

Dear Siamese Breed Group Members:

My name is June Abbott Colwell and I am asking for your support to be elected as a member of the Siamese breed group committee.

I have been breeding Siamese since the mid 1970's under the name Velpaws. I have bred or shown approximately 30 or more TICA Grand Champion through Supreme Grand Champions most of them Regional winners as well as several International Breed and Color awards and an International and Lifetime Achievement Award winner, LA SGC Velpaws CopyCat of McInKats. I have served on the Breed Council several times and am a Charter member of TICA.

I believe that it is important to mentor and encourage new people in the cat fancy and to try to promote our breed group. It is also important that we do so in a loving and fun-loving manor. We should though not just help new breeders in our breed group, because TICA is about helping all cat friendly people and about friendship. I of course as most of you think our breeds are the best.

I also agree with Susan Adler and others in our group that it is also important that we focus on the health issues facing pedigreed cats and also, we should be able to discuss and share information without fear of personal attack. We are all trying to preserve the health of our breed and produce long-lived cats. I support breeders helping other breeders by sharing lines and not placing unreasonable restrictions upon the offspring. We are most fortunate that this not an issue for the most part with the breeders in TICA

I hope that you will consider me when you place your vote and thank you for your reading my declaration.

June Abbott Colwell