



Royal National Capital Agricultural Society

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CAT SECTION OFFICIALS 2022

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Chief Executive Officer: Mr Geoff Cannock
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THIS SHOW IS BEING RUN UNDER A COVID SAFE PLAN

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Entries Close: **21 January 2022**

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Saturday 26 February All Shorthair Group and Companion Group Exhibits

Sunday 27 February All Longhair Group Exhibits

MEMBERS OF ANCATS MAY ENTER THE ROYAL CANBERRA SHOW THIS YEAR

SPONSORED BY CATMATE

The Cat Section of the ActewAGL Royal Canberra Show is being run under the auspices of Capital Cats Inc., which is a member body of the Co-ordinating Cat Council of Australia. This Show will be conducted under the Rules and Regulations of Capital Cats Inc. Titled entire and desexed cats registered with CCCA or ACF member bodies recognised by the Coordinating Cat Council of Australia, compete together for certificates towards the CCCA Championship Awards at this Show (free class) ANCATS Members may enter the show but are not eligible for CCCA Awards..

A CLEAR AND LEGIBLE COPY OF EACH EXHIBIT'S REGISTRATION PAPERS MUST ACCOMPANY THE APPLICATION TO ENTER. THIS WILL CONSTITUTE YOUR ENTRY. ANY CHANGES TO THE REGISTRATION MUST BE CLEARLY NOTED AND EXPLAINED AND CHECKED WITH YOUR RELEVANT REGISTRAR.

IF THE PEDIGREE DOES NOT SHOW THE CORRECT SEX FOR THE EXHIBIT, PROOF OF CHANGE MUST BE SUPPLIED WITH YOUR ENTRY

ALL TABBY EXHIBITS ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE A COAT PATTERN. IF THIS IS NOT ALREADY INCLUDED ON YOUR REGISTRATION, PLEASE PROVIDE PATTERN WITH YOUR ENTRY.

ANY CHANGES TO SEX (including Desexing), COLOUR/PATTERN OR 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 TWO (2) WEEKS BEFORE THE DAY OF THE SHOW UNLESS THE EXHIBITOR HAS AN AGREEMENT WITH THE SHOW SECRETARY TO PROVIDE THE CHANGE AT A LATER DATE.

NO CHANGES WILL BE MADE TO THE CATALOGUE OR JUDGES' SLIPS ON THE DAY OF THE SHOW.

THERE IS A FIVE (5) DAY QUARANTINE RULE BETWEEN SHOWS APPLICABLE IN THE ACT.

CLEARLY MARK THOSE EXHIBITS REQUIRING A DOUBLE CAGE.

EXHIBITORS' ATTENTION IS DRAWN TO SHOW RULE 27 RE UTH & UTJ.

THIS WILL BE AN OPEN SHOW.

EXHIBITORS MAY REMAIN WITH THEIR EXHIBITS EXCEPT WHEN JUDGING IS OCCURRING IN THAT BAY. ANY CAT NOT IN ITS CAGE WHILE A JUDGE IS IN THE RING WILL BE DISQUALIFIED UNDER THAT JUDGE.

CCCA member bodies only recognise registrations of cats from the state or territory in which the owner is domiciled.

ALL BREEDS RECOGNISED BY CCCA MAY BE SHOWN IN THE ACT

BENCHING & IN CAGE VETTING:	7.30 am – 8.15 am
JUDGING TO COMMENCE:	8.30 am sharp (There will be no late vetting)
SHOW HALL OPENS TO PUBLIC:	9.00 am
PRESENTATION OF BEST EXHIBIT AWARDS:	2.30 pm

SHOW CLOSE: Cats must remain in their cages until 5.00pm on Saturday and Sunday

NO EARLY DEPARTURES

For a map, the issue of car passes & entry tickets, access & parking arrangements & acknowledgement of entry, a stamped self-addressed envelope must be sent with entries.



JUDGES

RING 1	ALL EXHIBITS	SHARON HODGE (NSWCFA)
RING 2	ALL EXHIBITS	MAUREEN NORBERRY (NSWCFA)
RING 3	LONGHAIR EXHIBITS SHORTHAI R AND COMPANION EXHIBITS	CHRISTINE TOMLINSON (NSWCFA) SUE THOMAS (NSWCFA)

JUDGING ASSIGNMENTS MAY BE CHANGED IN THE EVENT OF UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES

AWARDS

Longhair and Shorthair Groups

Where the Judges feel that the quality of the exhibits merits such an award:

Top 5 kittens, entire cats & desexed cats will be awarded in each ring in Longhair and Shorthair Groups

Best Exhibit in Longhair and Shorthair Groups in each ring.

Litters may be entered in Longhair and Shorthair Groups. Best litter will be awarded in the Longhair and Shorthair Groups in each ring.

Companion Group

Top 5 Companions will be awarded in each ring for Group 4.

Best Exhibit

PRIZES

(Please note clause 30 of the Show Rules on page 8)

Product prizes will be awarded in all rings for top 5 cats, kittens and desexed in Longhair and Shorthair groups and for best litter in all three rings and top 5 in the Companion Group. Prize money will be awarded in Ring 1 as follows:

TOPS

1 st place	\$25
2 nd place	\$20
3 rd place	\$15
4 th place	\$15
5 th place	\$10

Donations to the trophy fund will not be accepted for classes not usually judged in the ACT. All other donations will be gratefully accepted and acknowledged in the catalogue.

**DRY FOOD ONLY ALLOWED IN VENUE
ONLY PAPER OR SPONSOR'S LITTER ALLOWED IN VENUE
CAT LITTER IS NOT TO BE PLACED INTO GARBAGE BAGS
NO CLEANING OR GROOMING OF CATS IN VENUE TOILETS**

ENTRY FEES AND CONDITIONS

Exhibits under 9 months of age and all Household Pets must be currently inoculated against Feline Enteritis and Cat Flu. Inoculation certificates must be left on top of the exhibit's cage prior to vetting or a copy may be forwarded with the Application to Enter. Exhibits without certificates WILL BE DISQUALIFIED IF A COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE IS NOT RECEIVED AT THE CCI OFFICE WITHIN 7 DAYS OF THE SHOW. A current inoculation is no more than 12 months old and in the case of a kitten's first and only inoculation must be between 3 and 6 weeks before the date of the show, and administered by a Veterinarian.

- **EXHIBITS WHICH DO NOT COMPLY WITH RULE 25 (CLIPPING OF CLAWS) WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.**
- Household Pets must be desexed and a minimum of 6 months of age on the day of the show.
- Kittens will be automatically entered in the appropriate age and open class and cats in the appropriate open class.
- Titled cats will be automatically entered in the **appropriate** CCCA class.
- Incorrect or incomplete entry forms will be queried by reverse charge telephone call.
- Desexed and entire kittens compete together.

ON EXHIBITION: Cats/kittens may be entered in exhibition classes. These animals must comply with all ACT show rules and full entry fees must accompany each application to enter as well as a copy of the animal's registration certificate and all other details as required to enter ACT shows.

Exhibitors please note:

1. Details regarding the venue location, access to the show hall and parking for exhibitors will be notified at the same time as the passes are sent out (usually the week preceding the Show). Exhibitors may remain with their cats except when judging of that particular Section is in progress. Exhibits must not be removed from cages until after 5 pm.
2. Litter trays may be left in cages at all times.
3. To assist interstate exhibitors who are showing on more than one day, double cages are available for placing cats/kittens not being judged on a particular day. Cost per cage per day is \$5.50. Please attach a note advising if you require these cages together with names of these cats/kittens and the day required for the vetting slip.
4. **One** exhibitors pass only will be issued per exhibitor, however 2 passes will be issued where 3 or more exhibits are entered. If the exhibitor is under the age of 16 years an additional pass will be issued if requested on the Summary Sheet. **Requests for additional tickets will be assessed on a case-by-case basis, and only where documentary information/evidence in support of the request is received.**
5. If the temperature in the show area is over 32 degrees Centigrade and any exhibits appear distressed a vet will be called. A decision to allow exhibits to leave early or close the show because of the temperature can only be made after veterinary advice.

**ALL EXHIBITORS ARE REQUIRED TO TAKE CAT LITTER AWAY AT THE END OF EACH DAY.
PLASTIC BAGS ARE ONLY FOR PAPER TOWELS, EMPTY CANS/CUPS AND WRAPPERS ETC.**

ENTRY FEES

Entry Fees:	All entry fees and costs include GST.
All Exhibits:	\$30.00 per exhibit (covers cat open class or kitten age and open class in each ring).
Litters	Litters may be entered this year. At least one kitten must be registered and entered individually. \$10 for the litter entry plus \$10 for each kitten individually entered.
On Exhibition:	\$25.00 per exhibit
Double cages:	\$5.00 each (preference will be given to male, neuter, large breeds)
Benching Fee:	\$8.00 per exhibitor
Catalogue:	\$8.00 each (Full Catalogue - All Breeds/All Days)
Advertising:	\$22.00 per full page, \$11.00 per half page, \$5.00 business card. Typesetting \$11 extra if required

DEFINITION OF CLASSES

LITTERS	12 weeks and under 4 months on the day of the show
KITTEN	12 weeks and under 9 months on the day of the Show, entire and desexed to compete together.
CAT	Open to all cats 9 months and over on first day of Show
NEUTER	Male cat that has been desexed
SPAY	Female cat that has been desexed
ON EXHIBITION	Open to all cats and kittens that comply with CCI rules, not judged.

CAT FRIENDLY ACCOMMODATION IN THE REGION

- **GRAND MANOR MOTOR INN (NO STUDS IN ROOMS)** 45 Macquoid Street QUEANBEYAN 2620 Phone: (02) 62992800
- **QUEENSGATE MOTEL** 2 High Street QUEANBEYAN 2620 Phone: (02) 62992543

SHOW RULES

(extract from CCI Regulations)

1. The receipt of a Show Application does not constitute an invitation to enter this show and the Show Committee or Committee reserves the right to return or refuse any Application. Such decision will be notified in writing at least 14 days prior to the Show date.
2. Fees must be paid with the Application and are not refundable.
3. Cheques must be made payable to RNCAS.
4. Cheques returned unpaid by the bank must be replaced by a Postal Order, Cash or Bank Cheque for the original amount of the entry fees plus an additional amount of \$20.00, to cover fees incurred by the RNCAS, within seven days or all applications covered by that cheque will be cancelled.
5. Applications cannot be accepted over the telephone.
6. The Entry Clerk reserves the right to transfer entries not correctly entered.
7. Each exhibit must be entered under the registered owner's name. Cattery Prefixes will not be accepted.
8. All exhibits (local or otherwise) must comply with full register regulations as applicable to Capital Cats Inc. Applications for entry must be accompanied by a copy of the exhibits registration certificate and if not included on the registration certificate a 4 generation certified correct pedigree. Tabby exhibits, other than pointed and Rex coated, must have the coat pattern clearly shown on the entry. In the case of kittens the stated coat pattern may be changed at any time prior to the first judging of that exhibit at the Show. A cat shall not be exhibited at a Recognised Show in a class for Experimental Breeding unless it has been registered with CCI in the Experimental Breeding Register or is registered by another recognised Governing Body in an Experimental Breeding Program which is acceptable to CCI. No challenges will be awarded in classes for Experimental Breeds, one Best in Section shall be awarded to each breed and sex and these exhibits shall not be eligible for Best in Show awards.
9. All exhibits owned by exhibitors resident in the ACT must be registered with Capital Cats Inc. except exhibits co-owned with exhibitors not resident in the ACT and registered with the co-owners Governing Committee.
10. Any interstate or overseas exhibit must be individually registered with a Governing Body recognised by CCCA or ACF in the registered owner's area of residence. Litter registration for exhibits over 6 months of age and registrations pending will not be accepted.
11. A copy of each exhibit's registration must accompany the application to enter. Exhibits under 9 months of age must have veterinary evidence of vaccination no more than 12 months old and in the case of a kitten's first and only inoculation must be between 3 and 6 weeks before the date of the show and signed by a veterinarian.
12. **APPLICATION FOR ENTRY WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR KITTENS UNDER 12 WEEKS OF AGE ON THE DAY OF THE SHOW.**
13. Animals may be entered on exhibition provided they meet all the criteria as set down by the Committee.
14. No cat showing signs of pregnancy may be exhibited.
15. No lactating cat is to be exhibited without her litter or part thereof which must also be entered in the Show (ref. Rule 12).
16. Exhibits must be brought into the Show Hall securely contained in adequate carrying receptacles and must pass veterinary inspection, at the discretion of RNCAS, before being judged. **THE DECISION OF THE VETERINARY OFFICER IS FINAL.**
 - (i) Any exhibit which is considered to show symptoms of contagious disease, is lice or flea infested and/or dirty, must be removed from the hall immediately and all other exhibits of the owner and all other exhibits travelling to the Show Hall or resident with the rejected exhibit must be removed from the hall immediately.
 - (ii) Any exhibit which is considered to not be in show condition or which in the opinion of the Veterinary officer may require further inspection must be removed from its judging cage and placed in the quarantine area.
17. No exhibit shall enter the hall if it has at any time in the period:
 - A. 21 days immediately preceding the date of the Show been in contact with, or suffered from, any infectious disease (other than fungal infection) or

been in contact, with or resident on the same premises as, a cat with an infectious disease.

- B. 42 days immediately preceding the Show suffered from fungal infection, or been in contact with, or resident on the same premises as, a person or animal with fungal infection.
- C. is from a cattery which has not been cleared from a quarantine period
18. The organisers will provide Cages. Exhibitors must provide curtains of any colour and a coloured towel, blanket or other like material covered foam for each cage occupied by their exhibits. These must be in place prior to the commencement of judging.
19. **Litter trays may be left in cages during judging.**
20. Any exhibit not in its cage at the commencement of judging in that bay will not be judged in that ring.
21. Distinguishing objects are not allowed in or on cages during judging.
22. All persons, other than show officials, must vacate the immediate vicinity of the cages during judging.
23. Foodstuffs are not allowed in cages prior to judging (*note: not applicable at open shows*).
24. Methylated spirits or atomiser sprays are not allowed to be used in the hall. Talcum powder or other like substance is not allowed to be applied to or brushed from an exhibit whilst in the hall.
25. **Any exhibit which has not had the claws on both front and hind paws clipped will be disqualified.**
26. Any exhibit, which is unable to be handled, or which is considered to be manifesting symptoms of being under sedation will be disqualified.
27. Definitions of UTJ and UTH as determined by CCCA are as follows:
- Any cat that is unable to be safely taken from the cage to the table and handled sufficiently to be judged is to be declared **UNABLE TO BE JUDGED (UTJ)** by the judge and no award is to be made. This is effective in that ring only, with no cumulative effect towards disqualification.
- Any cat that shows aggression towards people, especially any cat that bites or deliberately scratches someone, is automatically declared **UNABLE TO BE HANDLED (UTH)**. There is to be no further judging on the day and a readable sign should be displayed on the cage and the owner notified. Any cat declared UTH is disqualified from showing.

The CCI regulations pertaining to these definitions are:

- An exhibit that bites any Show Official at any time at a Show shall be marked as fractious and shall be ineligible for any further judging at that Show and all paperwork shall be marked UTH. An exhibit so reported shall be disqualified ipso facto from exhibition at any subsequent Show.

28. Cards and ribbons won at other shows may NOT be displayed at this show.
29. Exhibits may not be removed from the vicinity of their cages without permission of the Show Co-ordinator and may not be caged together unless part of the same litter and under 4 months of age.
30. If, during the course of the show, an exhibit is found to be ailing or distressed through any cause, the Show Co-ordinator may at his /her discretion, direct that the exhibit be removed from the hall or that a Veterinary Surgeon attend the exhibit. All costs of such Veterinary treatment shall be the responsibility of the exhibitor.
31. An exhibit which has fur missing (except where a small area has been shaved for blood testing), lacerations, contusions, puncture wounds, is obese, scarred or malnourished or has other like irregularities, may, at the discretion of the Judge, be marked as NSC (not in show condition). Identification tattoos on any cat and small healed tatters in stud cat's ears are excepted from this rule.
32. Any complaint must be in writing and lodged with the RNCAS together with a \$20.00 fee within seven days of the Show. The fee is refundable if the objection, complaint or appeal is upheld or is found by RNCAS not to have been frivolous.
33. The onus is on the Exhibitor or their Agent to ensure that the exhibit is correctly entered in the catalogue prior to the commencement of judging.
34. Sterilised adult exhibits may not compete against entire exhibits except for Supreme Exhibit in Show awards.
35. **THE DECISION OF THE JUDGE IS FINAL. EXHIBITORS ARE REQUIRED TO MAINTAIN A COURTEOUS MANNER AND UNSEEMLY, OR DISRUPTIVE, CONDUCT OR COMMENTS MAY RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION.**
36. No responsibility is taken for any injury, loss or damage to exhibitors or exhibits resulting from or

arising out of any accident, incident or happening whilst the exhibits or exhibitors are in the Show Hall or are travelling to or returning from the Show Hall.

37. Officiating judges may enter exhibits in this show but the exhibit(s) will be automatically withdrawn from any section which that judge is assessing. A judge shall not judge an exhibit which is perceived to be connected with that judge by the way of being registered, bred by or resided with the judge until a period of 3 months for a kitten or 6 months in the case of a cat has elapsed since the sale, transfer or relocation of the exhibit. Such exhibits may be entered in other rings of a multi-ring show.
38. If, due to unforeseen circumstances, sponsorship is not forthcoming for classes where trophies are sponsored, these will not be given by RNCAS
39. Cancellation of the Show for any reason: It is agreed between the parties that, if in the sole discretion of the Show Committee or RNCAS or some other authorised officer the Show is to be partially or fully cancelled for any reason whatsoever, the exhibitor shall not pursue RNCAS for the recovery of lost income or damages. This complete bar to an action applies to all headings of Law, whether it be Common Law, in Contract or Tort or pursuant to any State, Territory or Commonwealth Statute Law. It is acknowledged by the exhibitor that RNCAS has no duty to have a Show in any particular year and that this clause operates as a complete defence for RNCAS to any such action.

40. CRUELTY TO ANIMALS

No exhibitor shall engage in or be knowingly involved in cruelty to any animal. The RNCAS shall be the sole judge of what constitutes cruelty; it may include but is not limited to:

- a. To whip or beat an animal excessively.
- b. To subject an animal to any kind of electric shock.
- c. To hyper sensitise any part of an animal.
- d. To deny an animal adequate food, water or exercise.

The Society may, in its sole discretion and in the light of all information made available to it, apply penalties which may include, but are not limited to:

- a. Expulsion from the grounds.
- b. Disqualification and forfeiture of any prizes won.
- c. The levying of a monetary fine.
- d. Disqualification from future Royal Canberra Shows.

41. OFFENSIVE BEHAVIOUR

Offensive behaviour will not be tolerated from any person at the Royal Canberra Show. The RNCAS will be the sole judge of what constitutes offensive behaviour, but it may include:

- a. Making loud comments.
- b. The use of foul language.
- c. Intimidation or bullying of exhibitors, officials, volunteers or spectators.

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Special Note:

The exhibitor irrevocably consents to the RNCAS publishing or reproducing in any manner whatsoever any particulars or information in relation to their exhibits; the publication or reproduction may be in a printed form or visual image through electronic means and/or on the internet (i.e. results and/or photographs).