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# Burmese Bulletin

Burmese Cat Club of New Zealand (Inc)



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Hi All,

What a nutty year this has been! September already and only the second Bulletin for the year. What with no physical cat shows to post, there hasn't been much in the way of content. Luckily, there have been some virtual shows so Nikki has taken the time to compile the results from a couple of shows for reproduction in the Bulletin. Also, a few other bits and pieces too.

I hope that you're all well and that those that are working have retained their jobs. The printing industry down here in Canterbury has had a massive cleanout of staff this year with redundancies everywhere. I was fortunate that I switched jobs a year ago and recently I discovered that my previous employer (that once employed 10 staff and printed this Bulletin for a couple of years) now employs just 4 staff. Glad I made the move to Copyland.

For thirty years, I've been printing using the lithographic offset process. A year ago I decided it was time to step away from analog forms of print and re-train in the digital space. Starting new was pretty daunting and I made a tonne of errors while I was getting used to new and different techniques. But I stuck at it and here I am a year later still enjoying the switch to digital print just as much as I did when I first started.

The Covid-19 lockdown saw us partially shutdown. We were still able to operate given that some of our major clients are healthcare providers but for the most part, it was pretty quiet very little orders coming in at all. Upon our return to the office post lockdown, it was agreed amongst the 11 of us that we had to diversify the business. I had already suggested that we could branch out into offset printing prior to the lockdown but there wasn't that much interest. Post lockdown, I was given the task of sourcing a suitable offset machine to install of which I quickly tracked one down just two blocks down the road for an agreeable sum and 6 weeks later I was ready to do some offset printing in amongst my other digital tasks.

A week later post installation, our upstairs neighbour (an Orthodontics surgery) had a piece of equipment malfunction overnight. A water hose the size of a finger had come off under

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pressure and released 5000+ litres of water throughout both floors of the building. All of our paper stock was saturated, my first printed offset job (some NCR books) was destroyed by the deluge, four computers drenched, both wide format printers suffered water damage and above the offset machine installed just one week earlier was a waterfall of water pouring over the first colour unit. Remarkably all four of our digital presses, our two envelope presses, and our mailing equipment were all left relatively unscaved.

We lost just three days of digital production while the premises was cleaned up and the ceiling replaced. The envelope machines were down for a week and my nice new offset machine (the resilient beastly that it is) came out of the experience unharmed.

So some of you may have noticed from the Minutes over the past couple of years how cheaply I've been able to get the Bulletin printed and the April edition was supposed to have been printed and mailed directly from Copyland's franking machinery. With little to no content to produce for the Bulletin, it was decided for postage cost reasons that there was little to gain by pushing it through hence why it's coming out 6 months later.

To explain, why many of you are receiving this as an email attachment, the April edition was going to be final mass printed edition of the Burmese Bulletin. The postage costs continue to climb and though I can get the postage through Copyland a little cheaper, it was decided at the AGM that after the April edition that the Burmese Bulletin would become a digital magazine. As a printer, I'm disappointed by this but at the same time accepting of it as it is what it is. Moving forward however, I'm no longer limited in terms of content, the size of the Bulletin, and colour photos!! What I'd like to have are some stories of our members and, how you got into Burmese cats, some of your experiences, etc etc. Gordon McIvor has one for this edition and there are many others that I'd like to learn more from. Who'd like to go next? Email me at [glen@soxndotsburmese.co.nz](mailto:glen@soxndotsburmese.co.nz) Enjoy the Bulletin :-)

Cheers,  
Glen

# Presidents Report October 2020



Hi All

Firstly our apologies for not getting a bulletin out during the lockdown. I know for myself and many others these have been very uncertain times both with Covid-19 and the uncertainty around employment for many people.

This will be the first bulletin to come out electronically by email and a copy can also be found at [www.burmesecatclub.nz](http://www.burmesecatclub.nz). Rest assured those members that we don't have email addresses for, will still receive a printed copy.

With the shows being cancelled this year many of us have been missing catching up with fellow breeders and exhibitors. It's been great to see the virtual cat shows being run and I've enjoyed looking at all the amazing cat photos, particularly the funny felines.

We have been able to include photographs and placings from the first two virtual shows. As this was done manually, I apologise in advance if I have missed any of your amazing exhibits.

Watch out in the next bulletin for details on a special member deal for website hosting.

Cheers  
Nikki





# Minutes: AGM 2020

## **BCCNZ ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. 23 FEBRUARY 2020 2-567 Wairakei Road. CHRISTCHURCH.**

Meeting commenced at 11:20am.

### **Present.**

Nikki Growcott, (Chair), Gordon McIvor, Pam Taylor, Vicki Patterson, Kris Patterson, Glen Hodgman, John Wilson, Ruth Wilson, Carolyne Jones.

Christine Yeung, Mushfik Yeung via Video link.

**Apologies:** Maree Roy

### **Minutes of Previous AGM.** (24 February 2019)

Moved that the Minutes printed in the April 2019 Bulletin be taken as read.

*N Growcott/V Patterson, Carried.*

Moved that the Minutes printed in the April 2019 Bulletin are a true and correct record.

*V Patterson/N Growcott. Carried.*

### **Correction.**

"Confirmation of Nominated Officers...J Handford-Cable" should read "J Hanford-Cable"

### **Matters Arising.**

No Matters Arising.

### **President's Report.**

Moved that the President's report, as printed in the January 2020 Bulletin be adopted.

*G McIvor/K Patterson, Carried.*

### **Treasurer's Report.**

Chairman congratulated the Treasurer on the presentation of the Financial Report. Treasurer presented the Auditor's Certificate for acceptance.

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Moved that the Treasurer's Report be accepted.

*P Taylor/K Patterson, Carried.*

Also received were the S/I Income and Expenditure Report, the S/R Welfare Report, and the N/I Income and Expenditure Report.

### **Setting of Subs for 2021.**

Moved that the Subs for 2021 shall be.

Single Membership Fee	\$20.00
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Each additional person at the same address to pay	\$2.00
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Junior Membership Fee (under 16years)	\$5.00
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*P Taylor/K Patterson, Carried.*

### **Confirmation of Nominated Officers.**

Moved that Nominations as printed on page 6 of the January 2020 Bulletin, be confirmed as Management Committee for 2020,

*K Patterson/V Patterson, Carried.*

Carolyne Jones was nominated as an additional Committee Member from the floor.

*N. Growcott/P Taylor, Carried.*

Gordon McIvor was confirmed as Vice President

Kris Patterson was confirmed as Secretary

Gordon McIvor was confirmed as Treasurer

Glen Hodgman was confirmed as Editor

Glen Hodgman was confirmed as Web Person

Vicki Patterson was confirmed as a Committee Member

Pam Taylor was confirmed as a Committee Member

Carolyne Jones was confirmed as a Committee Member

Christine Yeung was confirmed as N/I Regional Chairperson.

Genevieve Rogerson was confirmed as N/I Regional Representative.

Mushfik Yeung was confirmed as N/I Regional Treasurer.

Appointment of Additional Officers.

Moved that Nikki Growcott be Delegate to the NZCF 2020 AGM.

*K Patterson/G McIvor, Carried.*

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## **Appointment of Auditor.**

Moved that the Auditor for 2020 be Mr. A.G. Murray.

*P Taylor / G McIvor. Carried.*

## **Remit Results.**

The results of the vote for an amendment to the Rules of the Burmese Cat Club of NZ Inc. were announced.

8 Ballot papers returned by due date. No ballot papers were ruled as informal.

***Remits reprinted in this Bulletin Pages 10-12 :Editor***

Remit 1.

8 votes (100%) were in Favour of Remit1.

Remit 2,

8 votes (100%) were in Favour of Remit2.

Remit 3.

8 votes (100%) were in Favour of Remit3.

Remit 4.

8 votes (100%) were in Favour of Remit 4.

Moved that the Remits as printed in the January 2020 Bulletin are declared passed,

*Nikki Growcott / Kris Patterson Carried.*

## **General Business.**

Moved that BCCNZ Life Membership be granted for:

Krista Krey,  
Gordon McIvor,  
Genevieve Rogerson,  
Mushfik Yeung,  
Christine Yeung

*N. Growcott / V. Patterson. Carried*

Changes to Signatories for BCCNZ Management Account resulting from personnel and positional changes confirmed at the 2020 AGM.

## **Existing Signatories:**

Gordon McIvor (Former Chairperson)  
Pam Taylor (Former Treasurer)

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Kris Patterson (Secretary)

## **New Signatories:**

Nikki Growcott (Incoming Chairperson)

Gordon McIvor (Incoming Treasurer)

Kris Patterson (Incumbent Secretary)

Note: Nikki Growcott to be added and Pam Taylor to be removed.

Moved that BCCNZ Management Committee applies for Internet Banking due to impending end to the use and acceptance of Cheques. N. Growcott/K Patterson. Carried

There being no further business the AGM closed at 11:50 am.

Confirmed.....Date.....

# Remits Submitted to AGM From Jan 2020

## **Remit 1**

### **Submitted by BCCNZ Management Committee**

#### **Rule 6(g)**

The President and Treasurer of the Management Committee shall be signatories of the other Region's banking accounts.

#### **Proposed new wording**

The Treasurer of the Management Committee and one other Full Member of the Management Committee shall be signatories of the other Region's banking accounts. The signatories shall not reside at the same address.

#### **Reason for change**

Allowance for other Management Committee members to complete this task. For example under current rules, President and Treasurer must be the signatories of the other regions' accounts. If they reside at the same address this is in direct conflict with Rule 13 and Rule 15.

## **Remit 2**

### **Submitted by BCCNZ Management Committee**

#### **Rule 7(a)**

#### **Current wording**

Election for all Management Committee and Regional Executive positions shall be by Secret Postal Ballot. All nominations shall be in writing and shall be signed by proposer seconder and nominee. The completed ballot paper is to be sealed inside an envelope marked 'Ballot Paper' and this sealed inside another envelope addressed to the Secretary. Sender(s) name(s) shall be printed, legibly on the back of outer envelope or be deemed an invalid vote. After the close of elections, the Secretary shall check the name of each sender as being a Financial Full member and therefore eligible to vote, or with subscription/s enclosed. The valid sealed envelopes marked 'Ballot Paper' shall be removed from other material and passed intact to the Returning Officer for the votes to be counted.

### **Proposed new wording**

Election for all Management Committee and Regional Executive positions shall be by Secret Postal or E-mail Ballot. All nominations shall be in writing and shall be signed by proposer seconder and nominee.

For Postal Ballot, the completed ballot paper is to be sealed inside an envelope marked 'Ballot Paper' and this sealed inside another envelope addressed to the Secretary. Sender(s) name(s) shall be printed, legibly on the back of outer envelope or be deemed an invalid vote. For Email Ballot, the completed ballot paper is to be attached to an email and sent to the Secretary. After the close of elections, the Secretary shall check the name of each sender as being a Financial Full member and therefore eligible to vote, or with subscription/s enclosed. The valid sealed envelopes marked 'Ballot Paper' shall be removed from other material and passed intact to the Returning Officer for the votes to be counted.

### **Reason for change**

Adding in option for voting by email.

## **Remit 3**

### **Submitted by BCCNZ Management Committee**

### **Rule 7(b)**

### **Current wording**

Nominations for President shall close with the Secretary on the 30th of September each year. Voting papers shall be forwarded to all members by the 15th of October each year if election is needed. Completed voting papers shall be in possession of the Returning Officer (as appointed by the Management Committee) by 4pm on the 30th of October each year. The result of the election shall be declared by the Returning Officer before the 7th of November each year.

### **Proposed new wording**

No new wording, clause to be removed

### **Reason for change**

Removal of this clause to allow for amalgamation of the process for voting President and Vice-President/Secretary/Treasurer/Delegate/Editor/Webperson/Management Committee. Currently the constitution states that the Management Committee must all



reside in the same region. Historically this was practical but with the wide availability of online conference call solutions it is timely to streamline the rules to allow for membership of the Management Committee from any region.

## **Remit 4**

### **Submitted by BCCNZ Management Committee**

#### **Rule 7(c)**

##### **Current wording**

The Secretary shall by the 15th of November each year notify all members either by e-mail or by post for those not on email, of the result of the election for President and call for nominations for the positions of Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Delegate and Management Committee members who shall be Full members resident in the same region as the President-Elect. Nominees for Regional Chairpersons and Representatives shall be drawn from Full members resident in each of the other two (2) regions and nominated by members in that region. Nominees for Editor and Web-person may be drawn from Full members in any region.

##### **Proposed new wording**

The Secretary shall by the 15th of November each year call for nominations for the positions of President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Delegate, Editor, Webperson and Management Committee members who must be full members of BCCNZ. Nominees for Regional Chairpersons and Representatives shall be drawn from Full members resident in each of the other two (2) regions and nominated by members in that region.

##### **Reason for change**

With the removal of clause(b) this allows for amalgamation of the process for calling nominations of President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Delegate, Editor, Webperson and Management Committee at the same time. Currently the constitution states that the Management Committee must reside in the same region as the President. Historically this was practical but with the wide availability of online conference call solutions it is timely to streamline the rules to allow for membership of the Management Committee from any region.

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## **BCCNZ Inc. MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE.**

**Meeting: Sunday 23 February 2020. Unit 2, 567 Wairakei Road, Christchurch.**

Meeting commenced at 11:54am

### **Present.**

N. Growcott (Chair), G. McIvor, V. Patterson, K. Patterson, G. Hodgman, , P Taylor, Carolyne Jones.

Via Video Link: Mushfik Yeung, Christine Yeung,

### **Apologies.**

Nil

### **Minutes.**

Moved that the minutes of 19 January 2020 are taken as read,  
*G McIvor/G Hodgman Carried*

### **Corrections.**

Remove John Wilson as "Mover" from Inwards & Outwards Correspondence and replace with V Patterson.

### **Minutes.**

Moved that the minutes are a true and correct record,  
*G McIvor/G Hodgman Carried.*

### **Matters Arising.**

Kris E-mailed James Hanford-Cable requiring more information regarding Welfare Officer. James needs to attend a Management Meeting to provide additional info and direction on how he envisages the position will operate and what it's responsibilities will be. If possible, James to provide this prior to a Management Meeting so that it can be reviewed and assessed prior to being presented.

Burmese Stud Removal -Nikki looking to approach Selwyn District Council & SPCA with the intent to push the issue to be dealt with.

### **Correspondence.**

**In** Receipt from NZCF for Club Membership Renewal,  
Membership Renewal- Shirlene Nagy,

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E-mail from Anne Skilling – BCCNZ concerns were discussed at the N.R. Judges Seminar Feb 2020,  
Bereavement Notice for Sue Gordon

**Out.** NZCF Club Membership Renewal,  
BCCNZ 2021 Show Date Application,  
Final Call for Membership Renewals.

Moved that the Inwards Correspondence be accepted, and the Outwards Correspondence be approved.

*K Patterson/G McIvor*

*Carried*

## Financial Report:

### Financial Report for 23/02/2020

#### BCCNZ FINANCIAL REPORT 23/02/2020 MANAGEMENT ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
Balance 19/01/20	2084.90	NZCF Membership	100.00
Subs.	280.00		
Balance 23/02/20			2298.90
Donation			34.00
			2398.90
			2398.90

Moved that the Financial Report be Accepted

*P Taylor/K Patterson*

## Accounts for payment:

Glen Hodgman	Bulletin Postage	\$59.20
	Bulletin	\$72.68
		\$131.88

Moved that the Accounts as listed be paid.

*N Growcott/V Patterson*

*Carried.*

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## **General Business.**

Nikki raised the topic of attracting and increasing Club Membership Numbers. Members asked to come up with ideas and present them at the next meeting.

Nikki suggested: Business discounts etc., Breeders to provide and promote membership to their kitten customers.

Discussion on sending Bulletin by e-mail. Kris to draft a proposal for current Membership to determine who would like to receive the Bulletin via E-mail or through the Post. Kris to E-mail or post as necessary.

National Show – Northern to send x2 Agreements of BCCNZ to be read and signed.

Next meeting is to be held Sunday 29 Mar 2020. Venue - Unit 2, 567 Wairakei Road, Christchurch at 11:00am.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed at 12:27 pm, with thanks to Vicki for arranging the venue.

Confirmed.....Date.....

### **How to Wash a Cat**

1. Put both lids of the toilet up and add 1/8 cup of pet shampoo to the water in the bowl
2. Pick up the cat and soothe him while you carry him towards the bathroom
3. In one smooth movement put the cat in the toilet and close the lid. You may need to stand on the lid
4. At this point the cat will self agitate and make ample suds. Never mind the noises that come from the toilet, the cat is actually enjoying this!
5. Flush the toilet three or four times. This provides a 'Power-Wash' and 'Rinse'
6. Have someone open the front door of your home. Be sure that there are no people between the bathroom and the front door
7. Stand well back, behind the toilet as far as you can, and quickly lift the lid
8. The cat will rocket out of the toilet, streak through the bathroom and run outside where he will dry himself off
9. Both the toilet and the cat will be sparkling clean

Yours sincerely,

The Dog.

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## **BCCNZ Inc. MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE.**

**Meeting: Sunday 09 August 2020. Unit 2, 567 Wairakei Road, Christchurch.**

Meeting commenced at 11:10am

### **Present.**

N. Growcott (Chair), G. McIvor, V. Patterson, K. Patterson, G. Hodgman, P Taylor

### **Apologies.**

Carolyne Jones

### **Minutes.**

Moved that the minutes of 23 February 2020 are taken as read,  
*N Growcott/V Patterson* *Carried*

### **Corrections.**

Nil.

### **Minutes.**

Moved that the minutes are a true and correct record,  
*N Growcott/P Taylor* *Carried.*

### **Matters Arising.**

Welfare Officer – Nikki has been conversing with James Hanford-Cable. Nikki to draft a proposal outlining Welfare Officer role and responsibilities.

Burmese Stud Removal update – He has been uplifted. Health and behavior improving slowly.

Club Membership recruitment still a work in progress.

### **Correspondence.**

**In** Various Cat Club Notices re-Covid 19 cancellations  
National Show contracts toing and froing,  
March Prefix List,  
Club Membership Application – Beth Hosford,



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Anne Skilling Bio for Flash Cats Magazine from Sheree Russell,  
NI 2021 BCCNZ Show Date application,  
Exec Council Minutes and AGM location notifications,  
Membership enquiry from Hannah Chapman.

**Out.** Meeting Minutes 23 Feb 2020

Moved that the Inwards Correspondence be accepted, and the Outwards Correspondence be approved.  
*K Patterson/G Hodgman Carried*

## Financial Report:

### Financial Report for 09/08/2020

#### BCCNZ FINANCIAL REPORT 09/08/2020 MANAGEMENT ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS
Balance 23/02/20	2298.90	
Balance 9/08/20	2318.90	
Subs.	20.00	
	2318.90	
	2318.90	

Moved that the Financial Report be Accepted P Taylor/K Patterson

## Accounts for payment:

Glen Hodgman Domain Name for Website \$29.32

Moved that the Accounts as listed be paid.  
*G McIvor/V Patterson Carried.*

## General Business.

Signatories – Gordon to make an appointment with Westpac.  
Glen – tabled an idea of Web hosting for Breeders. Part of the cost and upkeep can be allocated for/to the Welfare Account.  
Nikki – breeder's deals are ongoing.

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National Show 2021 – Palmerston North and BCCNZ NI have had to pull out of hosting the National Show.

Latest Bulletin to be dispatched shortly.

Membership Application for Beth Hosford

Membership Application from Beth Hosford proposed by Christine Yeung.

Membership for Beth Hosford moved by G McIvor/K Patterson.

Beth Hosford Membership voted for and carried.

Letters of Recognition to drafted and sent on behalf of BCCNZ to all involved in Burmese Stud (Pablo) uplift.

Next meeting is to be held Sunday 20 Mar 2020. Venue - Unit 2, 567 Wairakei Road, Christchurch at 11:00am.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed at 12:00 pm, with thanks to Vicki for arranging the venue.

Confirmed.....Date.....

# Pablo's Story (Radinka Picasso)

*Welfare story written by Nikki Growcott*

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Mid 2019, James Hanford-Cable made the BCCNZ aware of a lilac burmese stud being sold entire on Trademe. He managed to get a copy of Pablo's pedigree papers so we had his details. The owner in Whangarei was a backyard breeder.

Fast forward a few months .... In early August 2019, I

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was travelling back from the Auckland Cat Club show and was at the Christchurch Airport oversize luggage area collecting our cats when we saw a lilac burmese being collected by a woman. This cat was incredibly upset and the woman quickly grabbed the cat carrier and left. I got home from the airport and within 30 minutes of getting home I had Carolyne Jones (Lyngary Burmese) on the phone advising that a woman she knew as an acquaintance had shown up at her door saying that she had just bought an entire lilac burmese stud and she was looking to get into breeding burmese. The boy we now know to be Pablo was still very upset and Carolyne told her she needed to get him home to get him settled. On several previous occasions I had spoken to Carolyne about other animals this woman had on her property, Chihuawa Rescue were involved and had laid multiple complaints with the SPCA regarding the care and condition of her animals. Carolyne had been to her property and was very upset with what she saw and had herself made a complaint to the SPCA.

I mentioned to my vet on my next visit about this woman and she was aware of her but could not disclose details for privacy reasons. A few weeks later I was called to the vet clinic to assist the nurses feed several two-day old kittens as mother cat was very sick and in surgery and they were unsure when the kittens were last fed. Whilst at the clinic the owner came into the clinic to ask about her cat, where she was informed that the mother cat would be lucky to survive the surgery, they had to spay her due to severe pyometra. The woman was incredibly angry and yelling and was asked to leave the premises (I was glad to be out the back with the kittens out of sight). Mum survived, she and the babies were placed in a foster home (she was no use to the

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woman spayed – her words).

At this point I asked my vet to give this woman my number as I wanted to speak to her about the lilac stud boy she had purchased off Trademe.

Long story short after multiple conversations with this woman over many months trying to get this boy away from her and even offering to buy him off her, she stopped contacting me. I had myself laid several complaints to both Selwyn District Council and the SPCA about her. I was advised she was known to them and that they were working with her to improve the conditions she had her animals living in. At this point, I got fairly frustrated with them and asked why they were not taking action as per the Animal Welfare Act. They had received multiple complaints and had not acted, they hung up on me .....

Out of the blue on June 5th at around 7pm, I got a call from the woman who was driving saying that she had just been to the vet with Pablo and it looked like he would require most his teeth out as they were rotten and she had just spent heaps of money on dentals for her dogs and couldn't afford to pay for his to be done. She said that if I still wanted Pablo I could have him as long as he was neutered, had the dental done and was rehomed to a nice home.

I quickly started looking for somewhere to house Pablo as I did not have any available space in my cattery, both Vicki Patterson and Miriam Martin offered to have him. On June 7th I met up with the woman outside my local community centre and had her sign a surrender

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document and obtained written permission for me to access his vet records. I quickly loaded Pablo into my cat carrier and left so she didn't have a chance to change her mind.

With Miriam being a little closer for me to get him to vet visits, I decided to place Pablo with her. It wasn't until I got to Miriam's and had a good look at him and realised what awful condition he was in. Pablo was friendly and able to be handled he immediately hid and was fearful of us. When we went to pat him, he shrunk down and was scared but not aggressive. Being an entire stud and not knowing him, we were cautious of him. Pablo though quite hungry was struggling to eat, picking up biscuits and throwing them to the back of his throat and then gagging. He did enjoy and was able to eat wet meat.

A vet visit was booked for Tuesday for him to be neutered and to have the desperately needed dental. Pablo was unable to have the dental as it was found he had a heart arrhythmia and the vet felt going under the anaesthetic there would be a danger of him not making it through the procedure. He had bloods taken, chest xrays, and whilst sedated for the xrays the vet put in a local block and neutered him. He was also found to have fleas. The vet was able to have a good look at his teeth whilst sedated and described them as "horrific" and at my request they took photographs so that I could lodge a further complaint with the SPCA with proof of neglect. We decided to wait a week with him on two antibiotics as the vet felt the arrhythmia was likely caused by the infection in his mouth.

At this point I also need to thank Miriam's husband Chris for spending time with Pablo, and gaining his trust as



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he was very fearful of men. Chris also put up a window shelf in sleepout he was in, so Pablo could sunbathe which he loved.

As we found that Pablo had been vaccinated in May 2019, Miriam moved Pablo from the sleepout he was in to one of her cattery runs so he was closer to the house. He instantly formed a friendship with a Burmese queen named Breeze in the run next to his, he was loving having her for company. We then waited a week to see if the two antibiotics he was on would sufficiently hit the



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infection in his mouth.

His next vet visit, his heart had improved and the dental went ahead, the vet nurses taking further photos. Pablo came out of the surgery still having his canines and front teeth and everything else was removed. He went home to Miriam's on further antibiotics as the infection had gotten into his jaw bone.

Fast forward a few weeks and Pablo was recovering well from his dental surgery and had started to really come out of his shell. He would come out of his sleeping area when he was called and loved being picked up for cuddles and had the loudest purr. Pablo's real temperament was starting to come out, he was an absolute sook. Pablo had also gained back the 600g he had lost since his vet visit in 2019.

I had received an enquiry from a retired lady from up near Nelson on a rural property who was looking for an adult cat as her girl had sadly passed away just prior to the Covid lockdown. I advised her about Pablo and that due to the nature of the infection in his mouth we could not rule out that he would require further dental surgery in the future. From speaking to Gini on the phone I knew she was Pablo's opportunity to have a loving forever home being spoilt rotten as he deserved to be. Gini made the journey down to Christchurch to meet Pablo and visited him multiple times over three days. Pablo bonded with her instantly and jumped up for cuddles, purring loudly and snuggling right in. Gini and Pablo were going to be great for each other.

Pablo left for his forever home with Gini on Sunday 19th

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July, he sat next to her in his carrier and purred all the way home. As of writing this article Pablo has been in his new home for a week. He sleeps under the covers with her, comes running when visitors arrive and puts on a real show, moving from person to person for pats, tummy rubs and cuddles.

I'd like to thank the following:

- Miriam and Chris Martin for having Pablo for the six weeks until he was well enough to go to his new home.
- All the vets and nurses at West Melton Vet Centre for taking such great care of him and getting him well.
- All the well wishes and contributions towards Pablo's vet costs.

To Gini, a very special lady who met and instantly fell in love with Pablo and has given him such a fabulous new life as a very spoilt and pampered pet. And lastly to Pablo, for trusting us and knowing that we were trying to help him.



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Gini, Pablo, and Miriam



Nikki and Pablo





Gini and Pablo

# My Life with Burmese Cats and the Burmese Club

*by Gordon McIvor*

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My first contact with the Burmese breed came from a part Burmese male that belonged to a neighbour in Cobden. I'm not sure what the other part was but he certainly had Burmese characteristics. He spent a lot of time on top of the fridge looking down on every thing; could climb curtains as well.

My next encounter was with a Burmese cat who belonged to Pauline. A seal spay known as Nicole. We lived very happily together for several years until Nicole developed kidney problems. A very sad day when we had to say goodbye to her. Our involvement with the NZBCC came shortly after with the purchase of a replacement for Nichole. I was working at Villa Maria College at the time and Iris Baker (Manx Breeder) was the Canteen Manager. Iris put me onto Margaret Bean who had recently retired from the College and was breeding Burmese.

In July 2000 Pauline and I went to the Bean's place to look at a recent litter of kittens. We sat on a bed in the room the kitten box was in and Margaret put the kittens on the bed for us to inspect. Pauline was busy checking out a blue girl when one of the lilac kittens waddled across the bed and climbed up onto my leg. That was it. She became "Princess Penelope" (my cat). Pauline



## Life Membership Story

settled on the Blue female who was already named by Margaret, "Kiss me Kate."

Margaret was keen for us to enter the kittens at the next Cat show which was the CABCC in February 2001 at the Roy Stokes Hall. There were 9 kittens in the 6-9 month section of that show. Princess Penelope (Penny) came out with a 1st, 5th, and a 3rd placing. We were encouraged by Margaret to enter the April Burmese show at Redcliffs School. We joined the NZBCC to get a discount on the show entry fee. Penny got a 1st, 4th, and a 3rd place out of 21 kittens entered.

Kate finished well down the list.

Margaret "encouraged" me to become a handler at the show rather than just sitting and watching. Very soon I got onto the Southern Region Show Committee and when the Management Committee transferred to the S/R Margaret stood down as Secretary and I got the job.

With Kate retired from showing, Pauline was keen to get a replacement so Rajini Cassandra, a chocolate spay was obtained from Margaret Bean. Cassie as we called her, did quite well in shows but was up against stiff competition as there were usually two other chocolate spays in her section. Cassie and Penny both got to Gold Double Grand Premier status and retired from the Show Ring.

I was still involved in helping at shows as a handler and as a worker for the S/R sausage sizzle fund raisers.

After Lew Clarke stood down as President in 2017 I was voted into the job until this year when I was promoted to Treasurer upon the retirement of Pam Taylor.

## Picture Perfect Virtual Entire Results



Cat  
Soxndots Mocha Choca Dream  
Ring 1 - 6<sup>th</sup>  
Ring 3 - 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Ring 4 - 15<sup>th</sup>



Cat  
Recherche Mathilda  
Ring 1 - 7<sup>th</sup>  
Ring 2 - 17<sup>th</sup>  
Ring 4 - 17<sup>th</sup>



Cat  
Soxndots Mocha Choca Desire  
Ring 1 - 17<sup>th</sup>



Cat  
Millrock Vintage Denim  
Ring 2 - 4<sup>th</sup>

## Picture Perfect Virtual Entire Results



Cat  
Cairistona Dolce Arabella  
Ring 2 – 10<sup>th</sup>



Cat  
Sashima Ruff N Tumble  
Ring 4 – 10<sup>th</sup>

Ring 3 – 14<sup>th</sup>  
Ring 4 – 1<sup>st</sup>

# Picture Perfect Virtual Kitten Results



↑ Kitten  
 Myle Total Eclipse of the Heart  
 Ring 1 - 14<sup>th</sup>  
 Ring 1 - 8<sup>th</sup>

Kitten  
 Soxndots I'm Just Baylee Boo  
 Ring 1 - 15<sup>th</sup> →  
 Ring 2 - 20<sup>th</sup>  
 Ring 3 - 11<sup>th</sup>  
 Ring 4 - 14<sup>th</sup>



Kitten  
 Glitterpaws Arabella  
 Ring 1 - 16<sup>th</sup>  
 ↓ Ring 2 - 1<sup>st</sup>



## Picture Perfect Virtual Kitten Results



Kitten  
Affogato Dora  
Ring 2 - 16<sup>th</sup>



Kitten  
Arzani Keepa  
Ring 4 - 18<sup>th</sup>



Kitten  
Cairistona Dolce Arabella  
Ring 1 - 20<sup>th</sup>  
Ring 1 - 8<sup>th</sup>



## Picture Perfect Virtual Tiny Tot Results



Tiny Tot  
Recherche Lucy Lu  
Ring 1 - 5<sup>th</sup>  
Ring 3 - 4<sup>th</sup>  
Ring 4 - 15<sup>th</sup>



Tiny Tot  
Cairistona Magnificent Marvolo  
Ring 1 - 10<sup>th</sup>



Tiny Tot  
Soxndots Mocha Choca Tiny Dancer  
Ring 1 - 11<sup>th</sup>  
Ring 4 - 4<sup>th</sup>

## Picture Perfect Virtual Tiny Tot Results



Tiny Tot  
Glitterpaws J'Adore Paris  
Ring 2 – 5<sup>th</sup>

## Picture Perfect Virtual Companion Results



Companion  
Soxndots Princesse Lexi  
Ring 1 – 4<sup>th</sup>

## Picture Perfect Virtual Results

### **BEST OF THE SECTION WINNERS**

#### **Best Shorthair Pedigree Cat**

**5th      127 Soxndots Mocha Choca Dream**

**6th      122 Cairistona Dolce Arabella**

**13th    117 Recherche Mathilda**

**19th= 120 Millrock Vintage Denim**

#### **Best Shorthair Pedigree Kitten**

**12th    211 Glitterpaws Arabella**

**15th    228 Myle Total Eclipse of the Heart**

**19th = 216 Soxndots I'm Just Baylee Boo**

#### **Best Companion/Domestic Household Pet**

**18th= 509 Soxndots Princesse Lexi**

#### **Best Tiny Tot**

**5th      614 Recherche Lucy Lu**

**16th= 616 Glitterpaws J'Adore Paris**

**17th= 659 Cairistona Magnificent Marvolo**



# TOSCA Virtual Show Results



Cat  
Cairistona Arya  
Ring 2 – 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Ring 3 – 6<sup>th</sup>  
Ring 4 – 6<sup>th</sup>  
Ring 5 – 8<sup>th</sup>  
Ring 7 – 7<sup>th</sup>



Cat  
Stenagys Chrissy Rose  
Ring 3 – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Ring 5 – 15<sup>th</sup>  
Ring 6 – 2<sup>nd</sup>

# TOSCA Virtual Show Entire Results



Cat  
Millrock Bronte Breeze  
Ring 3 – 9<sup>th</sup>

Cat  
Cairistona Dolce Vespa  
Ring 4 – 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Ring 5 – 7<sup>th</sup>  
Ring 6 – 12<sup>th</sup>  
Ring 7 – 1<sup>st</sup>



## TOSCA Virtual Show Entire Results



Cat  
Cairistona Dolce Arabella  
Ring 4 – 14<sup>th</sup>



Cat  
Cairistona Adelaide  
Ring 4 – 6<sup>th</sup>



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Cat  
Soxndots Miss Muffet  
Ring 4 – 17<sup>th</sup>

# TOSCA Virtual Show Entire Results

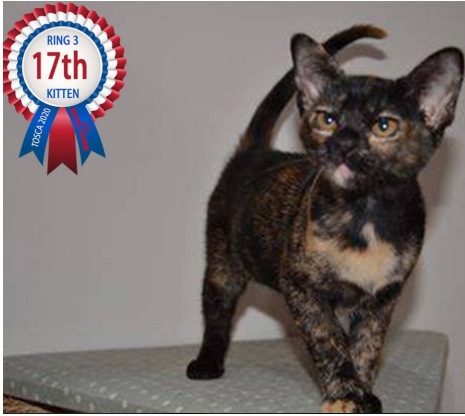


Cat  
Soxndots Rhapsody In Blue  
Ring 5 - 4<sup>th</sup>



Kitten  
Recherche Mathilda  
black  
Ring 2 - 4<sup>th</sup>  
Ring 4 - 7<sup>th</sup>  
Ring 5 - 14<sup>th</sup>

## TOSCA Virtual Show Kitten Results



Kitten

Myle Orange Is The New

Ring 3 - 17<sup>th</sup>

Ring 4 - 14<sup>th</sup>

Ring 5 - 3<sup>rd</sup>

Ring 7 - 3<sup>rd</sup>



Kitten

Cairistona Austin

Ring 4 - 1<sup>st</sup>

Ring 7 - 17<sup>th</sup>



Kitten

Cairistona Magnificent Marvolo

Ring 4 - 9<sup>th</sup>



## TOSCA Virtual Show Kitten Results



Kitten  
Allblakz Raven  
Ring 4 – 13<sup>th</sup>



Kitten  
Glitterpaws Arabella  
Ring 4 – 19<sup>th</sup>  
Ring 7 – 13<sup>th</sup>

## TOSCA Virtual Show Kitten Results



Kitten  
Recherche Bella Ragazza  
Ring 5 - 4<sup>th</sup>



Kitten  
Myle Total Eclipse of the Heart  
Ring 5 - 9<sup>th</sup>  
Ring 7 - 6<sup>th</sup>



Kitten  
Cairistona Suki  
Ring 5 - 18<sup>th</sup>  
Ring 7 - 4<sup>th</sup>



Kitten  
Soxndots I'm Just Baylee Boo  
Ring 7 - 11<sup>th</sup>

# TOSCA Virtual Show Results

## Supreme Exhibit

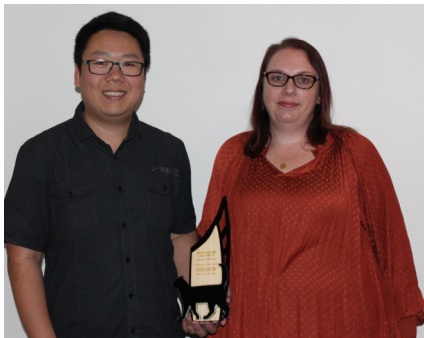


Cairistona Dolce Vespa



# 2019 NZCF National Awards

**Section:** Shorthair Entire Kittens  
**Cat Name:** Cairistona Dolce Vespa - NAT SUP 2019  
**Owner:** Christine & Mushfik Yeung  
**Breeder:** Christine & Mushfik Yeung



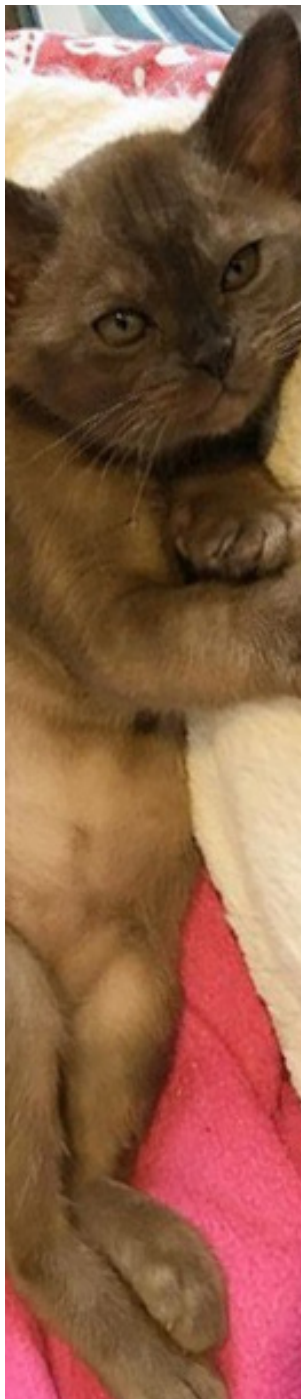
**Section:** Shorthair Neuter/Spay Cats  
**Cat Name:** Bronze Double Grand Premier Heatherlea Master Louie  
**Owner:** James Hanford-Cable  
**Breeder:** Christine Calder



# 2019 NZCF National Awards

**Section:** Shorthair Neuter/Spay Kittens  
**Cat Name:** Cairistona Dolce Arabella  
**Owner:** Adele Frost  
**Breeder:** Christine & Mushfik Yeung





## Litter Bins

### **Sox'N'Dots Burmese**

Sire: Sil Dbl Gr Ch Sashima Ruff N Tumble  
Dam: Brz Dbl Gr Ch Soxndots Mocha Choca Dream

Born: 17/04/20

2 chocolate girls, 1 chocolate boy, 1 seal girl and 1 seal boy

Sire: Sil Dbl Gr Ch Aurora Burberry Dream

Dam: Ch Soxndots Rhapsody In Blue

Born: 29/04/20

2 chocolate girls and 1 seal boy

Sire: Sil Dbl Gr Ch Sashima Ruff N Tumble

Dam: Gr Ch Soxndots Affogato Neeko

Born: 09/05/20

2 chocolate girls, 1 seal girl and 1 seal boy

Sire: Sil Dbl Gr Ch Sashima Ruff N Tumble

Dam: Soxndots I'm Just a Q-T-Pie

Born: 23/07/20

2 Blue Boys and 1 lilac Boy

Sire: Ch Cairistona Memphis

Dam: Soxndots Tortielicious Dream

Born: 14/09/20

1 red boy. 1 cream boy and 1 chocolate boy

### **Myasanda Burmese**

Cairistona Memphis

+ Myasanda Countess D' Winter

X 7 kittens born Feb 18th 2020

1 lilac female, 1 blue female, 5 blue males

## Litter Bins

Caterdemalion Da' Vinci's Dream

+ Cairistona Chilli

X 7 kittens born March 12th

1 Cream male, 1 Red male, 1 Seal male, 1 Choc male, 2 Seal tortie females, 1 Blue tortie female

Caterdemalion Da' Vinci's Dream

+ Heartkatz Diva's Dream

X 4 kittens born June 10th

2 cream males, 1 seal tortie female, 1 blue female

Cairistona Memphis

+ Myasanda Countess D Winter

X 1 kitten born June 30th

1 lilac female

Caterdemalion Da' Vinci's Dream + Cairistona Chilli

X 8 kittens born July 19th

1 Red male, 1 Blue male, 1 Lilac male, 1 Cream male, 3 Seal tortie females, 1 Seal female

Caterdemalion Da' Vinci's Dream + Myasanda Chia

X 4 kittens born August 11th

1 seal male, 1 seal female, 1 blue male, 1 blue female

### **Lyngary Burmese**

Lyngary Tayler Rose and Memphis 3 beautiful babies 1 Seal Girl 1 Seal Boy 1 Blue Boy

Lyngary Lady Pearl Blu Rose and Ritchie 4 beautiful babies 1 Seal Girl 1 Seal Boy 1 Chocolate Boy 1 Lilac Girl

Lady in waiting is Lyngary Lady Paris Rose and Memphis due 19th September 2020

Dam: Lyngary Pearl Blu Rose

3 Lilac males, 1 lilac girl

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