

Somali Love

I was not able to go to the free show in Brisbane in August this year as it was our Anniversary the same weekend. So when I saw that Vickie Shields, Philippa Holmes and Adriana Kajon were judging in Sydney at a TFA Cat show the following weekend, I decided to hop on a plane at the last minute with the boys and stay with my dear friend Debbie Thomas. We had a great time and the show was lovely.

As you all know when your cat is on the show bench been judged you are not allowed to let the judge know that it is your cat that he/she is judging. However what can you do when your cat does it for you? Well this is exactly what happened to me at this particular show.

Little did I know what secret weapon Tarek would use to wow Vickie Shields. Debbie and I were watching Vickie judge the Group 3 Desexed Section and we were sat in the front row. Tarek was doing his usual thing standing and been admired. Suddenly without any warning Tarek leapt from the table towards me. Vicki tried to grab his tail from across the table but it was too late. Tarek was in my arms and kneading and licking me. I did not know what to do. I apologised and tried to hand him back to Vickie. Vickie just looked at me and a huge smile came over her face. She said that seeing the two of us together made her teary. I was blown away with her comment.

Vicki then called over Adriana and whispered something to her. Adriana walked away and shortly after came back and handed something to Vickie and then they continued with their judging. At the end of judging this section, Vickie gave Tarek a special prize for the way Tarek had obviously bonded with me as his owner.

It was a very special moment and one I will never forget.



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