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Chair Chat



Since I'm coming to the end of my three-year term it's led me to some reflection about what we've achieved over the time that I've been in the Chair. The interesting (but not the least bit surprising) thing is that every item represents either a team effort or a great contribution by an individual to get us kick started ... or both. For example, the NZCF Strategic Plan, which the EC has just reviewed and is still an excellent big picture document, was largely masterminded by Roy Griffiths during his time on the Executive Council. Roy put together a draft document which we were then able to amend and improve to produce the finished article. Likewise the business plan which flows from it and is able to guide our day to day work and keep it linked to the important end goals of the strategic plan, was initially created as a draft by Roy. We are grateful for his contribution!

Our successful achievement of small surplus (as opposed to deficit) budgets over the past 4 years (including 2015) was very much a team effort and not an easy one either. We are now moving beyond cost cutting and looking at ways to increase our revenue to allow a little more ease in the budget. The NZCF calendar was an amazing fundraiser and represented a great partnership between our members who supplied a wonderful array of quality photographs and Susan Edwards who offered to coordinate, print and distribute the calendar for us. We are now working on increasing the advertising revenue from Flashcats (the fact that it's such a professional looking and attractive magazine, thanks to our editor Gaynor Saxon, means this is a realistic possibility) and exploring options for raising money through partnership initiatives with suppliers of cat products and services and through adding links (for a fee) to our homepage and links page.

Our membership, which was declining, has remained relatively stable over the past three years and it's exciting to see the increase in the number of prefix applications coming through. Breeders are the lifeblood of the Cat Fancy. We are delighted to see some CATZ Inc breeders choosing to become members of the NZCF as well, and also to see some former 'backyard breeders' choosing to be become members and registered breeders (kudos to Chris Lowe who works hard to support new breeders through the process to become registered breeders with us).

Anyone who has consulted the governance documents on our website will have noticed how much easier they are to read and find your way around – credit to Jane Webster in her role as governance documents officer for bringing about this transformation. (Jane is the 'format whisperer' and can wrestle the most unruly document into submission)

A very important initiative is our breeding practices policy – work on this is getting underway this year under the able stewardship of Jane Webster. Of course, this is part of our commitment to feline health and welfare, through reducing the incidence of harmful conditions in breeds. Once policies are developed, at a minimum, all our breeders (including new breeders) will be aware of harmful genetic conditions in their breed and what they can do to minimise or eliminate them. Where breed sections adopt them as mandatory, breeders within and outside NZ can 'buy with confidence' from NZ breeders, and this will be a positive selling point for registered breeders whether selling breeding or pet cats.

We have also reached out to councils and requested that they involve us when developing new cat bylaws or reviewing old ones (and one city council has done so), participated in Ministry for Primary Industry workshops around proposed new regulations for companion animals, and participated actively on the Companion Animal Council Board. These are all part of a general initiative to ensure that we are seen as one of the bodies that should be consulted regarding any government or local council initiatives affecting cats, cat owners, and/or cat breeders, and any regulations affecting pedigree breeds.

These are just some of the highlights (I could go on) - but all in all I believe we are evolving into a more professional organisation, and one that is better placed to look after the interests of our members. This has been and will continue to be the work of your Executive Council and you, the members, whenever you contribute your expertise or resources to our projects.

Zena Pigden NZCF Chair

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Editor's Note

Welcome everyone to Flash Cats 2016.

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We welcome your input, so if you have any interesting stories or anecdotes you would like to share with the members please forward them to us at *flashcatseditor@gmail.com*.

The show season is almost upon us and we look forward to lots of show pics and reports to print in the coming issues.

Thank you to those who did contribute to Flash Cats last year particularly our up and coming young members and to those who contributed to 'It's all about us' in this issue.

Congratulations on your NZCF Top Ten Awards.

Gaynor Saxon Flash Cats Editor

-Show Report - Ar

Congratulations to the owners NZCF Annual Award winner exhibits. It takes a huge commitment both in time and expense to attend shows to earn the points. I look forward to celebrating your success and that of our other Top Ten Award place getters at the Annual Awards Dinner being held in Palmerston North on Saturday Night the 30th of April at Cafe Brie, 218 Broadway Avenue. I am hoping the Awards Dinner will be well attended. The menu looks wonderful and the Team at Palmerston North Cat Club have done a fantastic job securing this menu and venue for our enjoyment. The Palmerston North National Show is shaping up to be the "event of the year." I have full confidence in the Show Team from Palmerston North who have worked and are continuing to work very hard in order to put on a National the membership can be proud of. So please support them and your Cat Fancy by entering a cat or kitten, helping on Show day, or by sponsoring a set of ribbons/sashes. I am delighted that at the time of writing this only 2 of SH sections are still available for sponsorship with all the LHs are covered. Remember that entries close for the National on the 1st of April.

Thank you to all who have supplied their gorgeous cat photo for inclusion in this edition. These will be utilised in a Powerpoint for people to enjoy while they are attending the Awards dinner. Thanks to Gaynor for putting it together.

Remember that Show applications for Clubs wanting to hold a show in 2017 close at the end of March. It's encouraging to see quite a number getting in early with their applications. We do try to allow

EDITOR'S PIC



Windeacres Nite Design enjoying time with Abby Beatson. Photo sent in by Barbara Beatson.

Annette Dunn

most requests for dates, unless there is a major impact on a club. If Clubs are wishing to hold more than 4 rings a lot of thought needs to go in to the size of venue required and also for the number of judges. There is nothing worse than attending and paying for a 6 ring show for example and finding that there is no room to swing a "dog" when all the cages are set up. We can all do with a little less stress in our lives!

A new Honours Certificate Application Form has recently been loaded on the NZCF website. Please use this form when requesting a title certificate from Joan Hill.

Please let me know what is not working for you in terms of the shows and showing along with what things are really working well. I will share the successes with Clubs to help grow everyone's shows and hopefully learn from anything that you are finding particularly difficult. Lots of photos from the shows would be welcomed by Gaynor and myself, for including in Flashcats.

I look forward to seeing you at the AGM in Wellington in April and then again in Palmy for the National. Best wishes for the coming show season.

Annette Dunn Shows Portfolio Manager NZCF

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TREASURES IN CANTERBURY HISTORIAN'S REPORT The News Arrives

Early in 2015 the news I had been hoping for arrived; the CABCC were able to advise that the contents of their storage unit had survived, though things were off shelves and somewhat jumbled. They would extract the NZCF's stored items when it was possible to do so, but wanted somebody come down and sort out what was to be kept and what was rubbish.

Eventually this job fell to me - possibly the worst person for the job. To somebody who really enjoys all the little highways and byways of the cat fancy history I suspected that I would want to keep everything. If it wasn't historic now well then it would be one day, right? Regardless, nothing could be done until the items were removed from the unit.

THE PHOTOS ARRIVE

Although there had been a phone call to warn me about the volume of stored items it wasn't until Susan Moffatt sent the photos of the loaded trailer which had been used to retrieve the items that I was able to see how big the job really was.



It Iwas a big trailer, well packed ... Not only was the trailer longer than usual but the photos showed that it was stacked pretty high as well.

Naturally I was both thrilled at the volume of historical assets that had been unexpectedly retrieved for the NZCF and a wee bit horrified at the size of the job. Nevertheless I was looking forward to getting down to Christchurch to sort through everything.

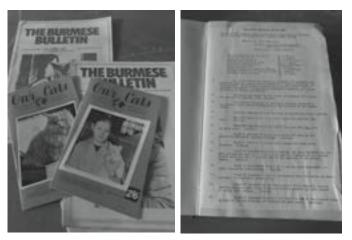
THE HISTORIAN ARRIVES

I arrived in Christchurch on Friday in the wake of a flurry of emails organising the plan for the three days I would be in town. First up was a preview visit to Susan's to get to grips with the scale of the job. In fact, when I got there it seemed to me that the best way to establish what the work was going to be like was to grab a couple of boxes and sort through them. After that it was going to be a simple job of multiplying the time taken for those boxes by the total number of boxes. (This plan, of course, had nothing to do with me desperately wanting to get my nose in one or two - or a dozen - of those boxes right away!)



Susan and Gary set up a trestle table and there were two trailers; one with the boxes in it, and one for us to sort stuff into. Luckily we were working undercover because the 30+ temperatures were not something somebody from Palmerston North was acclimatised to in November.

So, Friday night. Went through two or three boxes. I believe the folly of getting the historian to do this job was apparent to Susan almost immediately as from the boxes only about half a dozen items went onto the discards pile. Other than those items the boxes were consolidated, resealed and put at the 'keep' end of the empty trailer.



Magazines (local or overseas): KEEP! 'Minutes of the inaugural meeting of the Central Region': KEEP, KEEP, KEEP!!

It still looked like a big job but the tone of the weekend was set.



Tired but victorious: Susan (front), Jo (left) and Jane (right)

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THE BIG DAY ARRIVES

Saturday was another scorcher and Jo Woodrow and I started out early with a tour of the supermarkets to source some boxes to repack items into since as well as being incredibly dirty and dusty some of the boxes had been split open and would be no use when it came time to ship them north. With a van full of boxes we turned up at Susan's place ready for a big day's work.

MINUTE BOOK OF THE NZGCCF

And early discovery crowned an already exciting weekend - a minute book of the NZGCCF. Chris Lowe had handed me the first one (from the 1930s) at an EC meeting earlier in the month, and here was the next one in the series. I had bought an 'extra bag' on my return air ticket so I could take some particularly precious stuff back right away and this item was a definite for coming home with me. We got through the boxes surprisingly quickly with everybody working - we had a production line going from



sorting to re-packing or re-securing the boxes, through to piling them on the spare trailer. (The 'keep' end of the trailer had long since expanded so there was only a small corner for discards.) While minute books are incredibly important for the history of the organisation (and often for the history of breeds within the cat fancy) the icing on the cake for me is always the show catalogues. For a while none had appeared despite many boxes being opened in hopeful anticipation, but finally we struck gold.

I FIND SHOW CATALOGUES BACK TO THE EARLY 1950S

By the time we stopped for lunch we realised that the job would be done that day - something of a relief because nobody wanted the job to run over the weekend we had set aside for it. We got Gary to take a photo of us with the keeper boxes in the background before getting stuck in to move them all one last time - back onto the original trailer so there would be no accidents in mixing the stuff to go north with the stuff to go to the landfill.

THE PALLETS ARRIVE

Susan sent photos when the Mainfrieght men came to pick up the boxes. They popped them onto pallets - only two pallets which was better than the predicted three before we had done the sorting and I settled down at home to wait for their arrival. It took a while but I was busy enough with the documents I had brought home in my spare bag. I did keep checking the tracking site, though, and watched with great excitement as the shipment moved up the South Island, then crossed the Strait before loitering endlessly in Wellington. Eventually the last leg of the journey was complete and the Mainfreight truck was outside our place.

THE PALLETS BEING UNLOADED

My husband and I got all the boxes off the pallets and numbered them for the upcoming inventory of their contents but by this time it was the 15th December and Christmas was rapidly approaching. The boxes were stored and the inventory and digitising had to be put on hold until I had more time.



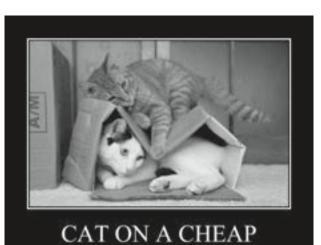
ALL BOXES NUMBERED

I must say that I am very much looking forward to having the time to get in amongst them again; to inventory, to organise, to digitise, and so to make information available to anybody who is interested.



Thanks to the officers and members of CABCC for their help in recovering these historical assets, and special thanks to Susan Moffatt and Jo Woodrow who were immensely helpful during my visit.

Jane Webster Historian



CARDBOARD BOX

PANCREATIC CANCER 'A SUDDEN HEARTBREAK'

Two days before Christmas, early morning, I noticed that my beautiful girl Arya was suddenly quite flat and dehydrated.

I had no subcut fluids in the house at the time so it was an urgent trip to the Vet just on opening time. He checked her out and thought the small lump he found was a furball that had not be able to pass due to the dehydration.She was hospitalised, needed urgent fluids and an operation to find the obstruction.

Later on that day a call from the vet informed that a large furball had been removed, however he detected some hardening of her pancreas and decided to send off a sample for biopsy.

Arya came home a very sad little cat, but over the next few days her wound healed well and her bloods which were all over the place had returned to almost normality. Both the Vet and I began to hope.

By New Year's Eve, she had developed other problems due to stress, and needed to be hospatilised again and was back on drip.

The morning of New Year's Day my vet called with the horrifying news that my baby had Pancreatic Lymphoma and no hope of survival. I said goodbye to my baby that day, she had deteriorated so much overnight, fluid had built up in her abdomin and she so was so ill. Rest in peace my beautiful girl.

Pancreatic cancer in cats is rare, but ultimately results in a cat's death. When a cat has this type of cancer, it will only survive a couple of months, because symptoms don't usually appear until the cancer is in its later stages.

FELINE PANCREATIC CANCER

The pancreas in a cat makes insulin, the product that regulates blood sugar levels and aids in the processing of food. There is no known cause as to why a cat would develop cancer or tumors in its pancreas, but they are seen more often in cats that are older. Feline pancreatic cancer is very aggressive and will usually metastasize (spread) to other organs in a cat's body.

PANCREATIC CANCER SYMPTOMS IN CATS

When a cat has pancreatic cancer, it will lose weight, vomit, have a belly that looks like it's stretched out, belly pain, will be jaundiced, it may be depressed and won't want to eat much. The belly may look bigger or distended because of the actual pancreatic tumor or the build-up of fluids in the cat's abdomen. Belly pain will be apparent to a pet owner when she rubs her cat's belly and it withdraws or cries out in pain. The upper right quadrant of a cat's abdomen will be particularly sensitive if touched. Jaundice in this situation is caused by bile from the liver not being able to flow in the cat's body; it'll be noticeable when the whites of a cat's eyes and its mucous are yellow.



Papcats Arya de Pasdezhat

DIAGNOSING PANCREATIC CANCER IN CATS

While completing a physical exam of a cat, a veterinarian will feel the cat's belly for any pain, swelling or distention, or any lumps. Blood tests will reveal elevated levels of bile in the cat's system, causing the jaundice. In some cases, a sample of fluid from the cat's belly will be taken to look for cancer cells.

X-rays of a cat will help confirm the diagnosis of pancreatic cancer and can even give a vet a good idea of how the mass looks, and if there's any build-up of fluids. An x-ray will also show if the tumor has displaced other organs. An ultrasound can further confirm the diagnosis of this cancer and what type of pancreatic disease the cat has. If ultrasound is not a diagnostic option, surgery can be used finalize the diagnosis.

TREATING PANCREATIC CANCER IN CATS

Surgery is often elected to remove any tumors from the pancreas. However, this can be difficult if the cancer has spread to other parts of a cat's body and is too advanced. If a cat does have a procedure done to remove a tumor from the pancreas, it will need to be hospitalized for several days following the surgery, and will need to receive IV fluids. Some pet owners choose to have a cat put down if pancreatic cancer is confirmed during surgery, since the cat is already anesthetized. Chemotherapy and other medical options are typically not considered, as they are not helpful in treating feline pancreatic cancer.

Pancreatic cancer in cats has a poor prognosis, because it's usually diagnosed when it's too late. Comfort care is often the best option for cats with this condition.

Information sourced from vetinfo.com

From the ADMIN DESK MARCH 2016

Welcome to 2016...To touch base on our financial position, I am pleased to say, We had a pleasing result – an operating profit of \$9,262 (after Depreciation and Tax Provision.)

I would like to point out that this profit was helped by two great fundraising projects. I would like to mention and congratulate Janice Davey, for the hard work and passion she put into the National Show and NZCF Seminar, during her time as Shows Portfolio Manager. Janice raised \$4,200 from the Seminar. Also the hard work and wonderful calendar produced by Susan Edwards which raised \$3,500. My congratulations to both of them.

The recent increase in fees this year has understandably met with disappointment, and particularly the late penalty fees imposed. These are items I intend to have revisited at the EC next meeting.

On a up note, we have had a notable increase in prefix applications (in fact, Chris has processed 30 new prefix application this year, still an excellent sign that most of which are breeders coming on board. I'm concerned that our mentoring program may not be working as I would like it to ensure that all our new breeders have the adequate assistance getting started and throughout their breeding years, breeders will always be in need of assistance no matter how experienced they are.

CODES OF CONDUCT

Breeders Code Of Ethics, and the Members Code Of Conduct, have also now been approved by the EC and published on both the NZCF website and in Flashcats.

All our codes of conduct provide clear guidelines about what we expect from our breeders, members and committee members. Members not adhering to the applicable code of conduct may be subject to disciplinary action. Moreover where appropriate members may be advised or encouraged to remedy any non-compliance, before more serious steps are taken. We do have clear expectations of our members, and that if they do not meet those expectations , discipline is possible. This in turn is part of effectively marketing our organisation and our breeders so that we are perceived as a reputable, proactive cat association, and that it is far more worthwhile to deal with our members, than with unregistered breeders. It is also part of developing a safe, friendly, respectful and welcoming culture in our organisation for all members, judges, officers and officials.

COMPLAINTS

At last year's AGM I reported that I had taken over the job of assisting Chris with the mediation of complaints and that I was extremely surprised at the amount of complaints arriving on our Secretary's desk on a daily basis. There are many that don't even reach me as Chris efficiently manages to settle them before my input is needed. However, I was hoping to report that there has been a decrease in complaints, while I have managed to mediate several settlements where sick kittens have been the issue, as I write this report, Chris is able to inform me that she has received 5 new complaints over the last few days.... Which is disappointing! There is surprisingly an increase in complaints that involve or look to involve genetic issues.

I know that our BSAC is working hard on these issues, however I want to appeal to all our breeders, that in the meantime, PLEASE! If you even have an inkling that you may have a genetic illness or abnormality in your lines and there is an appropriate test for it, PLEASE have these tests done for your own sakes and reputations.

I reiterate that:

It is NOT acceptable to sell sick kittens...

It is NOT acceptable to sell sick kittens accompanied by medication (Even if the buyer begs you to).

It is NOT acceptable to sell mixed breed kittens and pass them off as pedigrees.

And it also NOT acceptable to convince new breeders and new showgoers that a kitten is high breeding or show quality when it is not...

Buyers are expected to pay extremely high prices for kitten so please breeders take serious notice of our rules and regulations, and ensure that you sell happy, health and well socialised kittens always.

IN CONCLUSION

I'd like to acknowledge firstly Chris Lowe, for the amazing contribution she gives to the NZCF year after year, and thanks to Marion for her excellent financial management, and many thanks to all those officers and members who have assisted me in so many ways especially Jane who has done a great job in the role of Historian and also the excellent work she has put into overseeing the Governance Documents updating.

No business or organisation can run efficiently without skilled team members. Our officers and executives work incredibly hard for very modest remuneration (or in some cases NO remuneration). They strive to fulfil their roles to the highest standard despite many challenges.

Gaynor Saxon

Business Administration and Finance Portfolio Manager





YOUR HYPOALLERGENIC PET IS NOT HYPOALLERGENIC

All cats and dogs shed, although there are certain breeds that shed a lot less; hair or fur doesn't matter, and hair (or fur) is not dander, although both can harbor dander.

There is no such thing as a hypoallergenic cat, despite claims by some Internet sites, and your friends who have had cats for 30 years.

But don't take my word for it; ask health care professionals or the Asthma & Allergy Foundation of America (aafa.org). AAFA will tell you "a truly hypoallergenic cat does not exist. If you have a cat allergy, your body's immune system reacts to proteins in the pet's urine, saliva or dander."

Dander is dead skin cells. They're sloughed off as the pet's skin regenerates naturally, and are dislodged by your pet's routine activity such as grooming, scratching, playing and jumping up on the couch or your bed.

Speaking of which, all the experts say that if you have a pet allergy and a pet, keep the pet out of your bedroom. Always. They're very emphatic about that.

So, while your pet's hair is not the allergen, it can carry those proteins that are, and other allergens, too, such as dust and pollen. Those proteins, by the way, coat most household surfaces, horizontal and vertical. And don't forget the car. Even if your pet never goes into the car, you can bring the allergens in on your shoes and clothing.

They're resilient little allergens, too. They can stay active in the environment for months; can stay suspended in the air for long periods of time; can be stirred up time and again by your pet's play and grooming, and by human activity such as vacuuming and children playing.

Cats will regularly rub themselves on corners of walls and on furniture, a behavior known as bunting.

They do that to scent-mark with pheromones from glands located around their mouth, chin, face, neck and ears.

In addition to depositing their scent on the spot, they can also leave those allergenic proteins that were deposited on their fur during self or mutual grooming. Perhaps that's a major factor in the fact that cat allergies are double those of dogs.

We can all think of ways those proteins can get stirred up into the environment, such as when the cat does its digging and scratching in the litter box. The same applies when it uses mulch beds and gardens as a litter box.

Here's one I'll bet you didn't think of: you know those yellowed, urine burn spots on your lawn? Every time you go over them with the lawn mower, you cast those proteins to the winds. Then you walk through them. Neighbors mowing their lawns can do the same thing. Do you leave your windows open when you mow the lawn?

Sadly, pet allergies affect relationships, too, romantic and otherwise. Children with pet allergies may not be able to join friends at their homes if they have pets, and we may not be able to visit friends and relatives who have cats, dogs or other animals.

If you're a pet allergy sufferer, you already know the drill as far as limiting your exposure. Just be aware that, their assurances notwithstanding, your friends and relatives don't have hypoallergenic pets unless the animals don't salivate, pee and regenerate skin.

> The only pets proven to be hypoallergenic have scaly skin—like iguanas and snakes, That said, if you're dead set on a furry pet, there are a few breeds around that are touted—but not proven—to be better for people with allergies.

WHO'S FLEHMEN WHO?

If you've owned cats for a while, you've probably noticed a strange behavior that happens once in a while. Your cat will appear to be sniffing something, then she will open her mouth a little, wrinkling the skin on her nose as she retracts her upper lip and begin to breathe in and out of her mouth. She'll hold this posture for a few seconds, then go about her business. This funny facial expression has been given the almost as funny name of flehmen (pronounced flay-men) – a German word meaning to curl the upper lip. For a video of the behavior see http://lovemeow.com/2009/10/funny-cat-face-flehmen-response/

What causes this behavior and what does it mean, if anything? Flehmen occurs in species that have vomeronasal organs (VMOs). These are a pair of small sensory organs that are near, but not a part of the regular olfactory system. The VMO (formerly known as the Jacobson's organ – I'm showing off here) is packed with olfactory receptors, but unlike the other nasal olfactory organ, it opens into the roof of the mouth as well as the nasal cavity, and it is connected to different parts of the brain. It is thought that flehmen helps the animal draw odors into the vomeronasal organ. While it seems that all animals that flehmen have VMOs, not all animals with VMOs flehmen. Case in point – dogs. They have very nice VMOs, thank you, but don't flehmen.

The adult males of species that flehmen do it more often than females. They most often do it when inspecting the urine or ano-genital areas of females. It is thought to help males determine the reproductive state of the females – in heat, coming into heat, pregnant, lactating and so on. Females also flehmen in reproductive contexts, but more often when sniffing their young, especially newborns.

Both males and female cats do it at other times as well. Both will flehmen when they encounter urine from other cats, such as that sprayed on your new drapes, or urine puddles on the floor or in the litter box. Some cats do it when sniffing catnip. Cats will sometimes flehmen when encountering new things or new smells. Perhaps these new or unusual things smell a little like cat reproductive odors. We don't know for sure. Studying chemical communication in cats or other species is difficult for us since our sense of smell is so much poorer than that of most other mammals.

It does not appear that flehmen is a communicative signal to other animals. We don't see a consistent response to the flehmen from others watching it, so it doesn't seem to cause a change in their behavior.

Cats aren't the only animals to do this. Some other wild felids such as tigers do it, horses, donkeys, cattle and a whole slew of other wild ungulates do it as well. The horses and cattle are much more dramatic in their flehmen behavior; they curl their upper lip back on itself, open their mouths and lift their heads to the sky. If you want to see photos of a variety of species demonstrating flehmen.



So there you have it. You now know almost as much as the scientists about flehmen behavior in cats. You can add this little bit of knowledge as item 56 in your list of "Weird Things Cats Do That We Don't Understand."



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Of the hundreds of animals dealt with we managed to get 25% of non-chipped pets home within seven days. However we managed to get 85% of chipped pets home in an average of 1 to 2 hours! The NZCAR is the largest New Zealand based, not for profit, repatriation database in New Zealand. Our sole purpose is getting lost pets home. Since its formation in 2007, the register has achieved:

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Faith and Rosie with Kai at the 2015 Nationals

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Kai came to us in the Winter of 2015 as a Rescue Kitten. He was literally rescued by a young man and his mum as he went under the wheels of a large truck, on a busy street. Thinking he was injured the SPCA were contacted. But they told them to put him back on the street!! Incensed, and angry at this careless response, Kai was taken to a vet. He was very thin, unwell, and full of fleas and worms. He was also Entire and without a Microchip. The vet also found Kai was deaf. Though not a well cat, Kai had pulled through his run in with the truck!!

Kai went into foster care, where he remained unclaimed - and became known as 'Frosty'. His fosterers contacted us to recommend a rescue organisation who, their words "were not the SPCA"!!! Fate of course had a different plan. At my daughters insistence this sweet natured boy came live with us as an indoor cat. Like all mothers before me, I had uttered the words "we don't need another cat"!!! We were of course smitten. As a family we decided to show Kai. In 2014 & 2015 Kai became NZ Cat Fancys Best Longhair Domestic. His rescuers and foster family still stay in touch and are so very proud of him, as are we. They still visit him at local shows. His name?? Kai Pai - good. Kai (from Celtic Mythology) - a young man with magic powers). We think his life has been pretty magical. When we see him on the show bench - it is difficult imagine his dark past." *Karen Grantley*



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Bronze Double Grand Premier CHARMED BOHEMIAN RHAPSODY BUR Sasha Campbell



CHARMED LEOVILLE LUCIANO BUR Pam Taylor SABOKAH ONYX (IMP. NZL) BUR C Elle Cole



Silver Double Grand Premier MARABINDI ARTIC LEGEND (GEN.3) BML s/P Leah Moore



Bronze Double Grand Premier TELLASSEE HAYWARDS HEATH BRI A Debbie Mitchell



Bronze Double Grand Pr/ Champion PETALS GENTIAN TRUE BLUE BRI A Marion D Petley

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Silver Double Grand Pr/ Champion BHALIHI RAMA RAMA BAL F/EBM Yvonne Pender, Warren Pender



Bronze Double Grand Premier ODAKIM SPARKLE DRAGON *OSH kFC/W Deb Armishaw



Bronze Double Grand Premier BENTARA

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Silver Double Grand Premier ZARZUELA ZEDDFOR ZULU OSH Fiona Taylor



Silver Double Grand Premier BRACKENBURN MIDNIGHT LASSIE SFSEmma Karst, Marion Karst



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M Yvonne Pender, Warren Pender

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BESHA PEBBLES ABY B/1 Beverly Thomas, Sharon Thomas



RECHERCHE LILAC MAM'SELLE BUR E/C John Wilson, Ruth Wilson

LUCKY PURRSIL BARE (GEN.3) SPH Tina Williams-Swann



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Longhair Domestic Cats/Kittens Longhair Companion Cats/Kittens st St Silver Double Grand Premier CC RAFFERTY Ken Jackson, Alison Jackson Bronze Double Grand Premier DomKA PAI KAI Karen Grantley Gold Double Grand Premier CC MALTEE Lindsay Millard, Alma Millard, Margaret Morgan Bronze Double Grand Pr CC SHAMI Susan F Brown Silver Double Grand Premier Dom ABBIE Grand Premier Dom Gold Double Grand Pr CC Barbara Chisnall FIRE DANCER POPSICLE TOES **Colleen Vincent** Barbie Muller 4th Double Grand Premier Dom TUI Loren Webling Bronze Double Grand PrDom MY GIRL TOPSY TURVEY Jasmine Bradley Gold Double Grand Premier CC 6^{th} ROCKY Carol Philp Grand Premier Dom Bronze Double Grand Premier CC ROCKET MONTY Loren Webling Judy James Premier Dom PADDINGTON BEAR Zanthe Pont Bronze Double Grand Premier CC LEIA Casi Renner 9th Silver Double Grand Pr CC SKYE DREAM CHASER Premier Dom Premier Dom Marie Prendergast LITTLE MISTY MY GIRL REBEL Elizabeth Daly Jasmine Bradley Qtl Premier Dom TIPSEY Jean Hutchison Gold Double Grand Premier CC Gold Double Grand Premier CC LITA LYFE OF RILEY Rachel Henderson Joanne Price, Gerard Price



CHERJON SILVER PHANTOM 1ST SH ENTIRE KITTENS



IT'S ALL ABOUT US

We were really thrilled with the result as we believe that he is a very good example of a Burmilla and one of the best that we have bred. He is the son of Gld Dbl Gr Ch Cherjon Sebastian who won first place in the Shorthair Entire Cat National Awards in 2012.

Dufous is the most gentle easy going boy that you could ever wish for, he is a real pleasure to have around but he is never very far away.

He has now retired from the show bench and is living a life of luxury and no stress on the farm with our two grandsons.

Cheryl & John Stringfellow

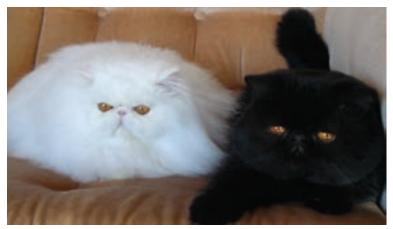
GLD DBL GR CH ISPISIKAT WHITE PEARL 1st LH ENTIRE CATS

GLD DBL GR CH WINDEACRES NITE DESIGN 2nd LH ENTIRE CATS

I feel very fortunate to have had the opportunity to present and show these two beautiful cats and I thank all the judges who recognised their quality and placed them so well .

2014 Gld DBl Gr Ch Windeacres Nite Design .(Jaden) was 1st longhair entire cat Cat in the awards . 2015 He was in 2nd place.

Gold Dbl Gr Ch Ispisikat White Pearl ... (Pearl) is a real little princess at all times She loves to be groomed and kept



looking just right which makes it easy when getting her ready to show . She loves cuddles and has the sweetest most gentle voice that one could wish for . She is a cat that is quite happy with her own company and her favourite pastime is laying on the lounge floor in the sun or cuddled up on the bed.

2014 Gld Dbl Gr Ch Ispisikat White Pearl was placed third in the Longhair entire cat awards 2015 She beat her best friend ... Jaden .. for the 1st placing.

On the other hand Gold Dbl Gr Ch Windeacres Nite Design..(Jaden) is boy that likes nothing more than pottering around the place with his dad either overseeing mechanical work and before one show offering to stir white paint with his paw. All in all he likes to oversee all that goes on around the place. His only fault He isnt very keen on the required bathing to present him nicely for the shows. Thankfully is he a very quiet stud boy to have around but by the end of the show season a very smelly fella B.Beatson Windeacres Cattery.

Barbara Beatson



LUNA 1ST SH COMPANION CATS/KITTENS

Luna is a blue eyed Burmilla who is now one year old. She loves exploring outside particularly in the trees, and has even mastered how to catch birds with a bell on.

She is great company for me and is always waiting for me when I get home. I am looking forward to another year of showing her and seeing all the other cats.

Chloe King

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DBL GR DOMESTIC ENZO 1ST SH DOMESTIC

Well what to say about Enzo......

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I was at work one day on the dairy farm driving a large loader moving old tyres from one place to another when suddenly two wild brown tabby kittens appeared on top of the pile. I could not continue knowing they were there so I decided to try and catch them. I placed a cage down with food to tempt them in. I sat and watched from afar but unfortunately both had disappeared but then suddenly a little ginger kitten walked into the cage. I managed to quickly close the cage. I decided to transfer him into a smaller cage. I put my hand into the cage to grab him, well, he "grabbed" me first, in fact he "grabbed" me twice hence why he was named Enzo after a vampire from the TV show The Vampire Diaries. Enzo didn't take long to adapt into the indoor domestic life and started to show his easy-going, goofy personality to everyone which made the decision to try Enzo at the shows. He was a natural show-man. He has since been around the South Island at



many shows and even staying at motels, not bad for a cat that started his life living in a pile of tires!!

Enzo lives with other ex-wild domestics, Scottish folds, a Scottish S/H, a Burmese and 3 dogs, a Boxer, American Bulldog and KelpieX (Who he loves to sleep with on the bed!) He has a big personality and likes to think he's the boss but when it comes down to it he's a real cuddly Mummy's Boy.

CAT PAINTING at Auction for \$200,000 - \$300,000

This One Of A Kind 1891 Cat Painting Has A Strange History To Go With It's High Price Tag.

Sotheby's, a global art business which serves "discerning" clients is about to sell what may be the world's largest cat painting. However, that's not the weird part of the story when you consider it's going for an asking price between \$200,000 and \$300,000. But, that's not even the weirdest part about this painting when you consider this was created for a woman who owned a large number of cats.

Okay, so not 200 thousand cats, but according to Sotheby's the original owner Kate Birdsall Johnson owned 350 cats, and that's why she had this 6-by-8.5foot oil portrait of 42 life-size Angoras and Persians created.

Dating back to the late 19th century San Francisco philanthropist and art collector Johnson had an obsession for her feline friends, and considering she was wealthy she commissioned Austrian immigrant Carl Kahler to paint this furry masterpiece in 1891.

How can you remember that many names and faces? 350, all under one roof. Essentially there was a huge retinue of servants whose sole business was to look after the cats.

The painting, titled 'My Wife's Lovers' after a nickname given to the hoard of cats that Johnson's husband called it, apparently took years to create.

And was sold in 1893 after Johnson's death. That's just a few years after she had her beloved painting commissioned—how sad.

The reason it is truly an exquisite work of art is because of this explanation: Is that no two cats have the same expression, I each there is a distinct individuality.

That's probably because Kahler took three years just to sketch all of the cats before beginning to paint the canvas.



No two expressions are the same

Essentially, this is more appreciation than the internet has given or will ever give cats. Instagram pictures and other countless galleries and articles don't hold a candle to this woman's adoration for her feline companions.

What makes this painting even more special than its quirky backstory is what it has been through: it survived the 1906 earthquake and fire in San Francisco.

Considering all this, the intricate details and massive size of the painting it's no wonder that Cat Magazines called it "the world's greatest painting of cats" in 1949.

In 2002, Boston's Skinner Auctioneers hosted the world's first all-cat art auction and the painting was up for an asking price of \$450,000 to \$750,000. It didn't sell back then, but maybe now with a lowered price it'll find a feline loving home, which also appreciates extraordinary art.

BREEDERS Be Aware

FELINE AIDS FIV In Your Cat

It came to my notice recently that a young neuter cat had been diagnosed with FIV (AIDS). He had never been used as a stud and had always been an inside cat. His parents were also clear of FIV. This begged the question of HOW? How could he have been affected. He did spend a short time (before he was neutered in stud quarters), and not being at all timid it is thought that he could have come in contact with a feral or stray tom through his cage wire, (there are a few strays that are seen in the area).

Although some FIV positive cats can live an almost normal life for a time, this little cat couldn't, and has since been euthanised as he became very ill.

The advice here is to vaccinate your studs and queens for Aids, if they are housed in outdoor runs..... please read on.

Feline Immunodeficiency Virus

What is Feline Immunodeficiency Virus?

Virologists classify feline immunodeficiency virus (FIV) as a lentivirus (or "slow virus"). FIV is in the same retrovirus family as feline leukemia virus (FeLV), but the viruses differ in many ways including their shape. FIV is elongated, while FeLV is more circular. The two viruses are also quite different genetically, and the proteins that compose them are dissimilar in size and composition. The specific ways in which they cause disease differ, as well.

How common is the infection?

FIV-infected cats are found worldwide, but the prevalence of infection varies greatly. In the United States, approximately 1.5 to 3 percent of healthy cats are infected with FIV. Rates rise significantly-15 percent or more-in cats that are sick or at high risk of infection. Because biting is the most efficient means of viral transmission, free-roaming, aggressive male cats are the most frequently infected, while cats housed exclusively indoors are much less likely to be infected.

How is FIV spread?

The primary mode of transmission is through bite wounds. Casual, non-aggressive contact does not appear to be an efficient route of spreading FIV; as a result, cats in households with stable social structures where housemates do not fight are at little risk for acquiring FIV infections. On rare occasions infection is transmitted from an infected mother cat to her kittens, usually during passage through the birth canal or when the newborn kittens ingest infected milk. Sexual contact is not a major means of spreading FIV.

What does FIV do to a cat?

Infected cats may appear normal for years. However, infection eventually leads to a state of immune deficiency that hinders the cat's ability to protect itself against other infections. The same bacteria, viruses, protozoa, and fungi that may be found in the everyday environment--where they usually do not affect healthy animals-can cause severe illness in those with weakened immune systems. These secondary infections are responsible for many of the diseases associated with FIV.

What are the signs of disease caused by FIV?

Early in the course of infection, the virus is carried to nearby lymph nodes, where it reproduces in white blood cells known as T-lymphocytes. The virus then spreads to other lymph nodes throughout the body, resulting in a generalized but usually temporary enlargement of the lymph nodes, often accompanied by fever. This stage of infection may pass unnoticed unless the lymph nodes are greatly enlarged.

An infected cat's health may deteriorate progressively or be characterized by recurrent illness interspersed with periods of relative health. Sometimes not appearing for years after infection, signs of immunodeficiency can appear anywhere throughout the body:

- Poor coat condition and persistent fever with a loss of appetite are commonly seen.
- Inflammation of the gums (gingivitis) and mouth (stomatitis) and chronic or recurrent infections of the skin, urinary bladder, and upper respiratory tract are often present.
- Persistent diarrhea can also be a problem, as can a variety of eye conditions.
- Slow but progressive weight loss is common, followed by severe wasting late in the disease process.
- Various kinds of cancer and blood diseases are much more common in cats infected with FIV, too.
- In unspayed female cats, abortion of kittens or other reproductive failures have been noted.
- Some infected cats experience seizures, behavior changes, and other neurological disorders.

On very rare occasions, cats in the later stages of FIV infection may test negative because their immune systems are so compromised that they no longer produce detectable levels of antibody.



Cats can contract AIDS by being bitten by an infected cat.

Information & Photos sourced from various articles.

BE AWARE! Of the dangers

WARNING: Woman's Kitten Tragically Dies After Getting Pollen From This Plant On His Face

The thought of anything happening to your precious babies is a shocking thought, but for one woman living in the UK, this became a reality for her after something she never would have thought to be threatening. Elizabeth Mackie, brought a kitten into her life shortly after her mother died of a stroke. The kitten, who she named Mr. Mistoffelees or "Misto" for short, meant the world to her.

Quickly the two formed a loving bond as he helped to ease her pain, and never in a million years would she have predicted something like this to happen. Many of us know that certain houseplants are not safe for cats or dogs, and there are often times that cats (especially kittens) are particularly drawn to the plants for their fanning leaves and petals that they think of as play things. Misto was sitting in his favorite window sill, brushing up against some lilies in a vase that a friend had given to Elizabeth as a gift when the bright orange pollen started to get on his face. Elizabeth didn't think anything of it, and she shared a photo of her kitten to social media after the "pollen wouldn't come off" of his face. This is what everything changed in an instant. To her horror, friends started commenting that she needed to stop what she was doing and rush Misto to the vet immediately. In case you are not aware, lilies are extremely poisonous to both felines and canines, which can result in death if the deadly pollen is ingested.

The veterinarian on staff at Leonard Brother Veterinary Clinic, immediately sedated the kitten and attempted to induce vomiting in hopes to save his life.

"When he stopped breathing the vet went to get adrenaline. I massaged his chest as shown by the vet in a bid to save him while he got the adrenaline but unfortunately we couldn't revive him," Elizabeth said.

Regardless of how hard they tried to save him, little Misto's life ended later that day due to kidney and liver failure.

Lilies can be truly life-threatening for pets, especially cats are sensitive to lily, but dogs can become ill also.

BE AWARE: please know, that this can happen to your cat or dog, if you are not careful.

HINT: If you have lillies in your home, remove the stamens before they turn to powder. This will not only help to protect your cat but also your clothes and tabletops from non-removeable stains.





Stargazer lilies, be aware of the bright orange pollen



CAT WORLD GETTING READY FOR THE 2016 SEASON

The northern part of the NZ Cat Fancy held both a Handlers and Stewards course in the central location of Te Awamutu over the weekend of 16 and 17 Janurary 2016. Over the past three years of holding this course, participants have travelled from as far afield as Whangarei, Whakatane, New Plymouth and even Palmerston North and Wellington.

The people who ran the course this year were all from the wider Hauraki area with Sue Ford, based in Pirongia, Rosemary Wilson from Te Aroha and Chris Lowe based in Katikati. All three are judges, so the 3 to 1 ratio on the Saturday helped a lot. Sue was the sole instructor on the Sunday for the Stewards course.

These courses are for the first two levels of officials who are involved with the judging at Cat Shows. The team that does the job consists of the Handler, who is responsible for getting the cat from the cage to the show bench, the Steward who effectively is the secretary/ recorder and the Judge. After qualifying at both of the Handlers and Stewards levels, people are eligible to begin the training to be a judge.

The handlers course is about the practical side of handling of cats and then the knowledge side of cat breeds etc. This year all seven





candidates passed their open-book one hour exam with marks ranging from 83% to 96%.

The Stewards Course is a lot more theoretical and demanding with it being based on the Judge/Steward pair being responsible for the results being correct. For some people who show their cats, having this go wrong sours a good-day-out. Nine candidates attended the course and have their two hour exam on 5 March. The process here involves a marker, a check marker and then notification to the candidates. So they will be "hitting-the-books" for the next month.

Rob Shirley

SUE HOSTS A CELEBRATION LUNCH FOR OTHERS ON HER BIRTHDAY

Saturday 5 March, Sue Ford hosted a lovely lunch for those who attended and successfully passed the Stewards Exam. It was also Sue's (21st) Birthday... Hmm! It was a wonderful day to celebrate both.

HAPPY **BIRTHDAY** SUE...









BREED STANDARDS

Work on the breeding practises policy (BPP) has begun. Right now most of the BSAC members are busy with research while the remaining few are working on the admin issues that come along with the introduction of any policy. Having roughed up a timetable to work to we can now predict that all breed groups should be having a consultation on their BPP within the next three years.

Every breeder and pet owner in the NZCF should be giving some thought to what testing policies they would like to see implemented for their breed, and whether these tests should be voluntary or mandatory. Eventually all breed section members will be asked to vote on a policy and there's no time like the present to start thinking about this, talking about it with other breeders or pet owners, or even staring up a mailing list or forum to talk things over within a breed section.



And while I'm talking about breed section consultations here's my three-step advice to all breed section members.

GET INVOLVED

Everybody has an opinion, right? We all want to share it with our partners, friends, fellow breeders ... anybody who will listen. And yet the response rate to the breed section consultations is very, very low. We can understand that whether colour X or pattern Y is added might not be here nor there for your breeding programme (perhaps you don't breed with those colours / patterns / lines) and colours and patterns might not seem to be nearly as important as changing the wording for ear set or points for head type. But still, this is something happening in your breed and we're keen to hear from everybody. If you don't have an opinion, then read up, ask around, learn more about it so that you do have an opinion - and then let us know what it is.

VOTE CLEARLY

The comments of the breed section members are important to us and often let us know how people feel about an issue in a way a simple 'yes' or 'no' cannot. Sometimes the comments raise great points that go onto the BSAC 'to do' list. However, please don't make comments but fail to vote clearly because when the response reaches the BSAC it will have to be interpreted one way or the other, or disregarded like an invalid voting paper at a general election. Make your vote count by making it clear. Yes or No, For or Against, Option 1 or Option 2.

ACCEPT DEMOCRACY

Getting what we want is great, especially when it's something we're passionate about - and many breed section consultations do touch on things we are passionately in favour of - or against. Nevertheless it is a vote; one point of view will have more votes, the other will have less. Some people will get what they want and others will not. If your point of view doesn't carry the day then it's almost always just a matter of votes since it is rare for the BSAC to recommend anything to the EC which goes against the results of a consultation (and if they do it is always acknowledged). So there's no agenda or conspiracy - just a count up of the number of votes we received. If your point of view turns out not to be the majority one, please accept that and continue to be passionate about your breed - and about the next subject to come up for consultation.

Jane Webster BSAC Portfolio Manager

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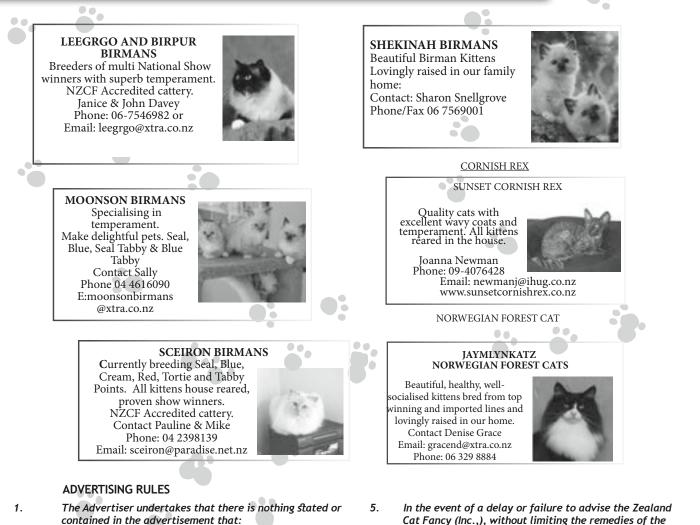
A voluntary (unpaid) position of 'governance documents officer' has been established to carry out and manage on-going amendments to the NZCF's reformatted governance documents.

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NZCF MEETING NOTES

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING: FEBRUARY 2016

LOGO

Rebranding This is an on-going project – still has a lot of work to be put into this with the likelihood that this will be opened up for further discussion at the 2016 AGM.

TRAINING

Questionnaire Has not been circulated - refer to PM Deb Armishaw.

ADMINISTRATION

Support Portfolio Managers and Officers are under increased pressure, NZCF needs to look at working smarter perhaps even streamlining some of the roles this will be addressed with the strategic plan discussion.

MICROCHIP

Project Marion is to have further discussions with Diane & Gaynor prior to putting some time into a feasibility study around the proposed Microchip project.

BSAC

Nominations for elected positions BSAC document is to be removed from website as it is out of date. The process for this year's election has been outlined correctly on the circular that has been sent to the membership.

MEMBERSHIP FORUM

Forum Affiliate Clubs have been advised that they can have postings on the membership forum advertising their show schedules, entry closure etc.

COMPLAINTS

Reporting A spread sheet has been developed to track all complaints through to signing off.

PRIVACY

Statement To be reviewed to match the new declaration on the membership forms.

UNABLE TO BEJUDGED

New report form had been put together by Jane and the appropriate rule changes have been completed.

DOUBLEPOINTS

A feasibility study is to be undertaken by the IT Portfolio Manager.

JUDGES

Refreshers A review of the Judges Manual is to be undertaken regarding the reimbursement of travel costs for Judges to attend annual refresher seminars.

CATZ (INC)

Imp NZ Imp NZ has been removed from the registration certificates.

BENGALCROSS BREEDS

There are a number of advertisements on Trade me for Bengal crossbred kittens this is of concern to NZCF. The EC resolved that this matter needs to be pointed out to the Ministry of Primary Industries utilising the information that has been forwarded to NZCF by our concerned breeders.

NZCF STRATEGIC PLAN REVIEW BUSINESS PLAN

It is the intention that the business plan rather than the strategic plan will be reviewed at every EC meeting and both documents will be used for setting the agenda.

While retaining the awareness of the strategic plan EC reviewed the business plan. This will be presented to the AGM under the item 'Discussion and approval of plans for the balance of the current and next 5 calendar years'.

STRATEGIC PLAN

'The EC resolved to adopt the suggested changes by Jane as Governance Document Officer.'

EC acknowledged that there is room for improvement however the current document still fits in with the end goals.

REMITS

The EC discussed and finalised the remits to be presented at the AGM 2016.

BUSINESS FINANCE &

ADMINISTRATION Late Fee Membership late fee (suggested review – could reflect a % penalty)

Meetings Future timing of EC & AGM meetings to alleviate pressure on Officers.

TRAVEL EC

Members We currently have no policy in place for payment of travel and/or expenses for theExecutive Council - Incoming new members & existing incumbents.

Jane/Deb: That the travel, food and accommodation will be paid for outgoing Executive Council members attending the AGM. This will include food and accommodation the night following unless the member is returning home by car. Carried 4.2.0

Gaynor/Deb: "That travel to the post-AGM meeting will be reimbursed for newly elected Executive Council members. It is preferred that incoming members also attend the AGM and the NZCF will reimburse for a flight that allows this. Food and accommodation on the night following the AGM will be paid for by the NZCF." Carried 5.1 (Deb)

NEW DDP

(Disputes & Discipline Procedure) document has been published on the NZCF website.

STANDARD OF POINTS

The 2016 amendments to the Standards & the Breed Codes should be issued late February. It is intended that a policy document will be produced to establish the layout& content of a preferred Standard of Points.

BREED SECTIONCONSULTATIONS

Articles are to be put together for Flash Cats around the importance of responding toBreed Section Consultations.

GUIDANCE OF JUDGES

A letter was received from NZ Siamese regarding the conformity faults listed in the Standard of Points. The existence and location of the information is not well known.

BREEDING PRACTICES

Policy Incorporating conformation & health project will take approximately three years with an aim to have at least 10 breeds completed in 2016.

HONOURS

APPLICATION New amended application has been uploaded to the website.

HEALTH & SAFETY

A review Is to be arranged by the Health & Safety Officer before the 2017 Show season commences. The Health & Safety at Work Act 2015 (HSWA) comes into effect on 4th April 2016.

ONLINEREGISTRATIONS

Submission has been received requesting email confirmation to the breeder be generated when online registrations are received and also requesting confirmation from registrar when transfers are completed.

Chris Lowe NZCF Secretary

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NZCF SCHEDULE OF FEES FOR 2016

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		Note: * denotes Fee \$ changes from 2015				
MEMBERSHIP FEES	(Incl GST)	PUBLICATIONS		(Incl GST)	
Payable to Executive Secretary			Payable to NZCF Treasurer (on receipt of debtors invoice)			
Membership Renewals due by 31/01/16 Pro-rata fees apply for new Full/Family members only at 9, 6, & 3 mths			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 Adventising - Keler to faces listed separately in Flash Cats	\$	- 24.00	
Full	*\$	60.00	Flash Cats Folders (Refer to Stationery below)	Ļ	24.00	
Family - 2 members	* \$	80.00	hash cats folders (herer to stationery below)			
Family - 3 members	* \$	100.00	REGISTRATION FEES			
Junior	\$	15.50	Payable to LH, SH & PR Registrars			
Associate (in NZ)	\$	40.00				
Associate (in NZ) - Family - 2 members	\$	50.00	Registrations: per Litter			
Associate (in NZ) - Family - 3 members	\$	60.00	Per Litter - up to 4 months of age	\$	26.00	
Associate (in NZ) - Junior	\$	10.00	Per Litter - over 4 months of age	\$	52.00	
Associate (Overseas)	\$	42.00	Imported Cat/Kitten Registration	\$	41.00	
Late Payment Fee after 31/01/16 (Existing Affil. & Full/Family Mbrs only)	*\$	60.00	Penalty Fine for Non-Registration of Litter	\$	50.00	
Each membership type includes 4 issues of Flash Cats per year						
			Transfers:			
OTHER ADMIN. FEES			Transfers per Cat/Kitten	\$	6.50	
Payable to Executive Secretary			Breeding Cats & Kittens (incl certified 4-Generation Pedigree)	\$	32.50	
Agendas & Minutes (sent to members via NZCF no reply forum)	~	-	Non-Breeding (Pet) Cats & Kittens (incl 4-Gen. Uncertified Pedigree)	* \$	15.00	
Cattery Accreditation (Bi-Annual)	\$ \$	50.00 51.00	Penalty Fine for Non-Transfer - per cat/kitten	\$	10.00	
Complaints - NZCF Members only Kitten/Cat Notice Board Fee - Annual Fee paid with Membership	\$ \$	51.00 10.00	Certified Pedigrees:			
accenter nonce board ree Annau ree paid with membership	ç	10.00	3 Generation	\$	21.00	
Governance Documents			4 Generation	\$	26.00	
Downloads available fm NZCF Website			5 Generation	\$	41.00	
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			6 Generation	\$	77.00	
BREED SECTION FEES			7 Generation	\$	100.00	
Payable to Ececutive Secretary			8 Generation	\$	150.00	
All members - 1st section		Free	Uncertified 4-Generation Pedigree	*\$	8.50	
Breeders - All breeds bred		Free				
Affilate Members - 2nd & subsequent sections	*\$	5.00	Changes:			
Non-breeders - 2nd & subsequent sections	\$	12.00	Colour Change - Kitten (up to nine mths)	*	Free	
			Colour Change - Adult (after nine mths)	* \$	6.50	
Standards of Points (SoPs):	* *	27.00	Name or Sex Change	\$	6.50	
Combined LH & SH with dividers & hard cover (incl. postage)	*\$ *\$	37.00 26.00	Event Decumentation	Ś	5.50	
LH with dividers & hard cover (incl. postage) SH with dividers & hard cover (incl. postage)	*\$	33.00	Export Documentation	Ş	5.50	
LH with dividers only (no cover) (incl. postage)	* \$	8.00	Leasing Fee: New for 1st year (incl certified 4-Gen.Pedigree)	\$	38.50	
SH with dividers only (no cover) (incl. postage)	* \$	16.00	Leasing Fee: Renewal for 2nd & final year	Ś	12.50	
LH only (no dividers or cover) (incl. postage)	*\$	6.00				
SH only (no dividers or cover) (incl. postage)	* \$	12.00	SHOW FEES			
			Payable by Clubs to NZCF Treasurer			
HONOURS			Benching Fees:			
Payable to Honours Registrar			Pedigree - per exhibitor per ring (1st exhibit)	*\$	5.00	
Honours Certificates:			Domestic/Companion - per exhibitor per ring (1st exhibit)	* \$	5.00	
Champion & Premier (no free copy issued)	\$	6.50	Penalty Levy for late receipt of marked catalogue to Hon. Registrar	\$	5.00	per da
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 - Gold, Silver & Bronze (incl postage)	\$	18.50	-			
			Shows IT Package Fee: Payable by Clubs on invoice	\$	115.00	
UDGING FEES			Payable to Executive Secretary			
HANDLERS & STEWARDS COURSE FEES			Applies to 2016 Show Year - fees payable in full by 31 March 2016			
Payable to NZCF Treasurer			,,,, ,,, ,,.,,.,,.,,.,,.,,.,,.,			
-			Show Application Fees:			
Admission to Judges School	\$	125.00	Clubs - Show Application Fees - per Ring	\$	50.00	
Admission to Transfer Panel	\$	80.00	Clubs - Show Late Application Fee - for fees received after 31/03/16	\$	25.00	
Handlers Course Fees (must be NZCF Members)	\$	40.00	Note: Co-operatively held shows attract separate show application fees			
Stewards Course Fees (must be NZCF Members)	\$	40.00				
Combined Handlers & Stewards Course Fees	\$	60.00	STATIONERY			
			Payable to NZCF Treasurer			
PREFIX FEES			Flash Cats Folders (incl postage)	\$	25.00	
Payable to Executive Secretary (Prefix Registrar)			NZCF Badges (Gold on Blue) (incl postage)	*\$	6.80	
			All other NZCF forms are available as downloads from the NZCF website			
New Prefix - incl 2 x Governance Books	\$	85.00				
Additional Owner Joining an Existing Prefix	\$	35.00	Desexing Contract Pads are no longer available for sale as we no longer		Stationer	y Offi
New Prefix for Existing Prefix Holder	* \$	40.00	We do have some remaining stock which will be available for purchas			
Changes to Spelling of Prefix - Applicant Error	\$	16.00	at the NZCF Desk at the 2016 National Show, Palmerston North, at a	cost of	\$12.50.	

2016 NZCF SHOW CALENDAR

DATE	CLUB	RINGS	VENUE
6th Mar 2016	Shorthair Cat Breeders (Pedigree SH,		
	Domestic & Companions)	4	Kaiapoi
Sat 12th Mar 2016	Burmese Cat Club NZ Inc (Central)	5	Palmerston Nth
Sun 13th Mar 2016	Canterbury All Breeds	4	Christchurch
Sat 19th Mar 2016	Metropolitan SHCC (All Pedigree SH)	3	Onehunga
Sun 27th Mar 2016	Southern Cross All Breeds Cat Club	4	Dunedin
Sat 2nd Apr 2016	Dominion Shorthair (All Breeds)	4	Naenae
Sat 9th Apr 2016	NZCF AGM		Wellington
Sat 16th Apr 2016	NZ Siamese - All Shorthair (3 rings)		
	Siamese specialist - (1) ring	4	Christchurch
Sun 24th Apr 2016	Auckland Cat Club	4	Kumeu
Sat 30th Apr 2016	NZCF Awards dinner.		
Sun 1st May 2016	National Show & Palmerston North		
	Cat Club Inc Show	4	Barber and Bell Halls,
			Palmerston Nth
Sat 7th May 2016	Birman Cat Club & Companion	4	Paeroa
Sat 14th May 2016	Taranaki Cat Club (All Breeds)	4	New Plymouth
Sun 15th May 2016	LH Cat Breeders Assoc (SI)		Rangiora
Sat 21st May 2016	Burmese Cat Club NZ Inc (SI)	5	Christchurch
Sat 28th May 2016	Mid Island Cat Club Inc	-	
	(All Breeds, Domestic & Companion)	4	ТВА
Sun 12th Jun 2016	Geyserland Cat Club (All Breeds)	4	Tauranga
Sun 12th June 2016	Canterbury All Breeds	4	Canterbury
Sun 19th Jun 2016	Wellington Cat Club	4	Wellington
Sat 25th Jun 2016	Auckland Cat Club (All Breeds)	4	Auckland
Sun 3rd Jul 2016	Hamilton Cat Club (All Breeds)	4	Hamilton
Sat 9th Jul 2016	Sacred Temple - Birman & Companions	5	Wellington
Sat 16th Jul 2016	Pedigree Persian Cat Fanciers	5	5
	(All LH Pedigree + Domestic & Companions)	5	Wellington
Sun 24th Jul 2016	Geyserland Cat Club (All Breeds)	4	Cambridge
Sun 31st Jul 2016	Nelson Cat Club	5	Nelson
Sat 13th Aug 2016	Hutt Feline (All Breeds) Domestic & Companions	5	Upper Hutt
Sun 14th Aug 2016	Shorthair Cat Breeders	5	oppo
	(Pedigree SH, Domestic & Companions)	4	Christchurch
Sat 20th Aug 2016	Abyssinian and Somali Cat Club	3	
Sun 21st Aug 2016	LH Cat Breeders Assoc (SI) Inc	5	Christchurch
Sat 3rd Sep 2016	Patches & Pointed Inc (All Breeds)	6	TBA
Sun 4th Sep 2016	Kapiti Horowhenua		Kapiti
Sun 11th Sep 2016	Canterbury All Breeds	4	Canterbury
Sat 24 Sep 2016	Hutt Feline & Pedigree Persian	4	Callerbory
Sat 24 Sep 2010	(All Breeds) Domestic & Companions	-	Wallington
Sat 1st Oct 2016	•	5	Wellington
Jal 151 Oct 2010	NZ Siamese - All Shorthair (3 rings)	,	Christchurch
Sat aath Oct aas 6	Siamese specialist - (1) ring	4	
Sat 29th Oct 2016	Central Districts Cat Club	3	Masterton

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