

BIRMAN CAT FANCIERS OF QLD INC

(Affiliated with Queensland Feline Association Inc)



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27th Annual All Breeds Cat Show & Birman Specialty Ring
BRACKEN RIDGE STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Saturday 13th May 2017

Barfoot Street, Bracken Ridge

Doors open from 7:30am – 8:30am JUDGING STARTS AT 9:00am

Entries Close 28th April 2017

	Longhair	Shorthair	Companions
Ring 1	Lyll Payne (NZCF)	Allan Raymond (CFA)	Lyll Payne (NZCF)
Ring 2	Sue Thompson (FCCV)	Maureen Norberry (NSW CFA)	Sue Thompson (FCCV)
Ring 3	Michael Bowra (QFA)	Barbara LaRocca (QFA)	Bev Wiles (QFA)
Supreme	BEST EXHIBIT IN EACH RING WILL BE AWARDED BY EACH JUDGE. SUPREME COMPANION WILL BE AWARDED BY Allan Raymond		
BIRMAN SPECIALTY RING – Judy Lewis (QFA)			
Top 10 Birman Kittens Cats & Desexed		Top 10 Supreme Birman Exhibits	Birman side classes
BEST DECORATED CAGE			
<u>AWARDS</u>	Top 15 Kitten	Top 10 Cat and Desexed	Top 5 Companions
	Best decorated cage depicting 50 years of Birman in Australia		
<u>ENTRY FEES</u>	1 st entry \$32.00 for all rings or \$12.00 per ring	2 nd entry \$30.00 for all rings or \$11.00 per ring	
	3 rd entry \$28.00 for all rings or \$10.00 per ring	4 th entry + \$25.00 for all rings or \$9.00 per ring	
Litters Under 4 months	\$25.00 per litter with individual kittens judged \$6.00 per kitten		
Catalogue	\$7.00 (order with entry only)		
Advertising	\$10.00 per page, \$5.00 half page (Completed copy ready for printing to be sent with entry)		
QFA Cage Hire	\$10.00		
Raffle	\$1.00 per ticket		
Exhibition Space	\$10.00 (must provide own cage or hire QFA cage for an additional \$10.00)		
Stalls (Own table)	\$25.00 or a Donation (Additional \$10 cost for table hire)		

Fees must accompany entries no later than 28th April 2017. Please make cheques payable to Birman Cat Fanciers of Queensland Inc. Scanned registrations by email accepted. Bank details for direct dep: BSB: 034080 Acct No: 165926. **Please identify deposit by exhibitor's surname and BCFQ Show.**

SHOW SECRETARY

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SHOW MANAGER

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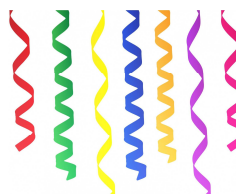
QFA REP: TBA

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

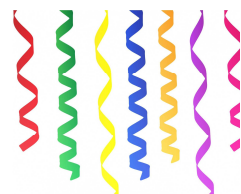
CLEAR PHOTOCOPIES OF THE REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE MUST ACCOMPANY ENTRIES AND ATTACHED TO THE SUMMARY FORM BELOW

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



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Catering by Carolyn's



QFA SHOW RULES

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

GENERAL SHOW ADMINISTRATION

1. Fees must accompany the Entry Form. Entries not shown MUST be paid for. No refunds will be made. Cheques etc. MUST be drawn in the favour of the Club or Body conducting the Show.
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.
4. The Club reserves the right to replace contracted judges or appoint additional judges if required.
5. The entry Form itself must contain an 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. 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.
9. 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.
10. 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.
11. 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

12. A photocopy of the certificate of registration and pedigree for each exhibit must accompany the completed entry form. 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 form.
13. All exhibits (except Companions) over the age of four (4) months MUST be registered, and registration number listed on the Entry Form. 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".
14. 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 exhibits pedigree conforms to ACF breeding guidelines
15. 13a. 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 exhibits pedigree conforms to ACF breeding guidelines.
16. 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.
17. **No kitten under twelve (12) weeks is permitted to be shown.**
18. 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.
19. 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
20. Companion exhibits over the age of six (6) months must be desexed.
21. Exhibition of Experimental Programme and Sub-Register Exhibits to be in accordance with the current QFA Inc. Regulations and By-laws.

HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE OF CATS

22. 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 form.** 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.
23. All exhibits must have claws clipped (front and back).
24. All exhibits must be brought to the Show in suitable container, not on leashes or carried in arms.
25. 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 particular Ring, before benching their exhibit/s.
26. Where a QFA Show has no vetting; the show committee reserves the right to remove any exhibit that is **NOT IN SHOW CONDITION. Or**
27. 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.**
28. Female cats in Kitten or lactating queens without their Litters MUST NOT BE SHOWN.
29. Unilateral or bilateral cryptorchidism 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.
30. **Litter trays may be left in cages for kittens up to 4 (four) months of age** during judging.
31. There must not be any objects in the cage that will identify the owner of the exhibit.
32. Litter Classes at QFA shows are optional and is up to individual clubs.

33. 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.
34. Only one exhibit may be benched per cage unless entered in a litter.
35. Tattoos (on desexed exhibits only) or microchips under the skin will not penalize an exhibit.
36. 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.
37. 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

38. 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.
39. Breeds and/or colours and/or patterns that are not recognised by QFA Inc may not be entered into a QFA Inc. show.
40. 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.
41. Any unregistered kittens under 4 months shown without a name will not be eligible for QFA COTY or Best of Breed points.
42. All adult cats except for 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.
43. 37a. 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.
44. 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.
45. ACF 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)
46. **ACF Companion Award Certificates may only be awarded to the Best in Show adult minimum of 5 adult companions present.**
47. 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.
48. 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.
49. 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

50. No cat is to be entered into a Show 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.
51. 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.
52. An Exhibit which is Unable to be handled (UTH): deliberate biting or attacking of a judge, steward or any other person. No further judging or showing of this cat will take place. The steward must report this to the show manager or QFA Inc. representative who will record this by completing a QFA UTH Report. The cat will be banned from showing for life. CCCA, ACF and all Queensland councils will be notified of this decision in writing by the QFA Inc. secretary. The owner must be notified in writing and no appeal will be considered. This is for reasons of insurance as well as the cat's welfare.
53. An exhibit, which acts less aggressively but is not able to be effectively judged/assessed will be issued with an Unable to be Judged (UTJ) warning and a yellow card will be placed on its cage to warn following judges and personnel of the situation. An exhibit issued with a yellow card is not automatically disqualified from further rings on the day and these warnings alone will not result in barring from shows.

EXHIBITOR BEHAVIOUR AND ETIQUETTE

54. 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
55. 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.
56. Mobile phones must be in Silent Mode during judging.
57. No flash cameras to be used within the show hall without the express permission of the Show Manager.
58. No ribbons, prize cards, certificates etc. are to be displayed during judging, or any won at previous shows displayed.
59. No Alcohol can be consumed in the Show Hall

GROOMING IN SHOW HALL

60. No powder, aerosol sprays or Methylated Spirits are allowed near 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.
61. Judges shall be instructed to disqualify an exhibit upon which there is colouring matter or powder residue.
62. 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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BIRMAN CAT FANCIERS CLUB QLD INC.

Exhibitors please complete all details and ensure all information is legible to reduce errors in transcribing information.

EXHIBITOR'S 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 have been affected by, or in contact with, an infectious/contagious disease or illness within thirty (30) days prior to this Show.

Payment method:

Acct Name: Birman Cat Fanciers of Qld Inc.

BSB: 034-080

Acct No: 165926

Quote: Surname/ show entry

Entries:	\$ _____ .00
Catalogue:	\$ _____ .00
Advertising:	\$ _____ .00
Exhibition cage:	\$ _____ .00
Raffle: \$1 ea.	\$ _____ .00
Small Hire Cage \$10	\$ _____ .00
Total	\$ _____ .00
Payment Method	

I am willing to assist at the show (Please Circle) STEWARD TICKET WRITER ON THE DOOR

Special requests: _____

Signature: _____

Exhibitor Name: _____ Phone No: _____

Address: _____ Postcode: _____

Email Address: _____

EXHIBITOR'S ENTRY SUMMARY (please also write your name here)

Exhibitor's Name:		Catalogue: YES		
Cage No (Office Use)	Name of Exhibit/s (please use registered name)	Kitten/Cat Desexed or Companion	Rings Entered 1,2,3 or All	Cage: Sml or Lrge? Own or Hire?

**Please Note: ALL EXHIBITS AGED 4 MONTHS OR OVER MUST BE REGISTERED
CLEAR PHOTOCOPIES OF REGISTRATIONS TO BE ATTACHED TO THE SUMMARY FORM**

