

TONKINESE BREED CLUB VIRTUAL SHOW

April 2020

The Judges made comments on some of the cats they judged.

Val Anderson

Lovely to see all the photos of beautiful Tonkinese in a wide range of colours and patterns. Well-done to everyone who submitted their photographs, and a special mention to Linda for all her hard work in putting this together.

Photo Number	Class Number	Comment
152	56	Beautiful cat, posing well and looking in prime condition.
153	56	Lovely photo that shows off the cat well and I love the intense stare in his eyes.

Michele Clare

Very difficult to choose – these were all, obviously, much loved cats, including a very imposing-looking entire male. Thank you for entering them – they are all beautiful.

Photo Number	Class Number	Comment
Photo 18	Class 09	Fabulous eye colour, and a lovely warm-toned coat colour!
Photo 23	Class 10	Lovely looking cat, the photo light was rather strange and his eyes appeared to be different colours.
Photo 36	Class 14	Really lovely cat, super coat quality, and fab eye colour.
Photo 39	Class 14	Well marked cat, with really good colour and pattern, the photo makes the eye colour look rather too blue.
All	Class 65	All of these cats looked quite enticing, 1 or 2 had a “Come tickle my tummy and I’ll bite you” look on their faces!

Peter Collin

What a lovely fun event this was! I Can't wait to see the results of who these were. Best wishes and many thanks for asking me to judge.

Photo Number	Class Number	Comment
49	17	Wonderful blue eye colour!
47	17	Lovely shaped head and looks so composed
46	17	Gosh what wonderful blue eyes- looking touch surprised!
48	17	Lovely eye colour and looks very comfy
50	18	Lovely melting expression!

53	21	Wow! Gorgeous type and eye colour. My favourite.
52	21	Lovely composed expression. Eye colour a touch pale in the picture.
51	21	Looks an inquisitive youngster with lovely eye colour.
54	22	Nice balance to the head and good expression
55	22	Lovely eye colour and tabby facial markings
56	23	Very nice type eyes and expression
100	51a	Beautiful aquamarine shade developing
99	51a	Pale yellow eyes are correct
102	51b	Lovely clear primrose yellow
105	51b	Clear blue eyes
104	51b	Promising good aquamarine developing with touch of yellow around outer rim to clear
103	51b	Bluey eyes with green coming to centre.
101	51b	Green eyes with touch of yellow.
206	66	What an expression!! Love her!
205	66	Melting looks- couldn't deny her anything!

Julia Craig-McFeely

Photo Number	Class Number	Comment
22	C10	My overall choice from the Adult classes. I completely fell for this boy! He is giving that fantastic arch look that Tonkinese do so well, staring right down the lens and straight into my eyes. A superb photo too showing his character so perfectly, and such a stylish cat. For me this boy was the best of them all.
58	C25	My overall choice from the kittens. Another one looking straight out of the photo at me—beautifully composed and a beautiful youngster, just beginning to leave kittenhood behind and showing the absolute self-possession of a mature Tonk
1	C01	My choice of the BCR adults; a real beauty and the photo picks up the depth of shine that you get on the browns really well. Lovely eye colour too. Such a difficult choice though, as they were all stunners.
5	C02	I loved this picture: the slightly annoyed look of being disturbed for a photo, definitely inherited from his Burmese ancestors. Lovely silvered-blue colour too; Such a character!
9	C03	You can see this is a lovely gentle boy and this picture communicates shows that so well. He just wants you to put down the camera and stroke him.
18	C09	What stunning eye colour in a Brown, beautifully shot looking right at the camera. His coat pattern is also so well depicted in this picture.
49	C17	My choice of the colourpoint adults; what a darling! He looks so relaxed and confident and clearly just knows he is incredibly handsome. Amazing eye colour too, but what else would you expect?
50	C18	Lovely lilac girl with her facial markings dramatically enhanced by residual barring which gives her an exotic look. Lovely slight tilt to her head gives the picture a little extra something.

60	C26	Mr Bright Eyes! A very brilliant and striking Photo with perfect eye colour for a BCR – Burmese breeders would kill for eye colour this good! Beautiful type too and the most delicate of lilac shades.
61	C27	What a love, still a having a baby look, who appears as if he's just about to say something about having his photo taken. Incredibly pretty red tone too.
67	C33	My choice of the TCR kittens, and very close runner up to the difficult choice for best kitten for me. One of those pictures that is so satisfying: the perfect pose and the perfect shot. Lovely eye colour and a beautiful head complemented by the perfect chocolate pattern. Such a difficult choice between this one and the Brown BCR, and I hovered back and forth for ages!
68	C34	A lovely typical picture of a Tonk roosting up high – very high to judge by the roof! He also has that sultry look that Tonks do so well. Unlucky to meet the others in my class!
76	C41	My choice of the CPP kittens – such an indignant look! Big paddy paws showing that this lad is going to be a big adult. Beautiful set to his big kitten ears, but it was his 'stop photographing me and get me out of the pen to cuddle me' expression that I loved.
79	C42	A very close runner to No. 76 – how difficult to have two such lovely pictures and lovely kittens to have to decide between. This lad has a beautiful silvery blue tone to his points and lovely gentle blue eye colour. Lovely head, and I bet he's a stunning adult.

Tom Leighton

It was a pleasure to judge; there were some lovely photos and stunning cats.

Photo Number	Class Number	Comment
130	54b	Love the composition, pose and light in this one. Reminds me of Eartha Kitt(en)

Fran Nickerson (USA)

Photo Number	Class Number	Comment
All	50b	Overall outstanding eye colour throughout the group – some of the best I have ever seen!
157	57	Pattern especially striking

Bruce Nickerson (USA)

This sort of judging adds a fun element that US shows don't have.

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88	50a	Spectacular eye colour
90	50a	Great intensity but (in this picture) a little too blue
120	53b	Of course, I have been a sucker for a good blue Tonk since 1985

Sylvia Rose

All superb pictures of lovely cats and kittens. Thanks for sharing the photos.

Photo Number	Class Number	Comment
76	Class 41	Deeply in love with this boy! He just oozes character, I bet he's fun to live with.

Sharon Roy (CFA, USA)

This was very interesting. I carefully read the standard as they are quite different for the US. I was very intrigued by the Lilac-based Caramel tabby on one of the pages *[No. 45 in Class 15]*. I have to say, that if I were still breeding, I would try to get this color accepted. I am equally sure most of the Tonkinese breeders in the US would probably not want to go that route. Hopefully some day I can get over to England and see a "live" class of Tonkinese. It was fun.

Cilla Rowlands

Oh my goodness, so good to see all these wonderful Tonks. Not easy to judge as all had so much going for them. All owners are to be congratulated on producing such fab photos. How lovely it would have been to have had a proper cuddles with all these kittens. All winners in my eyes. Hope everyone enjoyed the show as much as I have, and that you and your lovely felines are keeping safe and well in these strange times. Xxx

Mike Vousden

Photo Number	Class Number	Comment
213	Class 67	A beautiful kitten.
215	Class 68	A difficult class to pick a first choice from, but this group stood out for me.