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Our thanks to the Great Lakes Region, the CMC, and the Midwest Norwegian Forest Cat Club for hosting the 2003 Annual Board of Directors Meeting and the Annual Show and Awards Banquet at the KL Conference Center and Regency Suites Center in Greenbay, Wisconsin.

With the exception of Luiz Paulo Faccioli, Interim Regional Director for South America, and Marcel Louwyck, Regional Director for Northern Europe, all Board Members and our Legal Advisors, Laurie Schiff and Frances Young, attended the meeting. Your Judging Administrator and her Assistant Judging Administrator, Nancy Parkinson, were also present.

Congratulations to all the wonderful International Award winners, and their persons, as well as those who have advanced in The International Cat Association's Judging Program and those who have received Service Awards for the years of dedication in judging for TICA.

Our Judge of the Year is Nancy Parkinson. Congratulations, Nancy !.

ADVANCEMENTS

Judge Emeritus

Joan Ray

School/Ring Instructor

Martine Caillard
Luiz Paulo Faccioli

Approved Allbreed

Kay DeVilbiss

Provisional Allbreed

Amanda Bright
Debbie Lopeman
Melissa Parsley

Re-Instate Approved SP

Cheryl Hogan (pending training requirements)

LH/SH Trainee

Pascal Remy
Heather Roberts
Jeff Roberts
Hisae Tasaki
Elaine Hawksworth-Weitz

HHP Specialty

Vickie Howell

Joyce Henderson has resigned as a Household Pet Judge
Robert Forte's Judging License has not been renewed.

SERVICE AWARDS

20 Years

Vicky Markstein
Peter Markstein
Hisako Yamada

15 Years

Dewane Barnes
Debbie Brown
Ann Hoehn
Yumeko Katoh
D'Anne Kovic
Aline Noel
Motoko Oizumi
Alice Rhea
Haruyo Tomonari
Louise Van de Water

10 Years

Roslyn Drusch
Luiz Paulo Faccioli
Vickie Fisher
Massimo Picardello

5 Years

Nabuo Hosoe
Amanda Bright
Mariko Kikuchi
Carlos Lopez
Robin Sessler
Al Walbrun

BOARD OF DIRECTORS ACTIONS

The Board of Directors has required the following explanation of "possession of a cat" to be placed in the minutes and that the TICA TREND Editor place it in the TREND periodically, "Possession of a cat constitutes being responsible for the health or welfare of the cat, no matter what period of time. Merely being in the presence of a cat is not possession."

The Board has accepted a new, revised, "Uniform Color Description," (UCD) as well as a revised "Glossary of Terms." These will be removed from the Standing Rules and the Standards and made a new publication entitled *Uniform Color Descriptions & Glossary of Terms*.

JUDGING PROGRAM

Amendments and Additions Effective Immediately

TRAINING PROGRAM

42.1.1: **Add:** At the time of sending notice of intent to the Judging Administrator, an applicant to the Judging Program must send a photograph to the TICA TREND Editor for publication with the notice in at least one issue of the TICA TREND prior to the Board meeting at which the applicant is to be considered.

42.2.6: **Amend to read:** A Trainee must be a member for a minimum of 4 years prior to the effective date of a TICA Probationary Specialty Judging License.

42.2.7: **Delete the phrase** "at least three master catalogs must be error free."

43.1.3: **Delete** in its entirety.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

412.3: **Amend to read:** Conducting or moderating any of the above schools, seminars, conferences or workshop sessions satisfies the requirement of attendance. *Licensed School or Genetic Instructors will earn 1.5 CEU's for each hour of instruction in a Judging School /Workshop or a Genetics Seminar.* The instructor or moderator shall send a typed/printed attendance list along with attendees signatures and summary of what was covered to the Judging Administrator/Designee within one month following the session. **AND add:**

412.3.1: *Any judge may receive CEU credit for conducting a Clerking School. A maximum of two CEU's may be obtained in this manner annually.*

413.1: **Amend to read:** A minimum of 2 working hours is required to earn attendance credit for a breed seminar, or a judge's conference. A minimum of 3 working hours is required to earn attendance credit for a judge's school. *Workshops and other seminars may be 1 working hour in length. A maximum of 6 hours will be given for any one school, seminar, symposia, or workshop.*

CODE OF ETHICS

416.12: **Add to the Judging Program:** No person residing in the same household as a judge or trainee may serve as Entry Clerk for a show at which the judge is officiating or the trainee is training.

STANDING RULES ADOPTED or AMENDED

203.19: All Preliminary New Breeds (PNB) and Advanced New Breeds (ANB) must have a TICA registration number prior to any TICA show. No PNB or ANB may enter a show with a "registration pending."

2013.2: Amend to read: Allbreed Judges invited to judge non-TICA shows shall *advise the Judging Administrator*.

2017.7: Merit Rosettes. Cats in Preliminary New Breed, Advanced New Breed and New Traits are not separated into longhair and shorthair for judging. These classes are for educational purposes only and are noncompetitive. Only one rosette is awarded per class without regards to coat length.

RULES AND BY-LAWS on the MEMBERSHIP BALLOT

BY-LAWS

ELIGIBILITY TO VOTE

113.1.1: Amend to read: Expired memberships not renewed *before* July 1st shall lapse and may not be renewed retroactively.

113.1.2: Amend to read: Persons whose membership has expired will be considered new members if they renew their membership *after June 30th*.

SHOW RULES

23.10.1: Add to read: No kitten under the age of 3 calendar months is permitted in the show hall under any circumstance. AND,

23.10.2: Add to read: The show committee, at its discretion, may require a TICA litter registration as proof of age for kittens under the age of 4 months of age entered as Exhibition or For Sale.

215.1.3: Add to read: Preliminary New Breed, Advanced New Breed or New Traits Class cats owned by any officiating judge may be shown on the same day that judge is judging, provided exhibiting is accomplished through an agent, and no communication between the agent and the officiating judge occurs until the officiating judge has completed judging

216.13.3: Amend to read: Spots, patches or sprinkling of incorrect color (i.e., color faults) other than lockets and belly spots.

!!! Please Remember to VOTE !!!

REGISTRATION ONLY

The following breeds have been added to our TICA REGISTRATION ONLY list:

Asian, Asian LH, Asian SH, Australian Mist, Burmilla, Ceylon, European SH, European Burmese, German Rex, Javanese (registered as BA), Kurilian Bobtail, Mandarin (registered as OL), Mandolay, Ragamuffin, Sokoke, and Thai.

REMINDERS

Membership Dues and License Fees: All Judges' and Trainees' Membership dues for the 2004-2005 show year must be received in the Executive Office by October 30, 2003, unless you are a Life Member. Unless you are a DJ, your **license renewal fee** must also be received by **October 30th**. Active Judges Emeriti dues must be current by October 30th.

NOTE: Failure to meet the above may result in a \$25 fine and judges' failing to pay fees or having missing requirements will be re-licenced pending payment of fees and completion of missing assignments. If fees are not paid by February 1st, an additional late fee of \$25 will be assessed by the Executive Office.

INTERNATIONAL GUEST JUDGES: Official TICA Application for Invitation of International Guest Judge Forms are available from Nancy Parkinson, the EO, or the TICA web site. The club sponsoring the Guest Judge is to send the completed application form with the required documentation to the Judging Administrator/ Designee no later than 60 days prior to the show. The JA will submit the completed application to the Guest Judge Committee.

JUDGING PROGRAM FORMS: The Judging Program, the Official TICA Judging Contract, Information Sheet, and all other forms involving the judging program are available on the TICA web site, or by contacting Nancy Parkinson. Nancy has all forms in Word or pdf format. Nancy: (512) 420-8510 or pzazz@austin.rr.com

JUDGES' EXPENSE FORMS: Profits from the Expense Forms go into a fund for your Judging Administrator and upcoming educational seminars. The booklets are two part NCR and come 20 forms to the book for \$5. They may be ordered by contacting Steven Savant, 100 Jonah Circle, Lafayette, La 70508. PH: (337) 989-0085. savantcats@earthlink.net

JUDGES AND TRAINEES: Please check to make sure your current contact information is listed correctly at the Executive Office, in the TREND, as well as with your Judging Administrator.

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JUDGING SCHOOLS & SEMINARS

We need at least one Judging School per year in each Region. Breed Committees are encouraged to hold Breed Seminars at least every three years. Please notify me of and Schools or Seminars that you may be moderating or that are in your Region so that I may post them to this Newsletter and in the TREND.

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Oct 11th Everett, WA. Evergreen Cat Fanciers. Pixiebob Breed Seminar and Genetic Seminar immediately following the completion of judging. Genetics of tabby spotting by Adriana Kajon. Info: Alice Rhea, amrhea@nwlinc.com

Nov 9th Hartford, CT. BosCats. Bengal Breed Workshop during the lunch hour at the show hall. Moderated by Martine Caillard. Info: Jimmy Reardon, boscats@aol.com

Nov 10th Richmond, B.C. Canada. Can Am Cat Club, Birman and Ragdoll Breed Seminar. Info: Alice Rhea, amrhea@nwlinc.com

Nov 15th Lancaster, PA. Keestone Kats. Veterinary Seminar on Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy by Meg Sleeper, DVM. 6 pm Saturday after the show. Info: Becky Brown, kabobkats@aol.com

Nov 22nd Memphis, TN. Memphis International Cat Enthusiasts, (MICE) "How We Judge" Seminar in the show hall following the completion of judging. Info: Beth Hicks, bhicks01@midsouth.rr.com

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Feb 7th Fresno, CA. Fresno Cat Fanciers. Persian Breed Seminar 6 pm in the Industrial Education building at the Fresno Fairgrounds. Moderated by Mary Arnold. Info: Mary Arnold, mja@bitoblarney.com

Feb 14th Everett, WA. Evergreen Cat Fanciers. "How We Judge" presentation followed by a Maine Coon Breed Seminar moderated by Beth Hicks, Lynne Sherer and Laura Cunningham, in the show hall as soon as judging is completed. Info: Beth Hicks, bhicks01@midshouth.rr.com

March 12, 13 & 14 Houston, TX. **World Cat Congress.** Breed Seminars and Educational Programs ongoing throughout the weekend. MANY CEU OPPORTUNITIES! Info: Nancy Parkinson, pzazz@austin.rr.com

May 8th Santa Maria, CA. Cuesta Cat Club, Judging School Saturday evening after dinner. Moderator TBA. Info: Marge Hanna, mbhanna@onemain.com

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