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ADVANCE™ Sydney Royal Cat Show

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Proudly presented By Cats NSW Incorporated Good Friday 18 April 2025

Sydney Showground Sydney Olympic Park



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Welcome to the 2025 ADVANCE™ Sydney Royal Cat Show
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Thank you for entering the 2025 ADVANCE™ Sydney Royal Cat Show. This, our fourth year holding a show at the Sydney Royal Easter Show, is an important and special event that showcases some of the Best Pedigreed Cats, from both NSW and interstate. It gives those who enter the show, the opportunity to show off their achievements to a large and captivated audience. Cats NSW Incorporated looks forward to presenting the Royal competition and 2025 ADVANCE™ Sydney Royal Cat Show for 2025.

Our 2025, four ring show, will use a point scoring system for overall Best in Show. In order to qualify for consideration for Best in Show the Exhibit must have received a Supreme in Ring.

We acknowledge and thank all exhibitors, sponsors, judges and stewards for helping to make the show a success.

Jenny Weekes

Jenny Weekes
President, Cats NSW Inc

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AWARDS PERPETUAL TROPHIES

The purpose of competition at the Sydney Royal Easter Show is to encourage agricultural and pastoral excellence, ensuring the continual improvement of standards. In the 1870s the Society introduced regulations to govern judges and judging to ensure that competition was consistent and fair, and the tradition of Perpetual Trophies dates back to this time. The Perpetual Trophies are the most prestigious of all RAS awards. They have a dual function in recognising superior effort in competition and commemorating people and organisations that have had a long and meritorious connection with the Society. Some of the trophies currently competed for were first won in 1911. Winners of Perpetual Trophies are permanently honoured, taking their place alongside past winners and becoming part of the ongoing tradition of the RAS. The Perpetual Trophy Collection of the RAS is unique. It comprises a wide range of beautiful and elegant trophies that illustrate an extraordinary history of agricultural judging and the pursuit of excellence.

Perpetual Trophies remain the property of Cats NSW Incorporated and the RAS of NSW. Ownership of the Trophy does not pass to the winning Exhibitor.

The annual winner's name will be engraved on the Trophy. A medallion will be awarded to the winner in recognition of its achievement.

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The Searson Perpetual Trophy for Best in Show

will be presented on Good Friday 18th April 2025
by Cats NSW Incorporated.

The Best Exhibit in Show will be decided on a points system and will include only those exhibits who receive a Supreme in Ring. The points will be allocated as follows:

PEDIGREE

The Best Exhibit Overall in each Ring will compete for BEST in SHOW. Winner will be decided using the following points scoring system:

For each Best Exhibit in Group in each Ring	10 points
For each 1st placing in Top 5 in each Ring	5 points
For each 2nd placing in Top 5 in each Ring	4 points
For each 3rd placing in Top 5 in each Ring	3 points
For each 4th placing in Top 5 in each Ring	2 points
For each 5th placing in Top 5 in each Ring	1 point

The highest point scoring pedigree exhibit will be declared the
BEST in SHOW

COMPANION

The Best Exhibit Overall in each Ring will compete for BEST in SHOW. Winner will be decided using the following points scoring system:

For each Best Exhibit in Group in each Ring	10 points
For each 1st placing in Top 5 in each Ring	5 points
For each 2nd placing in Top 5 in each Ring	4 points
For each 3rd placing in Top 5 in each Ring	3 points
For each 4th placing in Top 5 in each Ring	2 points
For each 5th placing in Top 5 in each Ring	1 point

The highest point scoring companion exhibit will be declared the
BEST in SHOW

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The Dr Yvonne L McIntyre Memorial Trophy

For

Best Burmese Cat In Show

A medallion, supported by the RAS, for Best Burmese Cat in Show will be presented

The following Rosettes jointly sponsored
by CATS NSW Incorporated & RAS will
be presented”

1st Place Top 5

All Rings Groups 1, 2, 3, 4

Rosette/Sponsorship Prizes

2nd – 5th Place Top 5

All Rings Groups 1, 2, 3, 4

Rosette/Sponsorship Prizes

Best In Group

All Rings Groups 1, 2, 3

Rosette/Sponsorship Prizes

Supreme Companion Exhibit

Rosette/Sponsorship Prizes

Supreme Pedigree Exhibit All Rings

Rosette/Sponsorship Prizes

Best Pedigree Exhibit In Show

Rosette/Sponsorship Prizes

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We would like to acknowledge the following sponsors for generously supporting our show

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2025 ADVANCE™ SYDNEY ROYAL CAT SHOW

Held under the Rules and Regulations of Cats NSW Inc, in conjunction with the Australian Cat Federation. Entries are limited to 150.

DEFINITION OF GROUPS

Group 1

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Birman, Exotic Shorthair, Maine Coon, Nebelung, Neva Masquerade, Norwegian Forest Cat, Persian, Ragdoll, Siberian, Turkish Angora & Turkish Van.

Group 2

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Balinese, Foreign White Shorthair, Foreign White Longhair, Oriental Shorthair, Oriental Longhair, Peterbald, Siamese.

Group 3

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Abyssinian, American Curl Longhair, American Curl Shorthair, American Shorthair, Australian Mist, Bengal, Bombay, British Longhair, British Shorthair, Burmese (American), Burmese, Burmilla Longhair, Burmilla Shorthair, Cornish Rex, Cymric, Devon Rex, Egyptian Mau, Japanese Bobtail Longhair, Japanese Bobtail Shorthair, Korat, La Perm Longhair, La Perm Shorthair, Lykoi, Mandalay, Manx, Munchkin, Ocicat, Pixiebob Longhair, Pixiebob Shorthair, Russian, Scottish Fold Longhair, Scottish Fold Shorthair, Scottish Longhair, Scottish Shorthair, Selkirk Rex Longhair, Selkirk Rex Shorthair, Singapura, Snowshoe, Somali, Sphynx, Tonkinese, Toyger.

Group 4

Companion Cat or Kitten

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JUDGING

Judging will commence at 9am sharp.

PAVILION

The 2025 ADVANCE™ Sydney Royal Cat Show will be held in Hall 3 - Pet Pavilion. The Pavilion will be open to the public from 9am to 7pm.

EXHIBITION OF CATS

Cages are provided at the show, these are cleaned and disinfected. Please do not use any disinfectants in the cages as it may react with the material of the cage, which is fibreglass. All Exhibitors must supply a base of towelling or cotton measuring 560mm x 510mm. Plain coloured bases are permitted. Items such as lace, ribbon, cord, food bowls or soft toys must not be left in cages. Any items that could become entangled will be removed by the Chief Steward.

All Exhibits must remain in the Pavilion until 5pm. Only the Owner, or their representative, may remove the Exhibit at the end of the day.

VETTING

Vetting will be conducted from 6.30am to 8.15am. No late vetting will be conducted.

AMENDMENT TO JUDGING TIMETABLE

Cats NSW Incorporated reserves the right to change the Judging Timetable if necessary.

PARKING

Parking is not included with your ticket purchase. Parking must be purchased directly from Sydney Olympic Park Authority. The P1 car park is the only car park that can be used for access to the showground if you are walking in with your cats. We recommend that you book a spot early to avoid missing out.

<https://www.sydneyolympicpark.com.au/parking/>

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CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

Exhibitors must adhere to the Conditions of Entry to Sydney Showground located at www.rasnsw.com.au. The Application for Entry constitutes the whole agreement upon which Entries are submitted and the Exhibitor agrees that all representations and statements not appearing on the Application for Entry, are excluded. The Exhibitor certifies that each animal Exhibited by them or by their child/children/guardian is duly registered and either their property absolutely or is under their absolute care and control. The Exhibitor holds CATS NSW INC exempt from any liability in the event of any loss or damage from any cause whatsoever. A refund of Entry Fees shall not be made unless a notification of withdrawal is received by CATS NSW INC in writing before the closing Day of Entry. A refund will not be issued until all unused passes have been returned to Cats NSW INC. The RAS has the power to evict any Exhibitor from the Showground.

1. Fees must be paid with Entry. Fees are not refunded for Exhibits not shown.
2. All Exhibits must be under the Owners name. Cattery prefixes will not be accepted as Owners.
3. A copy of the registered pedigree must accompany the Application for Entry for each pedigree Exhibit entered. This includes online entries.
4. Exhibits will be judged under the breed standards of the Australian Cat Federation Inc. It is not however a requirement for Exhibitors to be a member of the Australian Cat Federation Inc.
5. COLOURS; Agouti is defined as Tabby.
6. Any protests must be in writing and lodged with the Cats NSW Inc, together with \$25 fee, within seven (7) days of the Show. Fee returnable if protest upheld.
7. A cat/kitten must be entered in all rings of the Show in the OPEN CLASS for adult cats and an AGE CLASS for kittens subject to the Schedule as classified.
8. A cat/kitten, other than an Exhibit, shall not be allowed in or within the precincts of a Show during the conduct of the Show, except on Exhibition.
9. All cats Exhibited at the Show must be fed by the Exhibitor and no foodstuffs are allowed in the cages prior to Judging.
10. Cats must be at Hall 3 - Pet Pavilion from 6.30am on Friday 18 April 2025 to 5.00pm Friday 18 April 2025.

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VETTING

11. No cat will be admitted to the Pavilion after 8.30am for examination by the Official Veterinarian of the RAS.
12. The vetting examination will take place in the Veterinarian's room in the Pavilion. Cats will not be examined inside the Pavilion. If approved, the cat must be benched at once. No person, except the Owner or their representative will be allowed in the Pavilion until after the cats have been examined and benched.
13. All Exhibits must be vaccinated. Vaccination must have been carried out no less than 14 days prior to the date of the Show. Exhibitors must have the current vaccination record available for each Exhibit at vetting.
14. Any Exhibit which shows symptoms of any disease, is flea infested and/or dirty must be removed from the Showground at once.
15. All Companion cats over the age of 6 months must be desexed.
16. Challenges will be awarded to Best Entire, Best Desexed in each colour section, only one Challenge or Best in Section will be awarded to Entire and Desexed cats or kittens in Other Colour Class.
17. No Exhibit shall be removed from the Pavilion between the hours of 9am and 5pm, unless a veterinary certificate be produced stating that the cat is not fit to remain on the bench, or is given special permission from the Chief Steward.
18. No cat or kitten shall be removed from its cage during the Show for any purpose whatsoever without the authority of the Chief Steward. If a cat is to be removed from the cage it must have a harness or leash attached at all times (except during judging).
19. Cats NSW Inc will not, under any circumstances, hold itself responsible for any loss or mis-delivery of Exhibits at the ADVANCE™ Sydney Royal Cat Show or any damage thereto.
20. Any Exhibit which is unable to be handled or which is found to be under sedation will be disqualified. An Exhibit which cannot be handled by an Official of the Cats NSW Inc at any time at the Show shall be deemed to be fractious and shall be reported.
21. The age of all Exhibits will be the actual age on the first day of Cat judging at each Show. A kitten is defined as being 12 weeks (born on or before 24th January 2025) and under 9 months of age (born after 18th July 2024) on the first day of show (18 April 2025)
22. No entries will be accepted for kittens under the age of 12 weeks.
23. Kittens shall not be eligible to compete in Classes other than for kittens.
24. Desexed Exhibits shall not compete against entire Exhibits except where Special Regulations apply. For example for Supreme Exhibit. For Top 5 Kittens, desexed and entire kittens will compete together.

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JUDGING

25. Judging of Exhibits will be Australian Open Championship style where the Judges officiate in front of Exhibitors and the general public and speak with the audience about the cats being judged.
26. Australian Cat Federation (ACF) Awards (where merited) will be awarded at the Open Championship Show only in all rings to the best placed Exhibit Male, Female, Neuter, Spay in Groups 1, 2, 3. For a cat to be considered of sufficient merit, the judge needs to deem that the cat be of a standard of excellence of not less than 95%.
27. Cats NSW Inc may, in any circumstances which it thinks fit refuse to accept the Entry of an Exhibit, or may at any time cancel any Entry already accepted and may disqualify the relative Exhibit from competing or Exhibiting in any specific Class or Classes or Events and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing the RAS shall so act if a report of the Veterinarian upon the relative Exhibit discloses that the Veterinarian considers or finds that the Exhibit:
 - a. is affected with any contagious or infectious disease, or is obviously in kitten, or is known to have or is suspected of having been brought onto the Showground from a cattery in which an animal is affected by or suffering from a contagious or infectious disease or which an animal was affected by or suffering from a contagious or infectious disease within 30 days or the relevant incubation period whichever is the shorter, prior to the date upon which the relevant Exhibit was brought onto the Showground.
 - b. shows any signs of any surgical or other artificial interference which is calculated to deceive or is capable of deceiving either Judge or spectators.
28. All Exhibits must be brought into the Pavilion securely contained in an adequate carrying receptacle.
29. Exhibit Unworthy of Award. The Judge may in his/her absolute discretion and without assigning any reason therefore, decline to make an Award in respect of any Exhibit.
30. If any Exhibit is not in its cage when the Judges are called to the floor, the Exhibit will be automatically disqualified.
31. All Exhibits (local, interstate or overseas) must comply with the Full Register rules and Regulations as applicable in NSW. Any breach will render Exhibits liable to disqualification.

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PENALTY: NON-EXHIBITION OF CATS

- 32.** An Exhibitor making an entry may be subject to a fine of \$50 for each entry not Exhibited, unless notification under the hand of the Exhibitor or his authorised agent be lodged with Cats NSW Inc prior to the commencement of Judging the Class in which the Exhibit is entered to the effect that such non-Exhibition is caused either by:
 - a. the death of the animal or animals,
 - b. contagious or infectious disease confirmed by a veterinary certificate, or
 - c. any other reasonable cause acceptable Cats NSW Inc
- 33.** All Exhibits must be registered with a body recognised by ACF or CCCA.
- 34.** Use of methylated spirits or atomiser sprays in the hall are not allowed.
- 35.** An Exhibitor or handler of an Exhibit shall not use talcum powder or other like substance on an Exhibit whilst an Exhibit is caged or whilst in the vicinity of the cages.
- 36.** No cat obviously in kitten is allowed to be entered.
- 37.** All experimental Exhibits entered must be from an experimental program from a body recognised by ACF or CCCA. The type of cat for which the breeder is experimenting in such program and the generation must be stated on the Application for Entry.
- 38.** Breeds and colours/patterns that are not recognised by the ACF are not eligible for entry.
- 39.** All breeds accepted by ACF are eligible to enter the Open Championship Cat Show on Friday 18th April 2025.
- 40.** Where the Judge feels the quality of the exhibits merit such awards, ribbons and/or product will be awarded in each ring to the Top 5 Entire Cats, Top 5 Desexed Cats, Top 5 Kittens in Groups 1, 2 and 3, and Top 5 Companion Exhibits in Group
- 41.** Group 4 is inclusive of Desexed Cat and Desexed Kittens. An Award of Merit maybe awarded at the Judge's discretion to the best placed Companion.



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EXHIBITOR CONFIRMATION ADVICE & DASHBOARD SLIPS

The Exhibit Confirmation Advice, otherwise known as a bench slip, indicates the Class in which your cat/s have been entered, and is required for access to the Showground. A Dashboard Slip will also be issued to Exhibitors with the Showtime Authorised Contact Person's mobile number printed on the slip. A Dashboard Slip must be displayed on the dashboard of each vehicle at all times while on the Showground.

EXHIBITOR PASSES

2 x One-Day Entry Passes per one (1) to three (3) cats

3 x One-Day Entry Passes per four (4) cats or more



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JUDGES
Ring 1
Tracy Petty
CFA(USA)



I began breeding cats in 1984. The first breed I worked with was Cornish Rex, which I bred for 20+ years before turning to Persians, which I have bred and shown since the late 1990s. I entered the CFA judging program in 1999 and have enjoyed judging in the United States and around the world for the past 25 years. I've also worked behind the scenes with producing shows in and around my home state of Virginia in the eastern U.S., as well as helping train new judges with CFA's Breed Awareness and Orientation School.

I really enjoy the opportunity that judging cat shows provides to visit places around the world I might otherwise never get to see. In April 2024 I married my husband, Mitch, and together we care for two retired show cats, Glory (a black Cornish Rex) and Fibs (a black Persian), and we love to hike and explore the history of the town we live in. When I'm not judging cat shows, I also enjoy bowling, making quilts, and have recently taken up line dancing with a dance club in our neighborhood.

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Christine Yeung
Ring 2
NZCF



I have owned Burmese almost my entire life, and exhibited my seal Burmese as a child. While studying I owned two Burmese and not long after graduating from University and beginning work as a Veterinary Nurse I acquired a Russian Blue, which I exhibited and this led to our first Burmese breeding queen in 2003. My husband Mushfik and I registered the Cairistona prefix that year, with our first litter of Burmese and Mandalay kittens being born in 2005. We continue to breed Burmese and Mandalay, with our Mandalay under the prefix of Mỹ lê. We have also bred the odd litter of Tonkinese and in 2023 we added Burmillas to our cattery, under the prefix of Platinacatz. Over the years we have exhibited Burmese, Mandalay and Russian Blue to a high level enjoying many Best in Shows, Supreme Awards, National Awards, along with a Shorthair Supreme Award at the 2019 New Zealand Cat Fancy National Show.

I have a particular interest in genetics and safeguarding the wellbeing of all breeds which includes advocating the use of valuable tools such as health screening and genetic testing. These tools facilitate us to make informed decisions within our breeding programs. I also hold Low Stress Handling Silver Certification, with education around low stress handling of cats and running shows in a way to facilitate this being something very close to my heart. In 2015 I qualified as a NZCF Shorthair Judge, gaining my Senior (international) status in 2018, and Supervisor status in 2021. In 2021 I qualified as a NZCF Longhair Judge, gaining my Senior All Breeds (international) status in 2024. I've been involved since 2003 with Palmerston North cat Club at a number of levels from committee member to President, and almost as long with the Burmese Cat Club of NZ having also been involved at all levels with being the North Island region's current Chairperson and a Life Member. In addition, I have previously held roles with NZCF for on their Breed Standards Advisory Council, as Privacy Officer and IT Advisor. I am presently the NZCF Breed Representative for the Burmese and Burmilla Breed Groups and I am a current NZCF Executive Council member (Portfolio Manager for Information Technology).

In my professional life, I am a Business Analyst working in the area of People and Culture. I very much look forward to seeing your beautiful cats on the show bench!

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Greg Little
Ring 3
CCCT



I started in the cat fancy in 1980 when I bought a chocolate oriental for my wife. We bred Siamese and Orientals for about 5 years. For our 10th wedding anniversary my wife bought me an Abyssinian and we showed and bred Abys under the Devaraja prefix for 25 years. I have also owned Japanese Bobtail and bred and shown Norwegian Forest Cats.

I completed my Group 3 judging licence in 1995 with FCCV. In 2001 we moved to Hobart in Tasmania. In 2005 I completed my Group 1 judging licence with CAT Inc and became an all breeds judge in 2008 following completion of my Group 2 licence. I have been privileged to have judged in all States and Territories in Australia as well as New Zealand and Malaysia

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Peta Sperduty
Ring 4
Cats NSW



I have always loved cats and for as long as I can remember have had a cat or two – including a beautiful Burmese cross domestic, as pets. My introduction to the pedigree cat world was through a good friend who had a Siamese cat she used to show, so for fun, I tagged along. From there my love affair with Siamese and Orientals began. Soon after I got my first show spay, a beautiful Seal Tabby Point.

I decided that I wanted to do more in Cat Fancy so in 2008 registered and successfully completed the Stewards Training Course. I also registered my prefix Mingyang and in October 2008 I had my first litter of Siamese / Orientals. Whilst stewarding I handled various breeds but fell in love with the ‘Clowns of the Cat World’ – the Devon Rex and in conjunction with a good friend and workmate, bred a few litters of these darling, funny cats. I am currently owned by 3 Norwegian forest cats and a Siamese.

In 2012 I started my journey to becoming an all-breeds Judge. I had a goal of becoming an all-breeds judge and after some delays by covid I finally achieved my goal. I have had the pleasure of judging all around Australia and in New Zealand as well.

Outside of the Cat Fancy I am a qualified Vet Nurse working on the beautiful mid–North Coast of New South Wales. In my spare time I enjoy spending time with friends and family, photography and collecting anything to do with frogs and cats

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Cats NSW Officials and Stewards 2025 ADVANCE™ Sydney Royal Cat Show

Chief Steward	Crystal Maher	Show Manager
Assistant to Chief Steward	Jenny Weekes	Assistant Show Manager
Steward	Debbie Thomas	Card Room
Steward	Lynne Moorman	Card Room
Steward	Corinne O'Connell	Card Room
Stewards – Ring 1	Colleen Blair Tracy Petty - Judge	
Stewards – Ring 2	Tayla Munro Christine Yeung - Judge	
Stewards – Ring 3	Lyn Keever Greg Little - Judge	
Stewards - Ring 4	Lyn Minard Peta Sperduty - Judge	
Steward	Di Stokes	Photos
Steward	Brad Stokes	Judges transport/Runner
Steward	Fiona Cooper	Trophy Steward/Reserve Steward

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Entry Costs

Pedigree Cats	\$45.00
Pedigree Kittens	\$45.00
Companion Cats & Kittens	\$45.00
Catalogue	\$10.00

YOU MUST BRING YOUR VACCINATION CARDS ON THE DAY FOR ALL EXHIBITS, CATS AND KITTENS

Please include with your online entry copies of the pedigree of each exhibit, pedigrees must be in the name of the Exhibitor.

Entries Close

Sunday 16th March 2025

Late entries will NOT be accepted due to POSTAGE requirements for tickets and passes.

Enter by www.catshowsonline.com

