

----- AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FOR ALL OUR MEMBERS -----

There is going to be an extra meeting of Council this year on the 7th April 2010 at 1.30 pm at the Friends Meeting House in London.

This has been called to discuss just one issue - the Incorporation of the GCCF. This important item will be discussed at the February 17th Meeting of Council but the April Meeting will be decision time when a vote must be taken.

The Executive Committee had an additional meeting in January where they invited an expert on Company Law and formation to attend; she will also attend the February Meeting of Council to answer questions from delegates and give her expert opinion and advice.

Information will be posted on the GCCF website; please keep an eye open for updates by regularly logging onto www.gccfcats.org . I am a member of the Executive Committee; you can always contact me for information or clarification if you have any queries at annesmail@blueyonder.co.uk.

Following recent misinformation in the press and in order to maintain our robust stance regarding healthy breeding, the GCCF has posted its Breeding Policy on the website at

<http://www.gccfcats.org/pdf/BreedingPolicyversion721stJan2010.pdf> .

This is full of important information and advice for all breeders.

Every BAC will also have to formulate its own Breeding Policy for submission to the Genetics Committee by January 2011. Your knowledge, experience and input will be much appreciated - please make sure we know your views and comments. These items will also be discussed at the AGM; we hope you will be there to give your views and discuss these important issues.

The GCCF Breeding Policy will be printed as a booklet and be on sale at a reasonable price. It is important, in these times when the press is only too eager to report misinformation on cats using sensational pictures of non GCCF accepted breeds and/or cats that are not from the UK at all, that we work together to support the Governing Council of the Cat Fancy's policy that "Health Comes First!"