

Nile Abyssinians

CATTERY NEWS

With time marching on and GK's ill health in 2015, we are rapidly winding down breeding. We had two litters last year, and if health continues to improve, we propose to have one last litter around mid-year, close to 40 years since our first Aby litter. It would be from Gilly and Ria (see below). Meanwhile, Holly (CCCA Diamond Tpl Gr Ch & Diamond Dbl Nile Holly Ghost) has just been spayed, while a kitten from her last litter, Nile Cantata, is just starting a show//breeding career in Brisbane.

STUD CAT

NILE GILGAMESH [TWN]

Gilly is from Michael & Sue Shawn's Ch Highgaitpaws American Edition (Imp USA) and our Abytawe Shirley Basse. Both parent cats are Tawny, but Shirley carries Blue. He was born in March 2015, seems to be "ready to go", and will be available as a stud until mid-year. Although Gilly – like all our cats – missed out on showing during the second half of the year, because of GK's illness, he did well enough in the first half to come 5th Male Kitten in the NSW CFA 2015 Annual Awards. He will be shown in 2016, health permitting.

BROOD QUEENS

ABYTAWE SHIRLEY BASSEY [TWN carr BLU]

Shirley comes from the first litter bred by Kay Cooper, and is a daughter of CCCA Ch & Gold Dbl Gr Ch Nile Argante and Ch Nile Holly Golightly. She got to 4th Female Kitten of the Year in the 2013 NSW CFA Awards, spent a lot of 2014 on Suprelorin, had a litter including Gilly, and went back on Suprelorin. She will be spayed (and kept!) later this year.

Brz Dbl Gr Ch NILE SANGRIA [CIN]

Ria is a very richly coloured daughter of Ben & Wendy's Dbl Gr Ch Razzmatazz (Imp NZ) and our Dbl Gr Ch Kemenkat Wind Dancer (Imp NZ). In 2014 she was 4th Gr 3 Female Kitten of the Year under NSW CFA. In a foreshortened 2015 season, she managed to reach Brz DGC. The Suprelorin implant will be removed from her armpit if/when time comes for starting a litter! She will be shown in the meantime.

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