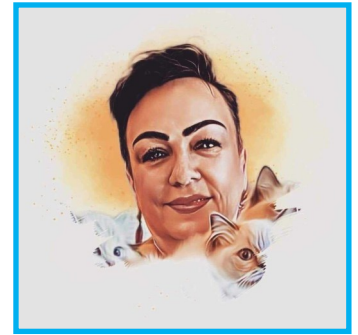


Dana Pendergraph * 2023 Candidate Statement * TICA Ragdoll Breed Committee

I am honored & blessed to be a current member of TICA Ragdoll Breed Committee: now serving in my 4th Committee term, since 2011. In this time on Committee, I have had the great honor to assist in better descriptions in our breed standard, seminar update, seminar presentation, start a breed section discussion Facebook page & been involved with TICA Officials as we work together to come up with a plan to never allow the variant colors into the Ragdoll standard. I am FOREVER PASSIONATE that our Ragdolls always remain a blue-eyed pointed breed! Our Ragdoll should also remain a large cat, with medium features, not too extreme in type. My volunteer work to serve in my Ragdoll community is my greatest joy to give back to this gorgeous, sweet, BLUE-EYED POINTED BREED that always does the giving to us.



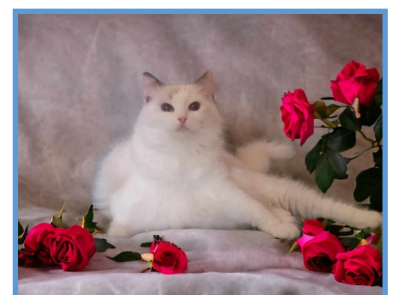
My introduction to the Ragdoll breed was at my age of 21 with a beautiful, mis-marked blue bicolor, mixed Ragdoll that I appropriately named Necessity. "Cessity" lived to be 21 years old, which took her through my 30's & into my 40's, single to married, she saw it all. We felt joined at the heart and as she grew in age, I began to research the Ragdoll breed. After Necessity, I acquired registered Ragdolls as my altered pets, and this took me to 2005, to age 46. Up to this time, I made my life in dressage riding, teaching, training & carriage horses: managing my own equestrian center & downtown Dallas horse carriages. I realized that with my love of the Ragdoll breed & strong work ethic, I would be a benefit to the Ragdoll breed. So, I made the important decision to begin Blossom Ragdolls in 2005. The Ragdoll breed is everything to me, and I am committed to serving my Ragdoll community in every way that I can use my experience & talents.



My dedicated horse life with 30 years of riding coaches, including the Hungarian Olympic Coach, gave me a strong foundation & education in animal structure. I came into breeding knowing Ragdolls, animal structure and the purpose of a breed standard. I quickly got busy in Ragdolls to learn, educate and volunteer my time. Now as Blossom Ragdolls for 18 years and counting, I work hard with my cats & kittens and mentor in breeding & showing. I love every part about showing: time with friends, traveling the country and showing to promote our great Ragdoll breed. I have brought cats to RW SGC and Lifetime Achievement Award. I'm also a proud board member of RFCI, Ragdoll Fanciers Club International.



I am asking for your vote for the coming Committee term. I hope to be a valued part of the team for all Ragdoll needs, always working for our blue-eyed pointed Ragdoll. I am working for you & I am always here for my Ragdoll breed community.



Many blessings,

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