

BIRMAN CAT FANCIERS OF QLD INC
(Affiliated with Queensland Feline Association Inc)



30th Annual Three Ring Allbreeds Cat Show & Birman Speciality Ring - Saturday 8th May 2021
Narangba Community Centre, 227-229 Mackie Road, Narangba Qld 4504

Doors open from 7.00am – 8.00am **JUDGING STARTS AT 8.30am - Limit of 130 Entries**

This Event is a Category 3 COVID Safe Event, strictly follows the COVID Safe Events Checklist, and has been issued with a COVID statement of compliance

More details can be found at: https://www.covid19.qld.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0018/132570/industry-framework-covid-safe-events.pdf

By entering this show, you are agreeing that you have read the COVID Safe Plan and that you will comply with the requirements described in it. (Pages 3, 4 and 5 of this Schedule)

PLEASE NOTE:

- The Birman Cat Show 2021 is **not** open to the general public and entry is only available to the registered exhibitors, invited judges and invited volunteers.
- All participants will be required to answer a questionnaire and have their temperatures taken on arrival (This will be a non-contact activity.)
- Masks may be required subject to current Queensland Government requirements on show day

If you would like to request a large cage for your exhibit, you will need to contact the Show Manager for approval prior to entering. **See COVID Plan for more details.**

CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES – Midnight Friday 23th April 2021

	Longhair	Shorthair	Companions
Ring 1	Christine Tomlinson (NSW CFA)	Phillipa Perkins (NSW CFA)	Phillipa Perkins (NSW CFA)
Ring 2	Marisa Thistlewaite (QFA)	Jocene Vallack (FCCQ)	Jocene Vallack (FCCQ)
Ring 3	Janis Christison (QFA)	Nick Tricarico (QFA)	Nick Tricarico (QFA)

BEST EXHIBIT IN EACH RING WILL BE AWARDED BY EACH JUDGE.

SUPREME COMPANION WILL BE AWARDED BY CHRISTINE TOMLINSON (NSW CFA)

BIRMAN SPECIALITY RING – Nick Tricarico (QFA)
Top 10 Birman Kittens Cats & Desexed (numbers permitting)
Top 10 Overall Birman Exhibits

AWARDS	Top 10 Kitten, Top 10 Cat, Top 10 Desexed (numbers permitting) Top 5 Companions
ENTRY FEES	First & Second Entries: \$32.00 for all rings Subsequent exhibits: \$30.00 for all rings
Litters Under/4 months	\$30.00 per litter with individual kittens judged FREE per kitten
Catalogue	\$8.00 (order with entry only)
Advertising	\$10.00 per page, \$5.00 half page (Completed copy ready for printing to be sent with entry)
QFA Small Cage Hire	\$14.00 (includes full disinfecting)
Raffle	\$1.00 per ticket or 6 for \$5.00 (no pre purchasing of tickets – on sale at show only)
Stalls (Own table supplied)	\$25.00 or a Donation (Additional cost for table hire)



Fees must accompany entries no later than 23 April 21 and must be done on the www.catshowsonline.com website

ENTRIES TO: SHOW SECRETARY

Leilani Stabe,

ONLINE SHOW ENTRIES TO BE SENT

TO: www.catshowsonline.com

Contact Phone 0448 186 796 (before 8.00pm)

To contact Leilani e-mail: ljestabe@telstra.com

SHOW MANAGER

Marie Mahoney

Contact Phone 0433 815 367 (before 8.00pm)

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Contact on Show Day: 0433 815 367

ASSISTANT SHOW MANAGER: Jacqueline Macartney

QFA SHOW REPRESENTATIVE/SAFETY COMMISSIONER: Denise Figg

NO EXHIBIT is permitted to leave the hall until the conclusion of the show which is after the Supreme Announcements

ALL EXHIBITS OVER THE AGE OF (FOUR) 4 MONTHS MUST BE REGISTERED

CLEAR PHOTOCOPIES OF THE REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE (AND VACCINATION CERTIFICATE FOR KITTENS) MUST BE SCANNED IN THE ENTRIES THAT ARE ENTERED IN THE CATSHOWSONLINE PROGRAM

(Please check your details, colour, sex, higher status is updated on your registration before entering as they must be correct on your exhibit's registration)

This event is not catered, please arrange your own food and beverages

Please bring your own seating

QFA SHOW RULES

This Show is conducted under the Rules and Regulations of the QFA Inc complete copy of the QFA Inc Rules will be available at the Show for exhibitors' perusal

GENERAL SHOW ADMINISTRATION

1. Entry fees must be paid when entering exhibits. No refunds will be made.
2. An exhibit which is withdrawn after entries close, up to and including on show day, must be withdrawn from all rings.
3. The Club reserves the right to refuse any entry and refund any fees paid.
4. The Club reserves the right to replace contracted judges or appoint additional judges if required.
5. **When entering a show the exhibitor agrees to the following Exhibitors Declaration: "I hereby declare that the particulars contained herein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and enter exhibit/s at my own risk. I declare that I am the bonafide Owner or Lessee and agree to abide by the Rules of QFA Inc. under which this Show is conducted. None of my exhibits or any of the cats/kittens residing in my home and/or cattery has been affected by, or in contact with, an infectious/contagious disease or illness within thirty (30) days prior to this Show."**
6. Clubs must nominate a Member of the Executive or Delegate or a judge of QFA Inc to act as QFA Inc Representative at QFA Inc. Shows, such representatives to be noted on Show Schedules.
7. All complaints regarding the Show must be in writing and accompanied by a fee of twenty (\$20.00) dollars and in the hands of the Show Manager within seven (7) days of the Show. Fees are refundable if upheld. No complaint against the running of the Show will be entertained by QFA Inc unless lodged in accordance with this Rule.
8. **If a cat is "NE" (Not Entered) in a ring on the day of a show and is judged by mistake then the top 10/15 placings can be adjusted immediately by the show secretary on the day. If the error is picked up later at any stage in that show season then the COTY points must be altered accordingly within that show season, being Jan - Nov.**
9. No exhibit can be removed from the Show or from their designated (by the Show Manager) cage, to another without the consent of the Show Manager. EXHIBITS CANNOT LEAVE SHOW CAGE UNTIL ALL JUDGING IS FINALISED.
10. All reasonable care will be taken of exhibits, QFA Inc and organizing Clubs, their Officials and Members accept NO responsibility for any loss or damage to any person, feline or property.
11. Any Judge appointed to judge at QFA Inc sanctioned shows may not judge an exhibit bred by them self unless a period of six (6) months has elapsed since the exhibit left their residence.
12. Any judge who is active on the floor of the Show may exhibit in any Section or Ring other than the one in which they are judging. Judges may act as Stewards at OPEN SHOWS only. Judges are permitted to bench their own exhibits but must bench early and leave the cage area immediately.

REGISTRATION OF EXHIBITS

13. A photocopy of the certificate of registration and pedigree for each exhibit must accompany the completed entry. The only exception is for kittens under the age of four (4) months where registration is pending. In this situation, the relevant details must be filled in on the entry.
14. All exhibits (except Companions) over the age of four (4) months MUST be registered, and registration number included with the entry. All pedigreed exhibits domiciled in Queensland (except in joint interstate prefixes), MUST be registered with a recognized Queensland Governing Body. Only the Queensland registration number will be accepted. (ACF Inc/CCCA Inc recognized throughout Australia). For local, interstate or overseas transfers "Upon the sale, exchange, lease or gift of a cat for breeding/exhibiting, the transfer of ownership section on the original certificate must be lodged with the Registrar WITHIN TWO (2) CALENDAR MONTHS of such disposition".
15. Entries to QFA Inc sanctioned shows for exhibits registered with any other Australian body other than ACF or CCCA affiliates must be accompanied by a 4, generation pedigree. Entries must be received in sufficient time to allow the registrar to verify that the exhibit pedigree conforms to ACF breeding guidelines
16. All Burmese and Tonkinese entries to QFA Inc sanctioned shows (including kittens under 4 months of age) registered with a body other than QFA must be accompanied by a 4, generation pedigree. Entries must be received in sufficient time to allow the registrar to verify that the exhibit pedigree conforms to ACF breeding guidelines.
17. Age of each exhibit will be calculated to be the actual age on the day of Show or the first day of a multi-day show.
18. No kitten under twelve (12) weeks is permitted to be shown.
19. Kittens may be reclassified before judging or during the first ring of judging with the owner's consent on the understanding that the kitten cannot be changed again for the duration of the show.
20. All exhibits must be entered in Show with information (including colour and pattern) as detailed on their registration certificate. Exhibits must be judged according to this information. Adult exhibits (9 months and over) CANNOT be reclassified for colour or pattern prior to judging on the day or during judging BUT ONLY AFTER all the judging is completed. Reclassification may then be made after examination and agreement by three (3) QFA Inc judges.
21. Companion exhibits over the age of four (4) months must be desexed.
22. Exhibition of Breed Development Program exhibits to be in accordance with the current QFA Inc Regulations and By-laws.

HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE OF CATS

23. All exhibits must be currently vaccinated to enter in a QFA Inc. sanctioned show. Every kitten entered in the show or on exhibition must have had at least one F3 (or equivalent) vaccination not less than 7 days prior to the show and a copy of its current vaccination certificate must be provided with the entry. The vaccination certificate or documentation must be signed by the person who administered the vaccine and include the vaccine sticker label with date given and the kitten's breed, colour, sex and DOB.
24. All exhibits must have claws clipped (front and back).
25. All exhibits must be brought to the Show in suitable container, not on leashes or carried in arms.
26. When benching time is listed on Schedule, exhibits MUST be benched by advertised time. If exhibitor arrives after stipulated time, and judging has commenced, exhibitor must forfeit being judged in that Ring and wait until the judge has completed the Finals in that ring, before benching their exhibit/s.
27. Where a QFA Show has no vetting; the show committee reserves the right to remove any exhibit that is NOT IN SHOW CONDITION. Or
28. Where a QFA show has vetting any exhibit, which is, in the opinion of the veterinarian, unfit for exhibition, will be removed from the hall immediately. If, in the opinion of the veterinarian, it is so desirable, all exhibits from the same cattery shall be banned from attending the show. THE VETERINARIAN'S DECISION IS FINAL.
29. Female cats in kitten or lactating queens without their Litters MUST NOT BESHOWN.
30. Unilateral or bilateral cryptorchids over the age of nine (9) months, vasectomized males, or females which have undergone tubal ligation, must not be shown. Any person who knowingly contravenes this Rule will have their exhibit disqualified and all entry fees forfeited.

31. Litter trays may be left in cages for kittens up to 4 (four) months of age during judging.
32. There must not be any objects in the cage that will identify the owner of the exhibit.
33. Litter Classes at QFA shows are optional and is up to individual clubs.
34. Litters requiring hire cages will automatically receive a second adjoining cage at no extra cost. If the Dam of such Litter is being exhibited, she may only be placed in with her Litter after judging or between Rings.
35. Only one exhibit may be benched per cage unless entered in a litter.
36. Tattoos (on desexed exhibits only) or microchips under the skin will not penalize an exhibit.
37. Cages must be kept clean by exhibitors prior to and after judging. No food to be left in cages until judging is completed for the day.
38. Exhibitor owned cages must be fitted with suitable solid barriers on both sides and back to prevent direct contact between benched cats.

COMPETING FOR AWARDS

39. Exhibits registered as AOC/AOV in accordance with current ACF standards may be entered in QFA Inc shows but will not be eligible for challenges, best of breed, ACF awards, Top 10 placings or COY awards.
40. Breeds and or colours and or patterns that are not recognised by QFA Inc may not be entered in a QFA Inc show.
41. Neuter or Spay (desexed) kittens under the age of nine (9) months will compete with entire kittens in age classes and for Best in Show Awards.
42. Any unregistered kittens under 4 months shown without a name will not be eligible for QFA COTY or Best of Breed points.
43. All adult cats with the exception of Gold Double Grand Champions, Platinum, Sapphire, Ruby, Emerald, and Diamond Double Grand Champions, compete together for one challenge in the Open Class for each breed/colour, Male-Female- Neuter-Spay.
44. Companion exhibits will compete in colour classes. Companion adult exhibits must be registered as Companions to be eligible for award certificates towards titles of Champion and higher which will be attained in the same manner as pedigreed exhibits. Adult Companions will compete in Neuter-Spay classes only.
45. Gold Double Grand Champions of each Group (Longhair and Shorthair and Companion in metropolitan shows; Groups 1, 2, 3 and 4 for northern shows) compete together for one certificate in Male-Female-Neuter-Spay. Platinum, Sapphire, Ruby, Emerald and Diamond Double Grand Champions of each Group (as above) compete together for one challenge in Male-Female-Neuter-Spay.
46. ACF Award Certificates may only be awarded to the Best Male - Female - Neuter - Spay of each Group (Groups 1, 2 and 3 for both metropolitan and northern shows)
47. ACF Companion Award Certificates may only be awarded to the highest placed adult exhibit in the Top 3 that comply with their registering body's companion rules and where there is a minimum of 3 adult companions present.
48. In the event of a 'Withheld Challenge' in an Open Class or first place declined in a Kitten Class, then no Best in Section or Best of Breed shall be awarded if that exhibit is the sole entry in its' Breed/Colour Section.
49. The judge's decision as to the quality of the exhibit is final. The judge is empowered to withhold any award in any class or Special Award if, in the judges' opinion, the exhibit does not possess sufficient merit.
50. The following Awards MUST be made at QFA Inc Shows in each Group - BEST - RESERVE - THIRD BEST CATS, KITTENS and DESEXED. RESERVE CHALLENGE winners should also be noted in the event of a protest or other Show Rule anomaly.

FRACTIOUS CATS

51. No cat is to be entered in Shows if it has a history of fractious behaviour. It is the Exhibitors' Duty of Care not to expose any judge or official to injury by any exhibit. Judges are not required to restrain or judge any exhibit showing any signs of aggression.
52. Exhibits may only be handled by the owner, at the invitation of the judge unless the show has been approved as an owner/handler show. All exhibitors at these shows must record their name and sign the insurance book provided by the club to ensure they are covered under the QFA Voluntary worker's insurance policy.
53. An Exhibit which is unable to be handled due to aggression and therefore marked Barred for Life (BFL - Barred for Life): deliberate biting or attacking of a judge, steward or any other person. No further judging or showing of the exhibit will take place. The steward must immediately report this to the Show Manager and the QFA Inc. Representative who will immediately record this by completing and signing a QFA Inc. BFL Notification Form which the judge and owner/exhibitor must also sign immediately. One part of the form must then be handed to the owner/exhibitor and the other part must be attached to the QFA Inc. Representative's Show Report. A red BFL tag will be immediately attached to the exhibit's cage by show personnel so that no following judge or show personnel will attempt to handle the exhibit. The exhibit will be banned from showing for life and the owner will also be notified in writing by QFA Inc. following the show and no appeal will be considered. This is for reasons of insurance as well as the cat's welfare. QFA Inc. will notify ACF, CCCA and all Queensland councils.
54. An exhibit which acts less aggressively but is not able to be effectively judged/assessed and therefore marked Unable to be Judged (UTJ - Unable to be Judged) must be immediately reported by the steward to the Show manager who will ensure that a yellow UTJ tag is immediately attached to the exhibit's cage to warn following judges and show personnel. An exhibit marked UTJ is not automatically disqualified from further rings and such warnings alone will not result in barring from shows.

EXHIBITOR BEHAVIOUR AND ETIQUETTE

55. Unless the owner is called upon by the judge to do so, exhibitors must not discuss with the judge their exhibit whilst it is being judged on the table.
56. Any person/persons who, by their actions or words, intimidate any judge, show official, or any other person/persons at or in the vicinity of the show hall are liable to disciplinary action.
57. Mobile phones must be in Silent Mode during judging.
58. No flash cameras to be used within the show hall without the express permission of the Show Manager.
59. No ribbons, prize cards, certificates etc. are to be displayed during judging, or any won at previous shows displayed.
60. No alcohol is allowed to be consumed in the show hall

GROOMING IN SHOW HALL

61. No powder, aerosol sprays or Methylated Spirits are allowed in the vicinity of the cages. Exhibitors or handlers must not use talcum powder or other like substances on an exhibit while it is caged or in vicinity of other cages.
62. Judges shall be instructed to disqualify an exhibit upon which there is colouring matter or powder residue.
63. Exhibits cannot be groomed during judging while the judge is in the Ring (Stewards cleaning after an exhibit's mishap not included in this Rule). If mishap occurs QFA Inc Show Representative must be informed.

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(As at 7 April 2021)

COVID SAFE PLAN - IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THIS SHOW

1. This show is being run as a COVID Safe Event.
2. By entering this show, you are agreeing that you have read the COVID Safe Plan and that you will comply with the requirements described in it.
3. Any exhibitor who at any time does not comply with the requirements in the COVID Safe Plan or fails to comply with a direction of a show official during the show, may be asked to leave the show hall with their exhibit(s) immediately, with all awards and prizes forfeited.
4. There may be a limit of exhibit numbers able to be accepted for this show.
5. There is a limit on the number of people allowed in the show hall, in line with Queensland Government requirements. As such, the show may not be open to the general public in which event entry is only available to the registered exhibitor/s, invited judges and invited volunteers. If a registered exhibitor/s requires another person to assist, please contact the show management to arrange details.
6. The show management reserves the right to change any requirements or processes relating to the show at any time and without consultation with exhibitors. Exhibitors will be advised as soon as possible if any requirements change.
7. If instructed by the Queensland Government, the show can be cancelled at any time up to and including the day of the show, or while the show is underway. Should the show need to be cancelled for any reason, entry fees will be refunded in full.

Before you enter any exhibits, please consider the following information that has been put together in order to make the show pleasant for everyone.

This will be an open show and exhibitors will be allowed in the show hall throughout the day and will be able to watch their exhibit(s) being judged whilst maintaining required physical distancing.

Please follow the guidelines in the show hall to comply with requirements relating to physical distancing.

PLEASE:

1. Display patience at all times during the show to each and every person in the hall
2. Follow the directions of Show personnel at all times
3. Observe current physical distancing requirements at all times (1.5m)
4. Sanitise your hands regularly

If you feel that you cannot accept these requirements then you should not enter this show.

General

1. Exhibitors are requested to bring their own fold out chairs and set their chair up so as to maintain required physical distancing.
2. The 2 square metre rule applies in the show hall.
3. Judging bays may be assigned designated show personnel who will be available to ensure that all facets of the show are managed in accordance with COVID Safe requirements. You must follow their direction at all times.
4. Before entering the hall exhibitors will sanitise hands – hand sanitisation stations will be set up throughout the hall.
5. As per COVID Safe Events checklist, the toilets will be cleaned as necessary throughout the day, please remain patient if the cleaning is in progress.
6. The event is not catered, please bring your own food and beverages or visit local shops/cafes.

Entries

1. Exhibitors are limited to the name/s on their pedigrees and one other person if pre-arranged.

2. All entry payments will be via www.catshowsonline.com, pay on the day will not be accepted.
3. Owing to venue spacing **only very large cats will be allowed large cages. No other exhibits will be permitted in large cages – no exceptions.**
4. All participants (exhibitors, judges and volunteers) will need to “check in” upon arrival.

Non-Contact Temperature may be taken.

All entering will confirm their name, physical address/phone number and declare that:

- They don't have any symptoms associated with COVID 19 (e.g. fever, cough, sore throat, shortness of breath, sneezing/runny nose or loss of sense of smell)
- They don't have COVID 19 nor are waiting on results of COVID 19 test.
- They have not been in contact with any known or suspected cases of COVID 19 in the past 14 days.
- They have not returned, or been in contact with anyone else who has returned, from overseas in the past 14 days.
- They have not visited a COVID 19 spot in the past 14 days.

Benching and set-up

1. Exhibitors will be emailed their benching slips prior to the event. *Please ensure your email address is correct on www.catshowsonline.com*
2. Exhibitors being admitted to the hall must comply with 1.5m physical distancing. There will be markers on the floor inside the venue to assist with compliance.
3. When benching exhibits please show courtesy in being mindful that fellow exhibitors also need time and sufficient physical distancing to bench their exhibits.

Judging

1. Judges may be requested to steward their assigned exhibits where they feel comfortable doing so.
2. Show personnel will assist or arrange assistance for Judges with any queries relating to the exhibits or judging processes; to provide refreshments; and to provide any other assistance required.
3. Show personnel in the bay will manage any attention to the exhibits when required during judging. This may include placing or removing a litter tray or similar requirement. Only Show personnel and the Judge may be present in the bay during judging unless circumstances require otherwise.
4. Show personnel may permit exhibitors to enter the bay to attend to exhibits between judging whilst maintaining required physical distancing.
5. Judges may, at their discretion, call exhibitors into the bay to present their cats for their top awards. The judge should call no more than three (3) exhibitors into the bay at any time, and all must maintain required physical distancing.

End of show and departure

1. ***Challenge Certificates, Award of Merits and ACF Awards will be emailed to exhibitors as soon as possible and usually within 7 days of the end of show.***
2. Exhibitors are not permitted to depart the show hall until after completion of show presentations.