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I was very pleased for being asked to judge the special Siberian LH cats. Since the beginning of the nineties of the 20ieth century I have been judging frequently in Eastern Europe, especially in Russia. Therefore I had an oppurtunity to learn to know how a good Siberian should look like. Some years ago I had the luck to attend a seminar on Siberians in Moscow, organized by WCF. Although the standard of points has been changed and adjusted several times now there is good agreement among the judges on the Siberian type and coat.

The quality of all the Siberians in Cambrai was good. Only in the Neva Masquerade there was a kitten with a bluish, yellowish green eye colour, usually seen in cats called mink. This is not a good sign. This colour might turn into pale blue when being an adult, but even then this colour is not what we are aiming at. We want deep China blue eyes and my best female was a Neva with those gorgeous deep blue eyes and a good concave nose line.



The best male was a brown tabby with a beautiful type of head and rhe right coat texture. He has the typical look of a Siberian. Therefore he became best overall.



I also liked a lovely blue tabby kitten with a very pretty face. This kitten has the eye shape Russian breeders like to see. The lines running from the outer sides of the nose leather upwards and then above the eyes is really lovely. There were some other very nice females, but unfortunately not all categories (no female neuters for instance) were represented. Nevertheless I gave all exhibits a ranking on the podium.



Finally I like to mention that all cats were groomed well and that none of them was aggressive. They were affectionate and easy to handle.

Pour moi c'était un grand plaisir de juger les Sibériens!

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