

Thirty six years ago my life was so blessed when my first Birman came into it. Ever since that point I have love the breed. Over these 36 years I have seen lower litter numbers, lower registrations, lower numbers in the show halls, and lower number of breeders...

Three years ago I ran for this breed committee because I wanted to make a difference before our breed numbers fell further down... It started out with a few of us discussing the standard but then the silence screamed ahead...

I feel our breed can't go ignored for another 3 years... We need a committee that will take action now, we need Birmans in the show halls now, we need new Birman breeders now, and we need to make ourselves known once again to the public...

When I saw the inactivity again I was not going to run again because frankly I do not want to play the games of the cat fancy... However I also realized that if I don't speak up for Birmans, who will..??.. Well, I will along with Julia, Terry, Judith, and Charlotte... We will work as a team, we will be at the TICA shows, we will encourage new breeders, we will publicly promote the Birman and we will educate about the Birman...

I ask for collective votes for myself and the breeders above... Please help us save our beloved breed... Please consider us for your vote...

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"It's ALL About the Cats"

