

THE BIRMAN CAT CLUB OF AUSTRALIA

(Affiliated with NSW Cat Fanciers Association Inc.)

37TH ANNUAL CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW FOR 2017

3 Ring Open Style Show for Group 1 Exhibits

with a Birman Challenge Ring



Open Entry - Cats NSW and ANCATS are welcome to enter

SUNDAY 9 JULY 2017

Camden Show Hall

Argyle Street, Camden, NSW 2570

VETTING: 7.30AM TO 8.45AM

JUDGING TO COMMENCE AT 9.15AM

BIRMAN CHALLENGE RING TO COMMENCE AT 10.30AM

ENTRIES CLOSE: 8 JUNE 2017

with Show Secretary Michelle Grayson (See Summary Sheet for contact details)

No late entries will be taken and all entry fees to be paid in full at time of entering. No entry payments will be taken on the day.



The Show will be conducted under the Rules and Show Procedures of the NSW Cat Fanciers' Association Inc, copies of which are available from the Association's Office

JUDGES:

EACH JUDGE WILL PRESENT THEIR BEST EXHIBIT IN SHOW

MARISA WILL PRESENT HER BEST BIRMAN KITTEN, CAT AND DEXEDED, THEN HER OVERALL BEST BIRMAN EXHIBIT IN SHOW



Ring 1	All Exhibits	Wendy Hamilton (NSW CFA)
Ring 2	All Exhibits	Maureen Norberry (NSW CFA)
Ring 3	All Exhibits	Christine Tomlinson (NSW CFA) G1 prob)
Birman Challenge Ring		Marisa Thistlewaite (QFA INC)

CLUB EXECUTIVE & SHOW PERSONNEL

President: Danielle Spearing	Vice President: Barbara Patterson
Secretary: Michelle Grayson	Treasurer: Deborah Young

Show Manager:	Stephanie Tscherne
Show Secretary:	Michelle Grayson. Ph: 0402 050520 or Email mishgr@gmail.com
Stewards:	Chris Buckley, Jessica Cameron, Heidi Groom, Sandra Dukes
Card Writers:	Kim Franke, Margaret Keith, Tracey Camp
Veterinary Officer:	Macarthur Vet Group
Veterinary Steward:	Chris Buckley
NSW CFA Rep:	TBA
Trophies:	Danielle Spearing & Annemarie McDonnell
Catering:	Janet Doust & Deborah Young

AWARDS

TOP 5 male, female, neuter, spay cats	BEST Exhibit in Ring 1, 2 and 3	
TOP 5 male, female and desexed kittens	BEST litter will be awarded in Ring 1 only	
Ring 1 - Blackhawk	Ring 2 - Ozpet	Ring 3 - Sponsor Product

BIRMAN SPECIALS - CHALLENGE RING & SIDE CLASSES

2016/2017 financial Birman Cat Club of Australia members will receive FREE entry into Birman Specialty Ring.

Cost of entry to non financial club members is \$10.00 per cat.

Side Classes - \$5 per side class OR all 3 for \$10.00

Gloves and Gauntlets	Head Type	Eye Colour and Shape
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AWARDS

BEST Birman Kitten, Cat and Desexed	BEST Birman in Show
TOP 5 male, female, neuter, spay cats and TOP 5 male, female and desexed kittens	

EXHIBITOR AND ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

SHOW TIMES

Venue Open	7.00am
Line Vetting	7.30am to 8.45am
Judging Commences	9.15am
Presentation	Approximately 2.00pm
Show Concludes	4.00pm

No exhibit is permitted to leave the show hall until the conclusion of the show without the consent of the show manager.

CLASSES -

All eligible cats will be automatically entered into the relevant CCCA class

KITTENS	CATS	CCCA CLASS
Litter under 4 months	Male Cat Open	Male Cat
Male Kitten under 9 months	Female Cat Open	Female Cat
Female Kitten under 9 months	Neuter Cat Open	Neuter Cat
Desexed Kitten under 9 months	Spay Cat Open	Spay Cat

CATERING - Please Note: The Show Hall is at the end of Camden High Street and across the road from the shopping centre with various alternatives for food. As such, we will NOT be catering for exhibitors. We will have tea/coffee available during the day.

CONFIRMATION OF ENTRY will be acknowledged by email. If you do not have email please enclose a stamped, self addressed envelope (preferably DL size, 110 x 220 mm) for return of confirmation of entry. NOTE: email submission of entry option applies only for entries paid by EFT (see Summary Sheet - Methods of Payment)

CANCELLATIONS - We ask for your co-operation in notifying the Show Secretary, where possible, of any cancellations before 1.00pm on Saturday 8 July 2017 on 0402 050520.

DISPOSAL OF LITTER/GROOMING — Please do not use toilet facilities to dispose of litter or grooming products, use the garbage bags provided. The use of Talcum Powder is strictly prohibited within the venue.

SEATING - There will be limited seating available, so we suggest bringing your own chair.

EXHIBITOR AND ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

MEMBERSHIP STATUS:

All exhibitors resident in NSW must be current financial members of NSW CFA. New exhibitors resident in NSW may show three times as non-members provided their exhibits are registered in their name. An exhibitor resident in another state must be a member of a controlling body recognised by CCCA or ACF and the exhibits must be registered in the exhibitor's name with that controlling body.

ENTRIES:

All entries must be submitted on the official NSW CFA Entry Form together with a clear copy of each exhibit's registration certificate in the name of the exhibitor as owner. For interstate exhibitors where the registration certificate does not include a four generation pedigree, then a four generation pedigree must be provided showing the breeds and colours of all forebears.

RETURNED CHEQUES:

Should any cheque be returned unpaid, a bank cheque or money order will be required to ensure that the entry is processed, and the costs incurred by NSW CFA Inc for the returned cheque shall be paid by the exhibitor, together with an additional \$20.00 for administrative costs.

AMENDMENTS TO SEX/COLOUR/TITLES:

Any change to the sex or colour/pattern or the title of an exhibit after an entry has been lodged must be submitted in writing to the Show Secretary together with a copy of the amended Certificate of Registration no later than one week prior to the show date (see Show Procedure 5.11)

CLAWS TO BE CLIPPED:

The front and back claws of each exhibit must be clipped.

VETERINARY INSPECTION:

Each exhibit must be inspected by and pass the Veterinary Officer's inspection before being allowed to be benched in the show. Exhibitors are to handle their own cats at the vetting table.

VACCINATION OF KITTENS:

All kittens must be vaccinated. Exhibitors must produce documentary evidence (valid vaccination certificate) for each kitten and a vaccination shall have been carried out by a qualified veterinary practitioner not less than 14 days prior to the date of the show (see Show Procedure 6.3)

AGGRESSIVE EXHIBITS:

A Judge or Steward is not required to handle any exhibit showing signs of aggression. Owners have a duty of care not to bench any exhibit that has a reported history of fractious behaviour. The Show Manager and Show Committee in consultation with the Show Representative may require the removal of any such exhibit from the show.

NSW CFA CAT/KITTEN OF THE YEAR AWARDS:

To be eligible for Cat of the Year award a cat must be in the continuous ownership of a financial member throughout the year.

Note 1. Where an owner becomes a member after the start of a calendar year, points will only accumulate from the date the membership application is processed by the Office.

Note 2. If during the year a cat is transferred to a new owner who is not a member, the cat's ownership by a financial member will be deemed continuous provided a membership application from the new owner is received and recorded by the Office within 4 weeks of the date of transfer, otherwise note 1 shall apply.

Litter Entries: at least one kitten from the litter is to be entered individually. Please also see the note on the Entry Form on how to enter a litter. Entry details for individually entered litter kittens must clearly show "LITTER KITTEN".

There will be no reduction in entry fees if fewer than 3 rings entered, except where an exhibit is ineligible for a ring under NSW CFA Show Procedures. Each exhibit will be automatically entered in the relevant age class for judging based on the information shown on the exhibit's Certificate of Registration & Pedigree.

PLEASE ENSURE ALL INFORMATION SHOWN ON YOUR EXHIBIT'S CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION & PEDIGREE IS UP TO DATE.

EXHIBITORS MAY PROVIDE THEIR OWN SHOW CAGE – please state OWN CAGE with dimensions.

OUR JUDGES PROFILES



Marisa Thistlewaite entered the cat fancy in 1991 and bred Birmans under her prefix Belshogar. Over the years she has shown her Birmans and a Persian Neuter achieving numerous major awards at a local and also interstate level at many shows including Nationals.

After 20 years she decided to retire from breeding to devote more time to running a cats only quality boarding cattery with her husband Garry while sharing their lives with 2 Poodles, 8 retired Birmans and 1 Persian. Then in 2011 during her Shorthair Judges course she decided to acquire a Burmese Neuter to show and was totally captured by the breed. She is now breeding and showing Burmese with some very special cats. Marisa has held a number of positions over the years including CFCCQ Registrar, QFA Vice President and Shorthair Registrar and Treasurer of the Birman Club. She is honoured to be a Life Member of the Birman Cat Fanciers of Qld. Marisa is an All Breeds International judge attaining her Group 1 licence in 2008 and then Group 2 & 3 licence in 2014.



Christine Tomlinson—I have always had a love affair with cats for as long as I can remember and would always befriend any cat I came across. I got my first pedigree cat in 1977 and started to show in 1978. He was a red point Siamese and this was the beginning of my involvement in the cat world.

Together with my husband Ray, an All Breeds Judge, we breed and show both Siamese and British shorthair under the Tomadah Prefix. We specialise in red, cream and tortie point Siamese which have taken out many Best In Show and Group 2 Cat of the Year Awards. We live in Griffith in the heart of the Murrumbidgee Irrigation Area and in 1982, with the help of others, were instrumental in the founding of the MIA Cat Club. For various periods over the years since then I have held the positions of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Publicity Officer of the Club. I am an experienced Steward and completed the Companion Cat Judges Training Course in 1997 and since then have judged at many shows. I successfully completed the Group 2 Judges Training Course in 2001, obtaining my full Group 2 Licence on 1 July 2003.



Maureen Norberry—I became involved with cats and the Cat Fancy by accident about 18 years ago with the gift of a tiny seal point Siamese kitten who became the mother of my first "show" kitten – a blue point Siamese.

Since that first show I have been actively involved with the Cat Fancy as a breeder (chiefly Orientals and Siamese but also briefly Devon Rex), exhibitor and worker – being regularly involved in the running of shows and assisting on the executive of a number of Clubs. I am currently the Secretary of the Oriental Cat Club of NSW and President of St George District Cat Club and hold Life Membership with both those clubs.

I commenced judging with Group 2 (1996), followed by Group 3 (1998) and in 2005 I completed my Group 1 training. As of 1 January 2007 I will be a fully licensed All breeds judge. I have enjoyed immensely judging in most states of Australia and in the North and South Islands of New Zealand.

In my other life I am a solicitor with my own practice in the small regional town of Mittagong. In my rare moments of spare time I enjoy exploring antique shops, gardening, reading and learning about one of my other great hobbies – marine and tropical fish.

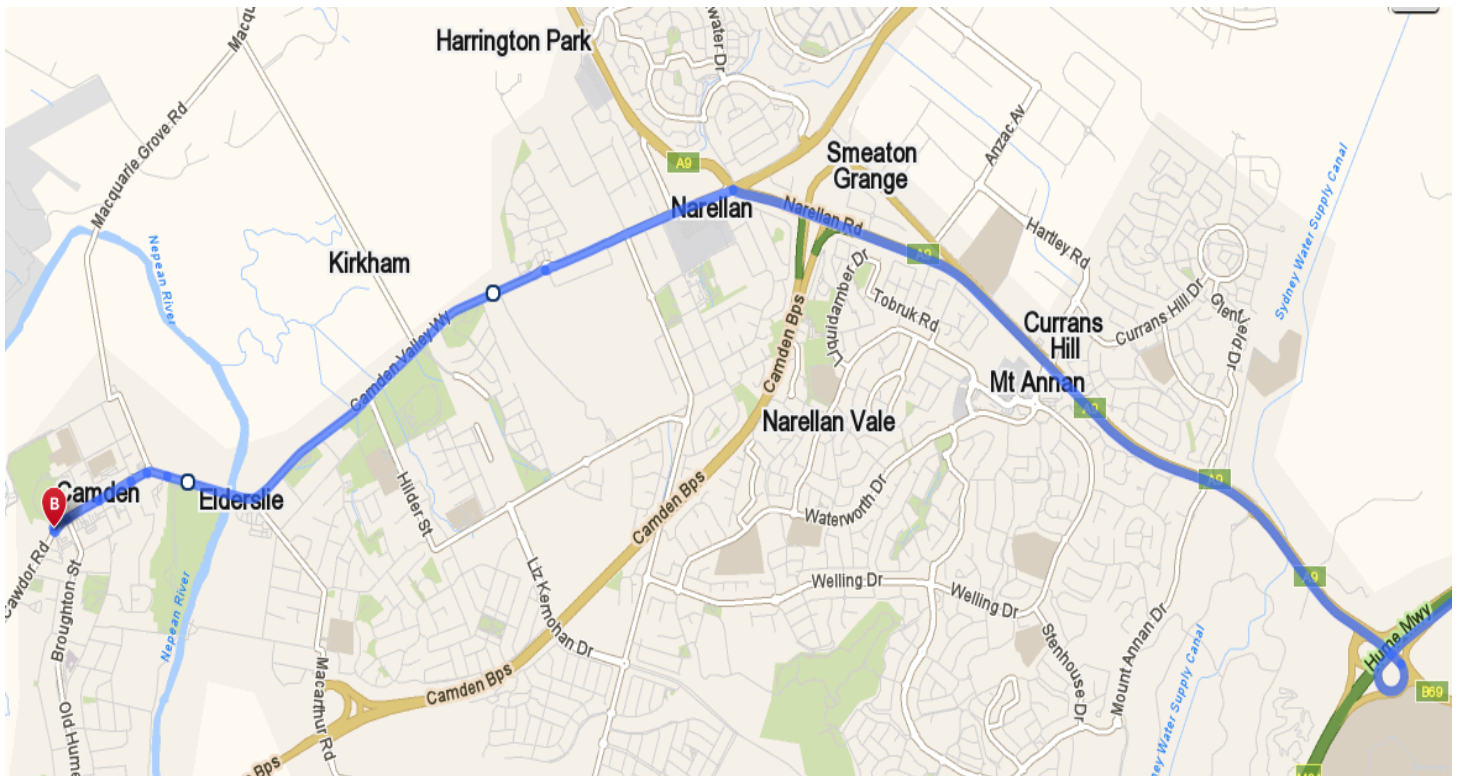
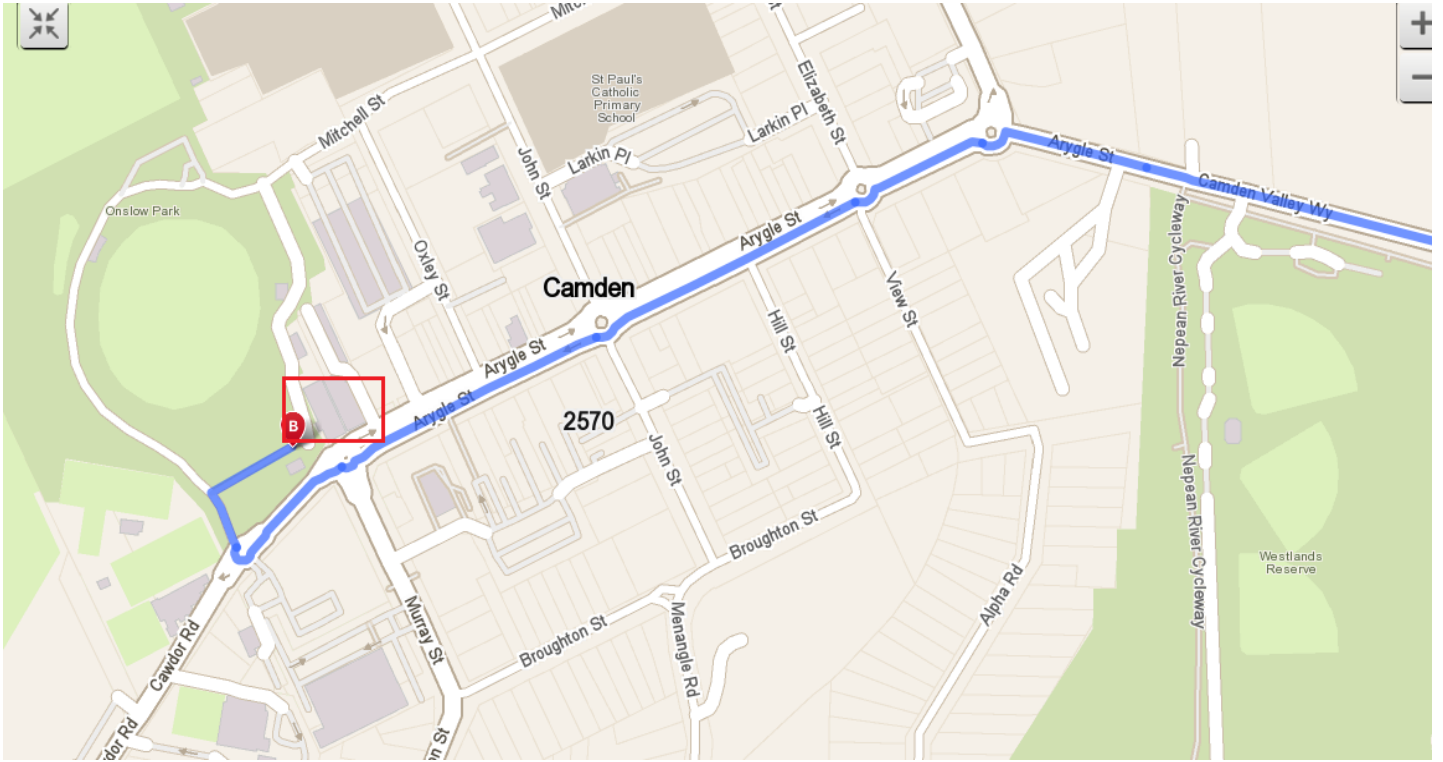


Wendy Hamilton— Like so many people, my first purebred cat was a wonderful Siamese however, it was in 1977 that I fell in love with the Burmese and purchased my first breeding/show girl, registering my Zarlee prefix the same year. I exhibited and bred Burmese of all colours, winning Best in Show a number of

times for 10 years. During this time I saw the Birman cat and I was hooked, so in 1982 a seal point Birman finally joined my family, followed by a number of imports. I achieved Best in Show awards with my Birmans both here and overseas. It was during my trips to the continent that I discovered the beauty of the Fife Oriental and decided I just had to have one. So in 2011 I added the most divine bi-colour Oriental from Hungary to my home, followed by a beautiful black tabby and white Austrian bred Oriental girl and a locally grown tabby point Siamese. All are now retired pets and much loved companions.

My love of cats led me into the realm of judging. In 1997 I began my training and I am now a full licenced All Breed judge and a Tutor for Groups 1 & 2. I spent many years as an active participant and presenter at the judges conferences. I am honoured to be a Life member of the Birman Cat Club of Australasia after serving as President as well as running and processing their annual show for many years. I have been fortunate to have judged around most of Australia and New Zealand as well as France, Belgium and the Netherlands. In this time I have been privileged to handle many truly beautiful felines.

DIRECTIONS



Birman Cat Club of Australia Inc Show 2017

Summary Sheet (please PRINT clearly)

title:family name(s):first name(s):
address.....
suburb NSW postcode
phone: (work) phone: (home)
email:

Number	\$
..... FIRST 3 Exhibits @ \$30.00 each for 3 rings	\$.....
..... 4th & Subsequent Exhibits @ \$10.00 each	\$.....
..... Birman Challenge Ring @ \$10.00 each (2016/2017 Club Members Free Entry to this Ring)	\$.....
..... Litter Class @ \$10.00 each (1 RING) - (1 litter kitten must be entered individually) (Number of Kittens in Litter)	\$.....
..... Individual Litter Kitten @ \$10.00 each	\$.....
..... Birman Side Classes @ \$5.00 each or 3 for \$10.00 -	\$.....
..... Show Catalogue @ \$7.00	\$.....
..... On Exhibition @ \$5.00 (Judges Exhibits Free)	\$.....
..... Benching Fee \$5.00	\$ 5.00
..... Double Cage @ \$5.00 (Litters Free) (Please advise Own Cages on entry form)	\$.....
..... Donation to Trophy Fund	
..... Raffle Tickets 1 for \$2.00, 3 for \$5.00 or 5 for \$10.00	\$.....
TOTAL ENCLOSED	\$.....

METHODS OF PAYMENT:

Preferred Method - ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER (EFT) to The Birman Cat Club of Australia Inc account.

Bank details for EFT: BSB 611 000 Account No 61104510. Name: Birman Cat Club. Please use your Name and Show Entry as the Reference details.

If you pay by EFT AND have the appropriate facilities you may send your entry (completed summary sheet, completed entry form, copies of pedigrees and YOUR BANK PAYMENT RECEIPT) to the Show Secretary - **Michelle Grayson via EMAIL: mishgr@gmail.com** and you will be deemed to have agreed to abide by the rules and show procedures of NSW Cat Fanciers' Association Inc and the show conditions.

If you pay via EFT but send your entry by post PLEASE enclose a copy of your BANK PAYMENT RECEIPT with your Entry or you can pay by Cheque/ Money Order enclosed with your Entry . Cheque/Money Order to be made payable to Birman Cat Club and posted to the Show Secretary via post to **Michelle Grayson at 9 Athel Tree Crescent, Bradbury, NSW, 2560.**

I certify that:

- * I have read the entire contents of this schedule and clarified with the Show Secretary anything of which I am uncertain.
- * I understand, and agree to abide by the NSW Cat Fanciers' Association Rules and Show Procedures and the Conditions of Entry as contained in this schedule.
- * I am the Bona Fide Owner/Lessee of the exhibit/s
- * All information disclosed on my Entry Form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature(s) date

Entries close with the Show Secretary Michelle Grayson by 8 June 2017.

Email: mishgr@gmail.com or 9 Athel Tree Crescent, Bradbury, NSW, 2560. Ph: 0402 050520

NSW C.F.A. Inc. Show Entry Form
PLEASE PRINT

effective 2/2015

If more than 4 exhibits are to be entered use an additional form

 Show Entered

Mrs/Ms/Miss/Mr/Dr. -----
 Title (circle) Family name(s) Other name(s)

 Address Suburb Postcode

 Email Phone

 Your registering body (e.g. NSW CFA, FCCV, QFA, etc.) Your member number

I/we wish to enter the exhibits as detailed below in this Show

I/we agree to abide by the rules and Show Procedures of NSW CFA Inc. and that I/we enter the exhibits at my/our own risk.

I/we also agree that I/we will withdraw the following exhibits should any of them at any time during the period of 15 days immediately preceding the date of the Show, be in a cattery or be in contact with cats affected with infectious diseases.

Further I/we will not exhibit any of the following exhibits at any show within five days prior to the date of this Show.

Date: ----- Signature(s):-----

NOTES

- For each exhibit entered a clear photocopy of the exhibit's Certificate of Registration & pedigree, as issued by a controlling body, must be attached to this form. DO NOT SEND ORIGINAL CERTIFICATES/PEDIGREES.
- The completed Show Summary Sheet (from the Show Schedule) must be forwarded with this form
- An exhibit owned by a NSW resident must be registered with NSW CFA, and the exhibitor must be a member of NSW CFA unless the show has been declared an Open Entry Show.

NOTE: A new exhibitor (intending NSW CFA member) is permitted to enter 3 shows without being a member of NSW CFA except where the new exhibitor's exhibit is a pedigree cat which must be registered with NSW CFA.

- Each kitten will be entered automatically in the relevant age class
- Each cat will be entered automatically in the relevant open class
- Each eligible cat will be entered automatically in the relevant CCCA class (free class – ANCATS exhibits are not eligible)
- TO ENTER A LITTER in the show:

Write LITTER & include number of kittens in the litter, followed by the litter registration number. A photocopy of the Litter Registration Certificate must be attached.

- If an exhibit is to be ON EXHIBITION (i.e. at the show & not competing) print ON EXHIBITION in the Other Classes box

OWN CAGE SIZES 61 – width less than 61cm; 69 – width 62 – 69 cm; 76 – width 70 – 76cm

EXHIBIT 1 Name & Registration no:	sex (circle) Male Female Neuter Spay	Rings Entered (circle) 1 2 3 ALL
Other Classes entered: please PRINT the title of the classes entered e.g. HEAD TYPE,	Double Cage (circle) NO YES	Own Cage (circle) 61 69 76
EXHIBIT 2 Name & Registration no:	sex (circle) Male Female Neuter Spay	Rings Entered (circle) 1 2 3 ALL
Other Classes entered: please PRINT the titles of the classes entered e.g. HEAD TYPE,	Double Cage (circle) NO YES	Own Cage (circle) 61 69 76
EXHIBIT 3 Name & Registration no:	sex (circle) Male Female Neuter Spay	Rings Entered (circle) 1 2 3 ALL
Other Classes entered: please PRINT the titles of the classes entered e.g. HEAD TYPE,	Double Cage (circle) NO YES	Own Cage (circle) 61 69 76
EXHIBIT 4 Name & Registration no:	sex (circle) Male Female Neuter Spay	Rings Entered (circle) 1 2 3 ALL
Other Classes entered: please PRINT the titles of the classes entered e.g. HEAD TYPE,	Double Cage (circle) NO YES	Own Cage (circle) 61 69 76