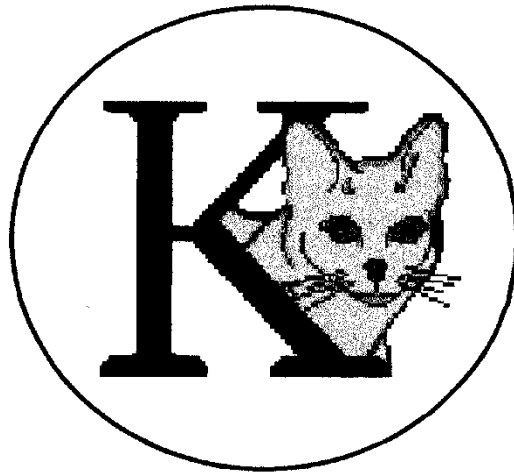


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PICTURE GALLERY



Luxy – looking grumpy, he needs a coffee!
Courtesy of Bernd Pollesche



Rocket (KOR) & Storm (TBP)
Courtesy of Julie White



Indigo Blue & Mr Blue Sky
Courtesy of Linda Hill



Boysi & Indi
Courtesy of Karen McAdams

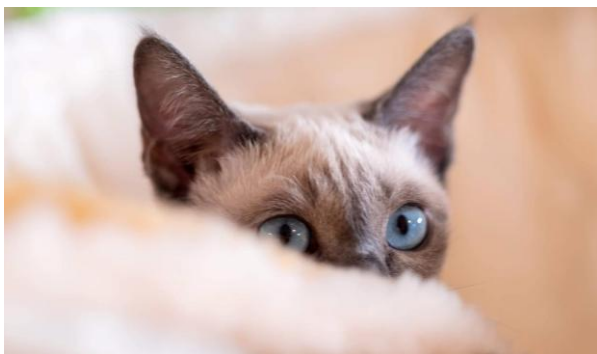


Cersei – a happy Thai Lilac in the sun!
Courtesy of Georgina Terry



Ridley (KOR) & Luna (ABY x KOR)
Courtesy of Patsy Kirkwood

PICTURE GALLERY



Tallulah (TBP)
Courtesy of Steve Vigors-Evans



Archie (TBP) & Yoshi (KOR)
Courtesy of Angela Adam



Kaya
Courtesy of Clare Treacher



Nancy
Courtesy of Louise Portsmouth



Evie (TBP)
Courtesy of Louise Portsmouth



6 week old kitten already lifting a paw!
Courtesy of Julie Cherkas

Thanks to all members/breeders who shared photos of your wonderful cats! Please email dee@korats.org.uk with photos for the next newsletter.

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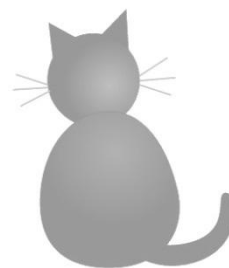
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Chair's Report

Welcome to your Spring newsletter.

I've had a busy time since December, ferrying cats to and from their respective 'husbands'. The first 'batch' are just starting their running riot stage, the second 'batch' have only just started 'cooking' so they won't be here for another couple of months, fingers crossed.

Our AGM is on SUNDAY 27TH APRIL 2025. Once again, being held electronically using Zoom. Please check the website or contact the Secretary for further details of the Zoom link if you'd like to join us this year. The paperwork starts on page 9 in this newsletter.

We recently made a payment of £100 to the SOS Stepping Stones Cat Rescue for our 2024 Charitable Donation. There is some more information about their work on page 16. We will be choosing a recipient for this year's money at the AGM (to be paid out next Spring) so if anyone has any ideas for a deserving cause please let me have the details of your suggestions for consideration, prior to the AGM.

Thank you all for supporting our Club. It means a lot to have so many passionate Korat and Thai lovers and owners and I hope to 'see' some of you, albeit virtually, at the AGM, if you are able to make it.

Kind regards
Julie Cherkas – Chairman



Committee News

It's been a busy few months here since the last newsletter. Callee has allowed Archie into the family but is teaching him that cats rule. Archie knows he can't come too close to my lap if Callee is on it as he will get a swipe! He also generally won't walk past her if she's looking at him so has to be 'rescued' if she is sitting in his path! He and Kaya are good friends and he learns a lot from her,



good or bad! I've been recovering from surgery for the last few months, so the cats have loved having me home more and not as mobile as usual, my lap was rarely empty. Maia has had kittens and been doing a great job as usual of looking after her babies. This often includes dropping them off for babysitting duties in the early hours so she can have her usual bedtime cuddles!



What's been going on with the club:

Registration policy update

The Korat & Thai Registration policy has been updated, and the amendments were approved by the GCCF board in March and is now awaiting approval at the June Council meeting. The amendments are to replace the old GM1 and GM2 testing scheme with import requirements and to exclude DBE (Dominant Blue Eye gene) from the Korat & Thai gene pool.

Here's what's coming up in the coming months:

KTCA AGM

The Korat & Thai Cat Association Annual General Meeting will be held on Sunday 27th April 2025 via zoom. See later in the issue for last year's minutes, accounts, and the agenda for this year should you wish to attend.

New GCCF Kitten titles at shows

The GCCF have introduced the Kitten Champion (KC) and Kitten Master Cat (KMC) titles. These titles are designed to reward kittens for their achievements, giving exhibitors the chance to showcase their kittens and work towards an official title. The new titles will be awarded at shows from 5th April 2025. Kittens must earn three KC or KMC certificates on three different show dates with three different judges to gain their title.

[New Kitten Titles - The Governing Council of the Cat Fancy](#)

KTCA Show 2025

This year's show will be held at our usual venue; Bugbrooke Community Centre in Bugbrooke on Saturday 4th October 2025. Put it in your diary now so you are available for later this year.

Clare Treacher
RVN CertSAN ISFM CertFN & DipFN
Saluay Korats
KTCA Secretary

GCCF NEWS SPRING 2025



In Council a tribute was paid to GCCF's President, Shirley Bullock remembering the many years and various roles she had had within GCCF. With her own breed being Abyssinians she was an active judge in what was the Foreign Section when Korats began to be shown and was one of our breed's earliest judges and tutor judges, assisting in the training of many of the judges we have today.

There will be elections in June for a new President and Vice-President(s).



From April 5th **Kitten Challenge/Master certificates** will be offered at shows so there will be the chance for kittens to win titles. If you're interested in starting your Korat or Thai's show career, then all you need to know can be found on the GCCF website: <https://www.gccfcats.org/shows-activities/new-kitten-titles>



There will also be some fresh faces judging our cats. The **new Judge Training Scheme** will mean many judges will be trained across the Grand Group (ours is the 4A Grand) so some who are present on the Abyssinian and/or Russian lists could opt to learn about Korats and Thais as well. Be prepared to enter under an unfamiliar name, and to help new people learn by chatting about your exhibits after judging. Talking to breeders is part of the new judge training curriculum!

The photo shows Kate Kaye (the Board Lead on judge training) talking about her own Russian Black at the Russian & Korat show 2023. Doing breed comparisons is a regular feature of our annual event and is a feature in the Training Pathway.



AN UPDATED KORAT & THAI REGISTRATION POLICY

This has been approved by the Board and will go forward to June Council if members at our own AGM (end of April) are happy for it to progress. At first glance it looks like there are a mass of changes, but many are deletions as the GM1 & GM2 testing scheme is deleted and replaced by a more concise 'Import Policy'

Our own GCCF Korats & Thais do not need testing for the GM as all lines were proven clear several generations ago and results from that period have been carried forward. We need to be sure we don't accidentally re-introduce a carrier for either type, nor do we want to introduce a new gene for dominant blue eyes by chance either. Of course, if testing for an inherited condition known in our breed becomes available in the future a new testing schedule would be introduced.



[Jen Lacey \(Korat & Thai GCCF Delegate 5.4.25\)](#)

The full report from the February Council meeting can be read here: <https://www.gccfcats.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/03/February-Council-Report-2025.pdf>



The Annual General Meeting of The Korat & Thai Cat Association

Sunday 27th April 2025 at 14:00 – 15:30

To be held electronically via Zoom
(The link to join the meeting is available from the Secretary)

AGENDA

1. Welcome
2. Apologies for absence
3. Minutes of the 2024 AGM held on 28th April 2024
4. Matters arising from the minutes
5. Chairman's report
6. Secretary's report on the work of the committee
7. The Hon Treasurer's report and Financial Statement
8. Appointment of a suitably qualified independent person to examine the accounts
9. The Show Secretary's report: presentation of title rosettes & show points certificates
10. GCCF Delegate's report
11. Elections:
 - a) President
 - b) Vice President
 - c) Delegate and substitute delegate for Council
12. Registration Policy update
13. Items for discussion:
 - a) Standard of Points – Scattered white hairs – what is/isn't allowed?
 - b) GM description on the GCCF website/KTCA website
 - c) 2025 Charity recipient for club donation
 - d) Newsletter
 - e) Website
 - f) Facebook
14. Any Other Business



KORAT & THAI CAT ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON SUNDAY 28TH APRIL 2024
VIA ZOOM

Members present: Julie Cherkas (Chair), Clare Treacher (Sec), Lynda Ashmore, Caroline Bertram, Felicity Black, Ketill Game, Shelagh Heavens, Dee Hillier-Kidston, Jen Lacey, Louise Portsmouth, George Terry, Janet Williams, Sarah Williams-Elliss.

1. Chairman's Welcome

Julie Cherkas welcomed everyone, and the meeting began at 14:35.

2. Apologies for absence

Apologies had been received from six members: Jane Couch, Janice Fentem, Helen and David Hawkins, Judith Jewkes and Brian Lacey.

3. Minutes of the 2023 AGM held on 29th April 2023

The minutes were circulated to members in advance of the meeting. A typo on page 1, item 2; Alice McEwan's name should read McEwen. Two typos were found in item 10; a ? in the first line shouldn't be there and Tonkinese in the second paragraph, should have a capital T.

These needed to be changed and then the minutes were agreed. Proposed by Dee Hillier-Kidston, seconded by Sarah Williams-Elliss.

4. Matters Arising

None.

5. Chairman's Report

The club was doing well and already had over 50 members paid for the year. We had our annual show last October and it was a successful day, but the entries were down from previous years, so there was a financial loss. It was nice to meet up face to face as we don't have many opportunities to do that anymore as all the meetings are via zoom. We need to think about how to encourage more people to enter this year. The groups are now up and running for the judge progression group and group 4A where the Korats and Thai are, had their inaugural meeting on 9th April 2024 where all breed representatives except the Snowshoe were in attendance. It is hoped this will allow judges to progress quicker. Julie thanked the committee for their hard work especially Dee, Clare, Jen, Louise & George. We have been able to bring the newsletter back, but we do still need an editor. Dee was happy to put pages together but needed content so if anyone sees an article that could be useful, please send it to Dee or Julie. Louise was also still happy to help with the newsletter if needed.

6. Secretary's report on the work of the committee

The committee have continued to meet via zoom for our main meetings and with zoom being so easy to set up we have been able to add informal meetings as well, if needed.

Our show last year was enjoyable and successful but as Julie had mentioned there weren't quite as many Korats and Thais as we would have liked. There were fourteen cats entered, some being

household pets so it would be nice to see a few more this year. The cats that were there were lovely examples of the breed and handled well. In the afternoon when we had people visiting, there were a good number of cats there to show off and visitors could chat with breeders and owners. It ran well thanks to Ian and Dee and the committee for being there to help. I personally had a good time being shown how to do table work which I hadn't done before. It was nice to see what happens behind the scenes and a bit more of an appreciation for what lots of people do every day when we go to the bigger shows. We only had a few cats, and they have two or three hundred, so thank you Julie for showing me how to do this. Special mention to Caroline who spent most of the day on the club table doing the raffle which was quite successful this year so thank you for selling raffle tickets.

We haven't been able to put together a newsletter quite as much as we would have liked but this morning you should have found one in your inbox. Thank you to Dee, Louise and Julie, for getting this together. All the members will appreciate this. Thank you to George who has worked hard on the show scheme, rosettes and keeping the website up to date. Thank you, Jen, for keeping us up to date with the GGCF news, health and anything else we need her for. Thank you to all the committee, we work well together and it's enjoyable to work with you. To the breeders and people who show, we all show off our Korats to educate the public so thank you to everyone for getting involved.

Julie thanked Clare for her hard work, especially considering she hadn't done anything like it before and was doing a good job.

7. The Hon Treasurer's report and financial statement

The accounts are still healthy, but we did lose quite a few members. We ended the year on 62 voting members, so subscriptions were down last year by just below £200 which is quite a significant loss compared to other years. We do have 54 paid members so far this year which is good for this time of year. Hopefully the newsletter being reinstated will help us hold on to the rest of the unpaid members for this year. In a couple of weeks, we will send an email round to remind people of their lapsed membership.

We have had some large expenses go out this year; the essential web hosting subscriptions which renewed at £202 for 2 years, the zoom license was renewed again for another year for £143.88. The Wessex club used it for a committee meeting last week as do a few other clubs which helps reduce the bill as they pay £10 to use it. The bill for the shared show expenditure with RBBA for £552.65 for the 2023 show wasn't received until after the 31st December so it will not show in the 2023 accounts however we did pay the 2022 show for £475.20. Every year the bill comes in after the new year so is accounted for in the following year. The 2023 show made a loss of £300.66 but the raffle raised £95.00, and some merchandise was sold too thanks to Caroline, which meant we could give our charity Sue Challinor £100. Overall, the loss for the whole year was £380.42 which wasn't great, but we have healthy accounts and most of it was the show which was worth it for the enjoyment for everyone and promotion of the breed.

The savings account interest has always been a minimal figure of pence, but this year was £58.34.

We hadn't paid any subs to the BAC for a while so Jen asked how much was in the BAC account. The two accounts will be combined but currently in the BAC account is £634.42. We will have to pay £30 to the GGCF as a breed club each year from next year. We don't have a use for that money now as we won't be having judging costs, no face-to-face meetings, or paperwork printing. So rather than let it just sit there, it might be useful to allocate to a particular purpose. Some could be used to support encouragement for show entries like extra rosettes, reduced entry costs, and paying subs to GGCF. Seminars also won't happen as before either to use the funds. Training will likely be at shows, online or by getting several breeds together from the JPG group.

8. Appointment of a suitably qualified independent person to examine the accounts

Mrs Brown had stepped down from examining the accounts as Dee had moved out of the area making it more difficult to meet up to sign paperwork. Dee will buy her something from the club as she hasn't accepted anything for examining the accounts over the years.

Dee suggested a work colleague of hers to take over called Ann-Marie Enslin. She and her husband have their own business in South Africa, and she is used to doing accounts and tax returns. There were no objections. Proposed by Julie Cherkas and Seconded by Jen Lacey.

Julie thanked Dee for all her hard work over the last year especially with moving and being unwell.

9. The Show Secretary's report

The show was a really great day and nice to see everyone's cats. Thanks to Ian and Dee for their hard work and everyone who pulled together on the day to make it a successful show. Congratulations to our winners and Julie for best in show with Lulu.

George shared her screen to show everyone the results for the show points scheme. George had had some comments that it wasn't well advertised so this year there will be more updates on the website and Clare can share these to Facebook. It is also usually in the newsletter. The certificates had already been printed, signed and sent out. Well done to all the winners. There were also 13 title changes this year which was fantastic, and the rosettes arrived yesterday. They are slightly different this year and instead of being blue on blue they are silver on blue. George will double check the tails on the rosettes and send them out in the next week.

George had sent the previous year's results for inclusion in the newsletter, but these had been missed out. Julie apologised as they hadn't been seen till the newsletter was finalised. The current results will go into the summer newsletter, as will the information about the scheme. George had put the 2022 results on the website.

Felicity suggested to increase show entries, maybe something could be put on the website about how to get to Bugbrooke and how accessible it is from the motorway, with a picture of the venue. Dee asked if we could put adverts in other show schedules. It was thought this was allowed so we could try this to get more entries. Jen suggested there was also a GCCF package with marketing that could be looked in to, but it may be more to get public in than exhibitors. Linda suggested new rosettes for newcomers. Caroline asked about the document we were doing for exhibiting your Korat/Thai, this could be put in the newsletter, on the website and printed off for people. A link could be put on Facebook when on the website. Lynda suggested cheaper entries for kittens. There could be cheaper entries for novice exhibitors, or cheaper entries all round but we would need more entries, or this would make a loss if all entries were cheaper and still the same number at the show.

Caroline suggested a formal dinner the night before the show if people stayed overnight. The hotel Julie and Caroline stay at accepts pets and is reasonably priced so could advertise this as well.

Judges stayed at the Holiday Inn last year and cost around £86. Julie's hotel was around £47 and Dee's was £53.10. Dinner wasn't included in any of the prices. Anne books the judges' hotels and likely gets discounts as she uses them every year. Julie will speak to Anne about costing in case the same hotel could be used and then could do a formal dinner. Janet pointed out that judges and exhibitors shouldn't be mixing so they can't have the same hotel.

10. GCCF Delegate's report

The reports are all posted to the GCCF website for people to read.

In 2021/22 the main focus of the GCCF were byelaws and rule changes to get meetings changed to online and change electoral processes. In 2022/23 the focus switched to judge training

schemes. We now have JPGs which oversee the new scheme to get judges trained by either section (such as section 3 – British), or in our case section 4 is trained by grand groups, as you cannot train with 14 breeds at championship status. Our group (4A) is one of the biggest with 5 breeds. We are a group of minority breeds except maybe the Russians and Abyssinians who have higher show numbers, compared to the Korats and Thais, Snowshoe and Singapura. There have been a lot of rule changes and procedures to allow these to take place and so far, it has set up the administration of the new groups. The next part is what the judges will do and how they will train for 4 or 5 breeds at once. This will progress over the next year.

We had to do 100 multiple choice questions on the Standard of Points for the Korat and Thais within the BAC and these have been sent to the GCCF. Judges will move onto training not just in the show hall but also will need theory knowledge and be tested on it. There will be changes for judges as they would have been expected to learn 4 or 5 breeds over 4 or 5 years previously but will now learn maybe 1 or 2. Hopefully it will attract more people to want to judge. We are losing judges quickly and not being able to replace them. When one judge drops out for the Korats or Thais, they are also dropping out of 6 or more other breeds if they've been trained in section 4 and possibly over other sections too. In the February council meeting it was agreed Judges needed less homework, so in the future there will be a shift to less report writing and more talking to exhibitors on the day. There was a short discussion on importance of reports for exhibitors but also the use of technology for judges to make writing reports quicker.

A few rule changes relating to breeders had been passed. If someone accidentally or deliberately crosses a breed, the cats will be registered as XSH or XLH. Kittens that are born to a breed that are the wrong colour or pattern to be shown will have part of the GEMS code which relates them to the breed if it was a legitimate mating within the registration policy. Some BACs have been updating registration policies with more testing especially for imports to make sure no new diseases are added to the gene pool.

The GCCF had a new chairman at the beginning of last year, Steve Crow. We sadly lost one judge, Margaret Kidd, one of the first Korat judges a few years ago but no family had notified GCCF.

Now that FIP can be treated the rules for exhibiting have been changed and no cats can be shown from a household where an FIP cat is being treated as there is a risk to others.

Compulsory microchipping comes into place on 10th June when every cat should then be microchipped. The veterinary advisory committee are putting forward to the board that every cat being exhibited has proof they are microchipped in the form of the microchip sticker on a vaccine card, from the cats GCCF record, the microchip database or if none of those are available then the cat could be scanned.

The club can recommend that all breeders microchip their kittens before they leave to their new homes, but it cannot be made mandatory.

11. Elections

President & Vice-President

Judith Jewkes and Lynda Ashmore are happy to continue in their roles as President and Vice-President respectively.

GCCF Delegate and Substitute delegate for council

Julie proposed Jen Lacey to continue as GCCF delegate and Sarah Williams-Elliss to continue as substitute delegate.

The vote for elections was taken en bloc, proposed by Julie Cherkas and seconded by Louise Portsmouth.

12. Items for discussion

a) Charity for 2024 donation

George suggested Stepping Stones Cat Rescue which is local to her. They are trying to become a registered charity as have seen a massive increase in the number of cats they've taken in and have 69 cats currently with fosterers. Caroline mentioned it may be a good idea to give the donation once they become a charity, that way they will be able to claim gift aid. George will ask when this is likely to be. No objections from anyone present. Proposed by George Terry, seconded by Julie Cherkas.

b) Newsletter

We are still looking for an official editor, but Dee has stepped in temporarily and is happy putting pages together, she just needs content. If anyone sees any useful articles or wants to write something to be included, then send it to Dee. Pictures are always useful for the gallery. George suggested we could put a post on the website and Facebook 6 weeks before the newsletter is due to go out to ask people to send in photos. Felicity asked about putting health articles in from members and it was agreed if people wanted to write something about their cat, then these can go in.

Dee didn't feel it needed to be a huge newsletter every time just to make sure a newsletter is going out to members. A brief discussion was had about things that could be included.

Julie thanked Dee for restarting the newsletter. The next edition will go out end of August/start September.

c) Website

George had been updating the website with assistance from Dee if needed. It is mostly kitten updates that are sent to her. If anyone knows beaver builder well and can help with formatting, George would appreciate some tips. Dee will ask her nephew as he designs websites. Julie thanked George for doing a good job of keeping the website up to date.

d) Facebook

It was thought Clare was doing a really good job with the page. The most recent post had shared the kitten page website link and suggested anyone looking for a kitten to contact their local breeders as direct advertising for kittens isn't allowed on Facebook. After this post there were possibly more kitten enquiries so it may have been useful at advertising. There are more people visiting the page and engaging with the posts now. George will update the old newsletters on the website and then Clare will post a link from the website to Facebook. Caroline suggested Clare write something for the newsletter to advertise the Facebook page and how to find it.

Any Other Business

Atherosclerosis – We have had no known cases of the disease but do know that there is evidence that the genes are in the UK, it may only be a matter of time. Jen had spoken to Dr Pip Lait, at Langford and there is a conference in June where she was hoping to find out when the research will be released. Once the genome defect has been published Langford can get involved. Outi was hoping by the end of the year they would have a test with Wisdom Panel. Once we have a test it won't take long to get cats tested and eliminate it.

Julie thanked everyone for attending especially Janet, Kit and Lynda and the meeting closed at 16:17.

Accounts – Year Ending 31st December 2024**Membership****2024****2023**

Advance Subscription Payments (2024)	£ 114.00	£ 7.00
Subscriptions for 2024	<u>£ 433.00</u>	<u>£ 323.00</u>
Total	<u>£547.00</u>	<u>£330.00</u>

Income

Subscriptions total	£ 547.00	£ 330.00
Donations	£ 147.35	£ 63.00
Show Entries	£ 766.26	£ 475.20
Sponsorship & Exhibition Pen	£ 35.00	£ 64.00
Show Merchandise Sales	£ 30.00	£ 50.00
Show Raffle	£ 160.00	£ 95.00
Zoom Income from other clubs	£ 30.00	£ 30.00
Top up Main account from savings account	£ 382.11	£ 200.00
CHQ from BAC deposited in Current Account	£ 0.00	£ 30.00
Savings Account Interest	<u>£ 76.24</u>	<u>£ 58.34</u>
Total	<u>£2173.96</u>	<u>£1395.54</u>

Expenditure

Newsletter Printing & Posting	£ 119.25	£ 0.00
GCCF Returns Fee	£ 11.20	£ 13.40
Supreme Sponsorship	£ 60.00	£ 60.00
Shared Show Expenditure (2023)	£ 552.65	£ 438.33
Show Licence (2025)	£ 25.00	£ 25.00
Show Managers & ASM Expenses (2024)	£ 197.43	£ 192.35
Show Judge Expenses 2024 (J. Williams only)	£ 15.00	£ 0.00
Show Returns (2024)	£ 8.80	£ 5.60
Show Prizes (2024)	£ 117.70	£ 31.70
Show Rosettes (2024)	£ 216.98	£ 180.49
KTCA Website	£ 86.54	£ 202.56
Richardson Designs - Club Rosettes	£ 100.56	£ 101.03
PayPal Fees	£ 1.38	£ 1.62
Other Expenses / Postage	£ 48.73	£ 143.88
Zoom Licence	£ 155.88	£ 0.00
Gifts	£ 71.97	£ 50.00
Yearly Donation to Charity	£ 100.00	£ 100.00
Payment to KBAC Account	£ 0.00	£ 30.00
Top up Current Account from Savings Account	£ 382.11	£ 200.00
Total	<u>£2271.18</u>	<u>£1775.96</u>

Analysis

Income	£ 2173.96	£ 1395.54
Expenditure	<u>£ 2271.18</u>	<u>£ 1775.96</u>
Profit / (Loss)	<u>(£97.22)</u>	<u>(£380.42)</u>

Closing Balance/Assets

Current Account	£ 600.95	£ 516.30
Savings Account	£ 6257.50	£ 6521.37
Petty Cash	<u>£ 277.00</u>	<u>£ 195.00</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>£7135.45</u>	<u>£7232.67</u>

Note: A PayPal account has been opened. All monies are transferred on a weekly basis, leaving the PayPal account with an ongoing zero balance.

The Club Accounts & Balance sheet have been prepared by the Treasurer on behalf of the Officers, Committee and Members of the club. Explanations have been provided where appropriate to accord with the details provided within these records.

Signed:

Mrs D Hillier-Kidston - K&TCA Treasurer

Dated: 8th April 2025**Declaration to the members of the Korat & Thai Cat Association**

I have examined the documentation presented to me associated with the Korat & Thai Cat Association Accounts for the year ending 31st December 2024.

I am satisfied that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, they represent a true statement of affairs regarding that financial year.

Signed:

Mrs Ann-Marie Enslin - 31A Shepherds Green Road, The Hideaway, Birmingham, B24 8EX. Dated: 8th April 2025

SOS Stepping Stones Rescue was our Chosen Charity for 2024

A note from Debbie Bennett

We are so grateful that your committee has chosen us to receive a donation. If any of the following information would be suitable to put in your newsletter then please edit and use as you see fit. We are always happy with any publicity that highlights the work we do.

Stepping Stones was founded in 2009 by Ros Carney, mum of 6 and at that time a senior teaching assistant at a local school. The rescue steadily grew as demand increased and we are now team led with a group of six admins running the rescue. We have a large network of fosterers and pride ourselves that most rescues are given a room to themselves. Crates are only used when we take in ferals or to provide a safe space for nursing queens.

All of our cats are given flea & worming treatments, kittens are fully vaccinated, and all are neutered and chipped before rehoming. We are constantly fund raising to pay for these basic treatments and also for the more expensive procedures that some of the rescues need, for example, dentals, amputations, etc. We also have several long term fosters that we finance, as for various reasons they were not suitable to be rehomed so stay in a foster home with full support from us to enable them to lead their best life.



Maisie is one of our long term fosters, who came to us with a tail pull injury and had been thrown into an alley with newborns. When she was found some kittens had already died but she was nursing the remaining ones despite the pain she must have been in - she couldn't walk, and the injury left her incontinent. Our fosterer assisted with hand rearing the kittens while Maisie had her tail amputated and the

kittens were successfully returned for her to continue feeding them. She recovered the use of her back legs and bowel movements but remains urine incontinent and her fosterer has to manually empty her bladder daily.



We run two Facebook pages - our main 'Stepping Stone Rescue' page where we showcase kittens and cats that are needing adoption, advertise our fund raising events and try to engage supporters in the rescue. We also run the 'Stepping Stones Rescue Boot Sale!' page which is continuously selling any items that are donated to us by our supporters. We are not yet a charity but two of our admins, along with a volunteer chartered accountant, are currently preparing for us to apply so we hope to be doing that very soon.

We rescue and rehome cats in Wallington, Carshalton, Sutton and an ever increasing circle of nearby areas.

With many thanks, Debbie – Stepping Stones Rescue

Title Cats in 2024

taken from the GCCF website.

Champion
KANZONA MIRANDA
Owned by Mr K A
Game & Mrs S Heavens

UK Imperial Grand Champion
SALUAY SAENG LALI SAWAN
Owned by Miss C J Treacher

Champion JUSARKA
FOLLOW-THE-DREAM
Owned by Ms J A Cherkas

Grand Champion
KANZONA OTTO
Owned by Mrs F M Black

Imperial Grand Champion
KOORAHK LILYS PROMISE
Owned by Mrs H Hawkins

Champion JASUMIK
RHIANNON Owned by Mrs
S S Williams-Elliss

Champion JASUMIK
BLODWEN Owned by
Mrs S S Williams-Elliss

Congratulations to all these wonderful examples of
Korat and Thai cats and their owners and breeders

Korat and Thai Cat Association

Show Point Scheme

Best Show Cats Results 2024



Breeders

<i>Prefix</i>	<i>Breeder</i>	<i>Points</i>
<i>Saluay</i>	<i>Clare Treacher</i>	<i>690</i>
<i>Kanzona</i>	<i>Felicity Black</i>	<i>640</i>
<i>Koorahk</i>	<i>Helen Hawkins</i>	<i>510</i>
<i>Jasumik</i>	<i>Jane Couch</i>	<i>485</i>
<i>Jusarka</i>	<i>Julie Cherkas</i>	<i>140</i>
<i>Sawatao</i>	<i>Gaye Sinclair</i>	<i>120</i>

Best Adult Male

<i>Name</i>	<i>Owner</i>	<i>Breeder</i>	<i>Points</i>
<i>Ch Kanzona Otto</i>	<i>Felicity Black</i>	<i>Felicity Black</i>	<i>260</i>
<i>Gr Ch Sawatao Bilbil</i>	<i>Gaye Sinclair</i>	<i>Gaye Sinclair</i>	<i>70</i>
<i>Sawatao Chu Baka</i>	<i>Gaye Sinclair</i>	<i>Gaye Sinclair</i>	<i>20</i>

Best Adult Female

<i>Name</i>	<i>Owner</i>	<i>Breeder</i>	<i>Points</i>
<i>UK IGr Ch Saluay Saeng Lali Sawan</i>	<i>Clare Treacher</i>	<i>Clare Treacher</i>	<i>340</i>
<i>Gr Ch Saluay Chailai- Sawan</i>	<i>Clare Treacher</i>	<i>Clare Treacher</i>	<i>270</i>
<i>Imp Gr Ch Koorahk Lilys Promise</i>	<i>Helen Hawkins</i>	<i>Helen Hawkins</i>	<i>240</i>
<i>Gr Ch Kanzona Miranda</i>	<i>Ketill Game & Shelagh Heavens</i>	<i>Felicity Black</i>	<i>210</i>
<i>Jasumik Blodwen</i>	<i>Sarah Williams- Elliss</i>	<i>Jane Couch</i>	<i>165</i>

Jasumik Rhiannon	Sarah Williams-Elliss	Jane Couch	120
Gr Ch Jasumik Myfanwy	Sarah Williams-Elliss	Jane Couch	90
Ch Jusarka Follow-The-Dream	Julie Cherkas	Julie Cherkas	90
Ch Darika Phong BoonNam Mignon	Felicity Black	Friedericke Brinsch	80
Ch Jusarka Biba Bright-Star	Julie Cherkas	Julie Cherkas	50
Ch Sawatao Cheewit	Gaye Sinclair	Gaye Sinclair	30

Best Male Neuter

<i>Name</i>	<i>Owner</i>	<i>Breeder</i>	<i>Points</i>
Kanzona Night Brightness	Elaine Evans	Felicity Black	50
Kanzona Divine Sparks	Elaine Evans	Felicity Black	20

Best Female Neuter

<i>Name</i>	<i>Owner</i>	<i>Breeder</i>	<i>Points</i>
Gr Pr Koorahk Achara Preeda	Wendy Russell	Helen Hawkins	230

Best Kitten

<i>Name</i>	<i>Owner</i>	<i>Breeder</i>	<i>Points</i>
Saluay Kittisak Lanying	Claire Harding-Brown	Clare Treacher	80
Jasumik Petit Fleur	Jane Couch	Jane Couch	70
Koorahk Zophara	Helen Hawkins	Helen Hawkins	40
Sifsafs Murder Dan's Mittens	Jane Couch	Anne Kynde Christensen	40
Kanzona Night Brightness	Elaine Evans	Felicity Black	40
Kanzona Divine Sparks	Elaine Evans	Felicity Black	20

Results by Georgina Terry – Show Support Secretary

£Treasurer's Notes

Hi Everyone,

Hope you are all keeping safe and well!

2025! Wow! We are already in April...I'm honestly shocked how quickly time is flying by. Hopefully the good weather is almost upon us, and we can enjoy some time in the garden with my little ladies. They've not been out all winter, so I'm sure they won't complain if they find a sunny spot to enjoy in the garden. There's plenty of zoomies space too, and I'm pretty sure they will take advantage of that!

Meanwhile in Treasurers Corner...



Our accounts are healthy, and we would like to thank all those lovely members that continue to support our wonderful breed. We really do appreciate your loyalty in these difficult times.

- 2024 accounts have been completed and audited. Currently waiting for confirmation that they have been accepted.

Ways to pay your membership subscription which was due on 1st January 2025:

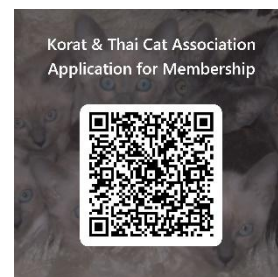
- You can pay by PayPal; membership@korats.org.uk. To avoid paying a fee, please remember to choose friend, family or gift NOT goods and services when paying by this method.
- You can still pay by cheque, payable to: Korat & Thai Cat Association and send your remittance to the Treasurer's address on Page 5.

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- A Bank Transfer or Standing Order. Account Name: Korat & Thai Cat Association. Account No: 66677568. Sort Code: 30-90-28. If using BACS, please add 'email' or 'paper' to indicate how you receive your newsletter, along with the subscription year and how many members in the reference. For example: 'Paper2025-2'. If there is no option for a reference, please let me know by email or you can send a text to 07921719001 (please state your name in the text).

It's been a while since receiving your details, especially those long-standing members so I need a little help to ensure I have your most up-to-date information. Please can you [click this link](#) and fill in the online form. The form is secure and will only return to me. I will only use the info on the form to update your details that we hold for club communications.

If you have received the paper version of the newsletter, you can scan the QR code with your phone's camera, and it will take you to the form.



Annual Subscription:	Paper Newsletter	Emailed Newsletter
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Joint/Family	£11	£9
Overseas	No Paper Option	£7 Single £9 Joint/Family

Lastly, I would like to welcome the following new member:

Svitlana Okhrimenko, Hungerford.

Have an amazing summer ☺

Dee >^..^<

Leapy.....

Leapy, the Korat, with fur of silver grey,
Tiptoed into my life and there chose to stay.
Eyes not yet emerald green, but so deep and so bright,
A flicker of magic in the still of the night.
From the moment we met, my heart took a leap,
In the presence of Leapy my soul found its keep.
With every soft purr and each playful chase,
He painted my world with his gentle grace.
Tho' our time was fleeting, a mere passing breeze,
His memory lingers, a whisper thru' trees.
Leapy taught love in a way pure and true,
In his absence my heart feels the ache of the blue.
In every room and in every day's start,
There's a space that belongs to the cat of my heart.
Tho' I couldn't keep you, dear Leapy, I find,
Your spirit still dances in the depths of my mind.
Your presence was brief, but your impact is vast,
A cherished reminder of a love that will last...

by Dr Milan Dagli



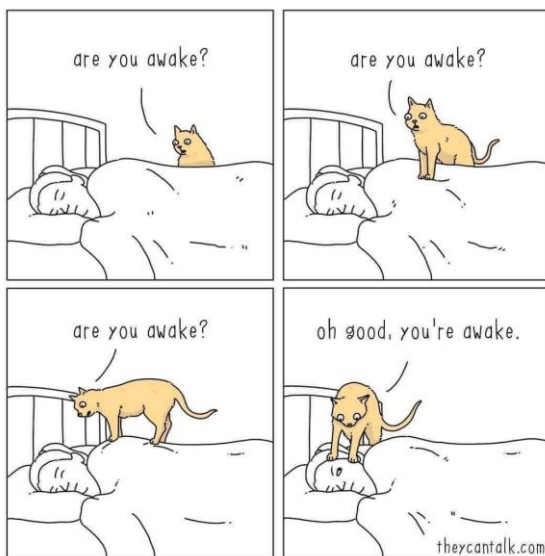
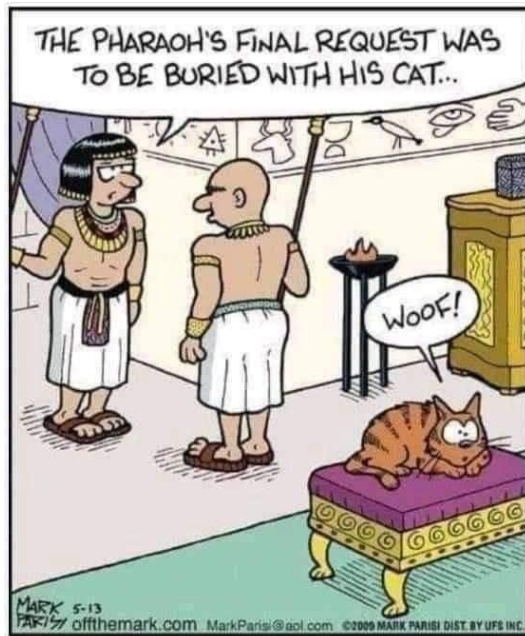
Leapy (Koorahk Balzo) was born on Leap Day, 2024 but sadly, Milan and his wife, Priya, were allergic to him... So, Leapy came back to me, 4 days later and I had to rehome him. He went to live with Stephanie Pemberton, daughter of Christine Pemberton, who had Yowie Charoon, from Australia, in early Korat breeding days.

Steph had also had kittens from me a few years back too.

Balzo / Leapy is now called Neo and is very happy with his uncles, from me, in 2012...

Helen, Koorahk Korats

Cartoon Page





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K&TCA KITTEN LIST SERVICE

Contact **Dee Hillier-Kidston** (details on page 5) with your litter information for inclusion on the KTCA website. Please include date of birth, number of kittens born, type of kittens (i.e. Korats or Thais), number of each sex still available and date the kittens will be ready for their new homes. A photo can also be added.

Please remember to let Dee know when your kittens have been placed.

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