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Update from the TICA Spring Meeting 15-17 May 2009

The meeting was held in Chicago, IL and the following Board Members were present: Vickie Fisher - TICA President; Bobbie Tullo - TICA Vice President; Carlos Arrietta - South America; Linda Kay Ashley - Mid Pacific; Genevieve Basquine - Europe South; Jamie Christian - Great Lakes; Ellen Crockett - Northwest; Lisa Dickie - Mid Atlantic; Cheryl Hogan - South Central; Donna Madison - Northeast; Ralph Stadter - (Interim) Europe North; Martin Wood - Europe West. Jo Parris - Southeast Regional Director participated telephonically. Laurie Schiff, Legal Advisor, was also present.

Motoko Oizumi, Regional Director for Asia, was unable to attend the meeting.

The Board also had an interactive discussion with Solveig Pflueger, M.D., on the TICA breed Registration Categories and how breeds (new and old) fit into them, in an effort to make development and acceptance of new breeds more understandable to all.

Congratulations to all who have been accepted to train or approved for advancement in The International Cat Association's Judging Program.

ADVANCEMENTS

APPROVED ALLBREED SANDI MATTINGLY JEFF ROBERTS

PROVISIONAL ALLBREED
JEAN-MARC LEGARDE

Rob Seliskar Karen Stinson ACCEPTED FROM ANOTHER ASSN:

PROBATIONARY SPECIALTY

PHILLIPA HOLMES

LH/SH TRAINEE David Nudleman

GENETICS INSTRUCTOR Anita H. Engebakken

REMEMBER:

Refresher Tests and Record Forms are Due back no later than 30 June !!!!

★★ BOARD ACTIONS ★★

New Standing Rule:

At the option of the judge, any New Traits Class cat(s) may be called to the ring with cats of the parental breed.

Change to the Judging Program:

Applicants may now be 18 years of age or older.

The Khaomanee has been granted Registration Only status.

Sad Tidings







Judy Chappetta was first known in TICA for her beautiful Cooncreole Maine Coons but had previously bred Siamese cats and a number of other animals. A native of New Orleans, Judy was very proud of her city's heritage and she incorporated regional place names and Cajun terms into most of her cats' names. Her first Regional win was with SGC (Cinnamaine) Tennessee of Cooncreole, a magnificent, gentle boy. Tennessee sired Judy's first IW, SGC Cooncreole Zydeco. She named Zydeco's younger brother after a local bicycle race – IW, SGC Cooncreole Crescent City Classic, OS. And Zydeco's son, IW, SGC Cooncreole Cajun Cowboy, surpassed even "CC's". To meet Judy's impreceably groomed, sweet Maine Coons was to love them.

Judy found the perfect outlet in judging. Her handling skills were both superb and innate. Judging also gave Judy an opportunity to travel worldwide and she had a deep appreciation and wonder for every location she visited. While judging in Russia, she handled and admired Siberian cats. While she loved all of her Maine Coons deeply, her soul mate was her first Siberian import -IW, SGC Treskuchiy Sibirskiy Moroz Mur. "Irdie" was TIÇA's Best Cat in 2000. Judy's Siberians had a tremendous impact on the growth and popularity of this wonderful breed.

Judy was frank, forthright, generous, loyal and courageous. She faced adversity and pain with stoicism and a positive attitude. She had an infectious smile and laugh, an ability to tell off-color jokes and her empathy made her a club favorite. She never gave up fighting her cancer. She just did not win the fight the second time and we lost Judy on April 4, 2009. Hopefully, she is reunited with her beloved Irdie. We miss you, Judy!



Appreciation by Laura Cunninghan

★★ REMINDERS ★★

JUDGES' FEES

SHOW RULE

214.1 Judges must be paid fees for judging in US currency, or the equivalent of US currency, as established by the TICA Board of Directors.

JUDGES MUST SUBMIT THE ENTIRE BILL FOR TRANSPORTATION, PARKING, INCIDENTALS AND JUDGING FEE. DONATIONS BACK TO THE CLUB ARE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE JUDGE. 214.1.1 JUDGING FEES ARE APPLICABLE TO REGULAR AND GUEST JUDGES REGARDLESS OF THE TYPE, LOCATION OR DURATION OF THE SHOW AND ARE DETERMINED BY THE LICENSED STATUS AT THE TIME OF SIGNING THE CONTRACT.

HOTEL NIGHT REIMBURSEMENT SHOW RULE

214.2 The club shall reimburse each judge for reasonable expenses, including transportation, lodging and subsistence in accordance with the "Agreement to Judge TICA Cat Show" (i.e., the official TICA Judge's Contract).

JUDGE'S CONTRACT

B. Lodging expenses at a hotel or motel of the Club's choice for the night prior to the Show and the day(s) and night(s) of the Show.

EO Trivia:

When putting your judges books together to send to the EO, please put all of the finals pages together in the front. This is how the EO sets them up for scoring, and will save them time.

NOTICES OF INTENT:

If your application was not considered at a Board meeting, you must notify the Judging Administrator if you wish to continue to have your name listed in the TREND.



Membership Dues and License Fees:

Per the Judging Program 414.5:

Membership dues for the 2010-2011 show year for all Judges & Trainees must be **received** by the Executive Office by **30 October 2009**, unless you are a Life Member.

License renewal fees for Judges, Trainees and ACTIVE Judges Emeritus must be received by the Executive Office by 30 October 2009. Distinguished Judges (DJ) are exempt.

License and Processing Fees may be found at the front of the judging program.

Failure to meet these requirements may result in a \$25 fine.

Judges failing to pay fines or having missing requirements will be relicensed pending payment of fees and completion of missing requirements. If fees are not paid by February 1st, an additional late fee of \$25 will be assessed by the EO.



EVERY JUDGE MUST SUBMIT AN UPDATED PICTURE EVERY THREE YEARS TO THE TICA YEARBOOK EDITOR (JOHN HARRISON).

JUDGES' INSURANCE COMPANY THE INSURANCE MART

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It is strongly suggested that all judges carry our judges' insurance information (above) in your wallet and/or the Claim Form in your briefcase at all times.

★★ JUDGING SCHOOLS & SEMINARS ★★

WE NEED AT LEAST ONE JUDGING SCHOOL PER YEAR IN EACH REGION.

2009 CALENDAR

1 August - Maine Coon Connection of Texas/T-Town Katz - Wichita Falls, TX

Judging School

Instructor: Fate Mays

INFO: ELEKTRA HAMMOND elektra@blueblaze.com

8 August - Cat fanciers of British Columbia - Langley, BC

ENTRY CLERKING SCHOOL

Info: Elaine Hawksworth-Weitz elaine@smokeycoons.com

30 August - Fukoka, JAPAN 9am-10am

RAGDOLL BREED SEMINAR

Instructor: Nahoko Kaizuka reddoor.nahoko@nifty.com

WEEKLY - CLASSES ON ALL ASPECTS OF TICA

Buenos Aires, Argentina

INFO: CARLOS ARRIETA liberticats @yahoo.com 5411 4522 4519



ALL CEU Attendance sheets (hard copy or electronic) should be sent to **Toni Jones**. She is handling the record keeping for relicensing.

It is the Judge's responsibility to list all your CEUs on your Record Form if you want credit for meeting the requirements.



★★ HELPFUL URLS ★★

FOR A CURRENT UPDATE ON CEU OPPORTUNITIES, VISIT:

http://www.blueblaze.com/ceuopportunies.htm

The current Judging Program documents (including the insurance claim form) can be found at: http://www.blueblaze.com/jp.htm

An archive of the Judges' Newsletters can be found at: http://www.blueblaze.com/jnl.htm