

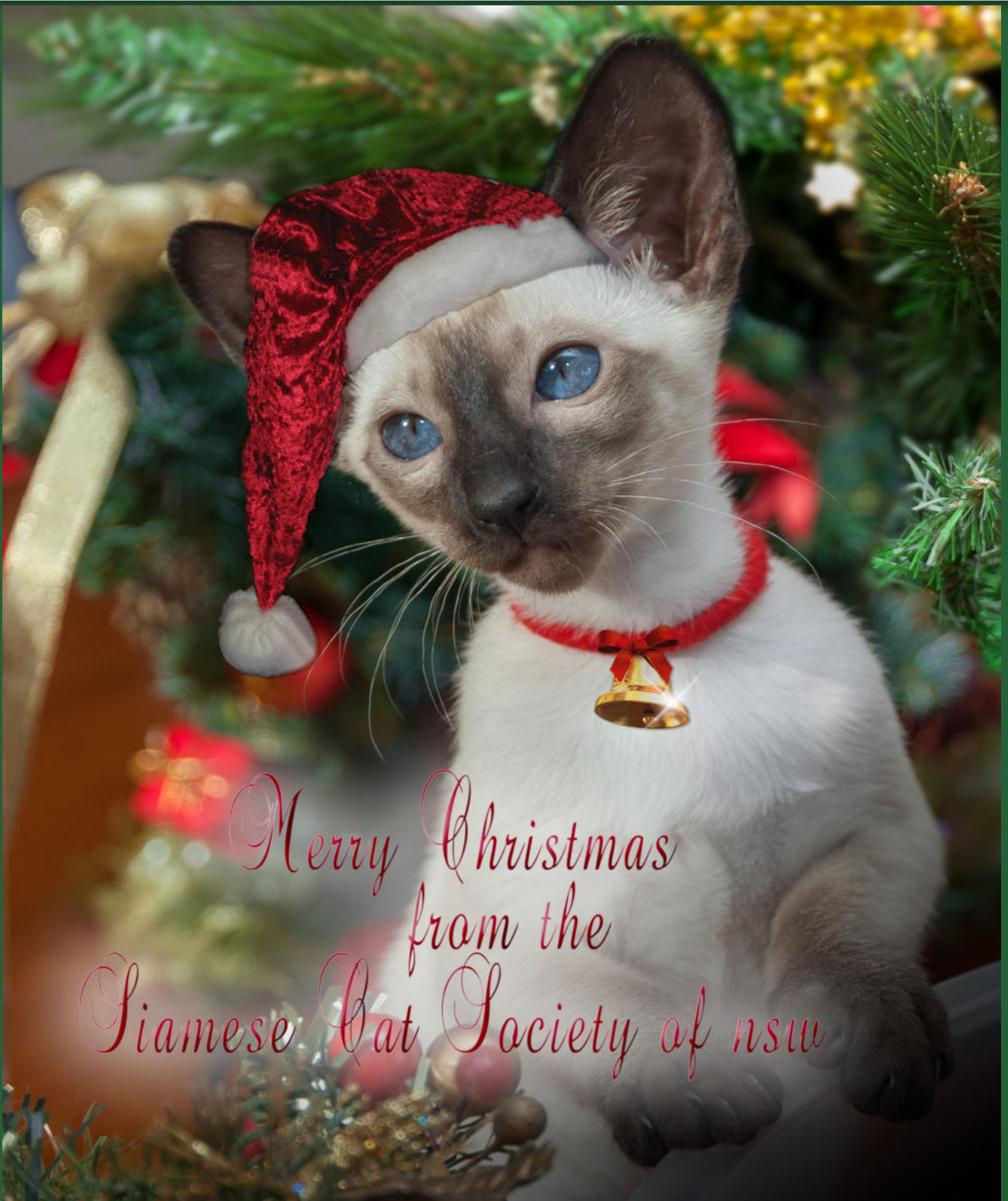
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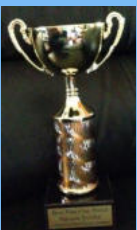
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Letter from the Editor

December comes in January.....

2016 almost over and 2017 almost upon us. The year has been a very stressful one for my family and as Editor of Felis, I can only apologise for the almost non event due to my being extremely ill for more than nine weeks with a lung virus probably stemming from the horror Storm Event of June 5th, 2016 in which we lost our entire business and the complete business area and surrounding district of PICTON. Which is the home of LJ HOOKER PICTON, that has been the publisher of our little magazine.

As you all may be aware, part of our SCS committee is made up of my husband John Ferguson, daughter Brooke Hilton and myself. Due to our owning LJ HOOKER PICTON, we were in the position to offer to become the publishing side of **FELIS**. But with the loss of our entire business on that fateful day, it has taken 6 months to rebuild and restart our 20 year old real estate again. We are the only ones in town that have been denied storm cover, every other insurer paid out as STORM but CGU decided we were the only ones in town with FLOOD. So now our bank just loves us all over again.

My apologies to everyone who has missed the magazine hopefully we are almost on track again. But just having to build even the FELIS has been a really big job, on top of rebuilding our business aswell.

My personal thanks must go to Brooke for her tireless perfectionism in her creative publishing, so you can enjoy error free and easy reading.

Also thanks to Marion Anstis who jumped in and gave me a big hand to get this edition out to you as late as it is. Thank you Marion again for your beautiful photography.

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SATURDAY 4th February, 2017

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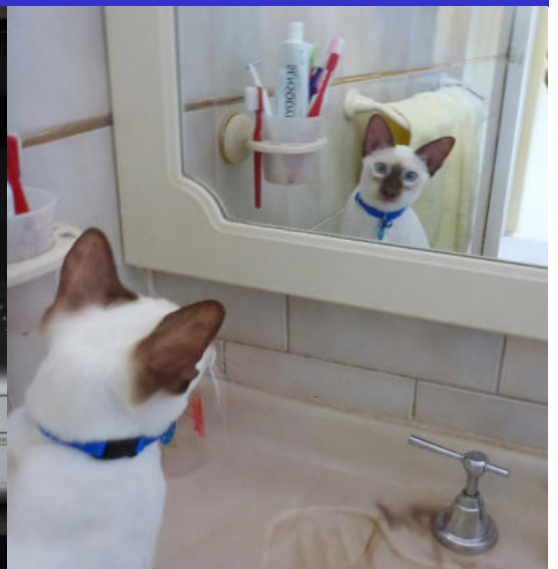
Which one will I have?

A Kiss for Serena!



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Is that me?????





We Need You !!!

By Tony Hurry,

President, Siamese Cat Society of N.S.W. Inc.

Continuing on from my article October 2015, a few of our breeders have tested for and provided results of their breeding cats PRA (Progressive Retinal Atrophy). The following list shows their results.

BREEDING PREFIX	BREEDERS NAME	SEX	REGISTERED NAME	RESULT	
Kalinya	Tony & Bev Hurry	Male	Jmagz Outback of Myrlyn	Carrier	
Kalinya	Tony & Bev Hurry	Male	Elizabethcat South Yumi-South-Of-Kalinya	Affected/Positive	
Kalinya	Tony & Bev Hurry	Female	Christernee Milla	Normal/Clear	
Kalinya	Tony & Bev Hurry	Female	Kalinya Outback Dellina	Carrier	
Kalinya	Tony & Bev Hurry	Female	Kalinya OM Jazzi	Normal/Clear	
Kalinya	Tony & Bev Hurry	Spay	Blakewood Oriemme	Normal/Clear	
Kalinya	Tony & Bev Hurry	Male	Kalinya MO Gentilhomme	Normal/Clear	RIP 8.8.16
Kalinya	Tony & Bev Hurry	Spay	Kalinya SO Thai	Normal/Clear	
Kalinya	Tony & Bev Hurry	Neuter	Kalinya OM Outback Legacy	Carrier	
Kalinya	Tony & Bev Hurry	Spay	Kalinya YD Carnie	Affected/Positive	
Kalinya	Tony & Bev Hurry	Female	Kalinya YM Valerie	Carrier	
Trilian	Penny & Grant Richardson	Male	Garthowen Mooki	Normal/Clear	
Trilian	Penny & Grant Richardson	Male	Puresweet Pacific Wulfenite	Carrier	
Trilian	Penny & Grant Richardson	Female	Trilian MK Trinitario	Carrier	
Trilian	Penny & Grant Richardson	Female	Puresweet Alicante	Affected/Positive	
Trilian	Penny & Grant Richardson	Female	Trilian GM Havana	Normal/Clear	
Trilian	Penny & Grant Richardson	Female	Trilian PW Alaska	Carrier	
Kachelle	Michelle Bedgood	Male	Tellasee Starry Starry Knight	Carrier	C'point S'hair
Kachelle	Michelle Bedgood	Male	Glenferry Hugo Boss	Normal/Clear	C'point S'hair
Elizabethcat	Yumiko Urata	Male	Azorez Lord Elrond of Elizabethcat	Carrier	
Elizabethcat	Yumiko Urata	Female	Elizabethcat Malaysian Zircon	Carrier	
Garthowen	Chris Wiseman	Male	Hartshaven Sting Lika B	Normal/Clear	
Garthowen	Chris Wiseman	Female	Garthowen Memphis Belle	Normal/Clear	
Garthowen	Chris Wiseman	Female	Garthowen Geisha Gal	Normal/Clear	
Garthowen	Chris Wiseman	Female	Garthowen Emma Rose	Normal/Clear	
Blakewood	Kathi Hoos	Male	Kalinya Kwantus	Normal/Clear	
Shiloh	Sandra Sweetman	Female	Jingili Chailai	Carrier	
Fullcircle	Sharryn Hilton & John Ferguson	Male	Kaluamoa Ocean Eyes	Normal/Clear	
Fullcircle	Sharryn Hilton & John Ferguson	Female	Kalinya Dejavu	Carrier	
Fullcircle	Sharryn Hilton & John Ferguson	Female	Kalinya Outback Allure	Carrier	
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Fullcircle	Sharryn Hilton & John Ferguson	Female	Inca	Normal/Clear	
Fullcircle	Sharryn Hilton & John Ferguson	Female	Aqua	Carrier	
Knockfin	Helen & Tim Haines	Female	Kalinya OD Octavia	Normal/Clear	
Knockfin	Helen & Tim Haines	Male	Knockfin Mr Cool Monty	Normal/Clear	
Knockfin	Helen & Tim Haines	Female	Knockfin Blue Berry Muffin	Normal/Clear	
Astraxolotte	Lee & Cheryl Gallagher	Male	Kaluamoa Awesome Gem	Normal/Clear	
Lealjo	Joan Wright	Female	Lealjo Shamana	Normal/Clear	
Lealjo	Joan Wright	Female	Lealjo Anita	Normal/Clear	
Lealjo	Joan Wright	Female	Lealjo Hope	Normal/Clear	
Lealjo	Joan Wright	Female	Thaisymphony Abigale Too	Normal/Clear	
Lealjo	Joan Wright	Male	Lextris Tyson	Normal/Clear	

After all, as breeders we are bound by each of our Associations Objects and our Code of Ethics which primarily is to **breed to improve**.

DO NOT PANIC!!!

This is manageable & even more so if we can all work together!!

Microchipping Regulations State by State, R.S.P.C.A.

State	Compulsory Microchipping Legislation?
ACT	Yes. Section 84 of the <i>Domestic Animals Act 2000</i> and Regulation 7 of the <i>Domestic Animals Regulation 2001</i> requires microchipping of cats and dogs prior to sale/transfer and by 12 weeks of age. Regulations 7 and 9 of the <i>Domestic Animals Regulation 2001</i> outline what information must be recorded in the microchip database.
NSW	Yes. Section 8 of the <i>Companion Animals Act 1998</i> requires microchipping of cats and dogs prior to sale/transfer and by 12 weeks of age. Regulation 8 of the <i>Companion Animals Regulation 2008</i> outlines what information must be recorded in the microchip database.
NT	No. However all cats over three (3) months of age that have been in Darwin for one month must be registered annually. To register your cat you must agree to have your cat microchipped, to adequately contain your cat at all times and to apply for a licence if you intend to keep more than two cats.
QLD	Yes. Sections 13 and 14 of the <i>Animal Management (Cats and Dogs) Act 2008</i> requires microchipping of cats and dogs prior to sale/transfer and prior to reaching 12 weeks of age. Schedule 2 of the <i>Animal Management (Cats and Dogs) Act 2008</i> and Schedule 4 of the <i>Animal Management (Cats and Dogs) Regulation 2009</i> outline what information must be recorded in the microchip database.
SA	No. However proposed draft legislation includes a new requirement for all dogs and cats to be microchipped by a prescribed age (proposed to be 3 months of age).
TAS	Yes. Section 15A of the <i>Dog Control Act 2000</i> requires microchipping of dogs by 6 months of age. Part 3 of the <i>Cat Management Act 2009</i> requires microchipping of cats by 6 months of age.
VIC	Yes. Section 10C of the <i>Domestic Animals Act 1994</i> requires cats and dogs to be microchipped as a condition of registration (which is compulsory once the animal is 3 months of age). However the requirement to microchip prior to sale/transfer under section 12A only applies to domestic animal businesses. Regulation 12 of the <i>Domestic Animals Regulations 2005</i> outlines what information must be recorded in the microchip database. Section 12A (2) of the <i>Domestic Animals Act 1994</i> requires an animal's microchip number to be displayed in any advertisement for the animal, but not at the point of sale. If the seller is a 'domestic animal business' the breeder must display the microchip number or the breeder registration number, and the name of the issuing Council.
WA	Yes. Microchipping has been introduced for all dogs in WA from the following dates: • From 1 November 2013, dogs must be microchipped when they are registered for the first time or when a change of ownership occurs. • By 30 November 2013 all dangerous dogs, which includes restricted breeds, and commercial security dogs, must be microchipped. By 1 November 2015, all dogs must be microchipped. For cats, Sections 14 and 23 of the <i>Cat Act 2011</i> requires microchipping of cats prior to transfer/sale and by 6 months of age.

THE JOYCE SELBY AWARD

ITS ORIGIN, ITS ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PURE SIAMESE AND THE WINNERS.....

For the past thirteen years, The coveted **JOYCE SELBY AWARD** has been a very sought after prize. An acknowledgment that the PURE SIAMESE has not only survived but is recognised for its Perfection and Breeding in our precious Felines. Thanks to **Penny Richardson** for the following record, this edited synopsis on the Joyce Selby Award and its inception.

"In the late 1960's Joyce Selby purchased a Siamese Kitten for her daughter Carol. They started showing,, Joyce was in love with the Siamese Breed, she then started breeding under "Eslan prefix" right up until her death in 2002. Joyce and her husband were active in SCS for many years, also serving on the committee for some of those years.

Joyce's knowledge of all things SIAMESE was phenomenal and she was willing to pass this knowledge on to new breeders. A couple of these new breeders were Lorraine and Keith Steele (Keilor prefix) and also Penny Richardson. Penny started her-breeding (Trilian prefix) in 1996. With the help of Joyce Selby. Grant also joined Penny as co-owner of the prefix later on. Unfortunately Joyce contracted cancer in 2002, she fought really hard but passed away.

Lorraine and Keith were given two Eslan Queens and Keilor Chocolate Thomas, a stud that they had bred that Joyce had owned and Penny and Grant received two Eslan Queens.

Both the Richardson's and the Steele's were devastated by the loss of Joyce and decided that the Siamese Cat Society should have a perpetual trophy in JOYCE SELBY'S honour." (By Penny Richardson)

Now I can give you the **WINNERS SINCE ITS INCEPTION. TO THIS CURRENT YEAR**, of which we were the lucky **RECIPIENTS 2016.**, Because we have the TROPHY until MARCH for the next winner to become a proud owner for a year!!

So the inception of the JOYCE SELBY AWARD IS CONCEIVED. THE RECIPIENTS OF THE AWARD WERE:

2003	BZ DB GD CH	COZLINKAR TAMIKA	S & B MARSHALL
2004		TRILIAN AS KINOKO (KITTEN)	P RICHARDSON
2005	CCCA CD'IL GL DB GD CH	TRILIAN AS TOBAGO	B & D STOKES
2006	CH	JOLINDA ZELDA TU MS	D KILBY
2007	CCCA DB GD CH DIA DB CH	LAO SOLLYSHAH	A MCNAUGHTON
2008	CH	LAO NAGASHA	P & G RICHARDSON
2009		GRAYSTONS COTE D'IVOIRE (KITTEN)	P & G RICHARDSON
2010		CHRISTERNEE ILLYRIA	P & C GUNCZY
2011	DB GD CH	CHRISTERNEE ILLYRIA	P & C GUNCZY
2012	CCCA GDCH GDDBGDCH	KALUAMOA AWESOME GEM	L & C GALLAGHER
2014		TRILIAN PW ALASKA	P & G RICHARDSON
2015		KALINYA OM JEMMA	T & B HURRY
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Members Article

Breeder's Story

Jingili Cattery: Valda McDermott

Starting my life in Hobart Tasmania and coming to Sydney as a young child growing up in Epping, I have always had a cat, dog, chooks, muscovy ducks and budgies. As my Mother wasn't an animal person and wouldn't touch them, she always said if I wanted animals I had to look after them all myself which taught me well for the years to come!

As a young girl my best friend and I became interested in horses and joined the Hornsby Riding Club, which met at North Rocks each Sunday afternoon. Eventually when starting work, I soon saved enough money to buy myself my own horse, a beautiful part-Arab. The highlight of this time was the camps held at Castle High showground during the school holidays, when our club was chosen to do square dancing on horseback with a caller coming out each week to teach us for the big night. In early 1955 at the Sydney Showground we performed in front of the great William Boyd (Hopalong Cassidy) and his wife, who was one of the most popular American cowboys in the movies of that era.

At the end of that phase in my life, a friend and I went over to Hobart on a working holiday. This is where I met my husband and I stayed for a lengthy period of time. It wasn't long before I joined a Cat Club that was advertised on the local radio wanting members to come along. Off I went with my fluffy companion cat.

Most members seemed to be lady Doctors plus a few others who were nurses, but all owned the Abyssinian for some reason, so I felt a bit out of the loop, but I still went to the meetings, during which time the Matron of the Queen Alex baby hospital was the President. When I had my third child late in 1967, the Matron would often pop in to see me, and used to take me down to her unit to show off her cat. In those days after having a baby we would stay in hospital for a period of 10 days. It wasn't until 1968 that friends Alec Campbell and his wife Kate, gave me a Seal Tortie Siamese girl that they had bred from a Seal girl (from Victoria) to the one and only Red male, and they wanted me to become a breeder. In those days there was only one Seal Point stud in Tasmania, "Kingsmead Emmanuel", so eventually I was able to use him in 1969. With just 3 kittens in the first litter, I was invited to show them at their first Cat Fanciers Show. We had an all breeds judge from Sydney, Doris Burnage, and she invited us back to the Hotel that night for dinner and a talk about our cats. Of course I rushed home, got ready and gave my husband the audacious responsibility of looking after our three children! I had a great time listening and learning and Doris said that we needed some new bloodlines in the Siamese as too many were cross-eyed and had kinked tails. I liked the Seal Points, so I asked if she could get me a male from one of the best breeders.

Breeder's Story

Jingili Cattery: Valda McDermott

This is how it really all began when my magnificent boy, Ankor Quedah from Betty Martin arrived in July 1970, having won at the Federal Cat Show at the lower level of the Sydney Town Hall. In those days the shows were run over two days, with the shorthairs on a Saturday and the longhairs on a Sunday. People used to queue for miles with the halls always packed.

Ankor Quedah was a hit in Tassie, winning kitten prizes many times and eventually adult classes which set the ball rolling, with many others arriving from Victoria, South Australia and NSW.

I didn't like my first prefix, so I put in numerous others, 16 in total, and eventually they passed Jingili which I have kept until today. I left Tasmania in 1974 for Sydney where I managed to show as much as possible in the metropolitan area but ventured once to Tamworth.

It was difficult to travel to a lot of shows whilst juggling my children's sports, working and eventually a seven day a week mixed business where I helped my husband. I did, however, do very well with my male DbI Gd Ch Jingili Taja who was the first Siamese to become CCC of A Ch, just missing out on his Gd Ch by one win to make 100 points, but with the shop it was impossible to get away to do the country shows. Another beautiful male I bred and showed was Gd Ch Jingili Obadiah. Later on was the very handsome prize-winning male owned and shown by Sue and Belinda Marshall of Coslinkar Cattery, who was GI Db Gd Ch & CCC of A Ch Jingili Tyler, and I

am proud to say these are still prominent in a lot of the pedigrees today. Looking back on all those years, my first cat still had a shaped, straight head - not a round apple-shaped head, as some people say, and my Quedah was magnificently svelte - we just couldn't believe his look when we took him out of the carrier box. On arrival someone remarked "like a rabbit with such long back legs".

In 1993 I was talked into getting a Burmese, which I still continue to breed today, but my first love has always been the pure Siamese Seal Points which we always called "The Royal Sacred Siamese". Today I am down to only one beautiful male and one female that I am proud to say have the full seal pedigrees. These days the pure Siamese breed has dwindled as a result of the number of mixtures put into them, which sadly has changed their profile, with only a handful of dedicated pure breeders left.

Summing it up, my cats have been pretty much my life and love and are very important to me. I love breeding, but although I don't get the chance to show these days, I still like attending to see the many changes and who is winning, as well as chatting with some of my older acquaintances and new ones of course whenever possible. I am so happy to say that there are some newcomers that will be continuing with the breeding of these magnificent cats which are still extremely popular today, as I continue to get many enquiries. Let's hope this wonderful breed will still be around for many years to come.

HELLO KITTY SHOW



Siamese Article

SIAMESE CATS: Second Chance Home

Written by Sharryn Hilton

It is a sad fact that our beloved Siamese Cat is sometimes given up for a variety of reasons and they invariably find themselves in the market for a new home. It is also a sad fact that far too many cats of any breed or colour is on the rise in Australia. Why is this happening? What can we do about it? What is the front line of defence in halting this horror from occurring especially to our Siamese?

Do you know of any Siamese that have had to be rescued over the years? If so how did you come about knowing of them or actually adopting them? This is a story which would be close to most people's hearts and one we would love to read.

Kismet's Story...

I for one, rescued a one year old Seal Point male, named Kismet, back when my daughter was only a very small child. The cat was one of a pair belonging to the owners of the Savoy Hotel in Kings Cross, NSW which was badly effected by fire one Christmas Eve back in the mid '70's. Kismet and his sister were unfortunately in the hotel when it was set on fire. Miraculously they both escaped death, literally by their whiskers (which were also badly burnt and frazzled!) BUT, when the owners took the young cats to their new abode, they mistakenly put the male down first. Then the female down on the floor, second. Only to have them try to kill each other. (In the hotel, it was the female who was the first on the floor in the hotel and therefore the boss.)

Because Kismet had inflicted so much damage upon his poor sibling, the owners sought elsewhere for him to live. My dear mum, came home with him. Only for my dad to almost immediately evict the poor cat from the house (could have been because within minutes of the cat's arrival, he tore around the lounge room, straight up the brand new curtains, ripping them in his wake. Unfortunately,

they were almost brand new and expensive so poor Kismet did not make a great first impression!!

So subsequently Kismet ended up at my doorstep to try his luck with my three year neutered Blue Point Siamese. Fun was ahead for the next few days!! But my two year old daughter made my Blue Point and the new Seal Point bully instant best friends something that we would not have envisioned. Suiki won every encounter and Kismet just buckled under the spell of both his new female buddies.

Kismet after initially trying to destroy my home by making the walls his new race track, the curtains, his personal slide from ceiling to floor and every visitor his new wrestling platform.

His favourite party trick was being able to steal a "Cheese bite" out of a bowl on the glass topped coffee table whilst sitting directly under the table and having his one front leg extended up and onto the table, searching, searching, finally finding the sought after Cheezel! His stare would be directly at you and in the hope you couldn't see him steal this treat. The other one was thanks to my daughter, (many years later), she would say to guests.... Want to see mum's cat do a great trick? Yes, would be the answer.... And she would whistle, only to have the cat race around the room until he found me, running full length up my body only to bite me directly on the nose..... OH so not funny!! Everyone would laugh. My big pay back was when I was able to lock myself in another room and have the poor cat (foiled to bite me) turn on the one who whistled. A little bit of pay back was very sweet back then.

But our beautiful Kismet, finally settled himself into our home and our hearts and actually lived to a very ripe old age of twenty one and a half years old. Not a bad age for a cat who had obviously used a few of his lives up in the Savoy Hotel Fire.

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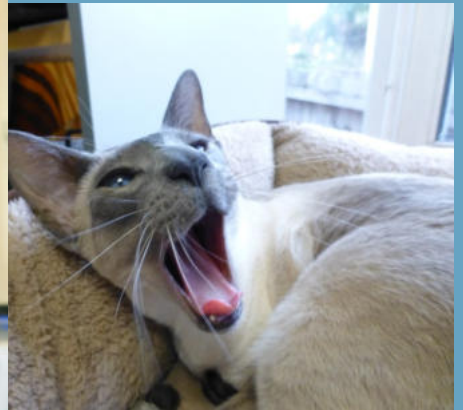
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Special Report

WORLD WIDE GENETIC DIVERSITY STUDY IN SIAMESE

Rosie Meekings & Dr Carolyn Smith

Proposal: To set up a project to investigate the Genetic Diversity (abbreviated to GD hereinafter) of GCCF Registered Siamese. This will involve working with the Veterinary Genetics Laboratory (VGL) at UC Davis (UCD) in collecting DNA samples to be used as part of a project comparing cats of the same breed from different countries.

The VGL at UCD is running a project to study the World Wide Genetic Diversity. Control Groups, each with the results of between 10 and 20 cats, will be set up for each country. These will then be used to calculate the average GD for the Siamese of that country. Individuals selected should ideally be unrelated (no parent or offspring included from any contributor) and belong to a current breeding program whenever possible. All cats will be screened with DNA markers for diversity, relevant cat genetic diseases (for which VGL have tests available), coat colour and hair length traits. Individual animals will be ranked according to diversity (high to low), and potential disease carriers identified. Results are then issued to the owner of each cat and these can then be used by breeders to evaluate their individual future breeding programs. NB: It is the intention that the findings from this study should be shared with the other participating parties. VGL have offered a special rate for the tests at \$90 per cat. Any additional tests required should be paid for by the owners of the cats concerned, again at \$90, whilst the project is in progress.

Background Concept: GD, the level of biodiversity, refers to the total number of genetic characteristics in the genetic makeup of a species. It is distinct from genetic variability which describes the tendency of those genetic characteristics to vary.

The paper by Lipinski et al. (2008) 'The Ascent of Cat Breeds' [1], determined the genetic relationships of cat breeds, their geographical origins and the levels of genetic loss due to inbreeding. It was found that cat breeds had overall less GD than random-bred cats although this loss did not correlate with either popularity or age of the breed. Over 20 deleterious genetic disorders have been recognised in modern cats and all have been identified in pure breeds. This study thus provides a warning to modern cat fanciers that breed development must be done slowly and with the maintenance of a broad genetic base. The Cat Ancestry Test now being offered by UCD [2] has been developed as a result of this work.

Justification: The study that is being proposed would be very valuable in producing a method which breeders will be able to use in the future to monitor the outcome of their breeding programs. Traditionally Inbreeding Coefficients have been used as a measure of the genetic health of a cat, but this method has its limitations. Calculations depend on the number of common ancestors on the father's and mother's pedigrees where a high figure will be an indication of too close breeding but a low figure may be misleading as the result is only as good as the pedigree information available. This means that it is possible to have a pedigree which looks very out-crossed, but which has only a few cats a long way back.

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WORLD WIDE GENETIC DIVERSITY STUDY IN SIAMESE

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At the World Cat Congress (WCC) Seminar 2013 Professor Sir Patrick Bateson FRS 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 as this belief was based on the assumption that the population is of infinite size and that previous mating had been random within it [3]. This clearly is not the case. Indeed 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 GD for each country, to provide data to be used by breeders and to find suitable areas to investigate regarding outcrossing.

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References:

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- [2] Cat Ancestry - Tracing the Lineage of Your Feline <http://www.vgl.ucdavis.edu/services/cat/ancestry/index.php>
- [3] <http://www.worldcatcongress.org>



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NSW Cat Fanciers Association Inc. 2017 Calendar

DATE	CLUB	CONTACT	TYPE
4 February	COTY CFA lunch	0298345477	COTY
12 February	Federal Kitten Show	66542000	All Breed
25-26 February	Royal Canberra Show (1)		All Breed
4-5 March	Goulburn AP &H	0412593864	All Breed
19 March	Burmese Cat Society	49207961	Shorthair & Companion
25 March	NSW CFA State Show	98346577	All Breed
1 April	MIA Cat Club	69626151	All Breed
22 April	Armidale & New England Cat Club	37752050	All Breed
29-30 April	Royal Bathurst Show	91536870	All Breed
6 May	Maclean Show Society	66451532	All Breed
13-14 May	Coffs Harbour Show	65631294	All Breed
20 May	ACT Birman Show 1		All Breed
21 May	Abbysinnian Cat Club	93984998	Albysinnian/Somali
27 May	Kempsey Kat Klub	02 6563 1294	All Breed
3 June	Branxton Wine Country Cat Club	49381911	All Breed
10-11 June	ACF National Melbourne 2	0397542150	All Breed
18 June	Federal Cat Club	66542000	All Breed
24 June	ACT Longhair Show (1)	02 6254 9533	All Breed
2 July	St George & District Cat Club	0400397319	All Breed
8 July	Oriental Cat Club	02 4334 4955	Shorthair
9 July	Birman Cat Club	0402 050 520	Longhair
15 July	Western Districts Cat Society	45743192	All Breed
22 July	CCCA National Launceston	98346577	All Breed
29 July	Riverina Cat Club	0401818218	All Breed
5 August	Ku-Ring-Gai/Longhair/Himalayan Cat Clubs	4621 2552 /4883 7184 / 9607 6674	longhair
5 August	Abyssinian Cat Club	02 6581 1713	Shorthair & Companion
12 August	Tamworth & District Cat Club	67603639	All Breed
19 August	Newcastle & Hunter Valley Cat Club	02 4933 3375	All Breed
26 August	Capital Cats/ACT Breeders Show (1)	02 6254 9533	All Breed
3 September	Central Coast Cat Club	0400282303	All Breed
10 September	Illawarra Pedigree Cat Fancy	02 4284 7438	All Breed
16 September	NSW CFA Fundraiser Show	98346577	All Breed
23 September	Temora Show Society	02 6973 1702	All Breed
30 September	North Coast All Breeds Cat CLub	02 65631294	All Breed
7 October	Blue Point Siamese Society	02 66542000	All Breed
14 October	Western Districts Cat Society	45743192	All Breed
21 October	North Coast Show Society – Lismore	02 6563 1294	All Breed
4 November	All Breeds Desexed Cat Club	0408 654 619	All Breed Desexed

Note (1)

ACT shows are not included in NSW CFA

Note (2)

CCCA & ACF National Shows not included in NSW CFA COTY

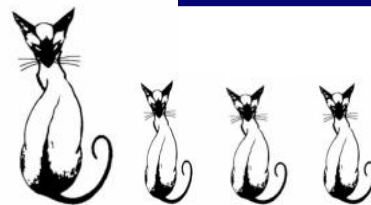
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SHOW CALENDAR 2017

18 February	CatsNSW Romancing the Kitty	All Breeds
18 March	Siamese Cat Society 60th Anniversary	All Breeds
	Diamonds are Forever Show	
6-19 April	SYDNEY ROYAL EASTER SHOW	All Breeds
6 May	CatsNSW Star Paws Show (May the Claws be with you)	All Breeds
4 June	CatsNSW Lord of the Cats Show (the Fellowship of the Ring)	All Breeds
1 July	CatsNSW Catavengers Show (the mightiest hero)	All Breeds
12 August	CatsNSW Cats Of the Nile Show (one adventure to another)	All Breeds
16 September	CatsNSW The Highlands Tulip Festival	All Breeds
14 October	CatsNSW Show Happy 4th Birthday	All Breeds
TBA November	COTY AWARDS	TBA

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