

SPOT PRESS!



Egyptian Mau Club

First Edition of the Egyptian Mau Club Newsletter

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Our very first competition is for members to send in a name they think is appropriate for the News Letter. A £20 Voucher for Pets at home will be awarded to the winner. Please send your entries to Jo Higgins at the addresses below. The closing date is 7/6/14 and the winner will be announced at the AGM.

Dates for your Diary

Venue for the Egyptian Mau Club AGM - Great Ponton Village Hall

Sunday June 8th 2014,

Buffet Lunch at 12 noon

Meeting Commences at 1pm

Dallygate Lane, Great Ponton, Lincolnshire, NG33 5DP



There are currently vacancies on the committee. Could expressions of interest [Nominated and seconded] be sent to the Secretary Sandra Woodley by email by 26/4/14. sandra@honpuss.com

Could any items for the Agenda be forwarded to the Secretary Sandra Woodley by 26/4/14 sandra@honpuss.com



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We look forward to seeing you there. There will be the Annual trophies/Show trophies awarded on the day.

Please send your points to Jo Higgins at starrsailor06@yahoo.co.uk or by post to 36, Highfield Mount, Dewsbury, Wf12 oQU.

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STARGAZER AT TARJJIKA

Gazer made Olympian Gold at the Essex Cat Club Show on the 12th April 2014. Lizzie has tirelessly attended cat shows promoting her beautiful boy, his offspring and the Breed.

Gazer is the first and only Gold Olympian Mau in the UK.

However, Many congratulations are also offered as in her busy schedule Lizzie found, with her Husband Steve, the time to produce their very own, Best of Breed Baby Aaliyah



In the small amount of spare time left to her Lizzie manages to mingle with the Stars.

Here she is pictured with Gareth Gates at Dancing on Ice



Lizzies year has however not been without tragedy due to the loss of Dotty Diamond who left behind the three Mauscateers



The Privilege of owning a star, a Stargazer that is! By Lizzie Edge

I say privilege as that is how I feel about our wonderful boy Gazer.

It was back in the summer of 2010 we realised that not having enough Mau stud boys in the south of England was going to be prohibitive for us to continue with the progression of the breed. We had looked in the UK but felt that we would be doing more for the breed and our breeding plan by importing a new line from the USA.

I was pointed in the direction of Constance Carroll of the Consuelo Cattery in Longmont Colorado. We were so lucky that Constance had a silver boy who was only 8 weeks old but who she thought had potential. She called him 'Face' as he had such good type. We were sent photos and we were very pleased with what we saw. We then agreed on his pedigree name 'Stargazer'.

Constance agreed to keep Gazer for the required time to save him from going into quarantine and I arranged to visit him in February 2011. He took to me straight away and I could not have been happier. On this visit I was warned that Gazer would not make a show cat. In the shows he had attended he was quite nervous and did not show well. I accepted this as it was what he could bring to the gene-pool that was our priority. As it transpired Gazer did have to serve one

month in quarantine due to the heat embargo on pets travelling from Denver when he should have flown out.

I met a rather nervous boy at Ruislip Kennels on 29 May 2011, who didn't want to come out of his carrier and hid for every visit for the first few weeks. Thank heavens for the Dragonfly toy that he just could not resist in the end. As the weeks went by he started to trust me and some more of his caregivers, I truly believe that the spell in quarantine led to Gazer being more trusting of strangers. For those of you that know Gazer you could not imagine him hiding at the sight of someone new approaching!

While Gazer served his time at Ruislip we finished his accommodation and eagerly waited for the day he could come home. I don't think I will ever forget going to the kennels and finally putting him in our car. He was suitably impressed with his new housing and with the more familiarity of having just Steve & I caring for him.

We had discussed showing with Constance and agreed that he may be more relaxed with GCCF style of judging where he could stay in one pen all day. It was the other cats that he seemed to dislike so with that in mind I booked his first show – the Eastern Counties Show in August. We booked a double pen for him so that when out being judged he would not be able to see his neighbours so easily, and did not

enter any side classes. His first judge was Michelle Codd and she noticed that indeed he was rather shy, but worthy of his first Challenge Certificate & Best of Breed. I was more than happy with that, he had accepted being shown and if I could get him to Champion I was doing well. Later that day I was totally shocked, he was awarded Best of Variety Foreign Adult & Overall Best Foreign. I couldn't quite believe it but it was the first of many. In fact to date I count that he has been Best of Variety Adult a total of 15 times. Something that I never dreamed of when I first met him.

Gazer's apprehension for showing seemed to vanish from that point on as the next judge noted that he 'showed himself to advantage'. I still held my breath the day he was up for his third Certificate but needn't have worried. He went straight through to Grand Champion in straight certificates, and only took 7 shows to win his Imperial title. During this time he schmoozed the judges as John Hansson puts it "temperament is truly exceptional, head butts, kneading, no stops pulled to gain himself Brownie points, his confidence giving him a degree of personality & presence."

To be continued

Around the Shows

Well done to Christine Forbes

Another fab day out at the Shorthair cat Club Show in Glenrothes. Weesams Jamila won her 2nd CC, Best of Breed, 3 x first and 1 x second. Mintander Ceaser, on his first ever show outing took it all in his stride, won his CC, 2 x first, 1 x second and 2 x third. (pictured right)



and Rebecca Turner

Phoenix aka Whitecrest Khafra got 2 CCs on his first outing as an adult ,Rebecca is very proud of him as his breeder Jean Whitehouse will be



Bronze Olympian Triumph

Jean and Peter Lamb have achieved Olympian Bronze with their Bronze Girl

Bronze Olympian IMP GR CH
Natangos Ghaniyah of Geniemau

Many Congratulations. Ghaniyah is the only Bronze, Bronze Olympian in the Uk

Ghaniyah is currently on maternity duties



Well done to Mautrix Shall We Dance (78 305) & Memphis Mandisa (78 305) on gaining CC'S at the Essex on 12/4/14

Many congratulations to their owners Clive and Helen Wicks

CONGRATULATIONS CORNER



Many congratulations to Rebecca Sara

who became Mrs R Turner in September last year



Also to Lizzie and Steve Edge on the birth of their Daughter Aaliyah in October of last year See how she's grown



And Lauren Kennedy and Adam Roberts

on their engagement here they are pictured with the love of their lives Museli Klum

Kitten Corner - Recent Births

Congratulations to Lizzie Edge on the Birth of kittens to Gazer and Abi. Three of the kittens can be seen below at 8 weeks old



Patrick Lecoustumer

Amiel-Goshen Jessé son of Maus'Art Atarah & Amiel-Goshen Yosefa Who could resist this bundle of joy bred by Patrick



The Greig Centre

Kinwarton Rd, Alcester,
Warwickshire, B49 6AD

Is the Venue for the Egyptian Mau
Club Championship show

on 4th October 2014

Its a great day out where you can
meet up with old friends and
hopefully make some new ones.



CUZ THIS IS THRILLER



BREEDER SPOTLIGHT FROM ABROAD

Member Patrick Le coustumer
shares his life in Normandy with
us

Two years ago now I moved up
from Sospel (back country of
Monaco/Menton) to Le Plessis-
Grimoult which is in Normandy to
be near to my ageing parents.

What could appear to have been
a sacrifice turned out to be a real
blessing.

I'm living at the Farm Bisson, just
at the entry of the « Bocage
Normand » a country known for
its horses, all farm animals, great
sceneries, and a lot of history. .
Le Plessis-Grimoult is at the foot
of 'Mont Pinçon' the Highest
point of 'basse Normandy' the
views from here is out of this
world, if you like history,
countryside, water sport, walks
and.... Good food, it is the place
to be ;



This region is also know for its
cider, calvados, so you can image
the beauty and the colours of the
countryside when we come to
spring, apple, sherries, pears
trees are all on flowers at that
time.



After 14h drives my little Amiel-
Goshen Clan settled down at the
Farm like if they had always been
there. At first all I wanted was 1
female silver !!! then discovered
the other colours and thought it
would be great to have one of
each as pet !!!!!

Well, that was 'the wrong move
of the decade' ; I now have Two
Silver Djeser (M neutered) and
Eli-Ora (F), 3 bronzes , Atarah (M
bronze Pharaonic), Florina(F who
comes from US) and Yosefa
daughter of Chantina Jacob with
Florina), Adina F coming from Us,
and her son Ivan the Great (M
smoke) Faithful a Nebelung F
and finally Bambi an EU turtle
shell , 'the duchess' who keeps
every one in order LOL.



For the convenience of these little
beauties LOL, I use 'chicks feed
for the litters which can be spread
on the garden and verges after
use. Birds here make good use of
the rest LOL. Because of it, I am
blessed by a lot of nesting birds
around the place, and for the last
2 years, we have a kestrel couple
that decided to join us at the
farm, it is a real pleasure just to
go outside, have the first cuppa
and watching them flying around
bringing food for their chicks ...



Just as a note, Le Plessis « old
french for Plaissie » which means
a castle, as to Grimoult , it comes
from 'Baron Grimoaldus' who

fought against William the conqueror to taking over Normandy and lost at the battle of Val-ès-Dunes. As you see, it's a country full of history, quite closely link to yours.

I'm sure it changed your life lol!



This year will be the World Equestrian games where most of the Best international horses will be present, it will also be 60th anniversary of D day, her RH will obviously be there as well as most of the presidents etc!!!

Although it will be at 38min drive from my place, they will not come here and.... We will keep our little Oasis of peace and tranquillity just for us !!!

All the best to every one of you

Patrick



Finally

We hope you enjoy the news letter. What would really be great is if you could send in stories, show brags, births [human as well as cats] Marriages, engagements virtually anything in time for the next news letter.

Remember its all about you!!

Please send items to Jo Higgins
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