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Chair Chat

Well, another AGM has passed and I'm delighted to say that we have a very strong team on the Executive Council to take things forward over this coming year. I would like to welcome back Annette Dunn and welcome Gaynor Saxon to the Executive Council. Annette continues with the Judges Portfolio and Gaynor is taking over Finance and Administration. However, we are only 8 people - 6 portfolio holders & two office bearers, and without input and feedback from you, the members, we won't move forward very far at all.

In this issue of Flashcats you will find a draft Breeders Code of Conduct. This is intended to replace the old Breeders Code of Ethics and contains most of what was on the old Code of Ethics, along with some new items, and worded in a way that we hope is crystal clear, so that our breeders will know exactly what is expected of them. By the same token, if a breeder fails to live up to the Code of Conduct, and especially if they repeated fail to do so, they may be subjected to disciplinary action. It's very important that we have buy in from our breeders, and that all our members (and indeed members of the public buying from our breeders) also feel that we have the right expectations of our breeders.

So what we need to know is - are the expectations outlined in this document easy to understand? Fair and reasonable? What you would expect of a registered breeder? Is there anything missing? If you are a breeder, is there any part of this that you have reservations about?

Why? Please let us know. Please email your thoughts to me (zpigden@gmail.com) or call me on 03 471 0626. A Code of Conduct that 'gets it right' is part of what we need to convince the buying public that if they want a pedigree kitten, they should come to an NZCF registered breeder instead of paying inflated prices at a pet shop or buying from a backyard breeder.

While I'm asking for your input and ideas, I'd also like to hear from anyone who has some ideas about what the NZCF could do to deal with breeders who are known or found to have issues with cat health, or overcrowding. (For example, if there are repeated complaints from kitten buyers about sick kittens bought from a specific breeder, or reports of dirty and overcrowded conditions.) Breeders can find themselves in a situation that has become overwhelming and may see no way forward. Is there some way we can help them? How could this be organised? People are often reluctant to have their situation known to others but unable to deal with it singlehanded. A revised disciplinary process could - perhaps - include as one of the outcomes, that the breeder is required to work with someone to come up with a plan of action to remedy matters and a timeframe to implement it. Or is this over-optimistic, should the disciplinary action consist of terminating membership or removing a prefix and the right to breed and register with the NZCF?

Again, I'd like to hear from as many of you as possible.

Finally, by the time you read this, the National will be just a few weeks away. I often hear judges say that while our show entry numbers are not always large, the quality of the top

exhibits is outstanding, and competitive with cats anywhere in the world. I know many of you have those outstanding cats at home... so make sure you put your entries in and make the effort to come. Catch up with old friends and new from around the country and make this a show to remember for the judges, the general public, and other exhibitors.

I look forward to seeing you there!

Zena Pigden
NZCF Chair

IMPORTANT DATES

2014 Meeting Dates

- EC Meeting 30-31st August 2014
- EC Meeting 22-23rd November 2014

2015 Meeting Dates

- 14-15th February 2015
- 24-28 World Cat Congress -
In Auckland (National show 25th April)
- AGM 20-21 June 2015
- 29-30 August 2015
- 14-15 November 2015

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Our Cover Story

A1Savannahs Matanah Me Al

- AKA Motzie



Motzie entered my world by careful choice and selection. I wanted to get a cat that was different, something as close to my exotic cats the serval or even the caracal. I saw an advertisement in the breeder's section of Cat Fancy magazine and for some reason I had to have this cat. His photo (right) called out that he was special, different and was human bonded. I called and the breeders, Martin and Kathrin Stucki of A1Savannahs, informed me that 9 other people also wanted this cat, first one to send the cheque gets him. I sat and thought about it for 10 seconds and went to the post office and over-nighted the check for Deo (at the time that is what his name was) and I already had a new name for him picked out before he arrived.

If anyone else dared to purchase him (believe me, I would be the most disappointed woman in the world, thankfully I felt honoured to beat out everyone else.) I could not wait to receive him and his arrival couldn't happen fast enough. The name I chose for him was Matanah Me Al, Hebrew for "Gift from Above," nicknamed Motzie and I felt that it stuck and fitted him perfectly.

At the time I was living in New York and my breeder was having him sent to Boston, Massachusetts (in reality a hostile state to Savannahs) and I could not wait for him to arrive. I drove four hours to Logan Airport in Boston and actually arrived an

hour early. When his plane arrived, I felt like a child in a candy shop, waiting for him to really arrive in the cargo building for Continental Airlines specifically designed to handle animals. I was impressed with how the animals were treated and the care that Continental Airlines gave them. First a puppy was handed to the anxious owners waiting, then a parrot, a hedgehog (have to admit really adorable and different) several kittens. Then there were anxious owners waiting for big dogs that went on vacation (I assume) given to their owners and finally my turn came that seemed to take forever! When I was called to the door instead of the window I basically said to myself, just what did I get!



A middle sized dog crate was given to me. I sincerely was in shock because of how big and heavy the crate was. Thinking, just what did I get myself into, I could not wait to see my prize (neither could the other animal owners!) I have the habit of making sure what was shipped/flown to me was not hurt/

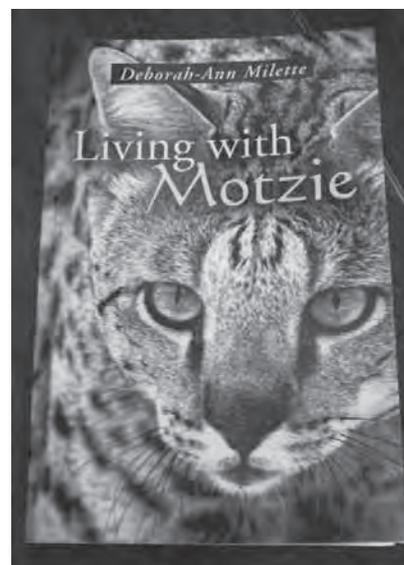
damaged and I took this huge dog crate in the hall to open it. When I did get the crate open, I was surprised, but also in awe over my new boy that arrived safely and in healthy condition. He was perfect!!!! He snuggled into my arms just as if he belonged there and we were meant to be. Other owners were in awe and it was then I knew I made the right decision, the right choice. I got the "big, different and special" friend I was looking for.

We got into our car (soon to be his, in more ways than just the ride) returned for the four hour ride to his new home in New York and not the NYC part but upper New York between Albany and Saratoga. On the ride home, I knew one was not enough and my thoughts for another was imprinted in my mind. This boy was used to living with other cats and he will need a roommate in time. While driving home, I felt like I had secret treasure, something very special and unique, something that was all mine.

This is a chapter of a book I wrote about Motzie almost to date. His show name is 'A1Savannahs Matanah Me Al'. He is the last of the founder's breeding, Joyce Sroufe. He will be 9 years old this month and I got him when he was 2 years old. He is a special cat and one of a kind.

Deborah-Ann Milette

'Living with Motzie' can be purchased through Amazon.com
<http://www.amazon.com/Living-Motzie-Deborah-Ann-Milette/dp/1458215296>



UPPER RESPIRATORY INFECTIONS

Knowing the Difference

What is Feline Chlamydophilia?

Chlamydomphila felis (formerly known as *Chlamydia psittaci*) is a common disease caused by a bacterium which lives inside the host's cells and is a causative agent for conjunctivitis in cats.

Pneumonitis was a term used to describe upper respiratory infections and it was originally believed that the culprit was *Chlamydia psittaci*. It was later realised that *Chlamydomphila felis* is not the main cause of respiratory disease of cats, but feline viral rhinotracheitis and feline calicivirus are the cause of the majority of feline respiratory diseases. *Chlamydomphila felis* doesn't survive well in the environment and is easily killed by routine disinfection.

What are the symptoms of Feline Chlamydomphilia

The predominant clinical sign of *C. Felis* is conjunctivitis; an abnormal eye discharge due to inflammation of the conjunctiva, the membrane lining the inside of the eyelid and the white part of the eye itself, (known as the sclera). The eyes initially develop a watery discharge, as the infection progresses, the conjunctiva becomes reddened and swollen and the discharge becomes thicker, the inner eyelid can get so swollen it can close over the eye completely. It may start out with discharge from one eye, but usually spreads to both eyes. Symptoms usually appear around 5 days after exposure.

Mild upper respiratory symptoms such as low grade fever, nasal discharge and sneezing may also be present.

It is possible for a cat to appear outwardly healthy but be shedding the bacteria which can be passed on to other cats via eye discharge.

Which cats are at risk?

Chlamydia can affect any cats, but it is more often seen in kittens between 5 and 9 months of age and cats in multi cat households, overcrowded or stressful environments such as animal shelters.

How is Chlamydomphilia in cats treated?

Antibiotic eye ointment (usually tetracycline) or oral antibiotics will be prescribed. In some cases, a steroid based antibiotic ointment will be given.

Cats with Chlamydomphilia may also become dehydrated, in which case he will be given IV fluids. Encouraging your cat to eat is important, cats with URI's can lose their appetite.

Prevention of Feline Chlamydomphilia:

Vaccination. There is a vaccination available for *Chlamydomphila felis*. It can reduce the severity of symptoms, but doesn't prevent infection in the first place. There are side effects associated with a small percentage of cats, including lethargy,

lameness, depression, anorexia, fever and therefore it is only recommended for high risk situations. This vaccine works with some breeds, but a lot of breeders prefer not to introduce it into their catteries where they may not have had the virus before.



Feline conjunctivitis, Chlamydia

What is Feline Herpes?

Also known as feline viral rhinotracheitis (FVR), feline herpes is an acute upper respiratory disease of cats caused by the feline herpesvirus type 1 or FHV-1.

Feline herpesvirus is the most common cause of upper respiratory disease in cats, it is more common in kittens, cats in stressed/overcrowded environments such as animal shelters and multi cat households. Kittens and older cats are more at risk than healthy adults, and are also at greater risk of dying. Once your cat becomes infected with the feline herpesvirus he will have it for life.

The first outbreak is usually the most severe. Once recovered, in the healthy cat the immune system usually manages to keep the virus in check, but there may be the occasional outbreak at times of stress (pregnancy, lactation, overcrowding, while boarding etc.) or sickness.

What are the symptoms of feline herpes?

- Sneezing
- Ocular (eye) and nasal discharge
- Conjunctivitis, which sometimes leads to corneal ulcers
- Fever
- Loss of appetite (anorexia)
- Depression
- Ulceration of the mouth and tongue.
- Pneumonia

The damage caused to tissues, it is possible for a secondary bacterial infection to take hold. If a pregnant cat catches herpes, it may lead to abortion of the kittens.

How do cats become infected?

In the nonreplicant or "latent" phase, the virus is still in the host cells, but it is not causing disease at that time. They do During the "active" phase, the virus interferes with the cell's normal metabolism, causing the symptoms associated with the disease. The virus is shed and other cats can become infected.

In Utero: It is possible for feline herpesvirus to be passed on to unborn kittens via the mother.

Direct Contact: Feline herpesvirus is transmitted by oral and respiratory secretions of a cat who is actively shedding the virus.

How is feline herpes treated?

There is no cure for herpes, The goal is to give supportive care, treat the symptoms and try to shorten the outbreak. Treatment also depends on the severity and symptoms and may include:

- Keeping the nostrils and eyes clear of discharges. Use cotton balls dipped in warm water to wipe away any discharge.
- Antibiotics may be prescribed, these are ineffective against the herpes virus, but may be used to treat secondary infections that can occur.
- Antiviral drugs.
- Ensuring the cat is receiving food and liquid intake. Force feeding, IV fluids or subcutaneous fluids if necessary.
- L-Lysine is an essential amino acid which has been shown to suppress viral replication and inhibit cytopathogenicity. However, you should always speak to your veterinarian before you supplement your cat's diet.



Feline Herpesvirus Dermatitis (On nose skin)

What is Feline Calicivirus?

Calicivirus are members of the Caliciviridae family, and there are several strains which can infect cats.

80 - 90% of all feline respiratory disease complex are caused by either feline calicivirus or feline rhinotracheitis virus (feline herpesvirus). Dual infection with both feline calicivirus and feline herpesvirus are fairly common. Calicivirus usually affects the throat, eyes, nasal cavity and oral cavity in cats, although sometimes the lungs and intestines are affected.

In the healthy adult cat, the mortality rate is fairly low, however kittens and older cats are at greater risk. Feline calicivirus is most often seen in shelters with over crowding, although it can occur in any household.

There is a particularly virulent form known as 'virulent systemic feline calicivirus' with a mortality rate of 67%.

What are the symptoms of feline calicivirus?

There are several strains of calicivirus, which infect cats and symptoms differ depending on the virulence of the particular virus causing infection. Some strains may cause mild symptoms only, others severe.

Symptoms of calicivirus are often similar to that of a head cold in humans such as:

- Sneezing
- Nasal discharge
- Fever
- Rhinitis (inflammation of the nasal mucous membranes)
- Runny eyes
- Salivation
- Ulceration of the tongue and palate

More virulent strains of calicivirus can cause pneumonia. Calicivirus can also cause lameness in cats (known as limping syndrome). This has been seen in not only naturally occurring calicivirus but also after vaccination.

Feline calicivirus can be complicated by secondary bacterial infections, anorexia and dehydration.

Feline calicivirus has been observed in the mouths of some cats with gingivitis.

How do cats become infected?

- **Direct contact:** Infection is passed from an sick or carrier cat via eye, nasal and mouth discharges.
- **Indirect contact:** Contaminated food bowls, bedding etc. Calicivirus is resistant to many disinfectants and can live in the environment for long periods of time.
- It is possible for cats to remain carriers for years after infection.

How is it treated?

Treatment is generally supportive. As calicivirus is a virus, antibiotics won't work, however, they may be prescribed for secondary bacterial infections.

Removal of discharge from the nose and eyes will make your cat more comfortable. If the cat has become anorexic, force feeding may be necessary. Fluids may also be required to treat dehydration.



Feline Calicivirus

What is cat flu?

A combination of several Upper Respiratory Viruses and the worst of these diseases.

Cat flu (also known as upper respiratory tract disease) is a general term used to describe a common set of symptoms of the upper respiratory tract. The symptoms are similar to that of a cold or flu in humans.

What causes cat flu?

Cat flu is caused by several pathogens (disease causing organisms).

The most common causes are feline herpes virus (FHV), feline calicivirus (FCV), (both noted earlier) feline reovirus, Bordetella bronchiseptica, and feline Chlamydomphila (Chlamydomphila felis). FHV and FCV are by far the most common cause of cat flu, being responsible for 80% of cases. FHV typically is the more severe of the two.

How is cat flu spread?

Direct contact: Infection is passed from a sick or carrier cat via eye, nasal, and mouth discharges.

Indirect contact (fomites): Contaminated food bowls, bedding, etc. Calicivirus is resistant to many disinfectants and can live in the environment for long periods of time.

What are the symptoms of cat flu?

Many of the causes of cat flu have overlapping symptoms. However, some causes have individual symptoms. For example, mouth ulcers are often seen in a cat with feline calicivirus, whereas eye ulcers are seen with feline herpes virus. Cats with FCV may also develop a limp.

Eyes:

A thick, sticky eye discharge also occurs with cat flu. Corneal ulcers may develop. Eyes become red and inflamed (conjunctivitis).

Nose:

Sneezing and nasal discharge are common symptoms of cat flu. The virus causes inflammation of the mucus membranes (rhinitis), accompanied by nasal discharge, which may be clear or thick.

Fever:

When an infection takes hold, the body responds by increasing its temperature. This can make your cat feel generally unwell.

Mouth:

Ulcerations of the mouth and tongue may develop, making eating painful.

Loss of appetite:

A cat with the flu will often lose its appetite. This is made worse by the nasal discharge, which affects the cat's sense of smell.



Dehydration is another concern with the sick cat. It feels too poor to drink and thus quickly dehydrates.

How is cat flu treated?

Treatment depends on the cause of the cat flu. There are no drugs to treat viral infections, and supportive care is necessary. This includes keeping the nose clear of discharge.

A stuffed up cat will often lose its appetite; therefore, it is of utmost importance that you do everything you can to encourage your cat to eat and drink. If your cat refuses to eat or drink, then seek veterinary advice immediately. Even if the cause is viral, antibiotics may be prescribed to protect against secondary bacterial infections.

Encouraging your cat to eat and drink is extremely important. If he is not showing an interest in his regular food, try offering him the small "gourmet" canned food. Warming it up a little can help make it more appealing.

There are also high-calorie products available from your veterinarian to use with sick and recuperating cats. These are usually in paste form.

Plenty of tender, loving care is required.

Article sourced from various websites





HANDY TIPS for Cleaning Teeth

Cats are meticulous self-groomers, cleaning every patch from whisker to tail, but their dental health requires a human hand. Yet cats don't appreciate curious fingers exploring their canines and gums. Getting them to open wide and say "Ahhh" takes not only practice and planning, but knowledge of what's happening in feline mouths.

The buildup of tartar collects along and under the gum line. If the tartar is left untreated, toxins released by bacteria irritate the gums and can cause the teeth to separate from the gums. Inflammation and infection can spread throughout the gums, ligaments and bones supporting the cat's teeth, resulting in tooth loss. Tartar buildup can lead to serious infections.

Just as you brush and floss between trips to the dentist, your cat can avoid painful diseases with regular oral care. A daily -- or at least twice weekly -- cleaning at home will keep his teeth and gums sound. It will also make you familiar with any changes in your cat's mouth.

Foul feline breath can be an early sign of dental distress. Excessive licking, drooling or difficulty chewing are other indicators of a cat's oral discomfort. If you see red or bleeding gums, lesions, or discoloured teeth, make an immediate appointment for your vet to examine the cat's mouth. You can also train your eye to detect and prevent potentially harmful diseases.

Cats may not enjoy it, but most will tolerate teeth-cleaning once they get used to the habit. Collect the right supplies in advance to make the experience go more smoothly. You'll need either sterile gauze strips or a soft rubber toothbrush, designed especially for cats. These are sold by vets or pet supply stores, which also offer cat formula toothpaste, available in favourite feline flavours.

Cats should never, under any circumstances, be given human toothpastes. These contain ingredients that can sicken cats, including a foaming agent, sodium laurel sulfate, which cats can't spit out.

Your vet may recommend a weak sterile solution as an alternative to the feline toothpaste.

Your veterinarian can help you find all the supplies you need for cleaning your cat's teeth.

Ready to brush? Using the toothbrush, or wrapping a strip of gauze around your index finger, dip it into the solution or feline toothpaste. With the cat on your lap, open its mouth and rub your finger or toothbrush in a circular motion on a tooth, concentrating on the area adjacent to the gums. The first time you brush your cat's teeth, do only one or two teeth, and then stop and praise your cat for its cooperation, offering a treat or favourite toy to reinforce a positive feeling.

As your cat grows more accustomed to the routine, you can gradually brush all teeth, massaging the gums at the same time. The back teeth present the greatest challenge, but with gentle persistence, your cat will adjust to the mouth invasion. If possible, begin examining your cat's mouth when it's a kitten.

He might be a little fussy in the beginning, but he'll get used to the teeth cleaning routine before long.

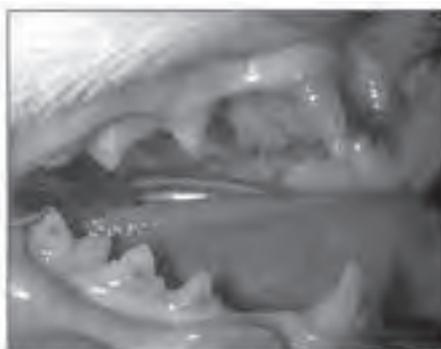
If your cat refuses to allow you to brush its teeth, becoming agitated, aggressive or fearful when you try, there are alternatives for oral care. Specially formulated treats with a slightly abrasive texture can help remove plaque, control tartar buildup and freshen the cat's breath. Some include cat-friendly ingredients such as Vitamin E, selenium, taurine and antiseptics that fight mouth bacteria.

Dental sprays to spritz in the cat's mouth daily can control plaque and tartar.



Your vet may also recommend a dental formula food. These have larger-than-average "nuggets" designed to reduce plaque and tartar through chewing. A dental-care additive for your cat's drinking water, available from your vet, can also help dissolve plaque and discourage bacteria. Be sure the cat doesn't ignore his water bowl because it tastes something strange.

Always schedule an annual cleaning at the vet for your brush-resistant feline. Older cats may need more frequent cleanings. Ask your vet to recommend alternatives.



Cat's teeth - note tartar around teeth



Same cat's teeth after dental cleaning

Article sourced from various websites

NZCF BREEDERS CODE OF CONDUCT

As many of you will be aware, the NZCF is currently reviewing its Disputes and Discipline Procedure. Among the important documents that underpin this are the various Codes of Conduct (formerly Codes of Ethics). Have a look at the proposed Breeder's Code of Conduct? Do you agree with it? Do you think anything should be changed? Please contact Zena at zpigden@gmail.com or 03 471 0626 with any comments or suggestions for improvement.

NZCF BREEDERS CODE OF CONDUCT (DRAFT)

Cat & kitten day to day care and welfare

1. I will ensure that my cats and kittens are housed in clean, sound, weatherproof accommodation with sufficient space for exercise, with clean food and water bowls, clean litter trays and clean bedding.
2. I will ensure that my cats are housed in accommodation that is warm enough in winter and cool enough in summer for their comfort, being mindful that different breeds may have different requirements.
3. I will ensure that my cats and kittens are provided with good quality food, clean water, grooming as required and prompt veterinary attention if they show signs of being unwell or injured.
4. I will take precautions to minimise the spread of disease in my cattery if infection occurs.
5. I will ensure that the numbers of cats and kittens in my care do not exceed my ability to provide adequate care.
6. I will ensure I am aware of local government and national legislation regarding the care and welfare of cats and kitten.

SALE OF CATS OR KITTENS

1. I will adhere to NZCF rules and regulations about the sale of cats and kittens:
 - No kitten will leave my home to go to a new owner at less than 10 weeks of age.
 - All kittens or cats leaving my home will have had at least one vaccination.
 - I will register all the kittens I breed with the NZCF by the age of four months.
 - I will transfer all kittens or cats not intended for breeding within two weeks of pick up (if already desexed) or within two weeks of receiving proof of desexing (if sold with a desexing contract).
 - I will transfer all kittens or cats intended for breeding within two weeks of pick up.
 - I will not sell or rehome a kitten or cat showing signs of infection or unhealed injury (kittens or cats with congenital or hereditary conditions may be rehomed with full disclosure regarding any condition affecting them).

2. I will ensure that all kittens not intended for breeding are desexed, either by desexing prior to leaving my home, or by selling with a desexing contract and following up to ensure this is complied with.
3. I will ensure that kittens leaving my care are fully weaned, socialised, and litter trained.
4. I will provide new owners with information about diet, grooming, and any other care requirements for my breed, and I will provide kitten or cat's vaccination certificate.
5. I will only place kittens or cats in homes where there is a reasonable expectation of a happy and healthy life for the animal.
6. I will not knowingly misrepresent the characteristics of the breed, nor falsely advertise or mislead any person regarding the pedigree or performance of any cat or kitten on the show bench.
7. I will encourage the new owner to contact me if they need any help or advice, and I will respond promptly.
8. In the event of a complaint or a concern about a kitten or cat that I have sold, I will endeavour to reach an amicable resolution of the issue with the new owner.
9. I will provide advice and support to new breeders to whom I sell kittens or cats intended for breeding.
10. In the event that an owner is unable to keep a kitten or cat previously owned or bred by me, I will offer to assist with rehoming.

BREEDING PRACTICES

1. I will breed only with stock registered with the NZCF or with a cat association recognised by the NZCF
2. I will ensure my queens have no more than two litters per 12 month period, except where the queen's welfare requires more frequent mating.
3. Except for queens who have frequent hard calls from an early age, or under veterinary advice, I will not mate my queens before the age of 9 months.
4. I will not allow my entire cats to roam in circumstances that might lead to mismatings or the risk of disease.
5. I will ensure that I am well informed about the genetic conditions that my breed is subject to and what tests are available to minimise the risk of breeding cats that will be affected by those conditions.
6. I will adhere to NZCF policies regarding testing for genetic conditions in my breed.
7. I will desex all retired breeding cats that I rehome, prior to rehoming.

MATING AND BREEDING AGREEMENTS

1. I will ensure that if I make my stud(s) available for stud service, I will put any conditions that apply in writing and ensure that the other breeder has seen, understood, and indicated their agreement in writing before the mating takes place.
2. When I sell, give, or exchange a kitten or cat for breeding, I will ensure that I put any conditions that

apply in writing and ensure that the other breeder has seen, understood, and indicated their agreement in writing prior to completing the transaction.

3. When I send my queen(s) to another breeder's stud for stud service, I will enquire whether any conditions apply, and if they do, will ensure they are put in writing for me and that I have seen, understood, and indicated my agreement in writing.
4. When I am offered a kitten or cat for breeding, whether a sale, gift, or exchange, I will enquire whether any conditions apply and if they do, will ensure they are put in writing for me and that I have seen, understood, and indicated my agreement in writing.
5. I will abide by all conditions that I have agreed to, unless the stud owner/breeder has given me permission, in writing, to depart from them.

GENERAL:

I will complete all NZCF related paperwork in a correct and timely manner.

IN ADDITION, THE NZCF RECOMMENDS (These recommendations indicate best practice, but are not compulsory)

- That breeders sell directly to owners, thereby enabling the breeder to assess the match between owner and kitten, and also enabling the owner to communicate with the breeder in the event of any concerns.
- That breeders ensure all breeding cats are tested for genetic conditions that occur in their breed (where there is an available test), and follow any NZCF recommended breeding policies for that breed.

NZCF breeders who do not adhere to the provisions of this code of conduct (other than the recommendations section) may be subject to NZCF disciplinary procedures, including non-renewal of membership.

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Kapiti-Horowhenua Cat Club Inc have you in mind this show season.

The fabulous past is about to be taken over. Starting with our judges. But to find out who they are, Check the NZCF Website.

Our show is on Father's Day – yes – the first Sunday in September 2014.

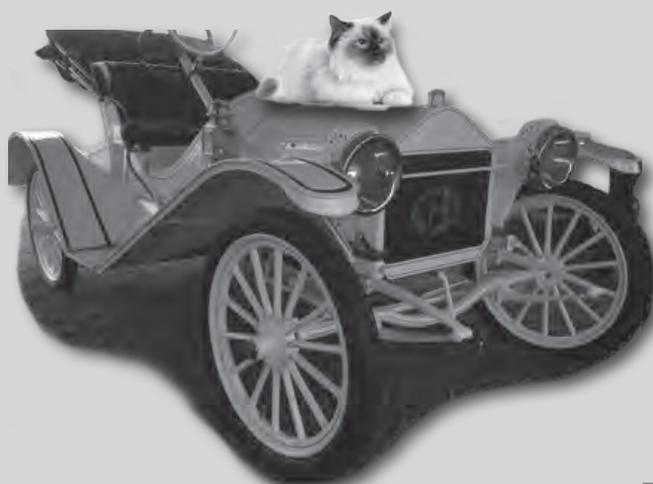
Make double plans for the day – because we are at Southwards Car Museum in Paraparaumu on the glorious Kapiti Coast, where the array of cars is outstanding (Marlene Dietrich's favourite is there to be admired. Yes – it really is the same car she owned and was driven about Hollywood in) and the selection and collection of cats will fascinate and intrigue you too.

**That's right it's all about cars 'n' cats!!
But wait – there's more!!**

Remember – it's the first Sunday in September. Father's Day – and there is something for everyone in the family.

Willing show workers please call or email. We would like to add your names to the schedule, so choose the judge you want to work with from the show calendar on www.nzcatfancy.gen.nz and let us know?

**For more information Phone 06 3646808
or email: larapinta@paradise.net.nz
You will hear a lot, lot more!!**



WHAT CAUSES

Vomiting in Cats



There can many varied reasons why a cat vomits, from a serious illness to eating something disagreeable. An occasional, isolated episode of vomiting is usually normal.

As a rule of thumb, if your cat throws up once or twice or infrequently and then goes on to eat normally, play normally, pee and poop normally and shows no signs of ill health, then there probably is no reason for concern.

If your cat has chronic vomiting. (Chronic means persistent and lasting. Continuing for a long time, lingering, habitual) then medical advice should be sought. Always check with your vet if vomiting is severe or persistent. You should also take into consideration other factors. How is your cat's general health? Is he well? Is he lethargic? Does he have other symptoms, for example, diarrhoea or no appetite? Because vomiting in cats could signal a serious underlying disorder your vet will ask you many questions and may run tests in relation to the vomiting to determine the cause.

Below are some of the reasons why cats vomit. Some are temporary and minor and others indicate an underlying serious illness.

Hairballs may cause vomiting

Hairballs are one of the most common reasons for vomiting in cats, especially in long haired cats. Keep in mind that when a cat vomits all the contents of its stomach are expelled including hair. Because, you see hair in the vomit don't always assume that hairballs are the reason the cat is vomiting as there could be other causes.

Eating Problems

- The cat eats too quickly or overeats.
- A change in diet
- Food intolerance
- Eating grass or plants
- Eating food that has gone off
- Eating rodents, birds, lizards or other foreign material

Worms can cause your cat to throw up

An infestation of worms and other intestinal parasites can cause your cat to vomit. You may even notice your cat vomiting up worms. If your cat is vomiting worms you should give him de-worming medicine as soon as possible.

Poisons

Toxic plants, anti-freeze, lead paints, cleaning agents, human medications, coffee, weed killer, fertilizers and many other poisonous substances found around the home. Accidental over dosage of medications.

Gastric and Intestinal Problems

Colitis, Cancer, Constipation, Enteritis, Fungal Disease, Gastritis, Irritable Bowel Syndrome, Obstruction, tumours, Ulcers.

Your cat may also vomit after giving him de-worming medication.

Metabolic diseases

Acidosis, Diabetes, Feline Hyperthyroidism, Hormone Imbalance, Kidney disease, Liver disease, Pancreatitis, Sepsis.

Infections

Salmonella, pyometra (infection of the uterus), abscess.

Other Causes

Feline Urinary Syndrome, Heat Stroke, Motion. Sickness.



America's 1st Cat Café

New York's first 'cat café' may have only stayed open for a weekend, but by all accounts it was a big success.

The pop-up coffee shop in Manhattan's East Village hosted 21 adoptable cats alongside a coffee shop. By the time its doors shut Sunday, thousands of people had stopped in, and most of the cats had been adopted.

The café is modelled on similar hotspots in Japan and now Europe, where patrons can sip "cat'achinos" and learn about feline health.

But that's not all: the cats at the NYC cat café are currently in North Shore's care and looking for a new home. Patrons can learn more about how to adopt one -- in addition to how best to care for a cat if they do take one home -- by visiting the shop.

The cat café was sponsored by Purina ONE to promote cat health awareness, and veterinarians were on site to answer questions from cat owners and help organise cat adoptions.

The event generated so much buzz that enthusiastic crowds had to wait in catastrophic lines in order to spend a half-hour inside with the cats.

The Cat Café was easy to spot due to the massive line of people waiting to get in. There was no entry fee, just a 5-hour wait time. Only 45 people were allowed inside the café at a time.

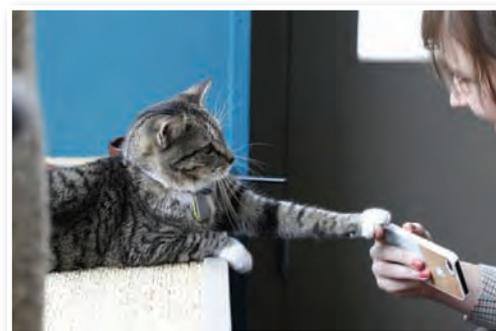
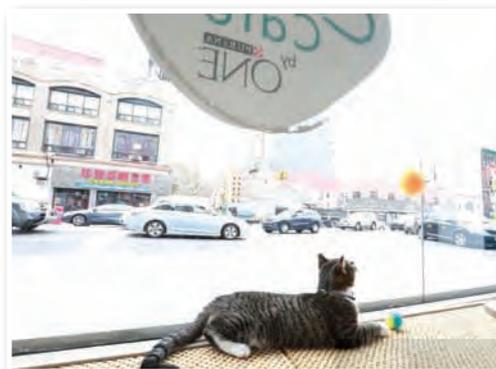
Cat Cafés are popping up in many countries, recently some have opened in Italy, Japan, the UK, and of course the USA. Any interest for New Zealand?

Check out these sites.

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<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/femail/article-2256520>





WORLD CAT CONGRESS

2014 Report to the Membership

By Delegate Chris Lowe

The 2014 World Cat Congress was held in Miami in early March and once again the NZCF was given the opportunity to be linked with the larger players of the feline world by being represented by a delegate, and it was with pleasure that I accepted the role.

This year WCC celebrated 20 years of existence. The original aim of the organisation which had a membership of four, namely FIFE, CFA, WCF AND GCCF was to increase understanding and to promote cooperation between these global cat fanciers regarding cat legislation and feline welfare and all other matters affecting cat lovers, breeders and owners alike.

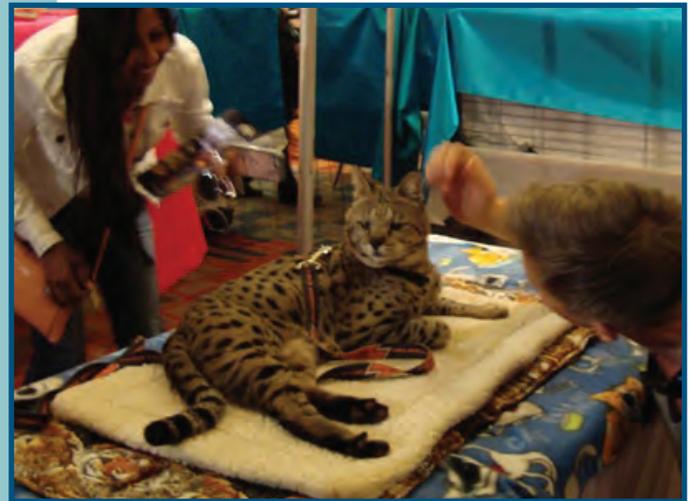
In June 1994 the first meeting with the 4 organisations was held and it was over the next five years that further international cat fancy organisations including NZCF joined the WCC.

Breed Project: Royal Canin continues to support WCC with sponsorship and they have also worked tirelessly with the WCC Secretary Penny Bydlinski to complete the breed project, which will lead to the issue of a comprehensive book and website of cat breeds. This would not have been possible without the cooperation of breed representatives and individual breeders contributing their experience of their chosen breed.

To those NZCF Breed Section Representatives who have assisted me to get the breed sheets completed I would like to extend my thanks - this project is an important one to make sure that NZCF are represented on this world stage. Laureline Malineau (Royal Canin) has sent a link to their site in Thailand, where the first ten sheets are already displayed: <http://www.royalcanin.co.th/breeds/cat-breeds/abyssinian>. This gives you an idea of how they will look.

The WCC seminar with appointed speakers who are internationally recognised in their respective fields addressed issues of importance internationally which included:

- What you should know about cats - a history of the ancestry and domestication of cats, their unique characteristics that affect behaviour and disease (Dr Niels Pedersen - Professor Emeritus Centre for Companion Animal Health - UC Davis)
- Development of a Kittens immune system from birth until adult (Craig Datz)
- Colostrum, immunity and feline infectious diseases (Emmanuel Fontaine)
- Immunology challenges in cats - current guidelines for feline vaccinology (Dr Alice Wolf) a link will be provided on the NZCF website so that you can see what is happening in this field.



Peoples' Choice = Motzi the Savannah (1st Generation)



NZCF Judges Choice award (very emotional Ragdoll owner) this kitten was my all breeds Best Kitten in Show USAPURRS ROCK ON AMERICA (O/B Brianne Defoe)



Jan Van Rooyen (South African Judge with a Sphynx using the workout pole - which are just great when judging)



Lykoi - (Wolf Cat) new breed on display



Yamada (Japanese Judge) with Burmilla



Tai cat (formally streets cats of Thailand)



Lilac Birman - (took out the Best Birman in the show)

WCC Executive Meeting:

FIFE EMS (easy mind system)

As a number of organisations are working towards adopting the Fife EMS System the latest being GCCF (UK) & ACF. Fife have offered to work with the allocation of generic codes for breeds that currently Fife may not recognise, this is to make sure that a universal code is allocated. The NZCF AGM commented this initiative and voted to direct the Executive Council to consult with Fife.

Registrations:

The outsourcing of registration work was also discussed with CCCofA confirming that they are doing registrations for an affiliate and SACC is outsourcing in relation to the utilisation of the registration software from CCCofA.

Genetic Diversity – Registered Siamese

One of the recommendations from the 2013 WCC was: to set up a project to investigate the Genetic Diversity of GCCF Registered Siamese. At the 2013 seminar, Professor Sir Patrick Bateson gave a lecture on the Welfare Aspects of Breeding Cats. He stated that the outcome of inbreeding can be serious with possible loss of vigour, consequential health problems and fertility and reproduction issues, with both congenital and genetic disorders more likely to be expressed. It was his opinion that our pedigree cats are far more inbred than currently suggested. There is a limit to the extent of our knowledge about the Siamese, a breed that has been in existence for over 100 years.

This is an excellent opportunity to look at the Genetic Diversity for each country, to provide data to be used by breeders and to find suitable areas to investigate regarding outcrossing. Some information has already come to hand regarding this product all members of the NZCF Siamese breed section will be supplied with the information in the not too distant future and will be encouraged to participate in this project by providing DNA samples.

World Cat Congress 2015

I would like to extend my thanks to Zena, Janice & Annette for providing supporting documents for the NZCF presentation which included our bid for the 2015 WCC to be held in Auckland - and I am very pleased to report that the presentation was received with acclamation and excitement at a return to NZ after an absence of ten years. The event will be held in April (Anzac weekend) and will be supported by the National show being run by the Auckland Cat Club. It is envisaged that a full day seminar with internationally recognised speakers will be one of the highlights of the weekend.

SHOW GALLERY

Hello to all cat lovers, we are now three months into the show season, and the shows are going very well. Some great looking cats and kittens are on the show benches this year. The shows I have been to so far have been well run, with great sportsmanship being shown.

I have been sent a few photos from some of these shows, please keep them coming in, we love to see them published in Flash Cats.

The Palmerston North Cat Club held their 60th show, and from all reports, it was an excellent two day show.

The National Show is just around corner, please don't leave your entries to the last minutes. The Nelson Cat Club is working very hard and has a great line up of Judges. The NZCF Annual awards Dinner will be held on the Saturday evening.

The next exciting project for shows is the Auckland Cat Club National Show 2015, combined with the World Cat Congress AGM, which is to be held NZ in April ANZAC weekend. There is further information about this in Chris Lowe's WCC report 2014.

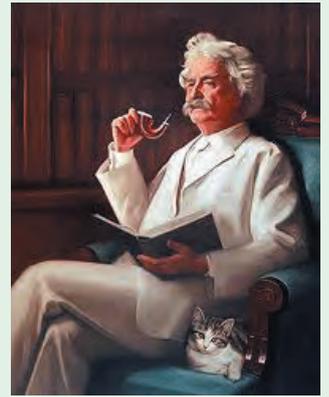
Enjoy all the great show photos, and thanks to the Auckland Cat Show for the majority of them. Good luck to you all for the up and coming shows.

Janice Davey
PFM Shows





Cat Lovers throughout History



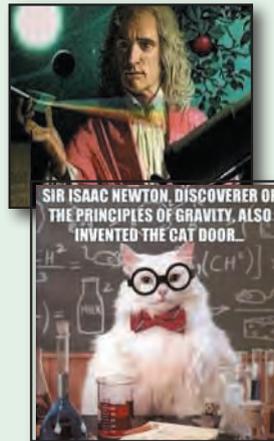
Great cat enthusiast, **Mark Twain**, wrote much about his feline friends. "When a man loves cats, I am his friend and comrade without further introduction." - Mark Twain

There are just too many 'Cat Lovers' and enthusiasts found throughout history and many interesting stories about cat lovers and their devotion to their furry friends. I started looking at the various stories and decided to share a few with you.

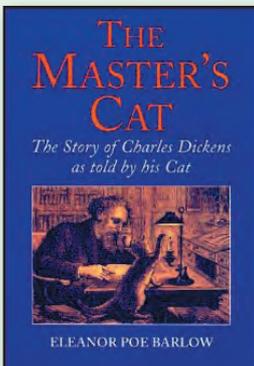
Charles Dickens's cat give birth to a litter of cats. Dickens only allowed one of these kittens to remain with its mother. The kitten was known as the 'Master's Cat'.



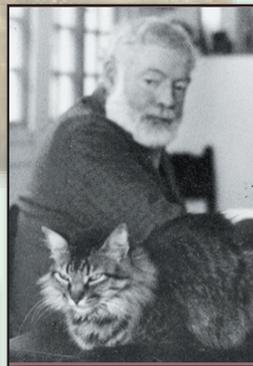
Sir Winston Churchill - The statesman enjoyed eating with his ginger kitten, Jock. Servants were often sent to find the pet so meals could begin. He own many cats, Jock was his last cat, Sir Winson died when Jock was two.



Sir Isaac Newton, the scientist who first described the principle of gravity, adored his cats and created the first indoor/outdoor cat by inventing the swinging cat door for the convenience of his many cats. One of his many great inventions.



Ernest Hemingway - One of Ernest Hemingway's most unusual cat was a six-toed cat given to him by a ship's captain. He owned over 30 cats!



Although left-handed, **Dr. Schweitzer** would often write prescriptions with his right hand. Why? His cat Sizi, liked to sleep on his left arm and he would not disturb her and wake her up.



Meryl Streep

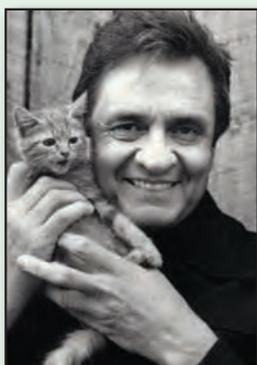


James Franco

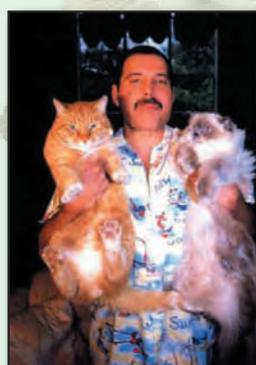
James Franco - "I was raised as a cat person," he said. "I had cats when I was a kid and that's what I'm used to. ... All my recent cats have been named after characters from books or the literary world.



Mary Pickford is seen in many photos with a cat on her shoulder.



Jonny Cash



Freddie Mercury



Marlon Brando



Nickolas Cage



Ingrid Bergman

Fussy Eaters

Don't let them get into bad habits...



Cats have a bit of a reputation for being rather particular about what's in their bowl. Most have their favourite textures and flavours - and can be quick to turn up their nose at anything out of the ordinary. But fussy eaters are made, not born, so the best way to avoid finicky eating habits is to nip them in the bud.

Don't teach bad habits!

Cats may have a mind of their own, but they still learn from how we treat them. A sure way to create fussy eaters is to chop and change their routines, or panic at the first sign of rejection by tempting them back to the bowl with titbits from your table. They'll quickly learn how to manipulate you to feed them tasty 'owner' food rather than a healthy balanced diet. Think about it from your cat's point of view: what would you do if you were 'rewarded' with a treat every time you didn't eat? To avoid fussy tendencies, your best bet is to pick a routine and stick to it.'

Is your cat really being fussy?

Sometimes, fussiness is more down to the way you serve food rather than the food itself.

Cats generally prefer to be left in peace to eat and don't enjoy an audience. Create a bit of privacy at mealtimes and switch

feeding time until after the rest of household has eaten, keeping your cat away from the family eating area during meals.

Make sure your cat's bowl is clean. Many cats won't eat out of a bowl that has bits of old food in it. Would you? Get into the habit of washing out food and water bowls after each use, since leftovers and bacteria are no better for cats than for humans.

If your cat normally enjoys dry food but, has suddenly become fussy, you may need to replace the food. Dry food absorbs moisture and becomes stale, especially in warmer weather.

If canned food is the problem, it may be because you just took it out of the fridge. Cold, wet food doesn't have much of an aroma and cats won't eat what they can't smell. You can make wet food more appealing by heating it until it's warm to the touch, releasing the food's aroma and stimulating the appetite.

If your cat spends time outdoors, remember there are plenty of opportunities for an unscheduled snack the other side of the cat flap. By dinnertime, your cat just might not be hungry.

Like humans, cats react to the weather. Hot summer days suppress the appetite and your cat can't opt for a light salad as an alternative.

Unlike humans, cats don't have psychological eating disorders and most will give in when they get really hungry. When your cat does eventually eat, offer lots of praise and affection as soon as the bowl has been removed.

If the stubbornness continues

If your cat's fussiness continues, think about trying an alternative high quality cat food. Stick with the previous preference, whether dry or wet. Sometimes a simple change of recipe will get the taste buds working again.

You should also check your cat's teeth. A dental problem or abscess could make eating difficult or painful. If your cat's gums are red or swollen, or the breath is unpleasant, ask your vet for a dental check up.

Refusal to eat for 24 hours or longer

If your cat refuses all food for 24 hours or more, consult your vet. Refusal to eat can indicate a developing allergy, or be a sign of a more serious complaint. It may just be fussiness, but it's always best to make sure.

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BSAC Update

We now have an excellent team of knowledgeable and skilled people on the BSAC. The current voting membership comprises Sue Gordon, Maree Roy (who also is the Standard of Points officer), Mike Godfrey, Dorothy Horton, Sue Mackay, Kim Mattler and Avon Aspden. In addition our Longhair and Shorthair Registrars receive all BSAC forum mail and are welcome to comment whenever they have relevant information or opinions to share.

We also have a Portfolio Holder. While I was overseeing the BSAC following the resignation of Roy Griffiths I had only been able to keep it ticking over due to my other commitments. With a full complement of EC members, Gaynor Saxon has taken over the Finance and Administration Portfolio leaving me free to take the BSAC Portfolio and give it the attention it deserves.

At the post AGM EC meeting the following recommendations from BSAC were approved:

- Toygers were granted preliminary status. You may see them on display at cat shows. Provided they gain the exposure points required through displays or participation in judges' refreshers, they will have full challenge status for the 2015 show season.
- Classicats will be registered and shown as classic pattern Ocicats - to take effect in 2015. This reflects the genetic reality appropriately and is in line with what Ocicat breeders have always wanted.
- Tasman Isle of Man and Cymric standard was approved.

It was noted that there were numerous breed rep positions still vacant, as no-one had stood for election to these. The BSAC will be appointing into these positions.

A request has been received for British Longhair to be accepted as a breed, fully intermateable with British Shorthair. The longhair gene has long (no pun intended!) been present in the British Shorthair breed, due to the early use of Persians to improve boning and type, however they are not recognised in this country (some cat associations do recognise them). The British Shorthair breed section will be polled on this and then a recommendation will be made to the EC. Other projects which will be receiving our attention are:

- Consultation with affected breed sections re addition to the Siamese group type standard regarding ear placement
- Consultation with affected breed sections regarding acceptance of gen 4 shorthaired Tiffany variants as Burmese.
- C=Consultation with same sections regarding compulsory testing for hypokalaemia and compulsory testing of imports for hypokalaemia.
- Review of suggested alterations to the Ragdoll standard.
- Consideration of submission requesting acceptance, standards, and breed codes for Golden Burmillas.
- Consideration of a request that seal and black tipped Burmillas be judged separately (and consultation with the breed group).
- Consideration of (and consultation if appropriate) separating caramel colours in Siamese group for show purposes, rather than judging all together.
- Review of SOPs to ensure consistency and checking of any unusual colour descriptions.
- Consideration of the benefits and costs/disadvantages of adopting the FIFe EMS system of breed codes and colours, now that the GCCF in the UK have decided to align with the rest of Europe and change to this system.

Zena Pigden

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ONLINE REGISTRATIONS

How To Complete The form



We now have online registrations available, which will be more convenient for those who have the internet available to them. It is in the early stages and although there have been a few hiccups, generally the people who have used it, are finding it great.

Some people have found that their registrations don't seem to have reached the registrar. This handy guide will ensure that your registration reaches its destination.

1. Go to the home page of NZ Cat Fancy www.nzcf.com and click on the button at the top of the page labelled "Registration and Transfer Forms". This will take you to a screen where you can choose Longhair, Shorthair or Provisional Registration Forms. Complete all the required fields, then click the "Submit" button, as shown in Illustration 1:

2. This will bring up a confirmation page as shown:

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: this is still only the confirmation page. However, at this point you can go to the bottom of the page after checking all your details are correct and then you have the option of printing the confirmation page as shown below. When you print you still need to hit "CONFIRM" to ensure that your form will go through.

3. When you have successfully submitted the form you will get the message "Thank You - The following data was submitted to the NZ Cat Fancy," as shown below. This form is now complete and you just need to follow up with the correct payment for the registration to the relevant Registrar.

This is a very easy process and once you have filled out a couple you will find it quite easy. You can also complete your transfers in much the same way - just remember to put the full name of the cat you are transferring.

Diane Holtom
Registration Portfolio Manager

1. I authorise the NZCF to charge my credit card for the following registrations:

Registration fee - \$26

Late registration fee - \$52 (litter registered after four months of age)

Submit

2.

Please Confirm...

REMEMBER TO CLICK THE CONFIRM BUTTON!
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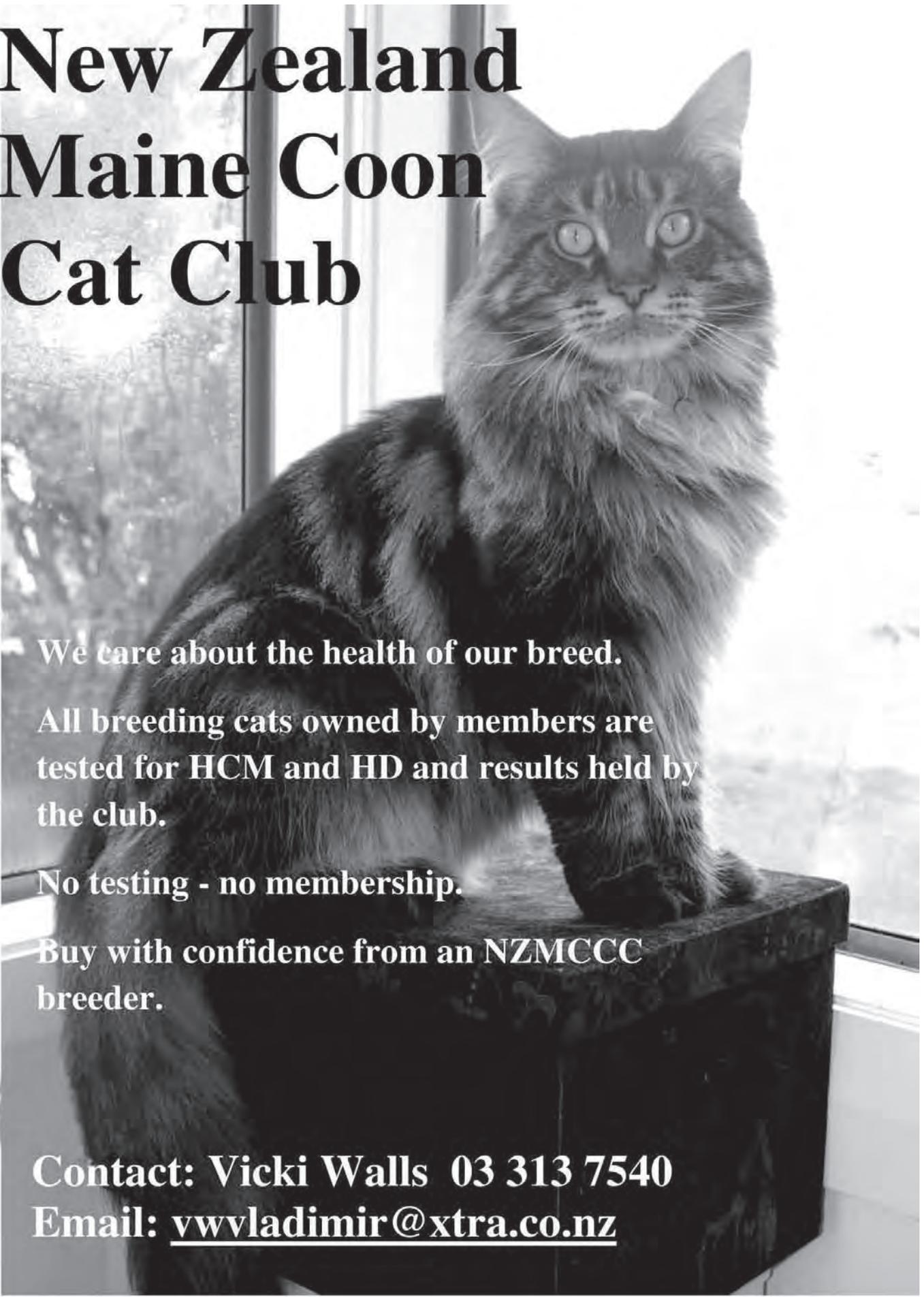
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CAC Report

The Companion Animal Trust meeting held on the 20th of May was interesting. The Trust has \$998,000 in the kitty, all tied up with investments under the eagle eye of Trevor Peacock from Guardian Trust. This money has come through the Companion Animal Registrar (micro Chipping).

From the money, grants are made and the running of the Companion Council also is supported by this.

Grants for this round came to \$27,000, although some of the grants were supported by micro chips and readers instead of money. One grant of \$10,000- was given to the Emergency Training in animal rescue being carried out by Massey University. The money is to hold 4 seminars on training personal.

So as we would have a team of people should we ever have another Earthquake like Christchurch. It was felt that this group needed the support as we did in the last round give out \$10,000 to the Red Zone cat group who are working to help the many stray and abandoned cats from the quake. A very large and excellent response was received from them.

Council meeting

This meeting has an overall gathering of 30 people who represent many different facets of Animal work. The Chairperson is Arnja Dale, who is in charge of the Animal Science Block at Unetc. And she brings huge skills in every aspect of animal welfare and behaviours. Several very exciting projects are under way and will be out for public review in the next few months. One being the Temporary housing Paper.

This has been submitted to NYWAC for approval and we will only have a window of three weeks to respond when it comes out. As soon as I get it, I will send it onto Zena and Chris. It was supposed to have been ready for today, but government departments take forever. There is a lot of work being done and a writing group has been set up to do a paper on STRAY AND FERAL CATS. While we may think that this does not affect us, there is a place for the fancy to submit to this paper and again once it comes out I will send it on.

Conference this year is in Rotorua on the 19th and 20th of September. It is the 25th conference and we have excellent speakers from USA, Australia and New Zealand. Gareth Morgan will be one of them and he is also involved with a Forum discussion/debate. This will be fun. Conferences cost money, but a lot of learning and sharing takes place so if you are interested let me know and I will make sure the information is given out. Our web page is up and working and that will have conference information on it in the next few weeks.

Val Ball





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see what was over
the fence, how was
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NZCF Meeting Notes

The AGM was held in Wellington Anzac weekend, although the number of members attending was well down on previous years lively debate was enjoyed by all.

Executive Council Elections: Annette Dunn & Gaynor Saxon elected unopposed to the Executive Council.

Constitutional Changes: the EC have been given the power to correct typographical, grammatical errors and consequential numbering provided that the intent is not altered (27.1 (b) 9.1 (a) (1) i) At the first Executive Council meeting following the Annual General Meeting the elected Executive Council members will, as the first order of business make a determination who among the elected executive council members will be their Chairperson (Chair) and Vice Chairperson (Vice-Chair)

Directives of the Meeting:

To look at an amendment to the Judges Manual clause 19 (resignation/leave of absence) to include a process to ensure that clubs are advised.

FIFE EMS system: EC to take advantage of the offer to generate codes/colours/patterns, for cats that are not currently included in the EMS system and furthermore that the EC consider that NZCF adopt the Fife EMS System.

Quorum of the Executive Council: "The EC are to bring a remit to the 2015 AGM to amend 23.1 to clarify that the quorum is 4 voting members.

Genetic Diversity in Siamese: The Siamese Breed Group are to be circulated with the survey documents regarding the Generic Diversity in Siamese project being initiated by GCCF following a recommendation at the 2013 WCC seminar.

The EC are to bring a remit to the 2015 AGM to amend 23.1 to clarify that the quorum is 4 voting members at EC meetings.

General Remits: regarding the combining of the shorthair & longhair companion sections and the combining of the domestics sections were lost.

WCC Meeting 2015 - Funding will be sought for the staging of this event. The subcommittee consists of:

- Janice Davey (Portfolio Manager)
- Val Ball (NZCF CAC Representative)
- Chris M Lowe (WCC Delegate/ EC Secretary)
- Robyn Morrison (Auckland Cat Club - host club for National show).

Budget for WCC congress to be put together to include the components that WCC & NZCF are responsible for.

IMPORTANT DATES

2014 Meeting Dates

- EC Meeting 30-31st August 2014
- EC Meeting 22- 23rd November 2014

2015 Meeting Dates

- 14-15th Feb 2015
- 24-28 World Cat Congress - In Auckland (National show 25th April)
- AGM 20-21 June 2015
- 29-30 August 2015
- 14-15 November 2015

2016 Meeting Dates

AGM 2 April 2016

Appointment of Breed Representatives- delegated authority has been given to the Breed Standards Advisory Council Portfolio Manager (Zena Pigden), to appoint Breed Representatives.

Tasman Isle of Man Shorthair & Longhair standard accepted. **Toyger** have been given preliminary status.

Classicat are to be included in the Ocicat breed standard as **Ocicats** with classic pattern (effective from 2015).

Chair & Vice Chair

Zena Pigden was returned as the Chairperson & Janice Davey was elected as Vice Chair.



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Effective from 1 January 2014
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Note: * denotes Fee \$ changes from 2013

MEMBERSHIP FEES	(incl GST)	PUBLICATIONS	(incl GST)
Payable to Executive Secretary		Payable to Treasurer (on receipt of debtors invoice)	
<i>Pro-rata fees apply for new Full/Family members only at 9, 6, & 3 mths</i>		Flash Cats Advertising - Refer to rates listed separately in Flash Cats	
Affiliate (Clubs) - incl. \$50 contrib. for Clubs Pub. Liab. Ins	\$ 100.00	Flash Cats Breeders Directory - 4 Issues (invoiced)	\$ 24.00
Full	\$ 55.00		
Family - 2 members	\$ 70.00	Payable to Executive Secretary	
Family - 3 members	\$ 85.00	Flash Cats Folders - incl postage	\$ 20.00
Junior	\$ 15.50		
Associate (in NZ)	\$ 30.00	REGISTRATION FEES	
Associate (in NZ) - Family - 2 members	\$ 40.00	Payable to LH, SH & PR Registrars	
Associate (in NZ) - Family - 3 members	\$ 50.00	Registrations: per Litter	
Associate (in NZ) - Junior	\$ 10.00	Per Litter - up to 4 months of age	\$ 26.00
Associate (Overseas)	\$ 40.00	Per Litter - over 4 months of age	\$ 52.00
Late Payment Fee from 01/02/14 (Existing Members)	\$ 20.00	Imported Cat/Kitten Registration	\$ 41.00
<i>Each membership type includes 4 issues of Flash Cats per year</i>		Penalty Fine for Non-Registration of Litter	\$ 50.00
OTHER FEES		Transfers: per Cat/Kitten	\$ 6.50
Agendas & Minutes - Posted - (est. 7 Meetings)	\$ 36.00	Breeding Cats & Kittens (incl certified 4-Generation Pedigree)	\$ 32.50
Cattery Accreditation (Bi-Annual)	\$ 50.00		
Complaints - NZCF Members only	\$ 51.00	Non-Breeding Cats & Kittens	\$ 6.50
Governance Documents (downloads available fm NZCF Website)		Penalty Fine for Non-Transfer - per cat/kitten	\$ 10.00
Constitution	\$ 10.00	Certified Pedigrees:	
Registration Rules	\$ 10.00	3 Generation	\$ 21.00
Schedule of Breed Codes	\$ 10.00	4 Generation	\$ 26.00
Show Bylaws	\$ 10.00	5 Generation	\$ 41.00
		6 Generation	\$ 77.00
BREED SECTION FEES		7 Generation	\$ 100.00
Payable to Executive Secretary		8 Generation	\$ 150.00
All members - 1st section	Free	Colour, Name or Sex Change	\$ 6.50
Breeders - All breeds bred	Free	Export Documentation	\$ 5.50
Non-breeders - 2nd & subsequent sections	\$ 12.00	Leasing Fee: New for 1st year (incl certified 4-Gen.Pedigree)	\$ 38.50
Standard of Points - LH with cover	poa	Leasing Fee: Renewal for 2nd & final year	\$ 12.50
Standard of Points - SH with cover	poa		
Standard of Points - LH without cover	poa	SHOW FEES	
Standard of Points - SH without cover	poa	Payable to Treasurer (by Clubs)	
HONOURS		Benching Fees:	
Payable to Honours Registrar		Pedigree - per exhibitor per ring (1st exhibit)	\$ 4.00
Honours Certificates:		Domestic/Companion - per exhibitor per ring (1st exhibit)	\$ 4.00 per day
Champion & Premier (no free copy issued)	\$ 6.50	Penalty Levy for late receipt of marked catalogue to Honours Registrar	\$ 5.00 per day
Grand to Gold (for additional copies as 1st copy free)	\$ 6.50	Penalty Levy for late receipt of Benching Fees to Treasurer	\$ 5.00
Medallions - Silver & Gold	\$ 18.50	Payable to Executive Secretary	
JUDGING FEES		<i>Applies to 2015 Show Year - fees payable in full by 31 March 2014</i>	
HANDLERS & STEWARDS COURSE FEES		Clubs - Show Application Fees - per Ring	\$ 50.00
Payable to Treasurer		Clubs - Show Late Application Fee - for fees received after 31/03/14	\$ 25.00
Admission to Judges School	\$ 125.00	<i>Note: Co-operatively held shows attract separate show booking fees</i>	
Admission to Transfer Panel	\$ 80.00	STATIONERY	
Handlers Course Fees (must be NZCF Members)	\$ 20.00	Payable to Executive Secretary or Treasurer	
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PREFIX FEES		NZCF Badges (Gold on Blue) - incl .70 cents for postage	\$ 6.70
Payable to Executive Secretary		<i>All other NZCF forms are available as downloads from the NZCF website</i>	
New Prefix - incl 2 x Governance Books	\$ 85.00		
Additional Owner Joining an Existing Prefix	\$ 35.00		
Changes to Spelling of Prefix - Applicant Error	\$ 16.00		

2014 NZCF Show Calendar

DATE	CLUB	RING	LOCATION
Saturday & Sunday 3rd & 4th May 2014	Palmerston North (All Breeds)	6	Palmerston Nth
Sunday 11th May 2014	Longhair Cat Breeders (LH Pedigree/Domestic & Companions)	5	CHCH
Saturday 17th May 2014	TOSCA (Specialist & SH Guest breeds)	3	Auckland
Saturday 24th May 2014	NZ Burmese (SOUTHERN) All SH	5	Christchurch
Saturday 24th May 2014	Mid Island Cat Club (All Breeds Domestic & Companion & Club ring for children this is a Dinner Show)	4	Te Awamutu
Sunday 1st June 2014	Birman Cat Club & Companions	4	Hamilton
Sunday, 8th June 2014	Geyserland Cat Club (All Breeds)	4	Tauranga
Sunday, 15th June 2014	Canterbury All Breeds	4	Canterbury
Sunday, 15th June 2014	Wellington Cat Club (All Breeds)	4	Wellington
Sunday, 29th June 2014	NATIONAL - NELSON - 1 Ring National/3 Rings All Breeds	4	Nelson
Saturday 5th July 2014	Taranaki & Sacred Temple (combined show) Taranaki (All breeds 3 rings) Domestic & Companions - Sacred Temple (Birman 3 rings) & Companions	6	New Plymouth
Sunday, 13th July, 2014	Hamilton Cat Club (all breeds)	4	Hamilton
Saturday 19th July, 2014	Pedigree Persian Cat Fanciers (All Longhair Pedigree & Companions)	6	Wellington
Sunday 27th July 2014	Geyserland Cat Club (All Breeds)	4	Great Lakes Centre Taupo
Sunday 10th Aug 2014	Patches and Pointed (3 rings All breeds) 1 ring specialist	4	Katikati Memorial Hall
Sunday, 10th Aug 2014	Shorthair Cat Breeders (Pedigree SH Domestic & Companions)	3	Canterbury TBA
Saturday, 16th Aug 2014	Hutt Feline (All Breeds)	4	Lower Hutt
Saturday 16th Aug 2014	Longhair Cat Breeders (Domestic & Companion)	4	Christchurch
Saturday 23rd Aug 2014	Abyssinian & Somali Cat Club (All SH)	3	Auckland
Saturday 23rd Aug 2014	Southland Cat Fanciers All Breeds Domestic & Companions	4	Invercargill Cancelled
Sunday 7th Sept 2014	Kapiti-Horowhenua	4	Kapiti
Sunday 14th Sept 2014	Canterbury All Breeds	4	Canterbury
Sunday 29th Sept 2014	Burmese NZ - Northern All SH, Auckland cat Club	4/4	Auckland
Saturday 1st & Sun 2nd Nov 2014	Pedigree Persian Supreme (All Breeds) Pet Expo	6	Wellington

2015 NZCF Show Calendar

Sunday 1st Mar 2015	Shorthair Cat Breeders (Pedigree SH Domestic & Companions)	4	Canterbury TBA
Saturday, 14th Mar 2015	Burmese Cat Club NZ Inc (Central)	4	TBA
Sunday, 15th Mar 2015	Canterbury All Breeds	4	Canterbury
Saturday 21st Mar 2015	Metropolitan SHCC(All Pedigree SH)	3	Auckland
Saturday 28st Mar 2015	Dominion Shorthair (All Breeds)	4	Wellington
Saturday, 29th Mar 2015	Southern Cross Longhaired cat Club & Otago Siamese Cat Club	2/2	Dundein
Saturday 11th April 2015	Central Districts Cat fanciers Ass	3	TBA
Saturday 18th April 2015	NZ Siamese - All Shorthair (3 rings) Siamese specialist - (1) ring	4	Christchurch
Saturday 25th April 2015	National Show & Auckland Cat Club World Cat Congress Seminar & AGM	4	Auckland
Saturday 2nd May 2015	TOSCA (All SH)	3	Auckland
Saturday 2nd May 2015	Palmerston North Cat Club Inc	4	Palmerston North
Saturday 9th May 2015	Birman Cat Club & Companion	4	TBA
Saturday 16th May 2015	Taranaki Cat Club (All Breeds)	4	New Plymouth
Saturday 23rd May 2015	Mid Island Cat Club In (All Breeds Domestic & Companion)	4	Te Awamutu
Saturday 23rd May 2015	Burmese Cat Club NZ Inc (Southern)	5	Christchurch
Sunday, 7th June 2015	Geyserland Cat Club (All Breeds)	4	TBA
Sunday 14th June 2015	Canterbury All Breeds	4	Canterbury
Sunday, 15th June, 2015	Wellington Cat Club	4	Wellington
Sunday, 20th June 2014	NZCF AGM		Wellington
Saturday 4th July 2015	Sacred Temple-Birman & Companions	5	TBA
Saturday 11th July 2015	Longhair Cat Breeders Assn	5	Christchurch
Sunday, 12th July 2015	Hamilton Cat Club (all breeds)	4	Hamilton
Saturday 18th July 2015	Pedigree Persian Cat Fanciers (All Longhair Pedigree & Companions)	4	Wellington
Sunday 26th July 2015	Geyserland Cat Club (All Breeds)	4	TBA
Sunday 26th July 2015	Nelson Cat Club	4	Nelson
Sunday 9th August 2015	Patches and Pointed	3	TBA
Sunday 9th August 2015	Shorthair Cat Breeders (Pedigree SH Domestic & Companions)	4	Canterbury TBA
Saturday, 15th Aug 2015	Hutt Feline Club Inc	4	Wellington
Saturday 15th Aug 2015	Southland Cat Fanciers All Breeds Domestic and Companion	4	Invercargill
Saturday 22nd Aug 2015	Abyssinian & Somali Cat Club (All SH)	3	Auckland
Sunday 7th Sept 2015	Kapiti-Horowheuna	4	TBA
Sunday 13th Sept 2015	Canterbury All Breeds	4	Canterbury
Saturday 19th Sept 2015	Pedigree Persian Supreme (All Breeds) Companions & Domestic	4	Wellington
Saturday 27th Sept 2015	Burmese Cat Club NZ Inc (Northern)	5	Auckland

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