the show.
3. All exhibits must be brought to the show in carrying boxes or cages, not on leashes or carried in the arms. The carry cage is to be stored under the cat's show cage. The club provides the display cage at the venue unless otherwise requested prior to the show.
4. Cage Decorations are allowed for this show, but please keep in mind the practicalities of judging your cat and the ease of access for the judge. If you are not decorating your cage, supply your cat or kitten with a coloured towel or blanket to make the show colourful and fun. A container of water should be provided for exhibits.
5. Exhibitors are responsible for entering their cats in the correct classes; only those exhibits registered with the NZCF Inc are eligible to be entered in the registered section. Each cat shall be clearly identified on the entry form; such identification shall include; date of birth, Breed Number, Sire & Dam & Registration Number of the exhibit. If a cat is owned by more than one person, all owners must be listed.
6. Any exhibit which has been exposed to or has suffered from an infectious or contagious illness within a period of 21 days prior to this show is not allowed to be benched, and no cat or kitten shall be exhibited if the exhibitor has had any such illness in his or her cattery during this period.
7. All exhibits must be in good condition, have clean ears and be free from vermin or ringworm. They must not be declawed, but they **must have their claws clipped (front and back feet)**.
8. **NO EXHIBIT CAN BE BENCHED AFTER FINAL VETTING (8.45 am).**
9. Vet Inspection as per By-Law 9c (ii) The Veterinary Surgeon's decision on the day shall be final and no discussion will be entered into. There are no refunds payable if a cat is rejected by the Veterinary Surgeon. Other exhibits entered in the show by the same exhibitor may be rejected also upon the advice of the Veterinary Surgeon.
10. Owners of a rejected cat will be notified in writing and the exhibit is to be removed from the show venue as soon as possible.
11. Exhibitors are requested to stay within the show confines while Vetting is conducted.
12. No exhibitor has permission to sell cats or kittens on the day of the show, within the confines of the venue. No advertising material (cattery cards, Kitten lists etc) may be exhibited on or in cages until judging is finished. The Club reserves the right to remove such material however The Club will provide an area for advertising
13. The refund of Entry Fees will be at the discretion of the Show Committee and only considered when a Certificate of illness, injury or death from a Veterinary Surgeon is received by the Show Secretary within 24 hours from the day of the show.
14. The Club accepts no responsibility for any loss or damage to any personal property, exhibits, boxes or carry cages, but will endeavour to see that all care is taken to prevent accident or injury to any exhibit.
15. **No grooming is permitted in the show hall.**
16. No exhibit is to be removed from the show venue before the close of show without the prior authorisation of the Show Manager. See NZCF Show Rule 10.8 and associated form
17. Assistance in taking down the show after the close is most appreciated and allows **all** participants to get home in a timely fashion.
18. Student Judges may be working at the show, so if you do not wish your exhibit to be handled by a Student Judge please indicate this on your entry form.
19. The venue is now a Category One Historic Place and has multiple users – please respect everyone's space, including parking considerately and please note there is no smoking anywhere at the venue including the decks and carpark.
20. The Pedigree & Domestic Supreme Exhibits will be decided by whichever has the majority of each judge's personal selection of their top exhibit from those they awarded BIS. Where there is no clear majority, the Supreme will be determined by chance from a draw of the judge's choices.

# SCHEDULE OF CLASSES

## BREED CLASSES

	MALE	FEMALE	NEUTER	SPAY
<b>OPEN CAT (Challenge Class)</b>	1	21	41	61
Junior	2	22	42	62
Intermediate	3	23	43	63
Senior	4	24	44	64
Veteran	5	25	45	65
New Zealand Bred	6	26	46	66
<b>OPEN KITTEN</b>	11	31	51	71
4-6mths	12	32	52	73
6-9mth	13	33	53	73
New Zealand Bred	14	34	54	74

## TYPE CLASSES

In classes 101 to 171 all exhibits compete against all other exhibits, irrespective of colour or Breed number. Judging takes into account only the shape or type of the cat, not colour, condition or eye colour.

Open Cat	101	121	141	161
Open Kitten	111	131	151	171

## Definition of Terms Used

<b>Cat</b>	A Feline of either gender, aged 9 months or older on show day.
<b>Kitten</b>	A Feline of either gender less than 9 months on show day
<b>Kitten 4-6 mths</b>	Born between 4 and 6 calendar months prior to show day
<b>Kitten 6-9 mths</b>	Born between 6 and 9 calendar months prior to show day
<b>Open</b>	A class in which <b>ALL</b> exhibits of the same age group compete without restriction or qualification.
<b>Junior</b>	Cat 9 months or over but less than 2 years old on show day
<b>Intermediate</b>	Cat 2 years or over but less than 5 years on show day
<b>Senior</b>	Cat 5 years or over but less than 7 years on show day.
<b>Veteran</b>	Cat 7 years or over on show day.

**Privacy Act: Exhibitor name and prefix, where provided, will be listed in the catalogue unless otherwise requested on the entry form.**