

# THE BIRMAN CAT CLUB OF AUSTRALIA INC

(Affiliated with NSW Cat Fanciers Association Inc.)

## 44<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW FOR 2025

3 Ring Open Style Show for Group 1 Exhibits

featuring a Birman Challenge Ring

Open Entry - Open to All CCCA, ACF and ANCATS members

**SUNDAY 15 JUNE 2025**

**Camden Show Hall**



191-195 Argyle Street Camden NSW 2570

Please note the hall is NOT heated.

**VETTING: 8.30AM TO 9.30AM**

**ENTRIES CLOSE: 1 JUNE 2025**

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

All entry fees to be paid in full at time of entering. No entry payments will be taken on the day.

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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 - [www.nswcfa.asn.au](http://www.nswcfa.asn.au)

## JUDGING ASSIGNMENTS

Each judge in Rings 1, 2 and 3 will present their Best Exhibit in Show  
Carol Cootes will present her Best Birman Kitten, Cat and Desexed & followed by her overall  
Supreme Birman Exhibit in Show

Ring 1 All Exhibits	Troy Willems (FCCV)
Ring 2 All Exhibits	Debbie Cameron (CATS NSW)
Ring 3 All Exhibits	Jenny Weekes (CATS NSW)
Birman Challenge Ring	Carol Cootes (CCI)

**\*\* Judging Assignments are subject to change as required \*\***

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## CLUB EXECUTIVE & SHOW PERSONNEL

President: Janet Doust	Vice President: Carol Cootes
Secretary: Michelle Grayson	Treasurer: Deborah Young

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Show Co-Ordinator:	Michelle Grayson
Floor Manager:	Stephanie Richards
Show Secretary:	Michelle Grayson. Ph: 0402 050520 or Email: mishgr@gmail.com
Stewards:	Delwyn Barnett, Barbara Farrugia, TBC
Card Writers:	TBC from show attendees (if required)
Veterinary Officer:	Dr Jenni Green
Veterinary Steward:	TBC
NSW CFA Rep:	TBC

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## AWARDS

TOP 5 male, female and desexed kittens	BEST Exhibit in Rings 1, 2 and 3
TOP 5 male, female, neuter, spay cats	BEST litter will be awarded in Ring 1 only.

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## BIRMAN SPECIALS - CHALLENGE RING & SIDE CLASSES

2023 Financial Birman Cat Club of Australia members will receive **FREE** entry into Birman Specialty Ring.

- Cost of entry to non-members is \$10.00 per exhibit.
- Side Classes - \$5 per side class OR 3 for \$10.00

Gloves and Gauntlets	Head Type	Eye Colour and Shape
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*Please mark the note side classes on entry form.*

## EXHIBITOR AND ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

### SHOW TIMES

Venue Open	8.00am
Line Vetting	8.30am to 9.30am
Judging Commences	10.00 am
Presentation	Approximately 3.00pm
Show Concludes	4.00pm

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

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**JUNIOR HANDLER** — Will be conducted at this show subject to the required consent forms being completed for eligible junior handlers.

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### CLASSES :

All eligible cats will be automatically entered into the relevant CCCA class. ANCATS are not eligible for this class.

#### KITTENS

Litter under 4 months  
Male Kitten under 9 months  
Female Kitten under 9 months  
Desexed Kitten under 9 months

#### CATS

Male Cat Open  
Female Cat Open  
Neuter Cat Open  
Spay Cat Open

#### CCCA CLASS

Male Cat  
Female Cat  
Neuter Cat  
Spay Cat

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**VACCINATIONS** - Commencing in September 2021, exhibitors will be required to provide proof of vaccination of their adult cats when they are entered in shows. The minimum requirement will be a Feline 3 vaccination administered within the three year period prior to the show date.

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**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)

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**CANCELLATIONS** - We ask for your co-operation in notifying the Show Secretary, where possible, of any cancellations before 1.00pm on Friday 13 June 2025 on 0402 050520 via text or email to mishgr@gmail.com

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**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.

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**CATERING** — Catering for exhibitors will NOT be available. We hope you will buy local from one of the many businesses near the venue.

# **EXHIBITOR INFORMATION AND ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

## **MEMBERSHIP STATUS:**

All exhibitor's resident in NSW must be current financial members of NSWCFCA, except when the show is an Open Entry show where Cats NSW and ANCATS members may exhibit. New exhibitors' resident in NSW may show three times as non-members provided their exhibits are registered in their name with NSWCFCA. 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 current official NSWCFCA Entry Form (available from the NSWCFCA website) 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. **All exhibits must conform to CCCA Breed Standards.**

## **COMPLAINTS & DISPUTES:**

Show Procedure 1.3 requires that any dispute arising from any aspect of the conduct of a show shall be referred to the Show Committee of the show prior to the conclusion of the show.

## **RETURNED CHEQUES:**

Should any cheque be returned unpaid, a bank cheque, money order, or EFT transfer will be required to ensure that the entry is processed, and the costs incurred by the club for the returned cheque shall be paid by the exhibitor.

## **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 unless arrangements have been made with the Show Secretary to provide the changes at a later date. No changes will be made to the catalogue or judging slips on the show day.

## **CLAWS TO BE CLIPPED:**

The front and back claws of each exhibit must be clipped. Judges may class an exhibit as Not in Show Condition (NSC) when the claws are not adequately clipped.

## **VETERINARY INSPECTION:**

Each exhibit must be inspected by and pass the Veterinary's 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 AND CATS:**

All kittens must be vaccinated and at least one vaccination must be administered by a qualified veterinary practitioner. Exhibitors must produce documentary evidence (valid vaccination certificate signed by a qualified vet) for each kitten, and a vaccination shall have been carried out not less than 14 days prior to the date of the show. Failure to produce a valid vaccination certificate at vetting may result in a single vet out for the kitten concerned. (See also Show Procedure 6.3 c.)

Clause 6.3 of NSWCFCA Show Procedures relating to vaccination requirements for exhibits over 9 months has been updated. All cats (ie exhibits 9 months and over) must have had a Feline 3 vaccination administered within a period of not more than 3 years prior to the date of the show. This is a minimum requirement.

## **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 in consultation with the Show Representative may request the removal of any such exhibit from the show.

## **NSWCFCA 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 NSWCFCA financial member throughout the year. Points are awarded based on the Top Five results at a show – 1<sup>st</sup> -10pts; 2<sup>nd</sup> – 7pts; 3<sup>rd</sup> - 4pts; 4<sup>th</sup> – 2pts; 5<sup>th</sup> – 1pt.

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 NSW CFA 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 NSW CFA Office within 4 weeks of the date of transfer, otherwise note 1 shall apply.

Note 3. Where an interstate, Cats NSW, or ANCATS exhibit gains a Top Five placing, then that placing remains awarded to that exhibit and the placing of NSW CFA exhibits is not altered.



## Troy Willems (FCCV)

Born and raised in Queensland, I have always been an avid animal lover, with a particular passion for cats. My childhood was filled with the joy of raising an array of pets, from dogs and cats to guinea pigs, birds, and even tropical fish. Our family pets were always lovingly adopted, regardless of breed, and they became cherished members of our household.

In 2005, my life took an exciting turn when I stumbled upon an article about Bengal cats. the concept of these domesticated hybrids with Asian Leopard

Cat lineage instantly captivated me. Following extensive research, I knew I had to introduce these magnificent felines into my life. In early 2006, I joined the FCCV as a breeder, operating under the Voodoocatz prefix, and soon acquired my first breeding pair.

My journey into the world of cat shows began in late 2006, showcasing my first male. Although he was not suited for the show bench, I persevered and found success with my home-bred show cat, Voodoocatz Khanji. Khanji possessed the perfect temperament and thoroughly enjoyed every aspect of the show circuit, eventually achieving the prestigious titles of CCCA Champion and Emerald Grand Champion.

Alongside my involvement as a breeder and exhibitor, I delved into the world of cat stewardship with the FCCV, where I had the privilege of working with esteemed domestic and international judges. An exciting opportunity to undertake the Group 2 & Group 3 in January 2017, and I relish the opportunity to evaluate short-haired cats at events nationwide.

During 2023 I took my judging knowledge to the next level to become an All Breeds judge and successfully completed my Group 1 theory judging requirements. Once I successfully complete my Longhair probationary statue I will be able to continue my career as an All Breeds Judge across local, interstate and international assignments.

My journey from a childhood surrounded by beloved family pets to a dedicated judge in the world of feline beauty and grace has been a remarkable and fulfilling one.

## Debbie Cameron (CATS NSW)

I feel like a kindred spirit with cats. They are so unique, small and large, domestic or wild but each with its own personality.

I was introduced to the cat fancy by my mum who bred Persians and after becoming a Steward at 16, moved forward after some years breeding and showing Persians of the Chinchilla/ Shaded, Golden, Smokes, Bi-colours and Pointed variety.

My daughter, Jess, is now also involved but she chose the bounce of the Singapura, showing and breeding for a short time and now lives happily with them following her from room to room.

I have held a number of positions in different Clubs, served on the NSW Governing body in an Executive role, run consultations with the cat fancy and supported campaigns around the cat fancy and responsible cat ownership and related regulations or potential changes in legislation.

I am an All-breeds Judge and Tutor Judge and have enjoyed my time within Australia and abroad- leaving from Sydney airport until the new airport is built in southwestern Sydney.

Working fulltime as a Business Development Manager in Allied Health, I enjoy spending time with the many friends I have made in my workplace, in the Cat Fancy and of course judging.

I love the time spent with each exhibit that all have something different to offer, and enjoy chatting with exhibitors whether they are knowledgeable about their breed or new to the cat fancy.





## Jenny Weekes (CATS NSW)

I have owned cats my entire life, starting with farm cats as a child.

I purchased my first pet Birman in 1990 and my first breeding Birman in 1994. With my husband Greg we have bred Birmans in Canberra, Townsville, Wellington (NZ) on the Gold Coast and now at Murrumbateman.

My first prefix – Kachin was granted in Canberra in 1994 and my current prefix, Sunsoar, was granted in 1997.

We have achieved many major awards at specialist and All Breed shows including Birman Cat Fanciers Qld Supreme Exhibit 2010 and 2012 and two Best Group 1 desexed at the ACF National 2016.

Following my retirement from the RAAF and moving to the Gold Coast in 2006, I was able to commence training to become a judge with QFA and gained my Companion licence in 2007 with QFA, followed by a Group 1 (Longhair) licence in 2009.

I became an All Breeds Judge in 2014.

Greg and I are enjoying our life in Murrumbateman and share our home with our Birmans, Bees and Alpacas.

Aside from my cat related activities I enjoy gardening, bee keeping, travelling and spending time with the grandchildren.

## Carol Cootes (CCI)

Nearly 30 years ago I managed to talk the family into taking me to a cat show. It was amazing to see the cats sitting in cages, it certainly was something different. When I saw my first Birman cat I fell in love. I was able to purchase my first Birman with no white feet, but managed to bring a brother and sister.

I joined the Birman Cat Club and the rest is history. I was given my first breeding cat from Liz Robinson. I then started my prefix Bindura Birmans. I started learning all I could about the cats, how shows were run and made good friends along the way. I started breeding in a small way as we had twin boys, one had a disability so we were busy with our young men. I started working in the disability field as a shift worker plus breeding the Birmans.

My next adventure was starting a new prefix in 2014, Babuschka Siberians. I acquired a Siberian girl from Marie Mahoney and a boy I imported from Irina Petrenko, to start breeding these very interesting cats.

I have been a senior steward for CCI for 25 years. I hold the position of President of the Birman Cat Club, committee member of CCI, and treasurer for Canberra Forest Cats Club. I am a trainee Group 1 judge as I want to learn more about the cats and what to look for in a cat as a judge and not as a breeder.



# Birman Cat Club of Australia Inc Show 2025

## Summary Sheet (please PRINT clearly)

Title.....Family Name.....First Name.....

Address.....

Suburb ..... NSW Postcode .....

Contact Phone No .....Email: .....

Number	\$
..... FIRST 3 Exhibits @ \$35.00 each for 3 rings	\$.....
..... 4th & Subsequent Exhibits @ \$20.00 each	\$.....
..... Birman Challenge Ring @ \$10.00 each (2024 Club Members Free Entry to this Ring)	\$.....
..... Litter Class @ \$10.00 each (1 RING) - (1 litter kitten must be entered individually)	\$.....
..... Individual Litter Kitten @ \$10.00 each (kitten age is 12 weeks)	\$.....
..... Birman Side Classes @ \$5.00 each or 3 for \$10.00	\$.....
..... Show Catalogue @ \$7.00	\$.....
..... On Exhibition @ \$8.00 (Judges Exhibits Free)	\$.....
..... Benching Fee \$8.00	\$.....
..... Donation to Trophy Fund	\$.....
<b>TOTAL ENCLOSED</b>	<b>\$.....</b>

### 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.

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 1 June 2025**

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

Ph: 0402 050520



# NSW C.F.A. Inc Show Entry Form (effective 2/2015)

PLEASE PRINT

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

## BIRMAN CAT CLUB OF AUSTRALIA INC. 2025 SHOW

..... Title	..... Family name	..... First Name	
..... Address	..... Suburb	..... State	..... Postcode
..... Email		..... Phone No.	
..... Your Registering Body (eg NSW CFA, FCCV, QFA, etc.)		..... Your Membership 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 and 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.
- 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 the 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

<b>EXHIBIT 1</b> - Name and registration no:	Sex (circle) Male   Female Neuter   Spay	Rings entered (circle) ALL 1 2 3
Other classes entered: Please print the title of the classes entered (eg. Head Type)		Own cage (circle) 61 69 76
<b>EXHIBIT 2</b> - Name and registration no:	Sex (circle) Male   Female Neuter   Spay	Rings entered (circle) ALL 1 2 3
Other classes entered: Please print the title of the classes entered (eg. Head Type)		Own cage (circle) 61 69 76
<b>EXHIBIT 3</b> - Name and registration no:	Sex (circle) Male   Female Neuter   Spay	Rings entered (circle) ALL 1 2 3
Other classes entered: Please print the title of the classes entered (eg. Head Type)		Own cage (circle) 61 69 76
<b>EXHIBIT 4</b> - Name and registration no:	Sex (circle) Male   Female Neuter   Spay	Rings entered (circle) ALL 1 2 3
Other classes entered: Please print the title of the classes entered (eg. Head Type)		Own cage (circle) 61 69 76





## NSW Cat Fanciers Association Junior Handler

### SHOW PROCEDURES – ATTACHMENT E

#### JUNIOR HANDLER

- The aim of this class is to encourage Junior Handlers & Exhibitors, whether they own a pedigree or domestic, to bench their cat and look after it at the show.
- A Junior Handler must be under the age of 18 years at the beginning of the calendar/show year.
- There are to be two age divisions - 6 to 12 years & 13 to 17 years.
- It is required that the parent/guardian accompany their child during the assessment at a discrete distance. It is at the parent/guardian discretion whether their child in the 6 to 12 yrs age division handle their own exhibit.
- Assessment to be based on
  - o General knowledge of their exhibit.
  - o How it was prepared prior to the show ie grooming.
  - o Knowledge of their chosen breed if a pedigree cat.
  - o General care, cat husbandry, exhibition cage preparation.
  - o Cat presentation and cleanliness
  - o Exhibits temperament
  - o 13 to 17 yr age division must handle and present their exhibit.
- The Junior Handler must be either a financial Junior Member OR part of a Family Membership.
- A Junior Handler does not have to own the cat which he/she exhibits and does not have to exhibit the same cat throughout the whole year.
- No charge is made for entering the Junior Exhibitor class.
- All Junior Handlers' cats must be entered in their normal open or age class.
- Junior Handlers are to be issued with their own vet slip which must be endorsed Junior Exhibitor. They must attend the show, take the cat through vetting, and bench their cat.
- All Junior Handlers' cats will be judged together irrespective of whether the cat is a pedigreed or not.
- First, second and third places will carry points which are awarded to the Junior Handler, and the points will accumulate during the year.
- The judge judging the challenge classes need not judge this class. However the challenge classes must be judged first.

#### NOTES:

- 1) Junior Handler is not a compulsory miscellaneous class.
- 2) NSW CFA will provide a form to be filled out for any participating show. The completed form is to be sent to the NSW CFA Office for end of year tally.
- 3) Regardless of the number of shows attended, the Junior Handler with the most points will be awarded the Junior Handler Award in each age division. There will be an overall Junior Handler based on the total number of points scored.

#### Point Score

1<sup>st</sup> = 10 points, 2<sup>nd</sup> = 7 points, 3<sup>rd</sup> = 4 points, 4<sup>th</sup> = 2 points, 5<sup>th</sup> = 1 point

### Consent for Child to Participate in the Junior Handler class.

This form must be used for all members entering the NSW CFA Junior class under the age of 18yrs.

<b>Show Information</b>	
Name of Show:	
Date of Show:	
Junior Handler Class:	6 to 12 yrs                      13 to 17 yrs
Tick which is applicable	
<b>Child's Information</b>	
Full Name:	Age:
Address:	Postcode:
Contact Phone Number:	
Relationship to Child:	
<b>Photography Consent *</b>	
I consent to photographs of my child to be reproduced and published without acknowledgement, remuneration or compensation on the NSW CFA web site, Facebook site, newsletter and the Catching Up magazine only.	
Signature:	
<b>Parent/Guardian Consent</b>	
<p>I agree and consent to my child (named above), participating in the above activity.          I am solely responsible for any injuries, losses, damages, costs and expenses sustained or incurred by the above named child as a direct or indirect result of that child's participation in the activity, to the extent permitted by law.          I agree to release and forever discharge NSW CFA, its officers, employees, volunteers and agents from all proceedings, demands and claims in relation to any injuries, losses, damages, costs and expenses of whatever description and however arising (including consequential loss) which the above named child may sustain or incur while at the show as a direct or indirect result of that child's participation in the activity.          I agree to indemnify and keep indemnified NSW CFA, its officers, employees, volunteers and agents from and against all liabilities, losses, damages, costs and expenses (including consequential loss) sustained or incurred by NSWCFCA as a direct or indirect result of the above named child's participation in the activity.</p>	
Signature of parent or guardian:	
Printed name of above:	
Date:	