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WHITE PERSIAN WINS TOP CAT AWARD

MANASQUAN, NJ – July 1, 2007 - A white Persian, owned by Frederic Gaspard (France) , Connie Stewart (Temple City, CA) and Sergio Melo (Spain) has been named the Best Cat of the 2006-2007 show season by The Cat Fanciers' Association (CFA). Grand Champion, Breed Winner, National Winner Melositos White Owl of D'Eden Lover, a stunning copper-eyed white Persian male, captured the top honor at the CFA annual meeting in Austin, TX.

“This is an amazing win for a white Persian,” said CFA President, Pam DelaBar. “The work that is required to maintain the coat of a Persian, especially a white one, throughout a year-long show season is immense. This cat was shown in superb condition, and perfectly groomed, at each and every show in which he was exhibited.”

“Bibou”, as White Owl is fondly called, is a gorgeous example of the Persian breed, with an exquisite body and superb head type accentuated with his beautiful deep copper eye color. He, and his owners, became world travelers as they competed at CFA shows in Asia and Europe, as well as numerous shows across the United States.

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Best Kitten is Grand Champion, National Winner, Enchantedlair NWA Cornflake Girl, a beautiful tortoiseshell & white Sphynx female, owned by Mary P. Nelson and Liz & Mac Watson, of Saginaw, MI. This beautiful Sphynx wowed the judges with her lovely head type, body style and wonderful unblemished skin.

Best Cat in Premiership (neuters/spays) is Grand Champion, Grand Premier, National Winner Fuzzy-Foot's Confetti of Deydream, a gorgeous calico Manx spay, owned by Joy Dey and Cathy & Jim Dinesen of Easthampton, NJ. Confetti is a shorthair Manx with perfect head type and body conformation, enhanced by a well-marked calico color pattern.

The awards were based on total points accumulated throughout the show season which ran from the beginning of May 2006 through the end of April 2007.

In addition to these top winners, awards were given for the Top 25 Cats in Championship, Top 25 Kittens and Top 25 Cats in Premiership (altered adults). Breed awards were given for the top three felines in each of 53 breed/divisions and for Best and Second Best of color awards. The Best Cat, Kitten and Cat in Premiership from the Hawaii and International Divisions (Europe and Asia/Latin America), were also honored.

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About The Cat Fanciers' Association

Founded in 1906 as a non-profit association of member clubs, The Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc. (CFA) is the world's largest registry of pedigreed cats. To date, CFA has registered more than 2 million pedigreed cats throughout the world. CFA's mission is to preserve the uniqueness and beauty of the pedigreed breeds of cats, and to enhance the well being of ALL cats. CFA promotes education, responsible cat ownership and proper care to the owners of millions of cats worldwide. The CFA, headquartered in Manasquan, New Jersey, administers rules for the management of cat shows and promotes the interest of breeders and exhibitors of pedigreed cats. CFA breeders, exhibitors, judges and fans span the globe, annually hosting over 400 competitions on four continents. CFA and its affiliates work nationally with local shelters, at a grassroots level, to help improve the problem of stray cats and abuse, and to encourage neuter/spay programs. CFA has been instrumental in the development of several international charitable organizations such as CFA Disaster Relief and The Winn Feline Foundation. To learn more about the Cat Fanciers' Association, the pedigreed breeds of cats, or to find the nearest CFA cat show, visit www.cfa.org.

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