## Welcome and Call to Order

- **September 2, 2009, Wednesday, 9 AM**
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2. Great Lakes Cat Consortium
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3. GLCC
   a. Toledo, OH
   b. TBA

4. Glasscitics
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109.1 Annual Convention.

109.1.1 Annual Convention. Labor Day weekend each year is reserved for the Annual Convention. No other shows may be held the weekend of the Annual Convention with the following exception. A club may receive permission to hold a show on the Annual weekend upon application to the Board. Application must state specific reasons for the request for exemption and why such a show would have no impact on the Annual.


109.1.1.2 Proposals to host the Annual Convention in the designated region must be received for the Annual Meeting 3 years prior to the proposed convention.

109.1.1.3 In the event no club submits an acceptable proposal, any club in any region may submit a proposal to host the Annual Convention by the agenda deadline for the Semi-Annual Meeting 2½ years prior to the convention and a notice soliciting such proposals shall be published in the TICA TREND.

109.1.1.4 The subsequent designated order of rotation will remain the same.

109.2 Meetings of the Board.

109.2.1 All Board Meetings shall be scheduled for a minimum of 2 days.

109.2.1.1 Meetings of the Board shall be the fourth full weekend in January (Winter Meeting, the third full weekend in May (Spring Meeting) and the week immediately preceding Labor Day weekend (TICA Annual).

109.2.1.2 The Winter Meeting shall be held in Harlingen TX without a show OR at a location outside the United States in conjunction with a show, approved by the Board.

109.2.1.3 The Spring Meeting shall be held in the United States, rotating from Central to West to East, with or without a show. The meeting venue must be at or near a major international airport at a hotel with adequate meeting space, full restaurant service and airport shuttle.

109.2.1.4 The Winter and Spring meeting locations shall be selected by the Board without consideration of accompanying show.

109.2.1.5 Minutes of all meetings of the Board of Directors shall be completed within 10 working days following the meeting.
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Proposed Registration Rule:

33.9.4 A proposed New Trait that has not be approved by the parent breed or breed group, and ultimately rejected by the TICA Board, must wait three years from the date rejected by the TICA Board before submitting an application to be reconsidered for advancement to Championship status.

Rationale:

The proposed rule addition for New Traits (33.9.4) that is submitted is based on experience of the Maine Coon breed section who recently dealt with the proposal that would have allowed polydactyl Maine Coons to be shown in the championship class. For nearly six months prior to the Board's action at the 2008 Annual meeting, the TICA Maine Coon breed section discussed the polydactyl issue from every possible point of view. Polydactyl discussion dominated, and still dominates, all other discussion topics within the breed section. The polydactyl proposal was rejected by 2/3rds of the polled breed section. With the section’s vote and action by the Board, we need to move on. We must address other pressing matters of interest for the Maine Coon breed, including discussion of health issues affecting the breed, updating the Maine Coon breed seminar presentation and the educational brochure.

Note: The proposers would have revised this to a 2 year delay had they had the time to do this and re-submit.

This suggested rule is being presented as a result of the Maine Coon breed section’s experience about the New Traits process, because it provides evidence that there needs to be a “cooling off period’ before a New Trait can re-apply for Championship status. Discussion last summer was divisive. It is imperative that our section, or any other breed group having the same situation, have a 24 month period to enable the breed committees to manage issues other than the proposed new trait which failed to pass.

Comments from Rules:

(MW) I feel this rule is to address a specific situation within the New Traits program and I feel uncomfortable with the Board making a rule to suit a single situation.

If we must have this rule, I feel that a 3 year wait is excessive (bearing in mind that there's still an extra 120 days needed anyway from the time of application before it goes before the Board).

(LS) I also agree with Martin. Additionally, waiting three years actually requires the new trait to start from the beginning, given the requirements. I do not think such is in the best interest of any breed, nor does there seem to be a problem that needs to be addressed, as the new trait program seems to be working fine.

(BT) I am in agreement with both Martin and Laurie - the New Trait Program seems to be working fine and I'm not sure that we need to change it or add to it.
Please go to next page!
Amend Registration Rules 37.7.1 (Category VI Breeds)

Rules Approved 7/20/09

**Rationale:**

Currently, the Reg Rules (37.1.2) define 6 categories of breeds:
- 37.1.2.1 Category I: Established Breeds
- 37.1.2.2 Category II: Natural Breeds
- 37.1.2.3 Category III: Variant or Mutation Breeds
- 37.1.2.4 Category IV: Domestic Hybrid Breeds
- 37.1.2.5 Category V: Non-Domestic Source Breed Hybrids
- 37.1.2.6 Category VI: Experimental (Developing) Breeds

At present there is no distinction in Category VI between truly experimental breeds (Dwelfs, Kinaklows etc) and breeds which are established in other registries such as Burmillas or the Australian Mists which are at Registration Only status.

Under the current RR 37.7.1, the purpose of Category VI is defined as: "new breeds which are still in active development. Use of both hybrid crosses and outcrosses to cats of unknown or unregistered parentage is permitted. There are no limitations or restrictions on the breeding programs for such breeds."

Now the lack of any restriction is fine for the real experimental breeds, but it does not make good sense for TICA to condone unrestricted outcrosses if someone is breeding and registering some of these recognised breeds with TICA.

**PROPOSAL**

Amend 37.7.1

"37.7.1 Purpose. This category is for new breeds which are still in active development or Breeds shown in other organizations but currently at Registration Only status. Use of both hybrid crosses and outcrosses to cats of unknown or unregistered parentage is permitted for Experimental breeds. There are no limitations or restrictions on the breeding programs for such Experimental breeds."

**Rules Committee comments:**

(MW) This solution is simpler than trying to create an entirely new category for the Registration Only Transfer breeds

(BT) Works for me

(LS) Me too !

(FY) Sounds like a good idea
Add Standing Rules 205.2.4 (Vetted Shows)
Approved Rules 7/20/09

Rationale:

In the UK it can be difficult to get veterinary surgeons for vetted shows, but qualified and registered Veterinary Nurses can also carry out the same inspection function. This is also permitted by the GCCF (the other major show body in the UK).

The new rule gives more flexibility to show managers in putting on vetted shows, and could be applied elsewhere where vetted shows are the norm.

PROPOSAL

Existing Show Rule 25.2 provided solely for clarity:

Show Rules 25.2 Vetted Shows. A licensed practicing veterinarian acting for the club must examine each cat or kitten including household pets and entries for sale or exhibition prior to benching and shall disqualify any cat that shows evidence of fungus, fleas, ear mites, or any infectious or contagious illness.

Standing Rules 205.2 Vetted Shows

205.2.1 The owner or the agent of each cat inspected and considered to be in good health by the veterinarian shall be issued a card or other document to that effect and the cat shall be benched.

205.2.2 The show veterinarian has the authority to order the immediate removal of any sick cat from the show.

205.2.3 In the event the veterinarian is unable to officiate or does not appear at the designated time for benching inspection and a substitute veterinarian cannot be engaged to perform the benching inspection, the show shall be declared a non-vetted show.

Add:

205.2.4 At show management’s discretion, and providing the relevant professional body permits this, a qualified and registered Veterinary Nurse (or equivalent) may act as the show veterinarian for the purposes of this rule and Show Rule 25.

Rules Comments:

(LS) Perfect
Current Rule:

"601.2.17 The cutoff date for scoring corrections from exhibitors is May 7th. corrections/additions/deletions of suffixes – must be received from exhibitors in the Executive Office by May 7th."

Proposed Change:

"601.2.17 The cutoff date for scoring corrections from exhibitors is May 7th. [Add:] Any corrections – including corrections/additions/deletions of suffixes – must be received from exhibitors in the Executive Office by May 7th [Add:] in writing [End of addition]."

Rationale:
This should make it clear that corrections must be received in writing and that the date is relevant for *any* corrections and not limited to suffixes.
Proposal to Amend Standing Rules regarding Junior Exhibitors

Amend Standing Rule: 901.4.1

901.4.1 Junior Achiever Exhibitor Excellence Award. Exhibitors under the age of 18 may apply yearly to the Executive Office for a Junior Achiever Exhibitor Excellence Award. To qualify, a Junior Exhibitor must exhibit in 4 shows a year and provide a letter of endorsement from a TICA Judge. To receive the award, the junior exhibitor must forward copies of the catalog cover pages and the pages that name the junior exhibitor as the owner or agent along with the endorsement letter to the Regional Director. The Regional Director shall forward the list of names to the Executive Office.

901.4.1.1 The Junior Achiever Exhibitor Excellence Award shall be awarded at the Regional ceremonies and the recipients will be recognized at the International Awards ceremonies.

Rationale: Due to trademark issues, we are prohibited from using the term "Junior Achiever" for our program.

OR

Delete Standing Rule 901.4.1

In the event the Junior Exhibitor Program is accepted by the Board of Directors, this entire section becomes moot and should be deleted.

July 31, 2009 (8:27am)
MEMORANDUM

Date: August 1, 2009
Subject: Marketing Update
To: TICA Board
From: Deb Decker

It is my pleasure to provide you with a brief report on marketing activities since February 1 through August 1, 2009. The goal has been to build TICA’s brand and presence worldwide, provide a web site and services that TICA members and other exhibitors / breeders would benefit from, and build a corporate sponsor program.

Web Site - As you know the “heart and soul” of TICA, its new web site, launched mid March. While there has been fine tuning to the content, and enhancements to the functionalities and offerings off or on the site, the overall comment about TICA’s new and improved site has been very positive. Since the merger of the three sites, our ranking has increased by and traffic has increased. A report with statistics is attached.

30th Anniversary – 2009-2010 is an important time for TICA as it celebrates its 30th anniversary. From the design of the new logo to the use of it around the world by EO, clubs and members or breeders, it will help to reinforce TICA’s strong presence in the cat fancy worldwide. It also provides a sense of pride in TICA members/breeders/exhibitors.

Enewsletter - TICA’s first enewsletter was distributed with a low percentage of returns. As a result of the mail out we have cleaned up TICA’s database of emails for further mail outs. The purpose of the enewsletter is to keep TICA members/non-members informed on news, marketing promotions and corporate sponsors (and discounts). The content is not the same as in the Trend. It will also function as an advertising vehicle for corporate sponsors allowing them to run a banner ad, an article on a promotion or a coupon that will link to a promotional page on their web site. The enewsletter is designed and distributed in-house so there are no additional costs associated with it. Comments have been very positive about the enewsletter.

Corporate Sponsors – The program for Royal Canin is underway and the first eblast to the TICA dbase was distributed. Royal Canin is supplying articles and other marketing materials for the web site or distribution. Other sponsors that are “in the works” include Revival, Halo Pet Products and Embrace Pet Insurance. Initial contact has been made with Southwest Airlines, Pledge, LaQuinta and Petairways. As part of the corporate sponsorship packages, an ad plan, rate sheet and process has been developed along with other sponsorship ideas that corporate sponsors can choose from.

Public Relations – Press releases have been distributed online and to key media. TICA’s presence in searches has improved due to the optimized releases. Other writers and publications have contacted TICA regarding the organization, breeds, and more. Feline Wellness is still a strong proponent of the organization. Other social networking relations and promotions have helped with viral marketing.
Value-Added Services for Members and Non-Members (Breeders or Exhibitors) -

- **Online store** – The online store launched in March. While sales are not “stellar” TICA is earning a small rebate after the monthly service fee is paid. The purpose of the store is more to help members build the brand and purchase items that they will be proud to wear or use. In turn by promoting TICA Pride they the revenue will then follow. People who have purchased the items love them. I’d recommend having samples at shows because people like to see and feel the items, and as an impulse buy if it’s in front of them, they’ll purchase it.

- **Advertising** - A special advertising package was developed for TICA members and other non-member breeders that will help them promote their cattery and cats. The package includes online, print and the Yearbook (which was for a limited time). The online ads act as a “loss leader” giving them an added benefit if they advertise in the Trend (and/or Yearbook if they chose that package). The plan, process and pricing was developed and promoted.

**New Kitten or Cat Kit** – The concept of a new kitten / cat kit was to provide a value-added tool that TICA members and non-member breeders could use as a marketing tool to promote their site, and give information and discounts to people who purchase their kitten or cat. Royal Canin, Embrace Pet Insurance and Revival Animal Health all want to be included in the Kit. Originally it would be a hard-copy printed Kit, but it’s recommended that it become an eKit. And that would also expand advertising opportunities for corporate sponsors plus expand TICA’s presence as a source of information on cat welfare by offering eCoupons, etc for sponsors and advertisers in the eKit. People can register to receive the enewsletter (see above notes about enewsletter) and as part of that registration, download the coupons and eKit.

There have been other activities but the ones noted above are the major projects/programs that have been developed and underway, or in phases of development.

**What’s Next?**

So what is planned for marketing? Marketing’s short-term goals are to continue to:

- Build TICA’s brand worldwide as the largest genetic registry of pedigree cats, and registry of household pets
- Position TICA as “the authority” on cats and the cat fancy
- Attract top-tier global corporate sponsors from a wide range of industries servicing cats directly or indirectly, plus other advertisers from tier 2 and tier 3 manufacturers and suppliers
- Develop and provide value-added services or products for TICA members and other breeders and exhibitors

As a result of all marketing activities, it’s projected that in 3 to 5 years TICA will be:

- The strongest cat registry in the world
- The authority on cats and the cat fancy worldwide
- A leading proponent of cat welfare around the world
To reach these goals it’s imperative to continue to build the marketing momentum, and that can be achieved through:

- Identification of corporate sponsors that will result in increased revenues for TICA, plus added-value services or products for TICA members (and non-members alike). This is a win-win for both TICA and the corporate sponsor as the company will have an avenue to promote its product(s) or service(s) to a targeted audience. Recommend building a database of corporate sponsors that is kept separate from the member database in EO, and eblasts to those potential sponsors completed on a regular basis to keep TICA’s brand in front of them, and make them realize it’s a good advertising outlet.

- Continued enhancement to the TICA web site through interactive services for members, new and fresh content on a regular basis, videos of TICA shows and different breeds of cats (to replace the Zootoo videos), articles from Royal Canin and other sponsors or authorities, new advertisers, new materials to offer to clubs through the member side of the site.

- Ongoing public relations efforts to get TICA included in key cat and pet publications in addition to local media and on national TV or radio, optimized releases building links to the TICA site and resulting in media coverage, building relationships with key writers/editors/freelance writers/bloggers, working with associations such as the Cat Writers Association, sponsorships of key events, bylined articles in key publications or web sites, reciprocal coverage on key sites such as Feline Wellness or Cat Wellness (ads, media coverage).

- Advertising in key publications or on key web sites (some are reciprocal through coverage of the other site/publication on the TICA site – resulting in free advertising for TICA).

- Development of additional services and products for TICA members such as discounts through corporate sponsors, ecommunication vehicles to keep them informed on TICA happenings, kits providing tools to help with breeding, showing and more.

- In 2010 the development and implementation of TICA U (www.TICAU.com) will be the “next step” in TICA’s strong presence and growth within communities around the world.

Google Analytics: 3/26-7/28 2009

45.35% New Visits
Google Analytics - Top Ten Pages With Most Traffic

Home page – public side
Breeds – public side
Home page – Members
Breeders – public side
Standings - Members
Index
Showing – public side
Household pet – public side
Colors – public side
Contact

Google Analytics - Top Ten countries w/visitors
(March 26-July 28)

US – 78,891 visitors
Canada – 9,675
United Kingdom – 7822
Japan – 5776
France 3476
Germany – 3344
Russia – 2455
Italy – 2203
Brazil – 1373
Finland - 1321

Alexa

Alexa Ranking:
424382  (up from close to 600,000)

Increase in traffic is more than 5% as of July 28 2009
New Breed Reports Received:
Chausie
Highlander
Kurlian Bobtail
Savannah
Serengeti
Thai

Advance to Preliminary New Breed
Napoleon

The above reports and application have been received and reviewed by the Rules Committee.
2008/2009 Chausie Breed Report

This year has been a progressive one for the Chausie Breed Committee. The breeders have met all but one of the requirements toward championship status within TICA. As time advances, we expect to meet that final criterion within the coming years.

CU to CU Breedings

While the number of new Chausies registered appears to have fallen, the number of cats needed to advance toward “SBT” status has risen. Seventy-four percent of the cats that were registered for the year 2008 will produce “SBT” kittens. We expect this number to be much higher as the year 2009 draws to a close. Of the 2008 registrations, 22% were actual “SBT” kittens, contributing to this furtherance. Due to this advancement, we are seeing traits becoming more consistent as we continue to have Chausie to Chausie crossings.

Chausies Registered

By June of 2009, the total number of Chausies registered was approximately 1146. The challenge during the 2008 breeding year has been to produce fertile “C” level males. The increase in fertile “C” level males will produce an increase in the number of “SBT” Chausies registered this coming year.

Chausies at the Shows

Chausies have also been in the show halls during the last show year. Twelve individual cats were judged in twenty-nine shows across seven regions. Statistically, this averages out about the same as last show year, when seventeen cats were shown in twenty-six shows in ten regions. There has been a general consensus that Chausies are developing a distinct look as their own.

The Chausie Breed Committee

The Chausie Breed Committee has maintained an active E-Group list since the Chausies basic inception into T.I.C.A. This is where committee members discuss various aspects of the breed, feedback from the shows, and revisions to the goals of the breed. The breed group updated its website after the first of the year, as they do every year, and invites you to visit the website at www.chausiebreedcommittee.com to view photos and breed information.
Chausie Rescue

Chausie Rescue (established March 21, 2001) is still helping Chausies in need as well as other hybrid cats. The rescue organization is currently listed with Purebred Cat Rescue and works with Hybrid Cat Friends as well. Chausie Rescue maintains a website where we can be contacted to help out chausies in need of placement, or owners if they just have a few questions. Currently, the rescue group has been successful in assisting all cats that were referred to Chausie Rescue.

In Conclusion

In conclusion, Chausie breeders continue education in various formats as well as mentor new breeders. We are predicting that the numbers of cats we need to finish our last criterion will be on the rise thereby ensuring our advancement toward championship status.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bobbie Tullo
Chausie Working Breed Chair
ANNUAL HIGHLANDER BREED REPORT - 2009

The past year has been an exciting year for the Highlander breed from our first 4th generation litter being born this spring to having a Brazilian pet magazine (Cães & Cia) do a piece about the TICA registered Highlander. We have also been asked by the same magazine to do a feature on the breed, which we will be working on in the near future. The breed can now be found in Belgium as well as in England and breeding programs will begin in those countries in about a year.

This past year, Highlanders have begun making their way into the show halls and showing in the Preliminary New Breed Classes. The breed has been welcomed by most and we look forward to the challenge of winning over the rest as they experience firsthand the beauty and personality of the Highlander breed. We look forward to introducing the breed at more shows and regions in the coming years.

7 Highlanders and 17 Highlander Shorthair registered for the year 2009.

Total Highlanders registered are 13 Highlander and 176 Highlander Shorthair.

There are 14 Highlander litters registered and 111 Highlander Shorthair litters.

Currently, 11 breeders are working with the Highlanders breed in four TICA regions.

The breed remains a healthy viable breed, the personality and size continue to delight and interest in the breed continues to grow.

We look forward to the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Hillard
Highlander Working Breed Chairperson
www.earizistibles.com
Pursuant to Registration Rule 33.6.3.3 “The Preliminary New Breed Class Working Group Chair shall provide an electronic report on the status of the breed development and other issues relevant to the breed to the Genetics Committee, the Rules Committee, and the Executive Office for inclusion in the Agenda at least 60 days prior to each Annual Meeting.” I am hereby providing such a report on the Kurilian Bobtails.

The Kurilian Bobtail has been a Preliminary New Breed for just over one year, having been advanced from Registration Only status on May 1, 2008. In that time registrations of individual cats and litters have increased significantly. As of June 8, 2009 there are now 93 total Kurilian Bobtails registered with TICA and 22 litters have been registered. Please see attached TICA statistics. These numbers will increase because presently one of the Kurilian Bobtail breed section members is in Russia and is assisting Russian breeders with the paper work necessary to join TICA, and register catteries, cats and litters. There are also at least three litters in the US that have not been registered yet with TICA.

Kurilian Bobtails have been shown in the following regions: Northern Europe [30 unique individuals - 9 KB & 21 KBL], Mid Atlantic [1 unique individual - 1 KBL], Northeast [10 unique individuals - 3 KB & 7 KBL], and South Central [1 unique individual - 1 KBL] for a total of 42 unique Kurilian Bobtails shown since advancement to PNB. Many of these same cats have been shown in multiple shows since advancement to PNB, however, according to TICA Registration Rule 33.7.1.5 at least 15 individual cats must be shown to comply with the requirements to advance to ANB. The Kurilian Bobtail has certainly fulfilled that requirement and them some.

However, the rest of the requirements for progressing to Advanced New Breed [please see the attached pdf file from TICA] are probably not going to be met because of the following reasons:

1.) Lack of the names and TICA Registration numbers for the Kurilian Bobtails Registered with TICA. On April 14, 2009 I called Leslie Bowers at the EO and specifically asked her if I could get the names and TICA registration numbers for all of the Kurilian Bobtails that were registered with TICA to fulfill the requirements for advancement to ANB. She assured me that I could get that information, but I would have to send an email requesting it. I immediately followed up and sent an email to registrations. After a week went by with only the TICA automated response to my email I called TICA and spoke to Thea. She did remember the email request and indicated to me that she had turned it over to Leslie and asked if I had received any thing from her. I told Thea I had not received any information from Leslie and Thea said she would look into it.

Since that time I have been in contact with Cheryl Hogan the Kurilian Bobtail Board liaison as well as Donna Madison, Northeast Regional Director, and asked if either of them could get that information for me.

Apparently I can not get the names and TICA registration numbers for all the Kurilian Bobtail cats registered with TICA because it is now two months later and I have heard nothing from TICA EO. It is distressing to me as the working breed group chair that I can not get the information necessary to progress the breed within TICA. Especially in a breed that is already accepted in championship status in both World Cat Federation [WCF] and the Federation International Feline [FIFe] and has been for at least five years. I also find it rather redundant that the Board of Directors of TICA require the names and TICA numbers of all the cats registered in TICA in order to advance to ANB when that information is already at the EO. It makes absolutely no sense to me that I should gather all the names and numbers of the cats registered in TICA from the TICA EO and then regurgitate that same information back to the Board of Directors.
2.) Lack of the required Litter Registrations in TICA. If I am unable to get the names and TICA registration numbers of the Kurilian Bobtail cats registered with TICA it is almost certain that I will not be able to acquire copies of all the TICA litter registrations of the Kurilian Bobtails either, another of the requirements for progression to ANB.

3.) The number of TICA members on the Kurilian Bobtail breed group. Although I sent a reminder to the Kurilian Bobtail Yahoo Group in mid April, the number of members currently listed are few. After receiving the list from the EO on June 8, 2009, another difficult task obtaining, I sent a message to all the past known breed committee members, asking them to renew their TICA memberships. Three members informed me that they had renewed their TICA memberships, although it was not until mid May, and when they called the EO to inquire as to why their names were not on the Kurilian Bobtail breed section list they were told that it would be at least another 2 weeks. Just how long does it take to renew ones membership in TICA?

When I received the list of Kurilian Bobtail Breed members I noted that membership was divided into KB [shorthair] and KBL [longhair]. Since I was listed only on the KB group I called the EO to inquire why there were two different member lists when the only difference between the KB and the KBL was the haircoat length. I was told by one of the clerks that I needed to be a member of both since I was the Working Group Chair. Thinking this rather odd, I asked to speak to Leslie Bowers, and I was told that there should not be two separate lists because the only difference is haircoat for the Kurilian Bobtail. It is difficult enough for members to join the Kurilian Bobtail breed group, since one has to write in Kurilian Bobtail under “Registration Only Breed” on the membership application, and apparently the office staff is unaware that there is only one Kurilian Bobtail Breed Group.

I would also like to bring attention to TICA Registration Rule 33.6.3.4 “The Executive Office shall forward a report on litter registrations and individual cat registrations for the breed to the Preliminary New Breed Working Group Chair each year after the Winter Meeting. This information shall be used in preparing the required breed report for the Annual Meeting.” This never happened and I only got the information on the number of cats and litters registered in the Kurilian Bobtail breed group after numerous emails to the EO and to the Kurilian Bobtail Board Liaison for assistance.

I am well aware of the portion of the May 15-17, 2009 agenda that addressed Transfer New Breeds on page 65-66. However, I have not been able to find out if this was acted upon, tabled or sent back to the Rules Committee, since the minutes from that board meeting are yet to be published. I am more than willing to contact WCF and FIFe to see if I can get any of the statistics showing the number of Kurilian Bobtail cats registered and shown in both organizations since their acceptance to championship status. However, I am not inclined to waste my time or especially the time of those organizations, if TICA’s Board has no intention of progressing the Kurilian Bobtail to championship status.

Which brings me to the next portion of this report, a comparative analysis of three other natural bobtail breeds already in championship status in TICA, the Japanese Bobtail, both long and shorthair and the Manx and Cymric, comparing the numbers of cats shown in this past show year to that of the Kurilian Bobtail. As well as comparing the number of those cats registered with TICA, the number of litters registered in TICA and the fact that neither breed group has the full compliment of breed members and are thus considered inactive breed committees.
According to the statistics from the agenda for the May 15-17, 2009 Board meeting forty Japanese Bobtail cats [shorthair] were shown, this includes cats shown in all regions. Based on the information in that agenda it is impossible to tell if these cats are indeed unique individuals or if the same cats have been shown multiple times with in the show year. The number of Japanese Bobtail longhair cats shown was seven. Making the total number of Japanese Bobtail cats shown forty-seven, just five cats more than the Kurilian Bobtail cats shown in the last show year.

The litter registration count for the Japanese Bobtail shorthair since 1998 is 85, and for the Japanese Bobtail Longhair since 1999 is 10. There were no Japanese Bobtail litters registered in 2009 according to this report. Kurilian Bobtail litter registrations are lower, [17 litters registered as KB and 5 litters registered KBL] however, Kurilian Bobtail litters have only been recorded in TICA since 2003 a period of only 7 years. It is also almost a certainty that because the Kurilian Bobtail is not a championship breed many litters are not registered with TICA because it is not cost effective for the Russian breeders to register their litters in TICA since the Kurilian Bobtail is not in championship status. If you look at the first seven years of Japanese Bobtail shorthair registrations there were 39 litters registered in that time frame and for the JBL only 10 litters have been registered since 1999. Considering that there are 1,077 Japanese Bobtails registered in TICA and there are only two TICA members on that breed committee it brings to question the interest in that breed both in the show hall and by TICA members.

Japanese Bobtail litter registrations were 13 JB and 1 JBL in 2007 and 16 JB amd 1 JBL in 2008. With that number of litters registered in TICA one would think that there would be enough interest within the breed group to have a full compliment of breed committee members.

The statistics for the Manx and Cymric are even more interesting. In the 2008-2009 show season only 15 Cymric’s and 16 Manx were shown. Far fewer than the Kurilian Bobtail. Considering that there are 1890 Manx registered in TICA and 775 Cymric registered for a total of 2665 cats yet the breed group also does not have a full compliment of members, in fact there is only one member on that breed group. Surprising since in 2007 - 26 Cymric litters were registered and 25 Manx litters were registered. In 2008 the numbers were less with 13 Cymric and 11 Manx litters registered.

Lastly I would like to compare the statistics on the Nebelung to those of the Kurilian Bobtail. The Nebelung is a contrived breed of cat achieving new breed status in TICA in 1987 and full championship in 1997. To date there have been only 374 registered with TICA and in the 2008-2009 show season only 5 were shown. There have been only 55 recorded litters registered with TICA since 1999, the largest number of litters being 15 in 2000 and since that time only 34 litters have been registered with only 1 litter registered in 2008. There is not even a breed committee for this breed of cat, however, it some how is able to retain championship status in TICA.

In conclusion, the Kurilian Bobtail will probably never achieve the popularity of the Bengal, Ragdoll or Persian breeds but if allowed to progress to championship status there will be more shown, more individual cats and litters registered and more Kurilian Bobtail breeders joining TICA. Right now the European breeders do not necessarily need TICA, they are already in Championship status in WCF and FIFe and most are content to show in these associations. TICA on the other hand needs the European breeders to join TICA and show in TICA, this could be assisted by the progression of the Kurilian Bobtail to full championship status immediately.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Ann Paradis, Kurilian Bobtail Preliminary New Breed Working Group Chair
**The Savannah Breed Report – 2008-2009**

The Savannah has now been in ANB for a year. We are continuing to show on a regular basis and believe that many judges are starting to see the consistency we are striving for in our breed. It is exciting to see how we are able to 'lock in' desirable traits by breeding second, third and fourth generations of SV x SV crosses. It is our belief that we will continue to see improvement in Savannahs that reflect our breed Standard over the next year or two. It is a very exciting time for Savannah breeders!

**Litter Registrations**

In 2008 there were 412 litters registered with 632 live males and 635 live females totaling 1,267 live kittens. In 2009 so far there have been 82 litters registered with 132 live males and 120 live females, totaling 252 live kittens.

**Savannah Registrations**

There have been a total of 382 Savannahs registered in the past year. The breakdown of this number includes:

- 57 A registered Savannahs
  - 3 PFoundation
  - 54 NFoundation
- 146 B registered Savannahs
  - 20 PFoundation
  - 126 NFoundation
- 137 C registered Savannahs
  - 40 PFoundation
  - 97 NFoundation
- 42 SBT Savannahs

It appears that once again the total number of individual registrations has dropped. However, looking back at last year’s registrations we see there are a total of 803 Savannahs registered for the 2007-08 TICA year, yet at the time that last year’s Breed Report was written, only 407 Savannahs had been registered. This suggests that there is not necessarily a decrease in the Savannahs being registered, rather a time lag for when the registrations are actually being sent in to TICA. Nevertheless, both the C and SBT registered Savannahs have more than doubled, while the A and B registered Savannahs have steadily declined. This indicates that the majority of Savannah breeders are concentrating on moving their programs toward SBT with the goal of having a Championship breed within the next couple of years. It is also suspected that breeders are being much more selective when choosing breeders and petting out more kittens that might previously been used in a breeding program, and since pet owners
are not as conscientious about registering their cats this is another reason why the individual registrations may be dropping.

**Savannahs in the Show Hall**

During the 2008-09 show year there were 50 unique Savannahs representing 19 different breeders, shown by 28 different individuals at 48 different shows in 9 different regions, including internationally. This is fairly consistent with previous years. One of our goals in the coming years is to continue to increase the Savannah’s exposure to more shows, regions and judges, and to encourage more Savannah owners and breeders to show their cats.

**Savannah-Ramas**

We continue to hold Savannah-Ramas two to three times a year. This is a unique opportunity to showcase our breed and explain its roots, as well as demonstrating how the breed is progressing and advancing with careful and selective breeding. We made a momentous decision regarding the Savannah-Ramas this past year. In previous Savannah-Ramas we have allowed Servals to be displayed as well. We have decided that doing this actually diminishes the impact of the Savannah breed and puts more emphasis on the exotic ancestor, which we do NOT want to do. We have therefore decided that we will no longer allow Servals to be displayed during Savannah-Ramas. Instead, Brigitte Cowell has developed a marvelous poster that outlines the benefits of owning a Savannah, vs. the pitfalls of owning a Serval, which we display in a prominent area of the show hall (see Appendix A at the end of this report).

**Savannah Breed Seminars**

A Savannah Breed Seminar was presented in Pigeon Forge, TN this past January by Patti Struck and repeated in San Antonio, TX in May by Brigitte Cowell and Kristine Alessio. Since we have recently revamped the Savannah Standard, this seminar reviewed the entire Standard, including the changes that have since gone through as of May 1st, 2009. It was succinct and relied heavily on picture documentation of the Standard, comparing the Serval ancestor to the current Savannah breed as it exists today. Not only was it well received by the judges, but there were several requests by both judges and Savannah breeders for a CD copy of the seminar so that they could have a handy reference to the revised Standard. Both seminars offered CEUs for the judges.

**Savannah Rescue**

Savannah Rescue had a quiet year. Despite the downturn in economy, there has not been a significant increase in Savannahs being surrendered to Rescue. There does seem an unverified increase in postings of available Savannahs on forums such as
Craigslist, but always with mention of an adoption fee. Savannah Rescue attempts to offer rescue services to such posters but have not found that they need our help. In the past year, Savannah Rescue had taken in only seven Savannahs, three of which are currently in Rescue. There are over 700 members of our email notification list waiting for an available Savannah.

Most of Savannah Rescue's work continues to be in breed education and counsel of troubled pet owners. The problems presented continue to be general cat issues that are no different from those reported for other breed rescues. Savannah Rescue remains in close contact with other breed rescues. In fact, our most recent Rescue was gained because a city's Animal Control contacted a Rescue Group about a cat they had had surrendered that then referred them to us as it was a Savannah. It's been wonderful to be part of the rescue community, Kristine and I have learned a lot about the processes involved and have been happy to help out where we can.

Brigitte Cowell and Kristine Alessio
Directors of Savannah Rescue

www.svrescue.com

Savannah Breed Section Website

The Savannah Breed Section Website has existed now for several years. This year, thanks to the generosity of Peggi Johnson contributing her time and excellent webmaster skills for free, it has been completely revamped and updated. It is still a work in progress, but it has already created a draw from both Savannah breeders and browsers interested in learning more about Savannah cats. It is still a work in progress, but we are all quite pleased at how it is coming along. You can find the Savannah Breed Section website at: www.savannahbreedsection.org

Hybrid Law Resource

We introduced the Hybrid Law website in last year’s breed report. It has now been active for almost a year. This is a website that reviews laws related to hybrid ownership in the United States. In September, 2008 we requested feedback from the different hybrid breeders and in December the site went live. Since that time we have had 5683 visits to the website! It is exciting to see that Savannah and other hybrid breeders refer to the website on a regular basis. Our goal is to eventually make this an international website where hybrid laws in countries throughout the world can be accessed.
REASONS WHY YOU DON'T WANT A SERVAL AS A PET

They Do Not Handle Change Well at All.
This means changes in home, changes in occupants, changes in routine. They would only be happy if everything stayed exactly the same for the next 20 years. Anything that changes means the Serval is going to be upset, and their behavior will show it.

They Need a Lot of Attention.
Not just food, they need you all the time. Not your child, not your friend, not a boarding facility...they need you every day of their lives. Forget about vacations or even overnight trips.

You Don’t Want to Travel with a Serval.
You may decide that if you cannot leave your Serval then you should just take them along with you. Well, even taking your Serval with you places can be disastrous, after all that is “change” too! Additionally, you might find a pet-friendly hotel but they may not consider a exotic a “pet”, nor to mention that many cities, counties and states do not allow exotic, even passing through!

Their Diet Is Specialized.
Serval are very voracious, meats, male or female, intact or spayed/sterilized. They like to mark their territory, and will regard you as an intruder. Many servals are very territorial and can spray a LOT.

Servals Are Intelligent Animals.
They aren’t as good at learning as domestic cats but they are very smart.

Servals Do Not Rehome Well.
Not only will they be unlikely to ever leave another home, they could very well prove themselves to be difficult if they leave them. In most cases the only option for an adult Serval needing a new home is a sanctuary. While servals are wonderful pets as they save the lives of many exotic animals, what a change in circumstances for a cat very used to being spoiled and loved up to be out in a cage with limited attention.

Servals Can Be Difficult for Other Pets in the Household.
While the Serval is a great pet with other cats and other dogs. As the Serval gets bigger and more dominant, their behavior the balance can change and a Serval can be a challenge for the other pets in the household to live with. Serval need a stable environment and their behavior as a complete adult can be markedly different from their outgoing, lovely kitten personality.

It’s Almost Impossible to Find a House Sitter for a Serval Pet.
Care of a Serval is special and most general house sitters are happy to feed a dog or cat but not an exotic animal. And once you are familiar with the care your Serval requires, most likely your house sitter will not care for. It is likely to feel uncomfortable leaving him in the care of someone else to utilize a hired person familiar with the care of an exotic animal.

Servals Need an Enclosure.
This is not an optional extra, an exotic cat needs an outdoor enclosure but is safe and secure. Most areas that allow exotic animals will also have requirements for an enclosure for the animal, even if the animal lives in your house with you. Servals Are Often Not Permitted Where You Live.
Exotic ownership is increasingly limited in the United States, as well as the rest of the world. Laws are added restricting exotic ownership every year. Additionally, even if you are allowed to own an exotic animal, the permits are difficult to obtain, the conditions that need to be met are stringent, and the permit fee &/or the insurance policy you need to obtain are prohibitive as a yearly cost.

REASONS WHY YOU SHOULD PREFER A SAVANNAH AS A PET

Savannahs Are More Adaptable.
Although domestic cats like routine just, they can and do adapt to new homes and new people.

Savannahs Like Attention.
Although Savannahs are very affectionate, they are not dependent on their human to the same extent as a Serval.

Savannahs Often Like Road Trips.
As long as it is on their terms, just like a domestic cat, but given a car where they can look out the windows and hang out in comfort...then traveling is on a big deal for a Savannah.

Savannahs Eat Domestic Cat Food.
Just Like Any Other Domestic Cat. Although we recommend a high-quality cat food, Savannahs do not require any different diet than would be recommended by any responsible cat breeder of any domestic cat breed.

Savannahs Use Their Litterbox Faithfully.
Like any domestic cat, if the litterbox is cleaned regularly they are very happy to use their litterbox.

Savannahs Don’t Spray.
Of course, a Savannah may spray just like a domestic cats may spray to mark territory, but a spayed neutered Savannah does not spray.

Savannahs Are Special for Their IQ.
Savannahs are very intelligent animals. They aren’t good at learning as domestic cats but they are very smart.

Savannahs Are Treated by Regular Veterinarians.
Although it’s nice if your veterinarian does understand what a Savannah is, there is no specific care of a Savannah that would be different from any other domestic cat breed.

Rehoming.
It is never a happy thought to have to rehome a cat, but Savannahs have been successfully rehomed similarly to any other domestic cat. Obviously the earlier generation Savannahs may find it more difficult to adjust, similarly to a Serval.

Savannahs Get Along with Cats and Dogs Easily.
We do recommend that other pets in the household are similar energy and personality. Savannahs are a high-energy feline that might not be the best companion for children, or even a big, outgoing,活泼的,-energy dog. Savannahs are a high-energy feline that might annoy a contrary, grumpy older rescue cat, much as a kitten of any other high-energy domestic breed might.

Savannahs Can Be Left with a House Sitter.
Savannahs can be left in another person’s care just like a domestic. They will miss you, but they are ready to come home when you return.

Savannahs Do Not Need an Enclosure.
Sure, they’d like an outdoor enclosure as long as that meant they didn’t have to give up their comfortable home. Just like any other domestic cat, Savannahs would love to sit out in the fresh air and watch birds and insects in the sun in a safe enclosure, but there is not the requirement that an exotic cat has.

Savannahs Are Often Permitted When Servals Are Not.
In some states and counties, anti-exotic legislation will also cover any hybrid progeny of a wild cat. Federal law regards exotic domestic cats such as Savannahs as domestic cats, but not all states agree. You should check your local legislation before getting a Savannah as pet.
The Serengeti Cat Breed Group continues to grow very slowly but, at least, it is growing. We are seeing litters produced in the UK. We also have had litters produced in Russia. Within the United States we now have several active breeders and, while we have not registered any SBT Serengeti’s yet, it is likely that we will do that next year. The main reason we have not registered any SBT Serengeti is that I continue to encourage other breeders to outcross to new Bengal and Oriental lines to provide an extremely broad genetic base for this breed. Consequently, every time we do that we, obviously, role the cats numbers back down to A’s and B’s. I still feel it is important to do that.

The Serengeti Group has its own website called The International Serengeti Cat Club and we have a Yahoo list serve where we discuss breeding issues and share information about our programs.

Since TICA requires 25 active breeders to consider putting the breed forward for Advanced New Breed it will be sometime before we are in the position to do that. We have breeders in enough regions and, I believe, we are breeding and showing enough cats but the threshold of 25 breeders has proven to be very difficult for us to reach. I would encourage the Board of Directors of TICA to consider whether 25 breeders are realistic for a breed to move from Preliminary to Advanced. It seems to me that 15 breeders in five regions with appropriate numbers of cats being produced and registered would be a threshold that could be reasonably reached and still meet TICA’s goals of managing the development of new breeds. It is only after the cats get to Advanced New Breed that we really start to see new breeder interest.

Once again, I want to thank the Board of TICA for allowing us to continue to work on this breed.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Sausman
I. Background. The TICA Board of Directors granted Preliminary New Breed status to the Thai at the Winter Meeting, 2007. We showed Thais in PNB classes from May 1, 2007 through April 30, 2009. The directors granted Advanced New Breed status to the Thai at the Winter Meeting, January, 2009. We began showing in the ANB classes on May 1, 2009.

II. Summary of PNB Show Experience. At the time of the Annual Meeting, 2008, we reported 43 Thais had been shown in PNB classes. Following the Annual, during the remainder of the show year, Thai breed section members showed at least another 33 cats.

They were:
(1) Lasjoyasthai Ximena (EN), (2) Lasjoyasthai Xana (EN), (3) Evinea Soldier Named Bacchus (SE), (4) Blackfootriver Mountain Bluebell (GL), (5) Sarsenstone Diophantine (SW), (6) Sandypoints Mokita of Pienpeto (EN), (7) Pienpeto Beautiful Leah (EN), (8) Pienpeto Born To Run (EN), (9) Pienpeto Aranthera Akihito (EN), (10) Lola (SA, see #9 in ANB list below), (11) Tsara Midori of Diabrillante (SW), (12) Blackfootriver Sun of Diabrillante (SW), (13) Archenland Daphne of Stonearch (GL), (14) Sarsenstone Regiomontanus (NE), (15) Archenland King Cor of Sandypoints (MA), (16) Vero Romeo Leyland des Vignes (ES), (17) Deithaidirama Nurejev (ES), (18) Magicthaigoblin Rusalka Dei Rama (ES), (19) Swami Dei Thai Di Rama (ES), (20) Sekhel Dei Thai Di Rama (ES), (21) Peps Dello Zaffiro (ES), (22) Yuma of Falkenhoeche, (23) Pangaea Argemone of Sarsenstone (SW), (24) Dynasty Siam Rocco Fella (SE), (25) Sableze Mandelbrot (SW), (26) Ninuphar of Sarsenstone (SW), (27) Sandypoints Leidee Blue (MA), (28) Truetin Ella Blue (GL), (29) Sableze Maitai (SW), (30) Pienpeto Chewara Chod of Elveameoi (EN), (31) Tsara Faethful Yakkity Yak (MA), (32) Sandypoints Sir Lancelot (MA), (33) Siamxpress Ping Pong (NE).

At least 76 different Thais were shown in the PNB classes from May 1, 2007 through April 30, 2009.

III. Progress in the ANB Classes. We have begun to show Thais in the ANB classes. We have shown the cats listed below at least once so far this show year (May 1, 2008 through the present). The regions in which they were shown are in parentheses after each cat’s name.

1. Pangaea Argemone of Sarsenstone, 03P 080908 008 (SW)
2. Lasjoyasthai Rock of Sarsenstone, SBP 102406 021 (SW)
3. Sarsenstone Venn of Ringapurr, SBP 021007 (GL)
4. Sableze Foxy, 02T 071908 054 (SW)
5. Blackfootriver Sun of Diabrillante, SBP 040608 010 (SW)
6. Sarsenstone Rikki Tikki Tavi, SBP 021007 (SC)
7. Tamsiam Big Bobby Blue, SBP 112507 (SE)
8. Sarsenstone Roquelaure, 02P 081708 (SE)
9. Liu, pending (SA).

The Thai seal point adult female, Liu (#9), was at a show organized by Club TICA Columbiano, Medellin, Colombia, May 16-17, 2009. The show report lists the cat as “Lfu.” According to her owner, Ovidio Buitrago of Columbia, her correct name is “Liu.” He had her evaluated by three TICA judges; the registration number is pending. **As of June 2, 2009, only 1 month into the new show season, we have shown 9 different Thais in the ANB classes. We should easily achieve the 25 different Thais required to be eligible for championship before the end of the year.**
IV. Judges Who Have Evaluated Thais at TICA Shows. Below are the judges who have seen the TICA Thai in PNB or ANB classes from May 1, 2007, through the present. In parentheses after each judge’s name we list one show, the first TICA show we know of at which the judge has judged Thais. Most judges have judged Thais at a number of different shows.

1. Andersen, Thomas (Huy, Belgium, 10/13/07)
2. Anderson, Mary Lou (Arcadia, 6/16/07)
3. Arnold, Mary (Irvine, 7/29/07)
4. Ashley, Linda Kay (Grand Rapids, 8/3/07)
5. Bailey, Richard (ABQ, 9/1-2/07)
6. Bangle, Jay (Pleasanton, 11/24/07)
7. Barnes, Dewane (Grand Rapids, 8/5/07)
8. Barrett, Pamela (South Bend, 9/8/07)
9. Barton, Carol (Sparks, 9/22/07)
10. Basquine, Genevieve (ABQ, 9/1-2/07)
11. Bastide, Catherine (Montenaken, 6/2/07)
12. Becknell, Sue (Tucson, 9/16/07)
13. Beninya, Vlada (Montenaken, 6/2/07)
14. Berthelon, Brigitte (Montenaken, 6/2/07)
15. Bright, Amanda (Huy, Belgium)
16. Caruthers, Don (Tucson, 12/2/07)
17. Chapetta, Judy (Raleigh, 7/14/07)
18. Chisholm, Alex (Arcadia, 5/20/07)
19. Coleman, Mark (Arcadia, 11/17/07)
20. Creech, John (Pigeon Forge, 1/11/09)
21. Crockett, Ellen (Sparks, 9/22/07)
22. Cunningham, Laura (Lehre, 10/6/07)
23. Dany, Monika (Montenaken, 6/2/07)
24. DeLandtsheer, Mary-Lise (Lehre, 10/6/07)
25. Dendauw, Marie-France (Huy, 10/14/07)
26. DeVilbiss, Harley (Raleigh, 7/15/07)
27. DeVilbiss, Kay (Grand Rapids, 8/4/07)
28. Dickie, Lisa (Raleigh, 7/14/07)
29. Dombroskie, Marilyn (Lancaster, 11/4/07)
30. Edwards, Joe (Wichita Falls, 7/8/07)
31. Fisher, Vickie (Tucson, 9/15/07)
32. Gagern, Franziska (Hellev., Neth., 11/10/07)
33. Gonyea, Donna (South Bend, 9/9/07)
34. Grillo, Lindaaye (ABQ, 9/1-2/07)
35. Hammond, Elektra (Wichita Falls, 7/7/07)
36. Hammond, Michael (Wichita Falls, 7/7/07)
37. Harding, Pat (Arcadia, 10/21/07)
38. Harrison, Vickie Jo (Wichita Falls, 7/7/07)
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40. Higgins, Robin (Raleigh, 7/14/07)
41. Hoehn, Ann (Corpus Christi, 12/8/07)
42. Jacobsen, Candy (Arcadia, 6/16/07)
43. Jones, Toni (Wichita Falls, 7/7/07)
44. Judge, Lynn (Sparks, 9/23/07)
45. Kaizuka, Nohoko (ABQ, 9/1-2/07)
46. Kajon, Adriana (Waco, 8/19/07)
47. Kempner, Teresa (Ansonia, 4/26/09)
48. Kissingen, Barbara (Lancaster, 11/4/07)
49. Klamm, Wendy (Raleigh, 2/22/09)
50. Knapp, Rene (Raleigh, 12/28/07)
51. Kovac, D’Ann (Waco, 8/18/07)
52. LaGarde, Jean-Marc (Huy, Belg., 10/13/07)
53. Lahey, Paul (Lancaster, 11/4/07)
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63. McInchak, Karen (Sparks, 9/22/07)
64. Noel-Garel, Aline (ABQ, 9/1-2/07)
65. Nottingham, Maureen (Arcadia, 5/20/07)
66. Oizumi, Motoko (Livonia, 11/16/08)
67. Parkinson, Nancy (Arcadia, 10/21/07)
68. Parsley, Melissa (Arcadia, 2/16/08)
69. Patrick, Yvonne (Sacramento, 10/13/07)
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71. Portelas, Pascale (Arcadia, 5/20/07)
72. Ray, Barbara (Raleigh, 7/15/07)
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102. Yow, Frances (Arcadia, 9/29/07)
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Based on the above information, we conclude that the Thai has been evaluated at shows by more than two-thirds of the active TICA judges, another requirement for championship that has been met.
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The table above shows that the Thai has met another requirement for championship. The Thai can list at least 100 shows where cats of the breed have been evaluated in the PNB or ANB classes. We actually have shown our cats in more than 100 shows, but this list is long enough.

VI. Number of Thai Litters Registered. See accompanying report from the Executive Office. As of April 22, 2009, a total of 68 litters of Thai kittens were registered. About 75 percent of these litters were registered in the last 2 years. This indicates considerable growth in the breed in TICA.

VII. Number of Thai cats registered. See report from the Executive Office. As of April 22, 2009, we had 267 Thais registered in TICA. More than half were registered in the last 2 years. This again shows considerable growth in the breed in TICA. Of the 267 Thais registered, all but 12 had prefixes that render them eligible to be shown in championship. The Thai is a Natural Breed. Most are SBP, SBT, 01-03T, or 01-03P

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cats. Thus, we have met two more requirements for championship (at least 200 cats registered, with a minimum of 100 eligible for championship).

VIII. Number of Thai breed section members. At the beginning of 2006, there were approximately 7 members in the Thai breed section. On July 31, 2007, the Executive Office reported 27 members in the Thai breed section. On March 12, 2008, the Executive Office reported 35 members in the Thai breed section. As of April 22, 2009, the Executive Office reported 43 members in the Thai breed section. This shows steady growth in the size of the breed community active in TICA.

IX. Number of active Thai breeders. The table below lists the breeders who are members of TICA, of the Thai breed section, and have registered a litter of Thai kittens with TICA during the past 2 years. This information was current as of 6/2/09.

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We had 25 active breeders when we applied for ANB status at the end of 2008. We have 29 now. To be eligible to apply for championship status, we need 15 active breeders in North American regions. We have met that requirement because we have 20.

**Conclusion.** The Thai breed continues to make progress. We achieved ANB status two years after earning PNB status. After just a few months of ANB status, we have met most of the requirements for championship status. We anticipate applying for championship status by 2010.
AMEND TICA JUDGING PROGRAM (ANDERSON)  
Article VIII - Acceptance of Judges from Other Cat Associations  
Approved Rules 7/20/09

48.2 Any judge who is or has been licensed by another domestic or international association, who has at least 5 years of judging experience with one association, and who has judged at least 25 cat shows before applying to TICA, may apply to the Judging Administrator/Designee for a TICA judge's license NO LATER THAN May 15th for application at the Annual, October 15th for application at the Winter Meeting or January 15th for application at the Spring Meeting. The highest level for which application may be made is Approved Specialty. Any such application shall include a detailed description of prior training and education and shall be evaluated on a case by case basis. Applications received after the deadline will be presented at the following scheduled Board meeting.

48.7.1 An applicant who is a licensed Allbreed judge in his/her current association at the time of application shall be granted a license ONLY AFTER the applicant has trained with TICA Instructors, handling all cats and kittens in a minimum of six different TICA shows. Prior to licensing, the applicant shall do one solo training session handling a minimum of 30 cats, kittens, or alters. The applicant shall write breed critiques on all breeds not recognized in the association in which the applicant previously judged.

48.7.1.1 An applicant who is licensed less than Allbreed in another domestic association (i.e. Association headquartered in the United States of Canada) must complete the requirements of 43.3 and a minimum of half the training requirements in Article Three of the Judging Program (43.7 through 43.9).

Proposed Change

48.2 Any judge who is or has been licensed by another viable domestic (CFA or ACFA) or international association, who has at least 5 years of judging experience with that one association, and who has judged at least 40 cat shows with a minimum of 125 entries in a ring format or 40 entries in an international traditional format, before applying to TICA, may apply to the Judging Administrator/Designee for a TICA judge's license NO LATER THAN May 15th for application at the Annual, October 15th for application at the Winter Meeting or January 15th for application at the Spring Meeting. The highest level for which application may be made is Approved Specialty. Any such application shall include a detailed description of prior training and education and shall be evaluated on a case by case basis. Applications received after the deadline will be presented at the following scheduled Board meeting.

48.7.1 An applicant who is a licensed Allbreed judge in his/her current association at the time of application shall be granted a license ONLY AFTER the applicant has trained with TICA Instructors, handling all cats and kittens in a minimum of six different TICA shows. Prior to licensing, the applicant shall do at least one solo training session handling a minimum of 30 cats, kittens, or alters. The applicant shall write breed critiques on all breeds not recognized in the association in which the applicant previously judged and for those breeds whose standards are
significantly different from the originating association.

48.7.1.1 An applicant who is licensed less than Allbreed in another domestic association (i.e. CFA or ACFA) must complete the requirements of 43.3 and a minimum of 75 percent of the training requirements in Article Three of the Judging Program (43.7 through 43.9 needs to be deleted...the references are non-existent.).

48.7.1.2 An applicant from any other domestic association must make application to the TICA Judging Program at the LH/SH Trainee level and complete all of the requirements of the same.

Reasoning for the Rule Change: TICA has developed a training program for its judges that far surpasses that of most if not all other associations. We need to show respect to our TICA judges that have worked through the program to earn the honor of a TICA judging license. This is not accomplished by admitting transfer judges with lesser qualifications and requiring lesser requirements for attaining licensure in TICA. It was my understanding that at one point TICA was growing and felt it was not producing as many judges as was thought needed to accommodate the growth in show production. Producing qualified judges that the organization can be proud of is an important element in growth if we are to remain a credible organization. Judges that have gone through the entire applicant process successfully only to see other judges transfer over to TICA having to fulfill fewer requirements is not sitting well with the organization's currently licensed judges. I fear that to continue to accept lesser requirements of transfer judges may cause and may already be causing an unhealthy rift among our judge population.

(LS) I think we need to remove the word "viable" as I anticipate that could cause all sorts of issues in the future (for example, what would happen if, say, CFA folded -- not that I'm saying such a thing is imminent, but they have been having financial trouble for years -- wouldn't we want to absorb a number of their judges?).

I would change "viable" to "associations with at least and strict as standards as ours (oh, I can't quite remember - but I'm thinking of the wording in the discipline section, which would cover the entire problem and using consistent wording is often helpful)."

I am very much one with mixed feelings on this too - I really think we need to grow our domestic judges panel -- it does help new clubs if they have a greater selection of judges to choose from, for one thing.

On the other hand, it is very important to maintain the quality of our judges....

(BT) I agree with you Laurie - it is important to maintain the quality - I guess I feel the quality is in the person, not the association they are coming from.

While I understand that some of our judges may not feel that Transfer Judges do as much as they do in order to be licensed with us I feel we need to look at what it is we are trying to accomplish. If it is to add quality people to our judge’s roster I think we would be better served to look at people on a case by case basis and tailor the training to the person's needs via suggestions from the Judging Administrator when they apply.
48.2 changes - I'm not sure how we would police that there were 125 cats entered (or shown) in each of the 40 shows an applicant had judged unless they sent a full catalog for each show to the JA to review...something they may not have in their possession and does the JA really want to wade through 40 catalogs?

48.7.1 I have no problem with the changes proposed in this section...it is basically clarifying the wording.

48.7.1.1 I'm not sure what an additional 10 training sessions will accomplish if someone has been judging for many years - basically domestic judges are licensed in all breeds not in breed by breed like some of the traditional associations.

48.7.1.2 It looks to me like this is saying that anyone not coming from CFA or ACFA must apply as a brand new trainee and go through the entire training program...if this is what is being said I am against it. Again, what is the purpose of this? To make someone jump through more hoops – if a person has been judging for 10 – 15 years it is not reasonable to expect them to go through our entire training program.

(MW) I feel the Board should be looking at each transfer application on a case by case basis. I agree with Laurie's points about some of the language in the proposal as it currently stands. I also agree with Bobbie's concern about the practicality of verifying some of the proposed additional conditions.
Amend Judging Program – Article Twelve – CEU Requirements

Proposed by Vickie Shields and approved by Marylou Anderson, Judging Administrator, following discussions at the CEU Fiesta, Albuquerque, May 2009. This amendment deletes Judges’ Conferences and Clerking Schools as earning CEUs, adds the purpose and description of CEUs, and corrects old typos in the text.

Amended by Rules Committee and passed on xxxxxx.

ARTICLE TWELVE - Continuing Education

412.1 With the permission of the show management and the officiating judge, anyone participating in the Judging Program is encouraged to handle breed(s) and/or color(s) as a training session for the purpose of gaining more knowledge.

412.2 A CEU is a Continuing Education Unit. A minimum of 50 minutes actual One hour of instruction within one hour equals one CEU. No more than six CEUs shall be granted for any session. The purpose of these CEU requirements for current and potential participants in the judging program is to maintain and increase their knowledge base and to stay up-to-date on new developments regarding cat show judging, TICA, the cat fancy, and cats in general. These requirements may be satisfied through a variety of organized continuing education activities including in-person and online sessions.

412.2.1 Six annual CEUs must be accumulated earned by attending one or more of the following during each show season: judging school, breed seminar, genetics seminar, judges’ conference or workshop. The Judging Administrator may award CEUs for other cat fancy activities at his/her discretion (such as, but not limited to, writing articles in feline publications, translating TICA material, or attending feline health seminars, relevant college or university coursework, extension courses, professional conferences or seminars).

412.3 Judges and trainees must earn CEUs.

412.3.1 A Judge Emeritus (JE) is exempt from the CEU requirement.

412.3.2 A Distinguished Judge must lead a judges’ conference or breed seminar, workshop, or conduct a judging school or genetics seminar (if qualified) at least once every 2 years. No further CEUs shall be required for this time period.

412.3.3 A Judge of Merit is encouraged to lead a judges’ conference or breed seminar, workshop, or conduct a judging school or genetics seminar (if qualified) each show season. If he/she does so, no further CEUs shall be required for that year show season. Otherwise, the Judge of Merit must earn 6 CEUs.

412.3.4 Licensed Ring Instructors may receive earn 1 CEU credit for conducting a ring training session. (1 hour CEU for each completed training session), with

412.3.4.1 A maximum of three CEUs may be earned in this manner annually each show season.

412.4 Conducting or moderating any of the above schools, seminars, conferences or workshop sessions satisfies the requirement of attendance.

412.4.1 Licensed School or Licensed Genetics Instructors shall earn 1.5 CEU’s for each hour of instruction (as defined in 412.2) in a Judging School/Workshop or a Genetics Seminar.

412.4.2 All senior Allbreed Judges are encouraged to participate by conducting seminars.

412.4.3 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 1 month following the session.

412.5 Any judge may earn CEU credit for conducting a Clerking School. A maximum of two CEU’s may be earned in this manner annually.

412.5.1 Judges are encouraged to clerk at TICA shows; however, no CEUs are earned by clerking.
Comments from Rules:

(LS) I am opposed to the elimination of judges' conferences, as much productive, and very educational, information is presented and discussed in this way. Additionally, it is currently extremely difficult for some of our judges to expend any funds whatsoever to obtain the necessary CEUs, and eliminating and inexpensive way to do so does not well serve our judges. Finally, I am opposed to the constant changing of our judging program, and believe it needs to become stable, so that our judges, trainees, and hopefuls may have some idea of what is and will be expected of them. Additionally, I have long thought that active committee work should be encouraged and rewarded with CEUs. Since the reasoning behind the CEU requirements originally related to the issue that some judges failed to keep abreast of rule and breed changes (and which I believe we have lost sight of) those judges that participate in committees (ie legislative, etc) are generally judges that independently keep current and therefore not the group to which the CEU requirements were directed. Finally, with the advent of "CEU fests" that are not held in conjunction with shows, the impetus to hold CEUs at shows is much reduced, thereby increasing the cost to maintain what is, basically, a volunteer position. Alternative methods of obtaining the necessary credits should be encouraged (or at the very least not removed), that do not require costly travel and lodging, especially at a time when many people must reduce expenses.

(BT) I feel the Judges Conferences have outlived their usefulness and have changed from the original intent of a Judges Conference which was to be a structured event open only to judges to discuss concerns and problems. The Judges list is a forum open only to judges for that type of discussion. Most Judges Conferences are not structured and many are randomly written up any time two or more judges are sitting and just talking cats.

(DL) I would prefer to see stricter guidelines on what can be considered a conference rather than banishing conferences altogether. Although we have a judges on-line group where we can discuss things, in my opinion "in person" conversation allows better free flow of ideas.
INTRODUCTION
The Junior Exhibitor Program

TICA’s International Junior Exhibitor Program provides the opportunity for young people under the age of 18 to participate in the TICA experience and learn about feline husbandry. Participants are exposed to both competition and a continuing educational process as they work their way through Levels of Achievement. The program promotes sportsmanship and self confidence and fosters an ever-growing knowledge base of feline husbandry, breeds, grooming, and show participation and production.

The goals of the program are to:
* Educate junior exhibitors on feline health and care
* Mentor junior exhibitors as they build their self confidence
* Inspire and honor Junior Exhibitors with trophies and awards as they learn about competition and good sportsmanship.
* Grow the number of TICA Junior Members.

ARTICLE ONE – The Role of the Junior Exhibitor Mentor

81.1 The Junior Exhibitor Mentor plays an important role in the successful participation of a Junior Exhibitor in this program and the advancement through the levels. The Mentor is required to be guide, counselor, and coach.

81.2 Qualifications to be a Junior Exhibitor Mentor
81.2.1 Must be a TICA Member
81.2.2 Must be a working member of a TICA Club
81.2.3 Must be familiar with the Junior Exhibitor program

81.3 Other considerations in accepting a mentorship are whether it is possible to attend the same shows and be available for support and counseling.

81.4 Responsibilities of a Junior Exhibitor Mentor are:
81.4.1 Making sure the Junior Exhibitors are completing their levels and requirements.
81.4.2 Helping the Junior Exhibitor accomplish their goals.
81.4.3 Be a role model. Show and lead by example.

ARTICLE TWO – Eligibility for Participation

82.1 Participation in the Junior Exhibitor Program is open to anyone under the age of 18.

82.2 Applicants must meet the following requirements:
82.2.1 Be a junior member of TICA in good standing.
82.2.2 Own or co-own a TICA registered kitten, cat, alter, household pet kitten or cat.
82.3.3 Have a Junior Exhibitor Mentor
82.3.4 Complete the annual application and parental/guardian permission for participation form
ARTICLE THREE – Programs

83.1 The Junior Exhibitor Showmanship Program and Excellence Award.
This program is for Junior Exhibitors that desire to show their cats, enjoying the TICA experience from an exhibitor perspective. Junior Exhibitors may qualify yearly for a Junior Exhibitor Excellence Award. To qualify, a Junior Exhibitor must exhibit in 4 shows a year and provide a letter of endorsement from their Regional Liaison. To receive the award, the junior exhibitor must adhere to TICA rules and forward copies of the catalog cover pages and the pages that name the junior exhibitor as the owner or agent to the Regional Liaison or Regional Director. The Regional Director shall forward the list of names to the Executive Office.

83.1.1 The Junior Exhibitor Excellence Award shall be awarded annually at the Regional ceremonies.

83.2 The Junior Exhibitor Program and Achievement Award.
This program is a long-term, comprehensive program that encourages and challenges the Junior Exhibitor. A Junior Exhibitor may elect to complete some or all the levels, receiving recognition for graduating from each level sequentially. Completion of each level of the program earns the Junior Exhibitor an Achievement Award.

83.2.1 The individual level of achievement certificates shall be awarded, as earned, with a certificate, by the Regional Liaison.

83.2.2 Regional and International Recognition and Awards are described in Article Twelve.

83.3 The Junior Exhibitor Program and Achievement Award, with Distinction
Additional requirements may be met by Junior Exhibitors who are interested in pursuing the TICA Judging Program when they reach the age of 18. Upon completion of the Junior Exhibitor Program and those additional requirements which would qualify a Junior to apply for entrance to the TICA judging program, a Junior Exhibitor is recognized as having completed the Junior Exhibitor Program, with Distinction.

83.3.1 The Extra Requirements Checklist is available through the Regional Liaison or Director and can also be found on the TICA Website

ARTICLE FOUR – Levels of Achievement

84.1 The Junior Exhibitor Program is comprised of a series of levels, each containing progressively more complex learning and requirements, participation in Junior Exhibitor Rings, and completion of individual projects.

84.2 The program levels and recommended ages are:

84.2.1 Junior Novice: Members that have enough knowledge of TICA and their breed or household pet to compete in this level up to age 8

84.2.2 Junior Intermediate: 8 to 10 years of age

84.2.3 Junior Advanced: 10 to 12 years of age

84.2.4 Senior Novice: 12-14 years of age

84.2.5 Senior Intermediate: 14-16 years of age

84.2.6 Senior Advanced: 16-18 years of age
84.2.7 Members entering at an older age must complete all previous level assignments and must compete in at least one ring, but no more than three rings, at each level until their appropriate age level is reached.

84.2.8 Age limits are a recommendation and members may compete at higher levels than recommended providing they complete all requirements for each level.

84.3 All requirements for one level must be met before advancement to the next level is considered. Each level is considered an accomplishment.

84.4 Junior Exhibitors who desire to complete the program, with Distinction, must complete those remaining requirements which qualify the Junior Exhibitor to pursue the TICA Judging Program. These requirements may be worked on throughout the program.

ARTICLE FIVE – Junior Novice Level

85.1 In order to participate at the Novice Junior Level, all requirements of eligibility must have been met and application completed and submitted.

85.2 Requirements for completion of the Novice Junior Level are as follows:

85.2.1 Show in at least 4 TICA Shows

85.2.2 Participate in a Fund Raiser for the Junior Exhibitors or your cat club or donate a service/time to the Junior Exhibitors or your club

85.2.3 Participate in 2 Junior Exhibitor Rings at the Novice Junior Level.

85.2.4 Complete the following project.

85.2.4.1 Writing Assignment. Each Junior Novice must submit to their mentor at least two written paragraphs (photos encouraged) which include information about their name, age, grade in school, where they live and hobbies. It should also include information about their cat, including its name, age, breed, and what makes him or her special.

85.2.4.2 This project can be accomplished on paper or printed from a computer project, such as a website, or PowerPoint presentation.

85.2.5 Create a personal notebook which will contain copies of personal projects, educational materials and other requirements during the Junior Exhibitor Program.

85.2.6 Complete the Junior Novice Test.

ARTICLE SIX - Junior Intermediate Level

86.1 To participate at the Junior Intermediate Level, all requirements of the Junior Novice Level must have been completed.

86.2 The following are requirements to complete the Junior Intermediate Level:

86.2.1 Show in at least 4 TICA Shows after earning your Junior Novice level

86.2.2 Participate in a Fund Raiser for the Junior Exhibitors or your cat club or donate a service/time to the Junior Exhibitors or your club after earning your Junior Novice level.

86.2.3 Participate in at least 2 Junior Exhibitor Rings after earning your Junior Novice Level.

86.2.4 Attend at least one school, seminar or workshop after earning your Junior Novice level.
86.2.4.1 For purposes of this program, appropriate topics may include, but are not limited to, stewarding, clerking, TICA rules, and breed standards. The school, seminar, or workshop must be approved by the Regional Liaison.

86.2.5 Steward in at least 1 show after earning your Junior Novice Level. This does not need to be an entire show/day. It may be counted towards the service requirement as stated above in Article 86.2.2.

86.2.6 Complete the following project.

86.2.6.1 Display project. Each Junior Immediate participant must submit to their mentor, and display at a show, a poster project that uses a photo of a cat and labels the following on the photo: shoulder blades, chin, trunk or torso, flank, thigh, forehead/brow, front feet, back feet, head, ears, nose, whisker pads, neck, paws, eyes, back, tail, ribs, limbs, and abdomen.

86.2.6.2 Describe in writing, either on the poster or separate sheet of paper, the following problems in structure. Find and include photos of the structural problem, if possible.
   - Jaw: overshot, undershot and wry mouth
   - Eyes: entropian and epiphora
   - Nose: reduced nostril aperture
   - Spine/Tail: kinked and stiff tail
   - Limbs: hip dysplasia, polydactyl and cow-hocked legs

86.2.7 Complete the Junior Intermediate Test

ARTICLE SEVEN - Junior Advanced Level

87.1 To participate at the Advanced Junior Level, all requirements of the Junior Intermediate Level must have been completed.

87.2 The following are requirements to complete the Junior Advanced Level:

87.2.1 Show in at least 4 TICA Shows after earning the Junior Intermediate Level

87.2.2 Participate in a Fund Raiser for the Junior Exhibitors or your cat club or donate a service/time to the Junior Exhibitors or your club after earning your Junior Intermediate Level.

87.2.3 Participate in at least 2 Junior Achievers Rings after earning the Junior Intermediate Level.

87.2.4 Attend at least one school, seminar or workshop after earning your Junior Intermediate Level.

87.2.5 Obtain and read a copy of the TICA Clerking Program. Retain the copy in the personal notebook.

87.2.6 Assistant Ring Clerk at 2 TICA Shows.

87.2.7 Obtain and read a copy of the TICA Show Hotel Policy and retain it in the personal notebook.

87.2.8 Complete the following project.

87.2.8.1 Display project. Each Advanced Junior must find photos of a Persian or Exotic, Oriental or Siamese, and their choice of breed (may be their own cat, whether pedigreed or HHP) and describe/contrast the ear size/shape and set, eye color and shape,size and nose type of each of the three cats. Photos are encouraged.
87.2.8.2 Submit to the mentor for review and display at one cat show.
87.2.9 Complete the Junior Advanced Test

ARTICLE EIGHT - Senior Novice Level

88.1 To participate at the Senior Novice Level, all requirements of the Advanced Junior Level must have been completed.
88.2 The following are requirements to complete the Senior Novice Level:
   88.2.1 Show in at least 4 TICA shows after earning the Advanced Junior Level.
   88.2.2 Participate in a Fund Raiser for the Junior Exhibitors or your cat club or donate a service/time to the Junior Exhibitors or your club after earning your Junior Advanced Level.
   88.2.3 Participate in at least 2 Junior Achiever Rings after earning the Junior Advanced Level.
   88.2.4 Attend at least one school, seminar or workshop after earning your Junior Advanced Level.
   88.2.5 Refer to the TICA Clerking Program
      88.2.5.1 Complete the General Requirements of the Clerking Program
      88.2.5.2 Complete the first level of the Clerking Program as Trainee/Assistant Ring Clerk.
   88.2.6 Obtain a copy of both the TICA By-laws and the TICA Show Rules for your notebook.
   88.2.7 Complete the following project.
      88.2.7.1 Writing project. Each Senior Novice must submit to their mentor a written report on what they learned while attending a clerking school. This report should include a self-evaluation and a judge's evaluation.
      88.2.7.2 File the report in the personal notebook.
   88.2.8 Complete the Senior Novice Test

ARTICLE NINE - Senior Intermediate Level

89.1 To participate at the Senior Intermediate Level, all requirements of the Senior Novice Level must have been completed.
89.2 The following are requirements to complete the Senior Intermediate Level:
   89.2.1 Participate in a Fund Raiser for the Junior Exhibitors or your cat club or donate a service/time to the Junior Exhibitors or your club after earning the Senior Novice Level.
   89.2.2 Participate in at least 2 Junior Achievers Rings after earning the Senior Novice Level.
   89.2.3 Attend at least one school, seminar or workshop after earning the Senior Novice Level.
   89.2.4 Refer to the TICA Clerking Program and complete Level 2 requirements.
   89.2.5 Successfully complete the Head Ring Clerk Exam
   89.2.6 Complete the following project.
      89.2.6.1 Set up a clerking box with the supplies that are needed to clerk.
Ask your mentor, a judge, or Head Ring Clerk to review the clerking box and sign off on the project.

ARTICLE TEN - Senior Advanced Level

To participate at the Senior Advanced Level, all requirements of the Senior Intermediate Level must have been completed.

The following are requirements to complete the Senior Advanced Level:

1. Show in at least 4 TICA Shows
2. Participate in a Fund Raiser for the Junior Exhibitors or your cat club or donate service/time to the Junior Exhibitors or your club
3. Participate in 2 Junior Achievers Rings at the Senior Intermediate Level
4. Each Senior Advanced must visit a local animal shelter and submit to their mentor a short report on what was seen and felt. The report may include photos and pamphlets from the shelter or information gathered from the shelter’s website. The report should also include an explanation of the impact of one unaltered male and female on the pet population and how a Junior Achiever can make a difference in the over population of pets. The report should be added to the personal notebook.
5. Obtain and read copies of the TICA By-Laws, TICA Show Rules, Standing Rules, TICA Judging Program and add to the personal notebook.
6. Show Management requirements.
   6.1 Work with an experienced Show Manager as a Junior Show Manager and participate in the planning and execution of a show.
   6.2 After completion of the Junior Show Manager requirement and while working on the Senior Level of the Junior Exhibitor Program, work with an experienced Show Manager as a Co-Show Manager and participate in the planning and execution of a show.
7. Mentorship. As a Senior Advanced participant, find a person working on any of the Junior Levels and help them accomplish one of their requirements.
8. Breeds and breeding.
   8.1 Select 4 breeds of interest and prepare a report on the history of each of the breeds.
   8.2 Prepare and conduct a breed specific or Household Pet presentation of approximately 15-25 minutes.
   8.3 Show at least one cat, alter or Household Pet, owned or co-owned by the Junior Exhibitor, to a Supreme Grand Champion/Master Status

ARTICLE ELEVEN - Junior Exhibitor Rings

Junior Exhibitor Rings are conducted under the supervision of a TICA judge.

The Junior Exhibitor, rather than their cat, is evaluated in the Junior Exhibitor Ring. The Junior will be judged on and points awarded for:

1. Ability to handle and present their cat, including knowledge of their breed.
811.2.2 Ability to answer basic questions, according to their age and Level, about basic feline husbandry.
811.2.3 Grooming, health and condition of cat
811.2.4 Knowledge of TICA rules.

811.3 The following point system is to be used as a guideline for judges to follow in evaluating a Junior Exhibitor’s performance in a Junior Exhibitor Ring.

811.3.1 Handling Skills (20 points)
Junior/cat interaction - observable in the ring as well as through questions asked about the responsibility of caring totally for his/her cat. The judge should take into consideration the appropriateness of the cat chosen by the junior (such as a small 8 year old attempting to handle a large full grown MC, or a junior attempting to handle an uncontrollable cat would not be conducive to long term success).

811.3.2 Presentation (40 points)
The quality of the cat is NOT judged. Juniors are observed keeping in mind age/level appropriateness. The judge will ask questions at the end of the presentation. 20 points for demonstration and presentation such as a judge would do to a cat during a final - telling about each significant feature on the cat (breed/HHP, color, pattern, size, body part shapes, etc). 20 points for knowledge of the breed or basic HHP knowledge, cat care, grooming, and ring readiness - judge asks impromptu questions that are relative to the cat the child is presenting in the ring.

811.3.3 Testing (20 points)
20 points for pre-assigned questions related to the cat, health, rules and regulations, scoring, titles, etc.

811.3.4 Overall Presentation (20 points)
Judge assesses the appearance, demeanor, conduct, and comfort level, confidence in the ring and with handling the cat of each junior.

811.4 Only registered cats competing in the show may be used in the Junior Exhibitor Ring.

811.4.1 No hybrid cats less than four generations away from the wild cat maybe used.

811.5 Exhibitors may compete only one time before entering the program and joining TICA.

ARTICLE TWELVE – Regional and International Awards and Scoring

Tabulating the Junior Exhibitor points for Regional and international ranking will be done in the following manner. Points are tabulated for each show season and each show season will start with zero points.

812.1 Scoring
812.1.1 Participation Points
Each time a Junior Exhibitor participates in a Junior Ring, the participant will receive 100 points.

812.1.2 Placement Points
1st place is awarded 30 points
2nd place is awarded 20 points
3rd place is awarded 10 points

812.1.3 Points for number of participants
1st place is awarded the number of competitors in the Junior Ring category minus one
2nd place is awarded the number of competitors in the Junior Ring category minus two
3rd place is awarded the number of competitors in the Junior Ring category minus three

812.2 Regional Awards. The Top Ten Junior Exhibitors will be recognized at the Regional Level with appropriate awards similar to those of the Top Twenty Cats, i.e. rosettes, plaque, etc. keeping in the theme of the awards being issued at that Regional Awards ceremony.

812.3 International Recognition. The Top Five Junior Exhibitors from each Region will be recognized in the program at the International Awards ceremony.

812.4 The Junior Exhibitor Program Achievement and Distinction Award: All Junior Exhibitors who complete the program, in its entirety, or complete the program, with Distinction, will be honored at the Annual Convention with an appropriate award, featured in the visual media presentation at the Annual Awards Banquet and in the TICA YEARBOOK in color, free of charge. The list of recipients will be printed in the TICA TREND.
May 1, 2009

The International Cat Association  
Executive Office  
P. O. Box 2684  
Harlingen, Texas  78551

Attention: Leslie Bowers

RE: LETTER OF INTENT TO APPLY FOR APPROVAL AS A PRELIMINARY NEW BREED

Dear Madam:

The Napoleon Members Breed Section would like to request that an application for approval as a Preliminary New Breed be accepted and added to the agenda for the earliest possible TICA Board Meeting to be held in September 2009 or if the requirements demand, in January 2010.

We intend to show that the breed meets the requirements as listed in the TICA Registration Rules Section 33.6. We had entered Registration Status on February 27, 2004.

Please accept this letter, application, and attachments as our preliminary contact 120 days prior to the TICA Annual Board Meeting. Our first advertisement to be placed in the TICA Trend was requested on April 30, 2009 (see Attachment B). Our money order in the amount of $50 was placed in the mail to your office on May 1, 2009 (see Attachment C).

It is my understanding that receipt of the money order will generate a copy of the Daily Activity Report to be sent to me. As of today, I have not received a copy of those reports but an email to follow-up on those reports was sent to you today.

If you have any questions or suggestions please contact me on my cell phone number at 423-400-6812. Thank you for your timely consideration of this matter.

MARGIE GARDNER  
224 Farmhouse Lane  
Flintstone, GA  30725
THE INTERNATIONAL CAT ASSOCIATION, INC.
ADVEMENT AS A PRELIMINARY NEW BREED

Include a list of names, addresses, membership numbers and request for Working Group Chair in a separate document with packet.

33.5.1.4.2 A proposed breed name that is unique, if not already assigned; (This requirement should have been when accepted for Registration Only.)
List breed name(s): Napoleon

33.5.1.4.3 A proposed breed standard with permissible outcrosses, if any, approved by the Rules and Gene Committees;
Include as a separate document in the application packet.

33.5.1.4.4 A proposed breeding program;
Submit outline in packet.

33.5.1.4.5 A processing fee of $50;
Include copy of DAR in packet.

33.5.1.4.6 A proposed two-letter breed designation code, which shall be automatically included in the Registry Rules upon approval as a Preliminary New Breed if one has not been assigned previously. (This should have assigned when accepted for Registration Only.)
Provide two-letter code: NP and NPl.

33.5.1.6 A Notice of Intent to Apply for Advancement to Preliminary New Breed status must be published in the TREND at least 120 days prior to the meeting at which the application for advancement will be heard, and invite comments about the breed to be forwarded to the Executive Office.

Date submitted for publication in the Trend: April 30, 2009 and May 22, 2009
THE INTERNATIONAL CAT ASSOCIATION, INC.
ADVANCEMENT AS A PRELIMINARY NEW BREED

An indication that the breed is to be categorized as a Natural New Breed (Cat II), a Mutation New Breed (Cat II), a Domestic Hybrid New Breed (Cat IV) or a Non-domestic Species Hybrid New Breed (Cat V), with the rationale category must be included in this application. (Any breed may request to be classified as a Category I breed as have no outcrosses.)

List the proposed breed category: Category IV

Rationale for category: The Napoleon is a breed developed from deliberate cross between two existing breeds (Munchkin Persian Breed Group) incorporating characteristics of parental breeds into the new breed. (Sec. 33.2.1) of Reg
33.5.1 A breed recognized for REGISTRATION ONLY may apply for Preliminary New Breed status no sooner than 5 after acceptance for Registration Only upon completion of the following:
Date (meeting) accepted for Registration Only:
33.5.1.1 At least 15 cats which have attained the age of 8 months (at the time of application) are registered with
List cats by name and registration number. See Attachment A
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33.5.1.2 At least 10 litters have been registered with TICA;
Include copies of litter registrations in packet.

33.5.1.3 At least five TICA members in good standing, in at least three different regions are actively breeding breed ("actively breeding" means breeding at least one litter within the previous 2 years);
List member, region, and membership number.
1. Dawn Lott, SC, R-2565
2. Margie Gardner, SE, R-21
3. Carol Conway, MA, R-3052
4. Peggy Chenault, SE, R-33
5. Kristin Dubois, GL, R-3741
6. Melissa Bucy, GL, R-36

33.5.1.4 Submission of an Application for Acceptance as a Preliminary New Breed to the Executive Office a electronic copy to each member of the Genetics Committee and Rules Committee 120 days prior to the Board M at which approval is sought, which includes the following:

33.5.1.4.1 A Letter of Intent to apply for approval as a Preliminary New Breed, including a proposed Preliminary Breed Working Group Chair and the names and addresses of the proposed Preliminary New Breed Committee confirmed by the Board (The Preliminary New Breed Committee shall consist of all members of the breed section.
SUGGESTED NAPOLEON BREED STANDARD

HEAD 40 Points

Shape: 10 points
Ears: 5 points
Eyes: 10 points
Chin: 5 points
Nose: 5 points
Profile: 5 point

BODY 30 Points

Torso: 10 points
Feet and Legs: 10 points
Tail: 5 points
Boning and Musculature: 5 points

COAT/COLOR/PATTERN 20 Points

Texture: 10 points
Color/Pattern: 10 points

OTHER 10 Points

Condition: 5 points
Overall Balance: 5 points

DIVISIONS: All

COLOR: All
HEAD:

Shape: Round, broad, and smooth domed. Should be in proportion to body. Jaws broad with good tooth occlusion. Cheeks should be moderately full and blend with the overall roundness of the face. Overall a very sweet expression.

Ears: Medium to small and round tipped. Set wide apart, fitting into the contour of the head.

Eyes: Large, round and full. Set level and moderately far apart giving a sweet expression to the face, eye color has equal importance to size and shape. Deep brilliant eye color is preferred which conforms to coat color.

Chin: Strong, moderately full, fitting into the face.

Nose: Only moderately longer than broad. Muzzle should be moderately short and full.

Profile: Moderately short nose with a slight dip below the eyes. Forehead, nose and chin form a pleasing “baby doll” profile. There shall be no break between the eyes.

Neck: Moderately short, thick and well muscled.

BODY:

Torso: Semi-Cobby, thick, well rounded in mid section. Medium in size. Slight rise from the shoulders to the tail as the back legs are slightly longer than front legs.

Legs: Short, well developed and with firm musculature. The hind legs may be slightly longer than the forelegs.

Feet: Round, pointing forward.

Tail: Short to medium. Straight and in proportion to body length.

Boning: Sturdy and in proportion.

Musculature: Firm and well developed.
COAT/COLOR/PATTERN:

Length (long): Long, soft top coat, full undercoat. Noticeable Ruffs. Seasonal variations in coats shall be recognized.

Length (short): Short, dense, plush. Seasonal variation in coat should be recognized.

CONDITION AND BALANCE:

Should reflect excellent health with good muscle tone. Other than the short legs, all parts of the body should be in proportion to each other.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

The Napoleon's distinctive short legs developed from a spontaneous autosomal dominant mutation. The short legs do not hamper mobility or survival ability. The ideal Napoleon is a strong cat with nice boning and musculature. The face should be round with a pleasant expression and large, round deep colored, expressive eyes. The Napoleon should be balanced physically and temperamentally, gentle and amenable to handling.

ALLOWANCES:

Consideration should be given to the fact that females will generally be smaller than the males; but both sexes should be in proportion and balance for their size. There may be slight bowing to the long bone of the legs.

PENALIZE:

Wedge-shaped head; thin muzzle; wry, overshot or undershot bite; large, pointed or poorly set ears; excessive bowing of the legs; poor muscle tone; small, close-set eyes; pale, weak eye color; protruding eyes; excessive tearing of the eyes.

WITHHOLD ALL AWARDS:

Overall lack of merit. Poor overall condition.

DISQUALIFY:

Obvious break between the eyes. Kinked tail. Severe malocclusion or asymmetry to the face structure. Crossed, slanted or improperly focusing eyes. Any evidence of lameness.
SUGGESTED NAPOLEON BREEDING PROGRAM

Napoleon NP/NPL (Napoleon Breed Group/Persian Breed Group/Munchkin Breed Group)

Category IV - Domestic Hybrid Breed

SBT(V)
AOP, BOP, COP

Permissible Outcresses:

1. Parent of Parental Breed
2. Parents of Parental Breeds

Napoleon Breed Group X Napoleon Breed Group
Napoleon Breed Group X Munchkin Breed Group
Napoleon Breed Group X Persian Breed Group
Munchkin Breed Group X Persian Breed Group

Short/Long Legs

Short X Short (Munchkin Breed Group/Napoleon Breed Group)
Short X Long (Munchkin Breed Group/Napoleon Breed Group/Persian Breed Group)

Reference: Section 37.5.4 Requirements for Registration of the TICA Registration Rules.

A cat which is the product of two members of this breed shall be considered a purebred of this breed. The hybrid between two parental breeds or between a cat of this breed and one of the parental breeds shall be considered a first generation purebred of this breed.
From: Kim McDaniel [nd4stkat@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 05, 2009 1:41 PM
To: coonquest@gmail.com; LBowers@tica.org; TICAGreatLakes@aol.com; NaturalCatClub@yahoogroups.com; elizabeth hansen; Liz@chemicoons.com; kris_hirst@sbcglobal.net; stacia shafer; Carol Steve Welch; Harley DeVilbiss
Subject: Intent to Present Annual Plan

It is our intent to present a bid package to the TICA Board of Directors on Friday, September 4, 2009 for the 2012 Annual to be held in the Great Lakes Region.

Natural Cat Club is the sponsoring club.

Liz Hansen et al will present the proposal.

St Louis, MO, is the proposed venue City.

St Charles Convention Center will house the Board Meeting facilites, the Show Hall and the Annual Awards Banquet. One Convention Center Plaza, St. Charles, MO 63303
The adjacent Embassy Suites Hotel & Spa will provide lodging for attendees. Two Convention Center Plaza, St. Charles, MO 63303

Regards,
Kim McDaniel

Kim McDaniel
TimberBend Siberians
TimberBendCats.com
317.727-9297
Great lakes cat consortium, inc
Columbus, OH
Hotel: Hyatt Regency Columbus
Hall: Greater Columbus Convention Center (Shares the same building)
Banquet and board meetings in hotel - roughly $45 per meal
Presenting, Mike Vasquez

Sincerely,
Jamie Christian
Great Lakes Regional Director
The International Cat Association
Regional Website: www.TICAGreatLakes.org
Regional Yahoo Group: http://groups.yahoo.com/group/TICAGreatLakes/join
Leslie Bowers

From: TICAGreatLakes@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, August 05, 2009 4:35 PM
To: lbowers@tica.org
Subject: Annual 2012 proposal

Toledo, OH
Club: GLCC
Hall: Seagate Convention Center
Hotel: Park Inn (attached, 20 steps from hotel elevator to hall doors)
Banquet and show: Seagate Conv Center
Presenting: TBD - (proposal not final nor definite)

Sincerely,
Jamie Christian
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Final GL Proposal - typing in car on mini computer. Please correct typos, lol

LAnsing, MI
Hotel: Radisson
Hall: LAnsing Conv Center
Banquet in show hotel
Club: Glass CITICats
Presenting: TBD proposal not final nor definite

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