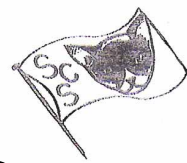


# NEWSLETTER

## SNOWSHOE CAT SOCIETY



Winter 2009

## Winter Report

### *A message from your chairman*

Well here we are in December again. I really don't know where the year has gone.

However I do know that the SCS committee has been hard at work on behalf of the breed. We submitted to the central office our application for the club to become affiliated to the GCCF.

I'm pleased to announce that at the council meeting on October 28th our application was granted.

We also compiled our application for the breed to be promoted from Preliminary level to Provisional level.

This entailed hours of work collecting, collating and transcribing pages of information in preparation for our application to be made to the GCCF. This would not have been possible without a dedicated band of helpers to whom a heartfelt 'thank you' is due.

So, our grateful thanks to Rosemary Biggin, Carole Pickles, Carol Leonard, Beryl Naylor, Michael Wrigley and Janet Ryan.

Thank you so much for all the effort you put into this task. We really could'nt have done it without you.

We hope to make the presentation to the GCCF in the early spring of 2010.

Your Chairman,  
Mollie

## Supreme Report

by Anne Jones

The GCCF Supreme cat show was held on Saturday 21st November at the NEC in Birmingham. As usual the Snowshoes were well represented, even though the numbers shown were diminished from last years fantastic effort. Only 4 cats were entered but all did really well and all gained their merits. The judge, Val Anderson, gave some good feedback on each cat after judging and all owners were delighted with the result.

The successful cats/owners were-  
Coldenufforsnow Zafirah (kitten) owned by Kate Bailey.

Spinning Hollyberry owned by Janet Ryan  
Icegems Berlioz owned by Anne Jones  
Deanfield Fanciful owned by Josie McKenzie  
During the day the Snowshoes attracted a lot of interest, with many visitors stopping to ask

questions about the breed, which we were only too happy to answer.

Our Chairman Mollie was there to support us, even though she did not have a cat to show and Theresa Grant also came to see us.

The day was made more enjoyable by meeting more of the people who breed and show snowshoes who we only e-mail for the rest of the year.

We look forward to a successful show next year.



photo by Kate Bailey

## Snowshoe Blogging

*We're loving Izzy the Snowshoe's blog about agility, trips to the beach and walks with the dog.*





## What is Cat Agility?

*Cat agility is a sport in which a handler directs or lures a cat through an obstacle course as quickly as possible.*

[www.catagility.com](http://www.catagility.com)



Read about Izzy's adventures at <http://www.kiabindhibengals.com/izzyblog.cfm>

## Retirement Notice

I wish to announce that I'm stepping down from the position of Chairman of the SCS. The club has now gained affiliation with the GCCF and going forward I feel that now is the right time to let someone else take over the Chair. I shall formally stand down at the 2010 AGM. I've been involved in breeding, showing and promoting the Snowshoe breed since 1997. Under my prefix of Coldenufforsnow. I've bred in total 55 litters of my beloved Snowshoes, the first 25 litters being registered with the FIFe, and the remaining 30 litters with the GCCF. On the show benches my home-bred cats have won well in excess of 100 merits. I've also been instrumental in the setting up and running of three breed Clubs, Snowshoes UK in 1998 (FIFe) the Snowshoe Cat Association in 1994 (GCCF) and the Snowshoe Cat Society in 1995 (GCCF) Having just celebrated my 70th

birthday I'm looking forward to relaxing a little more and enjoying my cats and their showing without the added pressure of always being 'on duty'.

The club and the breed are stronger now than they've ever been and I know I'm stepping down at the right moment. I shall still continue to be a club member and look forward to seeing an ever growing success story for the Snowshoes.

Mollie

## STOP PRESS! Return of the Photo Competition

As you all enjoyed it so much, we are going to hold another photo competition in the spring 2010.

Rules in our next issue, so get your cameras out and start clicking. We want lots of pics of your stunning Snowshoes.

The 2009 Winner was Richard Jones' kitten (who also won "Cutest Kitten").



Richard Jones' "Cutest Kitten"  
Winner 2009

## Nominations

Don't forget we need your nominations (with the nominees agreement) for the committee positions of: Chairman, Publicity Officer and Welfare Officer.

To be sent to Mollie at  
coldenufforsnow@hotmail.co.uk




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*The committee would like to take this opportunity to wish you a Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year.*

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## Reminder

Your Club Subscriptions are now due.

Cheques to be made out to The Snowshoe Cat Society. Fees are:

Single:	£10.00
Joint:	£15.00
Website listing for breeders:	£10.00

Total: \_\_\_\_\_

Name (print) \_\_\_\_\_

Membership number: \_\_\_\_\_

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