



Want to get more involved?

There are lots of ways you can get more involved in Felis Britannica.

Stewarding: There are three types of stewards, *chief steward*, *judge stewards* and *best in show stewards*. The judge steward spends the show morning working with a judge. They manage the flow of cats onto the judges table, search for any cats that don't arrive and ensure the paperwork is returned to the Secretariat. The best in show steward presents the cats during best in show. The Chief Steward is responsible for the organisation of the show paperwork between the secretariat and the judges, organising best in show and is the liaison between exhibitors and judges, exhibitors and secretariat, judges and secretariat and the general public and exhibitors, judges and show team.

If you are interested in stewarding at shows, please contact the Show Commission. Please can you indicate whether you are interested in stewarding for a judge, for Best in Show or both.

We are also arranging a steward training session. If you would like to attend, please let us know, and we will contact you nearer the time when we are looking at possible dates.

Please note that just because you are on the Show Commission list of stewards it does **not** mean that you will be **expected** to steward at a particular show, but that you will be **invited** to steward. We would, however, like everyone on the list to steward at least once in the show year.

Secretariat: Volunteers are always needed to help out on the Secretariat during shows – checking paperwork, handing out certificates and making drinks.

Setting up for shows: The Show Team normally sets up the show hall the night or afternoon before the show, depending when the venue is available and help is always welcome! Get in touch with the Show Manager.

Setting up for day two / closing down the show: For a two day show, the hall needs setting up for day two after day one of the show closes. This can involve re-numbering pens, setting up the trophy table, sweeping the hall and rearranging chairs. After the show closes on the final day help is needed packing everything up and loading cars. Help is always gratefully received as it means the Show Team can get home earlier! Contact the Show Manager if you are able to help.

General Help: The Show Team always need help collecting the judges from the airport the evening before the show, collecting judges from their hotel the morning of the show and taking them back in the evening, and taking them to the airport after the show. Often help is needed to take the judges to dinner and make them feel welcome on the evening before the show. Volunteers are also needed to put up posters in the weeks running up to shows.

There are always things that need doing before, during and to close the show – please contact the Show Manager with any offers of help!